



Glenfall News

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

Friday 13th November 2020



A word from the head.....



We have had another busy week at the school with lots going on. On Monday we collected shoeboxes for the Teams4U appeal as well taking donations of clothing for Rags2Riches. We also marked 'Remembrance Day' with an online video assembly. All of the classes came together at 11am to watch the live broadcast from the cenotaph and to observe the 2 minute silence. Thank you to all of you for making donations to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Today we also supported the Children in Need Appeal and it was fantastic to see so many of the children dressed in Pudsey outfits or wearing something Spotty. The children enjoyed some special Children in Need games in their bubbles including some 'Pudsey Bingo' and pin the patch on Pudsey.

A massive thank you to you all for supporting all of these charities this week. It was a big ask and you all responded with huge generosity - Thank You!



I hope that your 'Parents Evenings' went well this week and that you got to find out a bit more about your child's progress at school. The new system which we used seemed to work well for both parents and teachers. Although it was very different from the way we have done previous parents evenings, hopefully you still got a feel for how your child is doing at school. In the next few weeks I will send a short survey for you to complete so that we can measure how well the system worked from a parents perspective.



Have a good weekend - Stay Safe

Mr Mitchell

A few things...

T4U Shoebox Appeal

Thank you to all of the families who made a shoebox donation to T4U. We collected over 60 shoeboxes, which was fantastic. The boxes will make their way to Romania in time for Christmas. Thank you.



Rags2Riches

The Rags2Riches collection was also well supported. We collected 277kg of old clothes which earned the school £110.88. Thank you for your donations.

Prospective Parents 2021 - Video Tour of School

Its hard to believe that we are already turning our thoughts to the next cohort of children coming into the school in 2021. As we are unable to hold our usual open afternoons and evening meeting we have once again had to do things differently. We have therefore created a virtual tour of the school which can be accessed by clicking [HERE](#)



Even if you do not have children due to start in 2021 you may like to view the video tour of the school, especially as you haven't been able to come into the building since March.



School Photographs

Don't forget to place your orders for school photographs by the end of the day on Tuesday 17th November.



November

30th November - INSET Day - **SCHOOL CLOSED**

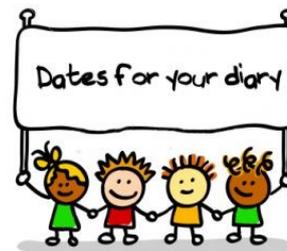
December

4th December - Wizard of Oz Cinematic Experience

14th December - Flu vaccinations

17th December - Christmas Lunch

18th December - School closes for Christmas at 2pm



A few more 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.**



SIMS Parent

Some parents will have received emails inviting them to register for this system. SIMs Parent is our preferred method of collecting and maintaining contact information for your child. Please register to use this service and check your information and submit.

Some parents will receive reminder emails as you haven't yet registered for the service. Please register when you receive your email and check, edit and submit as soon as you are able to.



Once you are registered we would suggest that you check your information regularly. If you change your address, phone number or email you can change this information yourself and submit to the school.

Many of the problems we encountered with SchoolCloud (Parents Evening System) were due to errors in the personal details we hold at the school. If you could check your child's record via SIMs Parent it would be much appreciated.

100 Club Winners

CONGRATULATIONS - The November 100 Club Winners were Casper Shergold, Theresa Brown & Penny Day.



Blue Peter on YouTube - <https://www.youtube.com/bluepeter>



Blue Peter is the longest running kids TV show in the world and we are uploading videos to it that are suitable for 5-11 year olds. We have world record breaking challenges, arts and crafts, environmental videos, cooking and baking how tos, inspirational films, gaming, celebrity appearances, dance routines and music performances. We also feature ways of getting a Blue Peter badge, behind the scenes footage and extra content about our incredible presenters Adam, Lindsey, Mwaksy, Richie and Henry the Blue Peter dog.

Term Dates 2021 –2022

You will have received the term dates for 2021 2022 along with this newsletter.



Thank you for helping to light up someone's Christmas



Can you help us spread the Spirit of Christmas to those in need by buying one or more of the items on this list?

We Urgently Need...

- Long-life Milk
- Coffee, Tea & Hot Chocolate
- Breakfast Cereal
- Cooking Sauces
- Tinned Curry & Meals
- Tinned Meat/Fish
- Baked Beans/Soup
- Rice/Pasta
- Tinned Vegetables/Fruit
- Squash
- Crisps

'Nice to haves'

- Stuffing & Gravy
- Boxes of Chocolates/Biscuits
- Cranberry Sauce
- Yorkshire Pudding Mix
- Christmas Cake
- Shower Gel/Shampoo

CCPCharity 
www.ccp.org.uk/hamperscamper

It's hard to believe it is that time of year again, but Hamper Scamper is now upon us! We know that this has been a strange and tough year for a lot of us and we anticipate even more people will be needing our support this Christmas time. It could be a family who have suddenly experienced a loss of income due to Covid-19 and are now struggling to afford food and heating alongside the expectations of the festive season. Or isolated adults or young people with no friends or family to celebrate this special time of year with.

To provide this service, we rely on the generosity of our local community for donations of basic food items through to festive provisions.

Please help us to spread some cheer to those less fortunate this Christmas.

Please drop any food donations to Glenfall Community Primary School on Tuesday 1st December, by the end of the school day.

Hamper Scamper are always happy to accept small unwanted gifts/ toys too (new or nearly new).

We can only accept donations on 1st December

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

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.



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



Public Health England



flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



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 family and friends.** Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable family and friends
3. **No injection needed.** The nasal spray is painless and easy to have
4. **It's better than having 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?

Contact your child's GP if your child was aged two or three years old (on the 31 August of the current flu season) and you haven't heard from them by early November.

If your child is at primary school, the school will send you a consent form. Please sign and return it. If your child has a health condition that puts them at greater risk from flu, they can get the flu vaccine from their GP.

For more information visit www.nhs.uk/child-flu



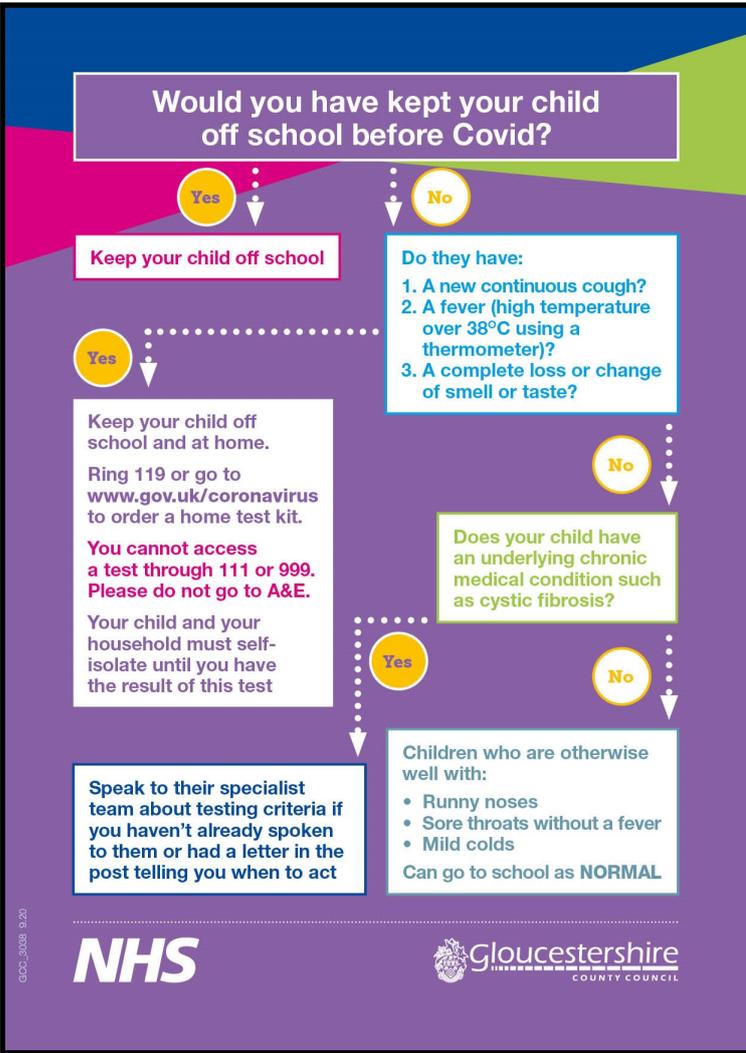


STAY ALERT ▶ CONTROL THE VIRUS ▶ SAVE LIVES

What should I do if my child tests positive for COVID-19 over a weekend or during a holiday?

You **must** contact Mr Mitchell on this number **07434617493** to inform him of the situation. Please leave a voice mail or text message if the phone isn't answered.

This is so that information regarding possible contacts can be passed to PHE Track & Trace.



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...

<p>Your child has COVID-19 Symptoms</p> <p>What to do...</p> <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 <p>When can my child return to school?</p> <p>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 PHE Contact Tracing Service</p>	<p>Your child tests positive for COVID-19</p> <p>What to do...</p> <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 PHE <p>When can my child return to school?</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>Somebody in my household has COVID-19 Symptoms</p> <p>What to do...</p> <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 <p>When can my child return to school?</p> <p>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 PHE Contact Tracing Service</p>	<p>Somebody in my household tests positive for COVID-19</p> <p>What to do...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL. • Inform school immediately about test result <p>When can my child return to school?</p> <p>Your child can return to school when they have completed 14 days of self-isolation without any symptoms.</p>
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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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