



Glenfall News

...a newsletter to inform the school community about
the day to day life of our school.

Friday 9th February 2018



A word from the head.....

I can't quite believe that it is already February Half Term. The weeks have whizzed by and the school, as always, has been a buzz of productivity with so many exciting things going on in all of the classrooms. There have been high levels of illness for both staff and pupils and I hope that the half term break will give everybody a chance to recharge their batteries ready for the second half of the Spring Term.

If you were unable to join us for the Social Media and Gaming Information evening this week I do hope you will be able to take a look at the Safer Internet Website at the following link. <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2018> 6th February was the national awareness day and we have talked to the children about staying safe online. Half term would be a good time to sit down with your child and discuss how to stay safe online.

Anne Swannel from Breakfast Club is looking for additional staff to work at Breakfast Club. If you could spare some time on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday morning from 8am to 8:45 please pop in and talk to Anne.

It was great to see the football teams in action, twice this week, as they secured a 3 - 1 victory over Gotherington Primary School and a hard fought match with Leckhampton Primary School ended at 4 - 0. This week we also saw the Wildlife Quiz take place at Glenfall. The team competed against Holy Trinity School and lost by only one point. However, the quiz was so high scoring there is a possibility that we may qualify for the next round and as a high scoring runner up.

I hope you all have a great half term.

Anthony Mitchell

Get Writing at Half Term

It's very simple. Entrants write an original story on any subject or theme in 500 Words or fewer and submit it online. If they win, their story will be read live on the radio by a superstar celebrity...like Julie Walters, Tom Hiddleston, Sir Kenneth Branagh, Jeremy Irons, or Sherlock himself - Benedict Cumberbatch. Each year, 10 million Radio 2 listeners hear, read and love these stories. Check out the 500 words website for further details.

Closing date is 7pm on 22nd February



Cheltenham Champions Gold Medal Winners

Congratulations to Laila, Isobel, Georgia, Olivia, Charlotte and Juliet who won a haul of individual medals aswell as securing the Gold Medal for the team. The squad took part in 'The Feet First' Competition last week and came 1st out of fourteen schools. Well done girls, we are all very proud of you.



School Council - Eco Focus

The school council have been focussing on the environment over the last month. One of the activities they undertook was a litter pick in the local area. The School Council collected a mass of litter from the local area including bottles, take away containers and even a scooter and cycle helmet. The school council also asked each of the classes to save electricity by turning off the lights, save energy by closing doors and to reduce the amount of paper that we throw away by recycling more. The school council have also been reminding children to not waste food at lunchtime also. The month long focus was topped off on Friday last week when we turned down the thermostats in school by 5 degrees. The children enjoyed wearing their onesies and jumpers and particularly the hot chocolate at the end of the day.





Diary Dates



February

9th February
19th February

- School Closes for half term
- School opens to pupils
- Residential Meeting Y4 - 3.30pm
- Book Fair

22nd February

March

1st March
5th March
12th March
13th March
21st March
23rd March
29th March

- World Book Day
- Y4 Residential to The Forest of Dean
- Parent/Teacher meetings 3.40pm - 5pm
- Parent/Teacher meetings 3.40pm - 6.30pm
- Tag Rugby Festival - Newlands
- Football Tournament
- School Closes for Easter at 2pm

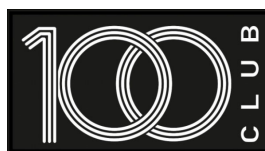
Advanced notice of a few dates:

13th March
15th March
28th June
6th July
20th July

- Parent/Teacher meetings 3.40pm - 5pm
- Parent/Teacher meetings 3.40pm - 6.30pm
- Sports Day at 1pm
- Reports out to parents
- Leaver's Assembly
- School closes for Summer Holidays

Glenfall 100 Club January draw

1st prize, £20, Dylan Hawkes, ticket 22
2nd Prize, £10, Wendy Williams, ticket 57
3rd prize, £5, Abi McPherson, ticket 73



Valentine cake sale

We will be having a FROG's Valentine cake sale on Thursday 22nd February, and we will, as usual, be very grateful to all cake bakers, purchasers and eaters! Cakes will be 40p each, or 3 for £1. Please bring all cakes to school on the day. Thank you, as ever, for supporting us!



Winter Weather Closures

If the school is to be closed due to adverse weather conditions or heating failure, parents will be contacted using our text messaging system. Please make sure that we have your most up to date mobile number. We will also post a message on the Gloucestershire County Council school closure pages which can be accessed at: www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/learning

We will also place a message on our own school website:
www.glenfall.gloucs.sch.uk

Announcements will also be made on local radio stations.



Reminders

Parent Pay

Please remember to keep your account in credit each week. Your child may be refused a lunch if your account is not in credit.



Winter Coats

As the weather is becoming wetter and colder could you please make sure that your child has a coat, hat, scarf and gloves. We will be asking them to put a coat on at breaktime and lunchtime and they may miss out if they do not have a coat.



Keep us up to date

If you have moved house, changed telephone numbers or set up a new email account please let the office know so that we can accurately maintain our records to ensure that we can contact you in case of an emergency and communicate with you



UPDATE YOUR DETAILS



French Club

French with Lena every
Monday
3.20pm - 4pm.

The club caters for beginners and improvers. Please contact Lena directly if you would like your child to join the club.



A few things.....

Gloucestershire Care Services **NHS**
NHS Trust

Hearing & Vision Screening for children in
Reception is taking place in school on

2nd May 2018

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If you do not wish your child to be screened please contact us

Phone; 0300 421 8225

Email; NC.MP@glos-care.nhs.uk

**Make sure you have informed us if your child is already under
professional care for hearing or vision**

Parents/Carers will be informed of the screening results

Chair: Ingrid Barker Chief Executive: Katie Norton

Understanding You

GLENFALL PRIMARY SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS 2018/2019

Gloucestershire
COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER					OCTOBER					NOVEMBER						
Mon	3	10	17	24	Mon	1	8	15	22	29	Mon	5	12	19	26	
Tues	4	11	18	25	Tues	2	9	16	23	30	Tues	6	13	20	27	
Wed	5	12	19	26	Wed	3	10	17	24	31	Wed	7	14	21	28	
Thur	6	13	20	27	Thur	4	11	18	25		Thur	1	8	15	22	29
Fri	7	14	21	28	Fri	5	12	19	26		Fri	2	9	16	23	30
Sat	1	8	15	22	29	Sat	6	13	20	27	Sat	3	10	17	24	
Sun	2	9	16	23	30	Sun	7	14	21	28	Sun	4	11	18	25	
DECEMBER					JANUARY					FEBRUARY						
Mon	3	10	17	24	31	Mon	7	14	21	28	Mon	4	11	18	25	
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Sun	2	9	16	23	30	Sun	6	13	20	27	Sun	3	10	17	24	
MARCH					APRIL					MAY						
Mon	4	11	18	25	Mon	1	8	15	22	29	Mon	6	13	20	27	
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JUNE					JULY					AUGUST						
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Term Time		Holidays	
Bank Holiday		Inset Day	

INSET Days 3rd September 2018
30th November 2018
23rd April 2019
22nd & 23rd July 2019

Term 1: Mon 4th Sept - Fri 10th Oct 2018 34 days
 Term 2: Mon 29th Oct - Fri 21st Dec 2018 39 days
 Term 3: Mon 7th Jan - Fri 18th Feb 2019 30 days
 Term 4: Mon 25th Feb - Fri 5th April 2019 30 days
 Term 5: Tues 24th April - Fri 24th May 2019 22 days
 Term 6: Mon 3rd June - Tues 10th July 2019 35 days
Total 190 days

Christmas Bank Holidays 25th December 2018
 26th December 2018
 New Year Bank Holiday 1st January 2019
 Good Friday 19th April 2019
 Easter Monday 22nd April 2019
 Early May Bank Holiday 6th May 2019
 Spring Bank Holiday 27th May 2019
 Summer Bank Holiday 26th August 2019

Not Going Out Not Staying In

Love Is In The Air
A Craft Evening for Adults

Love Tree Canvas
Wire & Willow Hearts and Bows
Love Tokens

Sat 10th Feb
7 – 10 pm

£30 per person
Welcoming Prosecco
Decadent Hot Chocolate
Delicious Nibbles

Southend Lodge
GL53 0EX

Online Booking: www.thecreationstation.co.uk
debbiekersley@thecreationstation.co.uk
Danni 07479 095601, Debbie 01242 639 423

Parents Meetings

The Parents Meetings for the Spring Term will be held on the following dates. This is a change of date from the previously published dates.

12th March 3:40 - 5:00pm
13th March 3:40 - 6:30pm

We will be trialling a new online booking system this term and will contact you shortly with details of the new system.

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Book Fair - Thursday 22nd February to Wednesday 28th February

