



Glenfall News

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

Friday 12th March 2021



A word from the head.....

I hope that your children have had a great week since returning to school on Monday. Opening the gates on Monday morning felt like a really big event. It almost felt like the first day of the academic year with the same feelings of excitement, nervousness and expectation. I saw children skipping into school, children almost bursting with pure joy to see their friends again. A sight that will stay with me for some time will be the guard of honour which was formed in the entrance to Y6. To see the children clap their classmates as they came into the classroom was a sight to behold.

I was also touched by the chalking on the pavements on Glenfall Way and Ryworth Road. The artists still remain anonymous, despite my investigations. Whoever you are, thank you!



It has been fantastic to have all of the children back together again at school. To hear the classrooms, corridors and playgrounds buzzing, full of laughter and chatter has been real delight to see and hear. The pure volume of children all in one place is quite overwhelming and it will take a while for us all to adjust again - what was normal, actually feels quite abnormal at the moment! I'm sure that your children will be ending the week really tired but hopefully full of positivity following the return to school. As a staff, we are full of optimism and excitement for the rest of the school year.

I would once again like to take this opportunity to thank you all for working so hard with your children on their home learning. You have all done a brilliant job and through working together in partnership with the teachers you will have ensured that your children have continued to progress with their learning.

Thank you for continuing to follow the one way system and observing the onsite restrictions at drop off and collection. It's really important that we continue to work together to protect one another until more of the population get their vaccinations.

Have a great weekend - Mr Mitchell

A few things...

Parent Pay — School Lunches

Could all parents whose children will be taking a hot lunch please ensure that their accounts are currently in credit before ordering lunches. It is important that the account is kept in credit throughout the year to ensure that debts do not mount up.

Meals cost £2.30 per day.



Important Date Change

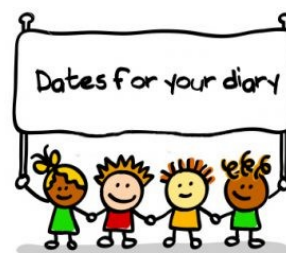
21st July 2021 will now be a normal teaching day and **not** an INSET Day. This is due to the fact that we brought forward the INSET Day to the 4th January 2021 prior to the government announcement of a full lockdown on 5th January. You will receive updated term dates with this newsletter.





March

- 16th March - Y6 Parents Zoom Meeting at 7pm
- 19th March - Red Nose Day
- 30th March - Remote Parent's Meetings
- 31st March - Remote Parent's Meetings
- School closes for Easter at 2pm



April

- 1st April - INSET Day - School closed to all pupils
- 19th April - School opens for the Summer Term

May

- 10th May - Y4 Residential to The Forest of Dean
- 19th May - School Photographs - Whole Class and Leavers
- 28th May - School closes for Half Term

New Menu

| Week ONE | | | | |
|--|---------------------------|--|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Pepperoni Pizza | BBQ Chicken | Beef Enchiladas | Chicken Pasta Bake | Battered Fish |
| Cheese and Tomato Pizza | BBQ Quorn | Quorn Enchiladas | Quorn Bolognese | Vegetable Nuggets |
| Filled Jacket | Soup and Baguette | Soup and Baguette | Filled Jacket | Soup and Baguette |
| Potato Cubes and Salad | Rice and Mixed Vegetables | Potato Wedges and Sweetcorn | Salad and Garlic Bread | Chips, Pasta, Peas and Beans |
| Choice of Pudding | Choice of Pudding | Choice of Pudding | Choice of Pudding | Choice of Pudding |
| Fruit, Yogurt and Drinking Water are available every day. Jacket Potatoes are served with Cheese, Beans or Tuna. | | | | |
| Week Starting: 08/03 – 22/03 – 19/04 – 03/05 – 17/05 – 07/06 – 21/06 – 05/07 – 19/07 | | | | |
| Week TWO | | | | |
| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Chicken Curry | Meatballs and Pasta | Roast Chicken and Yorkshire Pudding | Lasagne | Sausages |
| Vegetable Curry | Vegetable Pasta | Roast Quorn and Yorkshire Pudding | Macaroni Cheese | Vegetarian Sausages |
| Soup and Baguette | Filled Jacket | Soup and Baguette | Filled Jacket | Soup and Baguette |
| Rice and Mixed Vegetables | Salad and Garlic Bread | Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Cabbage and Gravy | Salad and Garlic Bread | Chips, Pasta, Peas and Beans |
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| Week Starting: 15/03 – 29/03 – 26/04 – 10/05 – 24/05 – 14/06 – 28/06 – 12/07 | | | | |

Battery Recycling

We now have a battery recycling point at the school. You are welcome to bring your old batteries to school to be recycled. You will find the battery recycling point in the entrance hall opposite the office.



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We wanted to mark this day in some way and have decided that the children do not need to wear uniform on that day and we would like them to wear something red.

Rather than wearing 'Red Noses' the children may choose to come to school with Crazy Hair. We will be setting up a payment option on Parent Pay for you to make donations direct to the charity. This will avoid cash having to be handled in school.

NO RED NOSES IN SCHOOL PLEASE

National Online Safety App

National Online Safety's FREE app is the easiest way to keep children safe online. It's a one-stop-shop for parents and educators to learn everything they need to know about the latest apps, games and devices used by children. It provides instant access to online safety education, training and updates so that parents and educators can protect their children from online harm and abuse.

They release updated parent guides to all forms of social media and apps which will enable you to safeguard your son / daughter whilst they are online.





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COVID-19 Symptoms

Everyone has a role to play in keeping our school safe and helping to stop the spread of COVID-19.

You should book a COVID-19 test if your child has:

A high temperature...
This means they have a temperature over 37.8°C.

A new continuous cough...
This means coughing for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24hrs (if they usually have a cough it may be worse than usual)

A loss or change to their sense of smell or taste...
This means they have noticed they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

OR

If your child has any of the above symptoms they must remain at home until they have received a negative test result. All household members should also remain at home.

You can book a test online at www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or by calling 119

If your child does not have symptoms of COVID-19 but has other cold-like symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat (without a fever), mild colds etc, they do not need to be tested and they or members of your household do not need to self-isolate. Your child can attend school if they are fit to do so. Please refrain from 'dosing' up with Calpol as it makes it difficult for us to identify if they have a temperature.

Here's what to do if...

| What to do... | When can my child return to school? |
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| Your child has COVID-19 Symptoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL • Book a COVID-19 test • Household self-isolates • Inform school immediately about test result | When can my child return to school? Your child can return to school if the test is negative providing they are well enough, have not had a fever for 48 hrs and they have not been advised to self-isolate by PHU Contact Tracing Service. |
| Your child tests positive for COVID-19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL • Inform school immediately about test result • Self-isolate for at least 10 days as advised by PHU | When can my child return to school? Your child can return to school after 10 days, if they are well enough, even if they still have a cough / loss of smell or taste. Symptoms can last for several weeks. |
| Somebody in my household has COVID-19 Symptoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL • The household member should book a COVID-19 test • Household self-isolates • Inform school immediately about test result | When can my child return to school? Your child can return to school if the symptomatic household member's test is negative and if they have not been advised to self-isolate by PHU Contact Tracing Service. |
| Somebody in my household tests positive for COVID-19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL • Inform school immediately about test result | When can my child return to school? Your child can return to school when they have completed 10 days of self-isolation without any symptoms. |

COVID-19 Risk Assessment

This risk assessment has been updated and posted on to the school website.
You can access it via this link:

[COVID-19 Risk Assessment](#)

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