



Glenfall News

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

Friday 24th June 2016



A word from the head.....

By the time you read this newsletter we will know whether we are 'in' or 'out' of the EU following the referendum. Either way, I can assure you that it will be business as usual on Monday morning at Glenfall.

On Thursday, the children all enjoyed the languages day we held at the school. The children had opportunities to speak a range of languages, take part in French story telling, and enjoy food from different countries. It was fantastic that parents offered their help to come into the school to work with the children. We had parents from Finland, Sweden, Norway and China all



sharing their language and culture with the children. Mr Radley taught the children some Welsh, Miss Hockling taught French and Mr Minards taught Portuguese. Thank you to all of the parents and staff who offered workshops on the day

and also to Miss O'Connor for her vision and military like planning which made the event so successful.

The school was represented at the Cheltenham Athletics Field events at Richard Pate School. We came first in the boys throwing and gained a couple of 2nd places in the standing long jump. The points from this competition will go towards the points that the pupils gain at the track events to be held at the Prince of Wales Stadium on 6th July.

Today you should have received a letter detailing the class arrangements for next year. The children will start their transition afternoons next week as we start our preparations for the next academic year. See the grid included in this newsletter.

Have a great weekend
Anthony Mitchell



Year 6 Enrichment Week

Last week the Year 6 pupils enjoyed a fantastic enrichment week and participated in activities ranging from



sledging to rock climbing, to canoeing, rafting and paddle boarding. They also visited the Forest of Dean and went to GoApe and Puzzlewood. They rounded the week off with a morning at the Lido and games in Sandford Park. It was great to see the children working

together offering support and encouragement to overcome some personal fears.



FrOGS
Summer Fair Date

The Summer Fair will be on 2nd
July 12pm - 3pm



Diary Dates



June

- 28th June - Orchestra at St Marks Day Centre
- 29th June - Transition afternoon 1
- 30th June - Sports Day at 1pm

July

- 2nd July - Summer Fair 12pm - 3pm
- 5th July - Y5 Farm to Fork visit to Tesco
- 6th July - Athletics Track Events at Prince of Wales Stadium 5pm
- 7th July - Transition afternoon 2
- 8th July - Reports out to parents
- 8th July - Y5/6 to Fairford Air Tattoo
- 9th July - Glenfall Orchestra with The Wide Valley Singers at Holy Apostles - 7pm
- 12th July - KS1 Visit to The Cotswold Wildlife Park
- 13th July - Whole School Picnic Lunch
- 13th July - France Residential - Parents Meeting 6.30pm
- 14th July - Reception Class Multi-Skills Event
- 21st July - Leaver's Assembly @ 1pm
- 21st July - School closes for Summer Holidays @2pm

SuperStars will be running FUN Multi Sports Holiday Course at the school over the May Half Term Holidays (Tuesday 31st May – Friday 3rd June).

The course is suitable for children aged 4-11 and runs from 8.45-15.30 Daily

**Mini Stars- 4 year olds finish at 13:00
Super Stars - aged 5+ finish at 15:30).**

For more information and to book please get in touch with SuperStars directly on 0845 241 3682 or at

<https://bookings.super-stars.org.uk/>

Tom Jolly will once again be leading these courses.

APPLY ONLINE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS. For every child that is entitled to Free School Meals the school receives extra funding to enhance provision and improve progress and outcomes for children. So please apply even if you do not wish to take up your Free School Meal. You will receive an instant response as to whether you are entitled to Free School Meals once you have submitted your claim. All you need is your National Insurance Number and a current email address. Please apply if you think you are eligible, even if your child receives a free KS1 Meal.

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Sun Sense

As the weather is starting to improve you may wish to send your child with a sun hat, glasses and cream for lunchtimes. Children must be able to apply the cream themselves. Maybe consider putting sun cream on them in the morning.



Libraries everywhere are celebrating 100 years of the world's favourite storyteller – Roald Dahl.

The Big Friendly Read, Summer Reading Challenge 2016 is your chance to join in the celebrations! Sign up to the Summer Reading Challenge and get a free collector folder to keep your special Big Friendly Read cards. The cards include Quentin Blake illustrations from some of Roald Dahl's best-loved stories – you can collect all six cards as you read any library books of your choice. It's fun, it's friendly and, best of all, it's totally FREE.

Come and make some new friends at your local library this summer on The Big Friendly Read. It wouldn't be the same without you!

bigfriendlyread.org.uk

“The Challenge is fun because you read then you get prizes!”
Hassan, 8, Leicestershire

“It's going to be the best Summer Reading Challenge ever. I love Roald Dahl!”
Iman, 9, Wandsworth

“I think the Summer Reading Challenge is a great way to engage children in reading and it's great fun too!”
Arianna, mother, Hounslow

Orchestra

ORCHESTRA PRACTICE NEXT WEEK IS AT 8.00am ON MONDAY 27th OF JUNE (not Tuesday!!!).



Class Arrangements 2016 - 2017

Firstly, I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Pasquet is pregnant. Her baby is due in October and she has decided to take a year's leave of absence. Congratulations to Mrs Pasquet and her husband. Mrs Nye, who is a KS1 trained teacher, will be working alongside Miss Kelly in Y2. Mrs Heron has decided to retire from teaching and will therefore be leaving Glenfall at the end of the Academic Year. Miss Bannister has requested to reduce her hours to part time and she will be providing the PPA Cover for teachers across the school. This has therefore left a vacancy in Y1 which we are in the process of recruiting for at the moment. Once we have made an appointment we will inform you of the arrangements for your child's class.

I am confident that the organisation detailed below provides the best possible education and support for all of the children throughout the school.

Year Group	Teacher	Year Group	Teacher
Reception	Mrs Whyte Miss Bannister(PPA)1/2 day	Year 3	Mrs Newdeck (2 days) Mrs Seeley (3 days)
Year 1	Vacant Post Miss Bannister(PPA)1/2 day	Year 4	Mr Radley Miss Bannister(PPA)1/2 day
Year 2	Miss Kelly (3 days) Mrs Nye (2 days)	Year 5	Mrs Uppal (2.5 days) Mrs Grisman (2 days) Miss Bannister 1/2 day
		Year 6	Miss O'Connor Miss Bannister(PPA)1/2 day

Transition Afternoons

The children will be visiting their new classes and teachers over the next three weeks. This system worked very well last year and gave the children, and teachers, the opportunity to get to know each other before the start of the new year in September. The transition afternoons will be held on 28th June, 7th July and 13th July.



France 2016

For parents whose children are joining the residential visit to France in September it is now time to start making payment of the remaining balance.

The full amount must be paid to the school by 18th July

Please make sure that you have applied for your child's EHIC if you need to.

Retirement

Mrs Gleave who works in the school office at the start of the week will be retiring at the end of this term. She has worked at the school for 18 years and will be missed by her colleagues at the school. It will be a big change for Mrs Gleave but I know that she has some grand plans for travel once she's retired. We have appointed a new secretary, Mrs Stratford, who will be joining the school in September. She is currently the secretary at Sherborne School. Mrs Heron, who many of you will know from KS1 is also retiring at the end of this term once again She will also be missed by her colleagues in the school



MIDSUMMER CONCERT
PUPILS OF GLENFALL SCHOOL WITH THE WIDE VALLEY
SINGERS AT
HOLY APOSTLES CHURCH
CHELTENHAM
SATURDAY JULY 9TH 7.00 P.M.

Glenfall School Band is very honoured to have been invited to share in a charity concert with the Wide Valley Singers in Holy Apostle's Church on Saturday 9th July at 7.00pm. The aim of the concert is to raise money to support Lvea Valley School in Cambodia, an area experiencing poverty and hardship. The school, attended by around 450 children aged between 5 and 18, operates with three teachers and few teaching and learning resources. In addition, the school often has with no electricity or running water.

The 'Giving Back' Campaign aims to raise enough money to:

- Pay the salary of a qualified Cambodian teacher
- Build a brand new classroom to western standards
- Pay the living costs of TEFL trained western volunteers to help raise teaching standards
- Improve existing teaching and learning resources

100% of all donations will go directly to the school and the children. There is no charge for admission, but there will be a retiring collection. A raffle will also be held and refreshments will be served during the interval. If you are unable to come but would like to make a donation, please place your donation in an envelope marked 'LVEA VILLAGE SCHOOL' and hand it into the school office. If you would like to receive an acknowledgement for your donation, please include your name, and your child's name and class on a piece of paper and place it inside the envelope.

Your support for this project will be much appreciated.
Everybody is welcome.
Thank you.

