

Glenfall News

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

Friday 20th September 2017



A word from the head......

Whilst I can't believe that half term is already upon us, I have to say that the children are certainly tired and in need of a bit of a rest. It doesn't feel like five minutes since we came back from the summer holidays and the busy term has certainly allowed time to fly by.

The Harvest Celebration was a fantastic occasion and we had the biggest turn out ever to watch the children perform and join in with the singing. The produce collection was also magnificent and the Salvation Army were very grateful for the generous donations.

The school football team have got off to a great start to their season with 2 wins so far. With only one game left in the group stages their sights are firmly set on another win to send them through to the next stage. Well done to the team- Keep it up!

You should have received letters this week informing you of the forthcoming Parents Meetings after half term. You will be able to sign up for an appointment on the sheets that are posted outside your child's class. Parents of children in Reception do not need to make appointments as you have already met Mrs Whyte earlier this term. Should you have particular concerns you are, as always, able to request to speak to Mrs Whyte.

The cake sale that was held earlier this week was a great success and raised a huge £149. Thank you to everyone who baked, bought and helped out, a great effort all round.

I hope that you all have a good half term break and enjoy spending time with your families. Hopefully with some good weather you will be able to get out and about and enjoy the autumn days and Halloween activities that will be sure to dominate your diaries.

Well, with the added pressure of the OfSTED inspection being so close to the end of term, myself and the staff are looking forward to recharging the batteries ready for another action packed, fun filled run up to Christmas

Have a good half term - Anthony Mitchell



OfSTED Inspection

As you will all be aware the school received an OfSTED inspection this week. The inspection was part of the normal cycle of inspections for schools previously rated as 'Good', and as such was a one day inspection only. Following the visit by the HMI, we will have to wait approximately 2 - 3 weeks before we receive confirmation of the grading for the school. Once we have received the confirmation letter I will write to you formally to share the contents of the letter. I would like to thank all parents who completed the 'Parent View' Questionnaire online and particularly to those of you who took time to speak to the inspector personally. Thank you all for your support of the work of the school. The whole school community pulled together which, as always, made me feel very proud to be head of Glenfall School.



Infant and Primary School Admission September 2017

We have been asked by the Local Authority to inform parents that paperwork for infant/primary admissions for 2017 will be posted out by mid November. If you have not received anything by the start of December you must contact Co-ordinated admissions at Shire hall on 01452

425407 or by email at:

school.admissions@gloucestershire.gov.uk



Bikeability

Cycle training for Y6 starts on Monday 30th
October. Bikes need to be roadworthy and will
be checked before the training begins. Please
bring coats and waterproofs if you have them.





Diary Dates

October

30th October - Term starts

Bikeability starts for Y6 Book Fair arrives in school

31st October - Deadline for Secondary School Applications

for Y6 pupils

November

28th June

6th July

3rd November - Christmas Shoebos appeal. Deadline for

return of boxes to school.

7th November - Parent/Teacher Meetings 3.40pm - 6.30pm

9th November - Parent/Teacher Meetings 3.40pm - 5pm

16th November - Children in Need Day

21st November - Flu Immunisations for R - Y4

22nd November - School Photographs

24th November - INSET Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

Advanced notice of a few dates:

11th December - Christmas performance pm (1.30pm)

12th December - Christmas performance evening (6.30pm)

14th December - Everyman Panto - Dick Whittington

13th March - Parent/Teacher meetings 3.40pm - 5pm

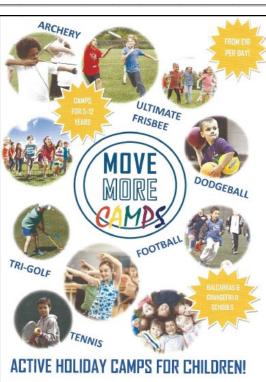
15th March - Parent/Teacher meetings 3.40pm - 6.30pm

- Sports Day at 1pm

- Reports out to parents

20th July - Leaver's Assembly





New School Lunch

You should have received your copy of the new school lunch menu. We feel that this is a great menu offering a broad range of nutritional meals. There are some delicious new meals and some old favourites too for your children to try-the puddings look great! If you are aware that your child has a food allergy can you ■ please inform your child's class teacher. Information relating to allergens in food produced by the school is available from the school I kitchen. Please ask at reception for further information.

School Dinners



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 effectively.



Don't forget to fill up you shoeboxes with goodies for the Teams4U Christmas Shoebox Appeal. The deadline for returning them to school is 3rd November.





A few things.....

School Lunches

The new menu for school lunches comes into action after half-term. Look out for some tasty new dishes and some old favourites too.

Could all parents whose children will be taking a hot lunch please ensure that their Parent Pay 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 £2.20 per day.**

Music Night

Saturday 18 November, from 8pm (revised date)

Back for its third year, for one night only, live from the school hall, some of the parents, and friends as you've (possibly) never seen them before!

This relaxed evening of musical entertainment is a fundraiser to support arts project for the school.

A great night out and all for a good cause. Why wouldn't you?



Y6 Secondary School Transfer

The deadline for making your choices for secondary school transfer is 31st October. Please make your application online. If you have not received a letter please contact the school office.



Gym Club

Please note that the Rowan Gymnastics club that has run at the school has now finished. There will be no Gym Club at the school until after Christmas. Mr Radley will inform you all of the new arrangements in due course.

PE Kits

Please can all children keep their PE kits in school every day of the week. They can be taken home for washing at the end of the week if necessary





