





Growing Together at Glynwood

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11/10/24

October 2024

Half term holiday **28 October - 1 November**

Year Four Harvest Festival - Y4 Families invited - **Tuesday 22nd October at 2:45pm**

November 2024

School closed for staff training - **Monday 4th November**

Remembrance Day - **Monday 11th November** (special assembly in school)

Year 6 residential - Robinwood **Monday 11th - Wednesday 13th November**

Odd Socks Day - **12th November** - Wear Odd Socks for School

Year 5 visit to Beamish - **Wednesday 13th November**

Parent/ Carer Consultation for Reception and Y1 and Y2 - **Wednesday 13th November**

Children in Need Day - Non-uniform for a donation - **Friday 15th November**

Parents evening for Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 - **Wednesday 20th November**

Christmas holidays - break up 20th December and return to school 6th January

December 2024

Christmas Jumper Day (wear your Christmas jumper to school) - **Thursday 12th December**

Christmas Party Day (children to come to school in party clothes) - **Tuesday 17th December**

Year 3 and Year 4 (Year 3 lead performance) - Carols at St. John's - **Thursday 19th December at 2:30pm (parents invited) TBC**

Year 5 and Year 6 (Year 5 lead performance) - Carols at St. John's - **Friday 20th December at 2:30pm (parents invited) TBC**

Nursery and reception and KS1 Christmas performance dates will be set soon.

January 2025

Panto for pupils - Puss in Boots on Treasure Island - **Monday 6th January**

French Day - Tuesday 21st January

February 2025

Valentine's Disco -Reception - Monday 10th February at 2:15pm

Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 11th February (Assembly in school for children)

Valentine's Disco - Year One and Two - Tuesday 11th February 3:30 - 4:30pm

Valentine's Disco - Year Three and Year Four - Wednesday 12th February 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Valentine's Disco - Year Five and Year Six - Thursday 13th February 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Half term holiday - break up on Friday 21st February and return to school on Monday 3rd March

March 2025

World Book Day - Thursday 6th March - more information to follow.

Red Nose Day - Non-uniform - Friday 14th March

April 2025

Family Attendance Meetings - Wednesday 2nd April

Faith Day - Friday 11th April (parents will be invited into school from 2:45pm to look at children's work on different faiths)

Break up for the Easter holidays on Friday 11th April and return to school on Monday 28th April

May 2025

Earth Day-non-uniform day (wear something green) - Friday 2nd May

BANK HOLIDAY - School Closed - Monday 5th May

Year 6 SATs week - Monday 12th May - Thursday 15th May

Family attendance meetings - Wednesday 21st May

Break up for half term holiday on Friday 23rd May and return to school on Monday 2nd June

June 2025

Year Four Multiplication Check - Week beginning 2nd June

Nursery and Reception Sports Day - Tuesday 3rd June at 2:15pm

Year One and Year Two Sports Day - Wednesday 4th June at 2:15pm

Year Three and Year Four Sports Day - Thursday 5th June at 2:15pm

Year Five and Year Six Sports Day - Friday 6th June at 2:15pm

Year One Phonics Screening - Week Beginning Monday 9th June

Occasional Day - School Closed - Friday 13th June

Rainbow Day- Non-uniform and assembly in school - Friday 20th June

Glynwood Arts, Music and Craft Festival - 23rd June - Friday 4th July

July 2025

Glynwood Art Exhibition - open to families from 3:15 - 3:45 on Wednesday 2nd July, Thursday 3rd July and Friday 4th July.

Family attendance meetings - Tuesday 8th July

Pupil end of year reports out to families - Friday 11th July

Last Day of term for the summer break - Friday 18th July

Dear Families, I hope that this newsletter finds you well and you have had a pleasant week.

Breakfast club/ After School Club please make sure that children are booked in for these clubs. We have strict staffing/ children ratios, and it is possible that you might be turned away if the club is full.

Harvest - Could any donations please be brought into school in preparation for the Year 4 Harvest Festival on Tuesday 22nd October. Tins, packet foods, cereals etc. are most welcome. Donations will be made to the local foodbank.

Key Stage one classrooms - Could parents please avoid waving into classrooms and knocking on windows to attract their children's attention at the end of the school day. It is very distracting to both staff and pupils at a very busy time of the day.

Dinner registers - Thank you to those parents who are using the dinner register system through Parentmail. For those parents not yet doing so, could you please make your child's school dinner selection online to help speed up the process and help kitchen staff prepare the right quantities of food for lunchtimes.

Reading folders - Could parents in Key Stage 1 ensure your child has their reading folder on their designated day.

Healthy snacks - Please avoid sending your child into school with sweets and sugary snacks for break times - healthy choices only please.

Robinwood Forms - Can year 6 parents please return their Robinwood medical and souvenir forms before the half term break please.

School Start time - A polite reminder that the school day starts at 8:45 am and not 8:55 am.

Uniform - Please can you make sure your children's coats, jumpers, hoodies etc. have their name in. Staff are spending a lot of time looking for lost property each week that would be easily identifiable if names were put onto labels. A few parents have also said their child has come home with the wrongly named uniform, so could you please check your child has brought home their own clothing and not someone else's.

Earrings - A polite reminder about earrings. They should not be worn in school, but where piercings have recently been made the pupils should have them taped up on arrival at school if your child is unable to remove them.

Annual Consent Form - we are still waiting for a few parents to complete the consent form on parentmail, if you have not done this yet could you please do so as soon as possible.

Year 6 Parents/Carers - the deadline to apply for a secondary school for your child for next year is approaching (31st October 2024) - please apply on line via the Gateshead Council website.

Flu Immunisations - will take place in school on Tuesday 10th December for children in Years Reception to Year 6. If you wish your child to have this done at school please use this link to register them

<https://www.northumbriaimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

Our school code is **NB108372**

Christmas Card/Gift Orders with Class Fundraising- Your child will soon be bringing home a leaflet with their design on it. To confirm the design and to place an order please access the website as detailed on the card (not via a QR code as the leaflet states). The deadline for orders is Friday 8th November 2024.

As always, my door is open - please do call school if you would like to speak to me.

With my best wishes - Vicky Nellis (Head Teacher)

Child Protection and Safeguarding

Child Protection and Safeguarding are always an absolute priority in school. Our designated safeguarding leads and deputies are: Vicky Nellis (Head Teacher), Carolyn Dobbing (Home School Liaison Officer), Simon Otterson (Deputy Head), Sarah Brunskill (Assistant Head), Esther Commons (SENDco) and Jude Etherington (Curriculum leader). Please talk to any of us about any concerns that you may have. Posters displaying photos of the designated safeguarding leads are displayed around school.

If you have concerns about a child in your community, you have a number of options:

- 1) You can call 101 and ask for some welfare advice. This can be done anonymously.
- 2) You can visit the NSPCC website on: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/reporting-abuse/report/> or you can call the NSPCC helpline on 0808 800 5000, You can report concerns here anonymously too.