



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

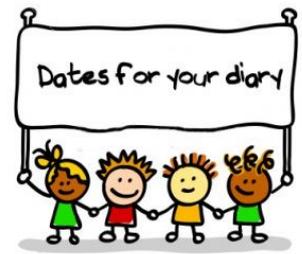
21st July 2021 will now be a normal teaching day and **not** an INSET Day. This is due to the fact that we brought forward the INSET Day to the 4th January 2021 prior to the government announcement of a full lockdown on 5th January. You will receive updated term dates with this newsletter.





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 Bolognaise	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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Friday 19th March is Red Nose Day

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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.





STAY ALERT ► CONTROL THE VIRUS ► SAVE LIVES

Would you have kept your child off school before Covid?

Yes ↓

Keep your child off school

Yes ↓

Keep your child off school and at home.
Ring 119 or go to www.gov.uk/coronavirus to order a home test kit.
You cannot access a test through 111 or 999. Please do not go to A&E.
Your child and your household must self-isolate until you have the result of this test

No ↓

Do they have:

1. A new continuous cough?
2. A fever (high temperature over 38°C using a thermometer)?
3. A complete loss or change of smell or taste?

Yes ↓

Keep your child off school and at home.
Ring 119 or go to www.gov.uk/coronavirus to order a home test kit.
You cannot access a test through 111 or 999. Please do not go to A&E.
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No ↓

Does your child have an underlying chronic medical condition such as cystic fibrosis?

Yes ↓

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No ↓

Children who are otherwise well with:

- Runny noses
- Sore throats without a fever
- Mild colds

Can go to school as **NORMAL**

Speak to their specialist team about testing criteria if you haven't already spoken to them or had a letter in the post telling you when to act

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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 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>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 PHC 	<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>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 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 PHC Contact Tracing Service.</p>	<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>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 PHC Contact Tracing Service.</p>	<p>When can my child return to school?</p> <p>Your child can return to school when they have completed 10 days of self isolation without any symptoms.</p>

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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