



# Glenfall News

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

Friday 5th October 2018



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

Well, that's five weeks done and we are already staring Half Term in the face. Its been a packed half term again at Glenfall with lots of stimulating activities taking place.

The Y5/Y6 Residential to France and Enrichment Weeks were once again a great success. All of the children enjoyed their activities, challenged themselves and made some new friendships. It is always amazing to see children push themselves out of their comfort zone and triumph! The sense of achievement in the faces of the children is a sight to behold. Thank you to all of the staff who planned and supported these activities. Y3/4 visited the Living Rainforest in Newbury to kick start their topic work. The school football team has been in action and they have started their season well. We have great hopes for the team this year.

Next Friday we will be holding our Harvest Celebration at 10:30am. Parents are welcome to join us for assembly and to join in with some songs. We will also gratefully receive donations of produce for our Harvest collection which we donate to The Salvation Army.



Have a good weekend

Anthony Mitchell

## Infant and Primary School Admission September 2018

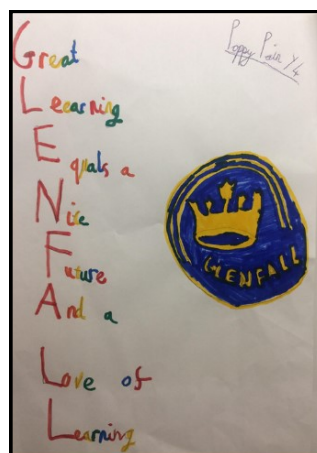
We have been asked by the Local Authority to inform parents that paperwork for infant/primary admissions for 2018 will be posted out by mid November. If you have not received anything by the start of December you must contact Co-ordinated admissions at Shire hall on 01452 425407 or by email at: [school.admissions@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:school.admissions@gloucestershire.gov.uk)



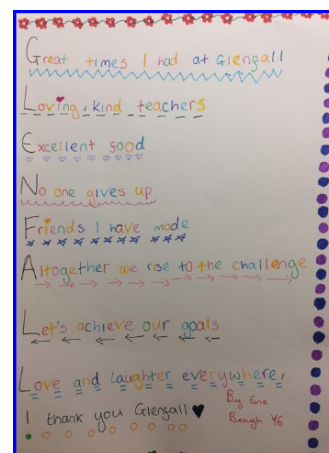
On Thursday we held Glenfall's first 'Poetry Slam.' Each class prepared a poem to perform to each other in a face to face performance competition. Each class had worked very hard on their performances but Year 3 were triumphant and won the competition.

Well done Year 3 - Good Work!

As part of this event and to celebrate National Poetry Day the children were also challenged to write a Glenfall acrostic poem. Evie Brough Y6 and Poppy Pain Y4 were voted as the winners. Please see their poems below.



Poppy Pain Y3



Evie Brough Y6

## 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.



UPDATE YOUR DETAILS



## Diary Dates



### October

8 <sup>th</sup> October -	Life Education Van
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10 <sup>th</sup> October -	Intake 2019 – Prospective Parent Tour 2pm
12 <sup>th</sup> October -	Harvest Assembly 10.30am
	FrOGS Bingo and Beetle Drive - 6pm
17 <sup>th</sup> October -	2019 Intake - Open Afternoon - 1.30
	Halloween Cake Sale
19 <sup>th</sup> October -	Young Voices
	Albert Dix Football Tournament
	Start of Half Term
29 <sup>th</sup> October -	School opens after Half Term
30 <sup>th</sup> October -	2019 Intake - Prospective Parent Tour 9.15am
31 <sup>st</sup> October -	Deadline for Secondary School Applications for Y6

### November

6 <sup>th</sup> November -	Parents Mtgs – 3.40 – 6.30pm
8 <sup>th</sup> November -	Parents Mtgs – 3.40 – 5pm
10 <sup>th</sup> November -	100 Years – WW1 Memorial Procession
12 <sup>th</sup> November -	Bikeability starts for Y6
16 <sup>th</sup> November -	Children in Need Day
21 <sup>st</sup> November -	Individual School Photographs
29 <sup>th</sup> November -	Mufti Day for Christmas Fair
	School Disco 6pm & 7.15pm
30 <sup>th</sup> November -	<b>INSET Day SCHOOL CLOSED</b>

### Advanced notice of a few dates:

17 <sup>th</sup> December -	Christmas performance pm (1.30pm)
18 <sup>th</sup> December -	Christmas performance evening (6.30pm)
20 <sup>th</sup> December -	Everyman Panto - Aladdin
5 <sup>th</sup> March -	Parent/Teacher meetings 3.40pm - 5pm
7 <sup>th</sup> March -	Parent/Teacher meetings 3.40pm - 6.30pm
28 <sup>th</sup> June -	Sports Day at 9.15am

## BINGO Night

Please join us for our  
**Glenfall Family Bingo Night**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October 6pm-8pm**

**Glenfall School Hall**

**£2.50 per Adult, Children free**

Entry includes a Bingo Card for each Game, prizes up for grabs including a cash prize for the Grand Finale Full House Game.

Additional cards available on the night for 50p each

Dobbers and Markers will also be on sale

Bring your own drinks and nibbles (glasses will be available)

Come along for an evening filled of fun and laughter to kick off the new school year

Hope to see you there!



Apply online for

**FREE SCHOOL MEALS**



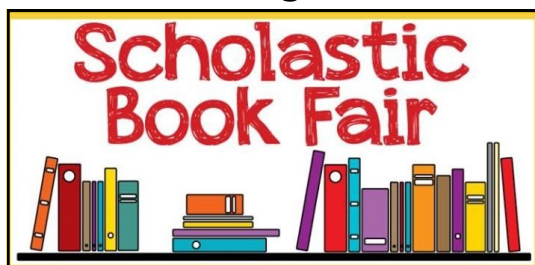
Check to see if your child is eligible using the confidential online portal available on our website [www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals)

You can secure a tasty free meal for your child and save yourself up to £437 per year.

Plus your child's school receives extra funding for each eligible child registered.

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The Book Fair arrives in school on 29<sup>th</sup> October, look out for the book fair booklet in book Bags.



If you receive a qualifying benefit, your child's school is entitled to extra funding.

So even if you don't want your child to take a free meal, you should still apply to make sure that their school receives all the government funding to which it is entitled - helping them provide your child with the best education and support.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 already receiving an Universal Infant Free School Meal arranged by their school will still have to apply to enable their school to get any extra funding.

If you do not have access to a computer or the internet, speak to your child's school.

For further information, including a list of qualifying benefits, visit our website or speak to your child's school today.

Travel Assistance and Free School Meals Team  
Access to Learning  
Gloucestershire County Council, Shire Hall,  
Westgate Street, Gloucester, GL1 2TP

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## 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.** The current menu remains in place until October half term.



### 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. It is crucial for all Y6 parents to apply for a secondary school place even if you have another child at the school to which you will be applying.

### Bikeability

Bikeability starts for Y6 on 12th November. You should have received letters regarding this activity. Half term would be a good opportunity to check that your child's bike is roadworthy.



### Teams4u

Mary Jones from Teams4U came into school this week and spoke to the children about the Christmas Shoebox appeal. Look out for the letters and leaflets coming home next week



### Parents Meetings

Parent / Teacher Meetings will be taking place after half term. Watch out for the email inviting you to book an appointment.

### Flu Immunisation

Parents of children in Reception through to Y5 will receive a flu vaccination in school on December 12th. You need to give your consent for your child to receive the nasal spray vaccination, this can be completed online at <https://www.glos-care.nhs.uk/consentforms>. Your child can not be given the vaccination unless you have given consent.

Public Health England

## 5 reasons to vaccinate your child against flu

- 1. Protect your child.** The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia
- 2. Protect you, your friends and family.** Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family
- 3. No injection needed.** The nasal spray is painless and easy to have
- 4. It's better than flu.** The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record
- 5. Avoid costs.** If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

What should I do?

Children aged two and three years old are offered this vaccination in general practice. Your child's GP surgery should contact you. If you haven't heard from their GP by early November, contact them directly to make an appointment. Children in reception class and school years 1, 2, 3 & 4 will be offered the vaccine at school. Your child's school will provide details from the local healthcare team.

For more information visit [www.nhs.uk/child-flu](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu)

**STAY WELL THIS WINTER**

Flu Immunisation 2017/18  
Helping to protect everyone, every winter

### Christmas Card Workshops at The Creation Station!

FOR ALL AGES: £6 per child with a 25% sibling discount  
Come and enjoy making one or two A4 festive designs with your child(ren) using foot/ hand-prints or their own original drawing that can be printed as a pack of A6 cards! Your designs will be sent away to be printed as A6 cards, gift labels and mugs.

There will be colouring and PlayDoh available for children over 2 yrs.

The printed goodies will be ready for you in early December.

A6 printed cards come in packs of 12.  
£5.50 for the first pack and £4.50 for additional packs (per design).  
Gift labels are £2.50 for a pack of 16  
Mugs (NEW!) are £6 each

Click on 'Event Entertainment' at [www.thecreationstation.co.uk/Debbie-kersley](http://www.thecreationstation.co.uk/Debbie-kersley) or contact [debbiekersley@thecreationstation.co.uk](mailto:debbiekersley@thecreationstation.co.uk) or 01242 639423 to arrange bank transfer

<p>At Southend Lodge, Moored Grove, GL53 0EX Just around the corner from the school!</p> <p>23/10 at 2.00 - 3.00 pm 24/10 at 10.00 - 11.00 am 25/10 at 2.00 - 3.00 pm 26/10 at 10.00 - 11.00 am 29/10 at 3.30 - 4.30 pm</p>
<p>At The Hive Community Hub (inside Sports Direct Gym), off Tewkesbury Rd, GL51 0SJ</p> <p>3/11 at 11.00 - 12.00 3/11 at 2.00 - 3.00 pm</p>

## World War 1 Memorial March

On 10th November there is going to be a memorial march through Cheltenham from Sandford Park to Montpelier Gardens starting at 1.30. The march is to remember the 1700 Cheltonians who died during the great war.



## Claim your **FREE CLASS**

Here at Glenfall

*Charlton Kings*

# ZUMBA

with Sarah

**Every Thursday 6pm**

Just turn up; say you saw this advert in Glenfall newsletter  
And your first time will be free of charge

No need to be a dancer or a co-ordination expert, this fun, full-body workout is suitable for all abilities, all fitness levels and all ages\*  
Self-improvement is what keeps participants coming back each week

\*Children under 12 years must be accompanied by a participating adult.

**Have a question?**

**Call/text Sarah**

**07770 417418**



## St Edward's

SENIOR & SIXTH FORM



### Scholarship Information Evening

**7pm, Wednesday 10th October**  
**Performance Hall, Senior School**

Scholarships are available for pupils entering Years 7, 10 and Sixth Form;  
Academic, Art, Design and Technology (excl Year 7), Drama, Music and Sport

Register online at: [www.stedwards.co.uk](http://www.stedwards.co.uk) | Cirencester Road, Cheltenham GL53 8EY | 01242 538600




## FrOGS News

The FrOGS AGM took place this week and it was great to see lots of new faces at the meeting. We are always on the look out for volunteers and support for our fundraising so please get in touch if you want to help out but missed the meeting.

### Christmas Fair

Plea for Donations – we are starting our quest for donations for the Christmas Fair so if you or anyone you know works for a company willing to donate a prize...it would be very appreciated.

### Facebook

Are you following us on our Facebook page? To keep up to date with what's going on please join us on 'Glenfall FrOGS'

### Upcoming Dates

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> October 2018	AGM	8pm (At Glenfall School)
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2018	Bingo & Beetle Drive Evening	6pm (for all the family)
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2018	Halloween Cake Sale	After School
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	School Disco	6pm & 7.15pm
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	Mufti Day & Buckets out	N/a
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	Christmas Fair	2pm – 4pm
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2019	Quiz & chips	8pm (Adults only)
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	Valentines Cake Sale	After School
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	Race Night	8pm (Adults Only)
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2019	School Disco	6pm & 7.15pm
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019	Easter Cake Sale	After School
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	PROVISIONAL DATE – LIDO*	7.30pm
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2019	Mufti Day & Buckets out	N/a
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Summer Fair	12noon – 2pm