

# Glenfall News

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

Friday 24th February 2017



## A word from the head...

I hope that you all had a good half-term break and that you managed to get out and about and enjoy some time with your family. Despite storm 'Doris' battering us this week there are some signs of Spring around the corner. I'm looking forward to the daffodils blooming around the school in the next few weeks.

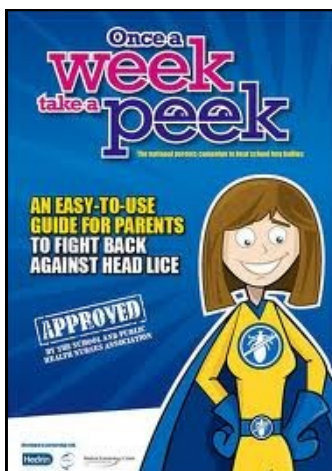
The children slipped back into their routines with ease this week and the school has been a hive of activity. Year 5 went to SkillZone in Gloucester this week to find out about keeping safe in all manner of situations. In our celebration assembly we saw some amazing pieces of work and shared the children's successes with the whole school. I am continually impressed with the number of children who are really engaging in their learning both at home and in school. Thank you all for your ongoing support with reading, spelling, tables and homework in general; it really makes a difference.

The Netball team were in action this week, but were sadly beaten by Grangefield Primary School. Mrs Grisman took 4 Gymnasts to an advanced Gym competition this week. Well done to Cadhla Leatherbarrow who made it through to the next round. We are waiting to see if any of the other girls make it through also. The school was also represented at The Gloucestershire Wildlife Quiz. Thank you all for representing the school so well. There are many other opportunities coming up in the coming weeks and the term ahead looks as busy and as exciting as ever.

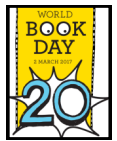
**Anthony Mitchell**

## HEAD LICE

We have had several cases of re-occurring head lice in school over the last few weeks. Please check your family's hair and act accordingly if you discover head lice. We all need to work together to remain lice free. I would also like to ask if all long hair could be tied up or put in plaits and bunches. Thank you



## World Book Day 2nd March 2017



This year to mark World Book Day we are launching '**Readathon**'. On Friday your child will have brought home a letter, sponsor card and World Book Day voucher.

'Readathon' does something amazing. It gets children reading for fun through a sponsored read in schools. The money raised provides children's hospitals with regular storyteller visits, plus a mobile bookcase jam-packed full of brand-new books, which are replenished every six weeks. A proportion of the money raised is then given back to the school in the form of books for the library.

The 'World Book Day Vouchers' can be redeemed at book shops who are supporting the event. You will also be able to use the vouchers at the school book fair being held between 1st March and 8th March.

On Thursday 2nd March your children are welcome to come into school dressed as a character from their favourite book or story should they wish to. There is no expectation that children will dress up and there is no competition as in previous years. Our main event this year is the 'Readathon'



Reading to help children in hospital

## Parent/Teacher Meetings

Parent Teacher Meetings will be taking place on 7th, 8th & 9th March. Please make sure that you have signed up for a meeting with your child's class teacher.

Don't forget  
parents  
evening!



## Diary Dates



### March

2nd March

- World Book Day

7th March

- Parent/Teacher meetings 3.40pm - 5pm

8th March

- Y5 Parent/Teacher meetings 3.40pm - 5pm  
- Feet First Dance

9th March

- Parent/Teacher meetings 3.40pm - 6.30pm

13th March

- Y4 Residential to Forest of Dean

16th March

- Charlton Kings Live - Music Event (Evening)

17th March

- St Patricks Day Cake Sale

22nd March

- Final swimming session for Y3  
- Tag Rugby Festival

24th March

- Rotary Quiz @ Warden Hill  
- Football Tournament at Glenfall

### April

6th April

- SWGfL e-safety talk 7pm - 8.30pm

7th April

- School closes for Easter@2pm

24th April

- School opens for Summer Term

### May

8th May

- Year 6 SATs Week

24th May

- School Photographs

26th May

- Children's Festival

### Advanced notice of a few dates:

29th June

- Sports Day at 1pm

7th July

- Reports out to parents

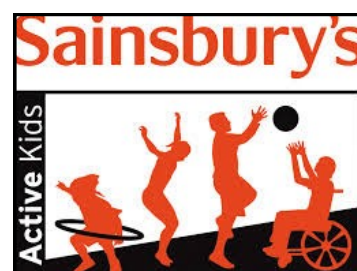
21st July

- Leaver's Assembly  
- School closes for Summer Holidays

## Sainsbury Active Kids Vouchers

It's time to start collecting again!

We will be collecting Active Kids Vouchers again this year. Vouchers are available from stores until 3rd May. We can receive vouchers up until 30th June. Maybe ask a neighbour or relative to save some for us if they aren't collecting them for another school. Please put vouchers in the box in the entrance hall.



## A few things.....

**Orchestra** - Orchestra will be held on Wednesday 1st March this week and not Tuesday as normally

**Mr King Music lessons** - There will be no music lessons with Mr King on Tuesday. All other lessons will take place on the normal day and at the normal time.

**Year 4 Residential** - There is a meeting for parents and children on Thursday 2nd March at 3.30pm. Can I please ask all parents to return their consent and medical forms as soon as possible.

**e-Safety Talk** - Alan Earl from the South West Grid for Learning will provide an important and informative talk on keeping your children safe online and when gaming on 6th April at 7pm. More details will follow shortly.

**School Uniform** - In addition to 'SchoolTogs', I am pleased to inform you that The Schoolware Company are now also able to provide school uniform for parents of pupils at Glenfall Primary School. Please visit the Glenfall e-shop on their website at [www.theschoolwearcompany.co.uk](http://www.theschoolwearcompany.co.uk). They also have a shop on The Kingsditch Industrial Estate with plenty of FREE parking.





## Pate's Grammar School

NURTURING EXCELLENCE



### OPEN MORNINGS 2017

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017

Timings: either 09:15-10:45 or 09:45-11:15

There will be student-guided tours of the school and staff will be available to answer any questions.

*Pate's is a free grammar school for boys and girls aged 11-18 years. Our students achieve the highest academic standards, whilst benefitting from exceptional pastoral care and first-class facilities.*

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# BOOGIE NIGHTS



ALL WELCOME

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 7.00pm - 10.00pm

To be held in the school hall

Tickets £5 per person available from Balcarras Reception



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organised by Balcarras PTFA

# CALLING ALL SINGERS

**THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO PERFORM YOUR OWN SONG AT KINGSHOLM STADIUM**

TO MARK THE CHILDREN'S CHARITY PIED PIPER APPEAL'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY WE WANT YOU TO WRITE A SONG FOR GLOUCESTERSHIRE INSPIRED BY OUR COUNTY.

THE WINNER WILL BE CHOSEN TO PERFORM IN FRONT OF THE CROWD AT GLOUCESTER RUGBY'S LAST HOME MATCH OF THE SEASON ON SATURDAY, MAY 6

OPEN TO ALL CHOIRS, SINGERS AND MUSICIANS



**SONG FOR GLOUCESTERSHIRE**



To enter send your audio file along with contact details to [office@piedpiperappeal.co.uk](mailto:office@piedpiperappeal.co.uk) by Friday, March 17  
See [www.glooucestershirelive.co.uk](http://www.glooucestershirelive.co.uk) for details

## Boogie Nights

'Boogie Nights' is a Community Event being held on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2017 and is for parents to relive their youth and enjoy music from the 70's and 80's. The event has been opened up to parents and friends of Glenfall Primary school and half of the ticket sales from tickets purchased by parents and friends of the school will go to FrOGS. Tickets are available from Glenfall School Office and Balcarras School Office. So dust off your flares, dig out your leg warmers and boogie on down to the school office to get your tickets now!

# Sainsbury's

