



Glenfall News

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

Friday 16th December 2022



A word from the head.....

This will be my last newsletter of the year and I would like to wish all parents and friends of the school a very Happy Christmas and a great start to 2023. I would also like to thank all of the parents and volunteers that have supported the school over the last year in the many projects and activities that have enriched the children's learning experiences.

I hope that you all enjoyed the Christmas Performances this year. The KS1 Nativity was a real treat and I just loved all of the re-worked songs to fit the Nativity Story; with 'Donkey to Ride' being my favourite. The KS2 Christmas Celebration with music from the Orchestra and each class taking us to another country to learn about Christmas traditions around the world was also a very special event. Thank you to the children, staff and parents for working so hard to ensure that the performances were such a success. Also, a big thank you to Mr King and all of the peripatetic music teachers for leading the orchestra and all of the instrumental tuition groups throughout the year.

The school Christmas lunch was once again an extravaganza with superb food and excellent entertainment for the children from 'The Music Man' and Christmas Bingo with Mrs Newdeck. Thank you Lisa, Lynne and Karen for a fantastic meal and for all of your hard work throughout the year.

The whole school pantomime visit to the 'The Everyman Theatre' was also a great success enjoyed by all. The children were incredibly well behaved and we received many positive comments from members of the public who were also in the theatre.

It has been an exhausting term and both staff and pupils deserve a well earned rest over the Christmas Holidays. Don't forget that the term starts again on Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Have a fantastic Christmas,

Anthony Mitchell



Christmas Collections

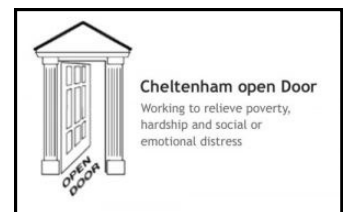


Thank you to everyone who made a contribution to one of our Christmas Collections.

We collected

£389.35

We were able donate £100 to Holy Apostles and £289.35 to The Open Door Project.



Christmas Crackers

Who hides in the bakery at Christmas?

A mince spy!



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What do you sing at a snowman's birthday party?

Freeze a jolly good fellow!



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Who gives puppies Christmas presents?

Santa Paws



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FrOGS Christmas Fair

Thank you to all parents and friends of the school who turned out and supported the Christmas Fair on Saturday. It was a fantastic event full of festive cheer and a great atmosphere. The event raised over **£2000** which is a great achievement. I would like to thank the FrOGS team for organising such a successful event.

Tw as the day of the Christmas Fair

It was a few nights before Christmas,
but all through the school,
a few creatures were stirring,
though the weather was cool.

The tinsel and lights were hung up with care,
in hope that the fun of Christmas soon would be there.

The FrOGS had set up their stalls in the hall,
the tombola and traders were there one and all.
A Silent Auction, without bidding aloud!
with mistletoe, a tree, we would welcome the crowd.

In through the doors came friends with a smile,
to find face paint and hoopla, to sit with Santa awhile.
The mince pies warmed at the edge of the hall,
while mulled wine was poured at its very own stall.

Happiness and merriment filled up the air,
"Ten more tombola tickets!" a child did declare.
Sweets in the jar we were asked to gauge,
and the cakes all went before they could age.

Thanks to the mums, dads, grans and pops,
who came with such joy, it really was tops.
Thanks to all who helped to make the fair fun,
who served up the treats till nearly all done.

Thanks to the helpers who cleared up at the end,
and yes, we made quite a bit of money to spend.
Over **2000** pounds, that is certain good cheer,
Merry Christmas everyone and a Happy New Year

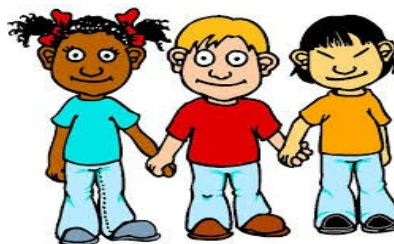
Look out for more FrOGS events in 2023



Infant and Primary School Admission September 2023

Please remember to complete your online application by 15th January 2023 this applies to all parents (even those with siblings at the school) with children due to start in Reception in September 2023

school.admissions@gloucestershire.gov.uk



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.

Your most up to date email and phone number is the most important.



UPDATE YOUR DETAILS



Upcoming Dates

December

16th December - Term ends at 2pm for Christmas

January

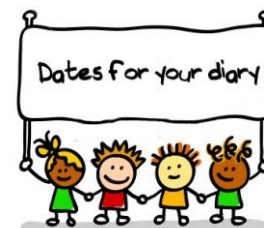
3rd January - Term starts
9th January - SchoolBeat Officer - PC Laura Jones in Y6
12th January - Governors Mtg
26th January - DigiBus in school for Y3&4

February

7th February - Gloucestershire Fire Service with KS1
17th February - Half Term starts

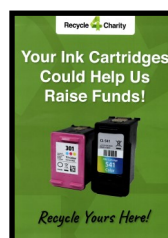
Advanced notice of a few dates:

28th March - Parent/Teacher meetings 3.30pm - 6pm (Face2Face)
29th March - Parent/Teacher meetings 3.30pm - 6pm (Online)
24th June - Summer Fair - GlenFest
26th June - Glenfall@50 - Celebration Week
29th June - Sports Day at 9.15am
7th July - Reports out to parents



Printer Ink Cartridge Recycling

We are now able to recycle your old printer ink cartridges. Please deposit your cartridges into the box in the Reception area, next to the battery recycling. By donating your empty cartridges for recycling you will help to raise funds for the school as well as helping to save the planet.



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.



Winter Weather Closures

As we head into the winter months it seems a timely opportunity to remind parents of the procedure for school closures should we need to shut the school.

If the school is to be closed due to adverse weather conditions or heating failure, parents will be contacted using our text messaging system. Please make sure that we have your most up to date mobile number. We will also post a message on the Gloucestershire County Council school closure pages which can be accessed at:

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closures/>

You can also sign up to the Gloucestershire County Council Twitter feed @Glos_schools

We will also place a message on our own school website: www.glenfall.gloucs.sch.uk
Announcements will also be made on local radio stations.

