

# **Glenfall News**

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



Friday May 10th, 2013

## A word from the head......

I hope that you all had a good Bank Holiday weekend and short week this week. That extra day really throws you off balance and I've been a day behind all week!

Last night, Tim Foster, a Local Authority Advisor for Maths led the second Maths Curriculum evening for parents. The event was really well attended again. The session focussed on how schools currently teach calculation and in particular subtraction and division. I will be putting Tim's presentation on the school website and this will contain games and resources for you to use at home.

Glenfall was once again represented at a local 'Tag Rugby' competition. Thank you to Mr Whyte for coordinating the event and to all of the pupils who represented the school.

Congratulations to Keira Patching in Year 5 who won a gold medal at the Cheltenham Festival of Performing Arts for her solo piano playing. Well Done! Mrs Rutt has been working with a group of pupils who will be performing at the festival over the weekend in the poetry recital event. Good luck to the pupils taking part in that event.

Have a great weekend

**Anthony Mitchell** 



## **Child unwell?**

- If your child is not going to be in school due to illness or for any other
- reason can I remind all parents to
- phone the school before 9.30am.
   After this time we will call parents
- to ascertain the whereabouts of
- your child. Each day of illness should be reported in this way. A
- letter should also be sent to school
- when they retun.
- Can I also take this opportunity to
- remind parents
- that children
- should be kept at
- home for 48hours
- following any
- sickness or diarrhoea. This will
- help us limit the
- spread of any nasty bugs that
- there may be
- around.
- Thank you



## Y6 SATs

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SATs!

Good Luck to the Year 6 pupils who all start their SATs tests next week.

You all deserve to do well. You have ALL worked so hard.

Glenfall Pre-school is now on Facebook. Search for Glenfall Preschool and 'like' their page.



## **Diary Dates**

May

13th May **KS2 SATs week FrOGS Cake Sale** 16th May

23rd May Class Photographs and Leavers Photographs

24th May School closes for half term

June

3rd June **Term Starts** 

**New Reception Parents Meeting - 7.30pm** 12th June

15th June **Cheltenham Open Studios Art Event** 

21st June Athletics @ POW Stadium

22nd June FrOGS Summer Fair 12pm-2pm

**Music evening at Holy Apostles Church** 28th June



2nd July **Sports Day** 

5th July Reports out to parents

16th July Y6 Drama Production 1.30pm 17th July Y6 Drama Production 7pm

18th July Leavers' Assembly



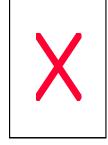
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**VEARE** 30 January - 22 May COLLECTING

This promotion closes on the 22<sup>nd</sup> May, so there are only a couple of weeks left. The box is getting very full and heavy, but there is room for plenty more vouchers! So, please keep collecting and get vouchers in as soon as possible, especially if you have been saving them up at home. All vouchers must be sent into school not later than Friday 7th June.

## Mr Cripps needs a word.....

#### Sports fixtures before half-term:

Weds 22<sup>nd</sup> May (afternoon): Kwik cricket tournament at Tewkesbury Cricket Club (Y5/Y6)

Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> May (evening): Schools swimming gala at Pittville Pool (Y5/Y6)

Letters with details about times, etc will come home next week.

Children from classes Y5 and Y6 had also been told about a football tournament taking place at Balcarras on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May, which Glenfall had entered. Unfortunately this has now been cancelled due to a lack of support from schools.

#### Music - a date for your diary:

As there was no Primary Schools Live this year, there will be an evening of live music at Holy Apostles Church on the evening of Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June, presented by children from Glenfall, Charlton Kings and Holy Apsotles Schools.

#### **Music Tuition Fees:**

A polite reminder about these, please. It would be great if these could all be paid as soon as possible, and by half-term at the latest. We really do want to avoid having to send out reminders towards the end of the summer term. Don't forget – if you have any problems or issues, please phone Mike Sallis on **07803 617734**, or e-mail him at: <a href="mike.themusicjunction@talktalk.net">mike.themusicjunction@talktalk.net</a>

## **FrOGS Fundraising**

#### **Bags 2 School**

The next Bags2School collection will be on the 23rd May. Get collecting any clothing, shoes and fabric etc that can be collected. As before you are welcome to bring in your filled bags the day before ready for the collection on the

filled bags the day before ready for the collection on the 23rd. Last time the school received just over £250. Hopefully we can manage the same again.

Bag2School collects **good quality** second hand adults' and children's clothing, sheets, blankets, curtains, soft toys, shoes, belts and handbags.

#### Cake Sale

The next FrOGS cake sale will be on Thursday 16th May. All cake donations very welcome. Follow-



ing the success of the Halloweem, Valentine and Easter cake sales the them this time is 'Forest and Countryside'. Be creative and let your mind run wild......

# FrOGS need a secretary!

Following some changes to the Frogs Committee structure, we are looking someone to fill the role of Secretary on the Committee.

The Secretary is one of the officers of the Committee alongside the Chair, Vice Chair and Treasurer. The Secretary is responsible for the following activities:

- Organising meetings
- Taking minutes of meetings, and circulating these
- Keeping an eye on the Frogs email account, and discussing any issues with the Committee
- Communication with the School
- Being a signatory on cheques

As a Committee member, the Secretary is also a Trustee of the Charity. To comply with Charity Law, the new Secretary will need to be CRB checked (organised through the school, at no cost), and will need to declare themselves eligible to act as a Trustee. The form for this gives the details, and can be found on the Charity Commission website here <a href="http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk/Library/guidance/sampledeccc30.pdf">http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk/Library/guidance/sampledeccc30.pdf</a>

Please get in touch if you are interested in helping out. frogs@glenfall.gloucs.sch.uk