



Glenfall News

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

27th March 2026



A word from the head.....

Well, we thought Spring had arrived and now it feels like we've been plunged back into winter! I hope that the forecast changes again and that we get some more seasonal weather so you can all get out and about and enjoy the Easter holidays.

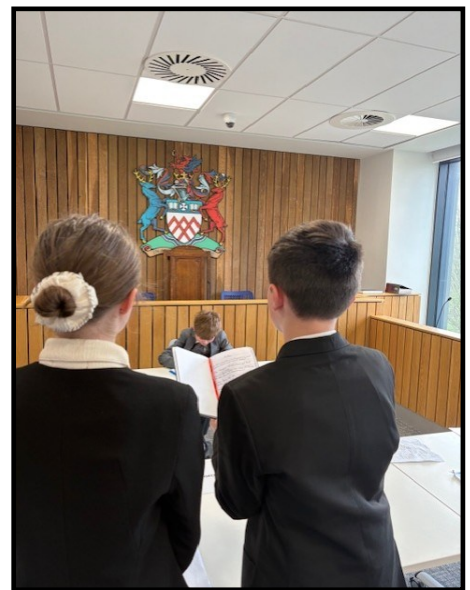
As you can see from the photographs, there have once again been many exciting events going on at the school. Year 6 have been extremely busy and in the last week have represented the school in both the Wildlife Quiz and The Rotary General Knowledge Quiz. A Team of pupils from Y6 also recently represented the school at the Cheltenham Schools Mock Trial. The children, as always, represented themselves and the school well - Well done Team Glenfall. The Year 6 pupils have been out and about on their bikes this week completing their Bikeability training. Hopefully they all have improved skills and awareness when cycling on the roads.

In addition to the Easter Celebrations, the Spring Music Concert has also been a highlight this week. Children from across the school performed their instruments for the audience to enjoy an evening of eclectic music. It is so special to see the pride the children have performing for their parents. The orchestra pieces are a particular favourite and it is amazing to see the children performing as a group.

The Y4 pupils have also been on their residential visit to The Forest of Dean where they have enjoyed three days of outdoor and adventurous activity. They all had an amazing time making memories and challenging themselves to try some new activities.

On Thursday we hosted Japanese students from Jono Junior High School. They spent a morning in Y5 working alongside our pupils completing calligraphy and origami activities as well as a treasure hunt. This cultural exchange is always an enriching experience for the pupils at Glenfall.

I hope that you all have an amazing Easter Break and we look forward to seeing you back at school on 13th April.



RED NOSE DAY
£192



Have a great Easter
Anthony Mitchell





Bonjour!

Buongiorno!

iBuenos días!

Languages Club at Glenfall

Would your child like to join our fun 'Languages Club' in Summer term 2026?

Giselle Amiry, an experienced MFL teacher at Cheltenham College Prep, is offering all pupils a weekly fun club. All ages, ability levels and learning styles are welcome.

Pupils will have the opportunity to absorb French, Italian and Spanish through many songs, rhymes, games, stories, drama, craft and fun activities.

Languages and new cultures will be brought to life, and your child will have a fabulous time, create friendships, and make memories, whilst growing in confidence with the spoken language and learning an increasingly important life skill.

Clubs will run in term time after school on Tues (3.15 – 4pm). The cost is £10 per lesson, payable in advance and this includes all subscription costs etc.

To reserve your child's space or request information, email asap as places are allocated on a first come first served basis and places are limited.

Madame Amiry at Ecole Giselle
giselleamiry@gmail.com

Using the school field after school?

With many of our families living some distance from the school and indeed one another, we are happy for parents and children to use the school field at the end of the day if they would like their children to have the opportunity to play with friends.

If you decide that you would like to make use of the facilities, all children must be supervised by their parents. Children unsupervised will be asked to make their way home as they usually would. Any use of the school facilities after the end of the school day is at your own risk and school staff are not responsible for supervising children after 15:20 (unless part of an organised club)

Please do not let your children climb the trees or pick the daffodils.

Please do not let your children go into Forest School.

Please do not allow your children to cycle or scoot anywhere on the school premises.

Please be aware that the After School Club and Sports Clubs will be using the site at this time and their activities take priority over other users of the site

All parents and children should vacate the school site by 16:00



**100 Club
Winners**

**Christine
Jones**

**Jemima
Sharp**

**Keve
McPherson**





Academic Year 2025-2026 - View dates [here](#)

March

27th March - Term ends for Easter Holiday at 2pm

April

13th April - Summer Term starts
 14th April - Final swimming session for Y3
 17th April - Look Who's Talking competition final
 21st April - Swimming starts for Y2
 23rd April - Full Governors Meeting at 7pm
 27th April - SchoolBeat Police Officer in Y6

May

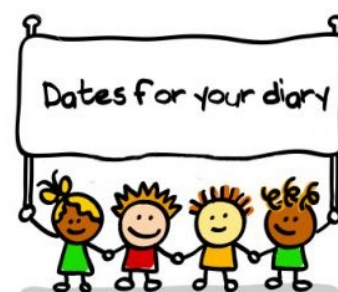
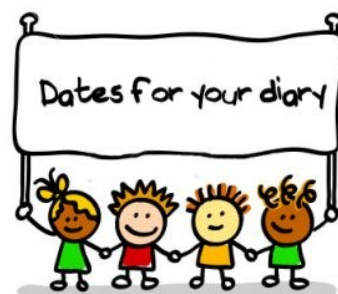
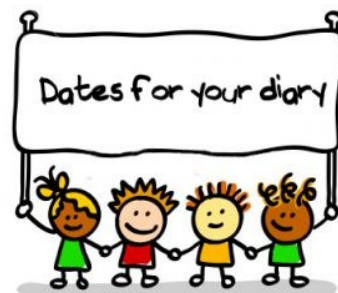
4th May - BANK HOLIDAY—SCHOOL CLOSED
 11th May - KS2 SATs week starts
 14th May - FrOGS Disco
 21st May - Full Governors Meeting at 7pm
 22nd May - School closes for Half Term

June

1st June - Summer Term 2 starts
 3rd June - Y5&6 Science Festival
 4th June - Athletics at Ashley Manor
 5th June - Y3&4 visit the Science Festival
 8th June - Class and Leavers photographs
 9th June - Y6 Cricket Festival
 12th June - Y5&6 visit to John Moore Countryside Museum
 20th June - FrOGS Summer Fair
 24th June - Sports Day 9.15 - 11.15 - **NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**
 26th June - Y3&4 Cricket Festival

July

1st July - Whole School Transition Day
 3rd July - Annual reports out to parents
 13th July - Y6 Leavers performance at 6.30pm
 16th July - Glenfall's Got Talent
 17th July - Y6 Leavers assembly at 1pm
 School closes for Summer at 2pm



Requests for Leave of Absence

Should you need to request leave of absence for your child please call into the school office to collect a 'Request for Leave of Absence' form. This form must be completed and Returned to the school and your request will be considered by the Headteacher. Please do not make your requests direct with the class teachers.

Please be aware that the DfE are focussing on school attendance at the moment and they are asking schools to pursue parental fines for poor attendance that is unauthorised.



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

HOCKEY HEROES

Come try HOCKEY

An 8-week programme delivered by Cheltenham Junior Hockey Club

CJHC
Cheltenham Junior Hockey

ALL 5-8 YEAR OLDS

Starts 18th April
 Venue: GLC Health & Fitness Centre
 Time: 08:30-09:30am



CODS PRESENTS

IAN FLEMING'S CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG

31st March - 4th April 2026

LICENSED SCRIPT ADAPTED BY Ray Roderick

ADAPTED FOR THE STAGE BY Jeremy Sams

Based on the MGM Motion picture

MUSIC AND LYRICS BY Richard M. Sherman & Robert B. Sherman

MUSIC BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH Sony/ATV Publishing

EVERYMAN THEATRE - CHELTENHAM

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International. All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.co.uk

EASTER CAMPS 2026

Every day at Tech Camp is an adventure with hands-on tech fun, iPad creativity, and take-home inventions!

Example camp activities

Camp runs 9 am - 1 pm

- ROBOT LAB
- Engineering
- ELECTRIC INVENTIONS
- 3D CREATIONS
- VIRTUAL REALITY
- COOL CIRCUITS
- VIDEO GAME DESIGN
- MOVIE MAKING
- MINECRAFT REDSTONE
- MINECRAFT MAZE

WHAT TO EXPECT:

At Next Thing Education, our goal is to ignite curiosity, fuel creativity, and empower young minds for the future!

Through hands-on coding & STEM experiences, we inspire the next generation of inventors, creators, and tech leaders. Led by OJEd-credited, friendly and supportive instructors, kids will explore STEM through exciting activities and challenges.

★★★★★ "The best camp we've tried! A perfect mix of fun and learning!"

★★★★★ "My child loved every minute - already asking to come back!"

★★★★★ "Fun, engaging, and educational - highly recommend!"

HALF DAY CAMPS THIS EASTER 9 AM - 1 PM

£25 PER DAY or 4 days for just **£90**

Scan to book

LIMITED SPACES, BOOK NOW!

E: info@nextthing.education T: 01442 873150

30TH MARCH - 17TH APRIL: LIMITED SPACES!

MULTI DAY DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE, FROM JUST £25 PER HALF-DAY! AGES 5-11, 9 AM - 1 PM DAILY

www.nextthing.education

MOMENTS MATTER. ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

ATTENDANCE PUNCTUALITY

190 school days in a year where every lesson counts

175 days where children are not in school (school holidays)

100% Best chance of success

95% Good chance of success

90% Less chance of success

85% Serious impact on education and reduced life chances

80%

APPOINTMENTS Medical appointments, where possible, are to be booked outside of school hours.

ILLNESS Unless it's serious, bring your child into school and we will contact you if we need to.

Each day:-

- 5 MINUTES LATE
- 10 MINUTES LATE
- 15 MINUTES LATE
- 20 MINUTES LATE
- 25 MINUTES LATE

Over a week:-

- 25 minutes of learning lost
- 50 minutes of learning lost
- 1 hour and 10 minutes of learning lost
- 1 hour and 40 minutes of learning lost
- 3 hours and 5 minutes of learning lost

1 Photo lesson lost

1 Maths lesson lost

1 English lesson and 1 Whole Class Reading lesson lost

1 Geography and 1 Art lesson lost

1 English and 1 Maths lesson lost

Less chance of success

Serious impact on education and reduced life chances

If you are **10 minutes late EACH DAY**, your child will have missed **1 FULL WEEK** in a school year.

Most pharmacies can help you with **seven common conditions** without needing a GP appointment

- Sinusitis** (adults and children aged 12 years and over)
- Sore throat** (adults and children aged 5 years and over)
- Earache** (children and young adults aged 1 year to 17 years)
- Infected insect bite** (adults and children aged 1 year and over)
- Impetigo** (adults and children aged 1 year and over)
- Shingles** (adults aged 18 years and over)
- Urinary tract infection** (women, aged 16 to 64 years)

Ask your pharmacy for more information about this free* NHS service

Visit your Pharmacy First!

*NHS prescription charge rules apply where a medicine is supplied

UK Health Security Agency

Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

- Chickenpox: at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
- Diarhoea and Vomiting: 48 hours after their last episode
- Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19): they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19
- Impetigo: their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
- Measles: 4 days after the rash first appeared
- Mumps: 5 days after the swelling started
- Scabies: they've had their first treatment
- Scarlet Fever: 24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
- Whooping Cough: 48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

- Hand, foot and mouth
- Head lice
- Threadworms
- Glandular fever
- Tonillitis
- Strep throat

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qco.de/minfoc>

SCAN ME

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.

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.

Recycle 4 Charity

Your Ink Cartridges Could Help Us Raise Funds!

Recycle Yours Here!



CKB Charlton Kings Baptist Church

Discover Easter

EASTER EGG HUNT

STARTING FROM KINGS COFFEE HOUSE
MONDAY 30TH & TUESDAY 31ST MARCH
 COME ANY TIME BETWEEN 1PM AND 2PM

FREE EASTER EGG FOR THOSE THAT TAKE PART
 A SMART PHONE THAT CAN READ QR CODES IS NEEDED TO ACCESS THE CLUES

The Easter Egg Hunt

EVERY PRIMARY SCHOOL PUPIL IN CHELTENHAM GETS A **FREE PLANT** THIS EASTER!

Let's Get Gardening!

Charlies has been open on Tewkesbury Road for 6 months and to celebrate, we want to get the children of Cheltenham gardening.

Bring this leaflet into store between Saturday 28th March and Sunday 12th April 2026 to collect your free plant*

Charlies Stores, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL51 9AA, 01242 783533
 *One plant per child. Plants may vary

Our Easter Opening Hours:
 Good Friday (3rd April): 9am-6pm
 Saturday (4th April): 9am-6pm
 Easter Sunday (5th April): Closed
 Easter Monday (6th April): 9am-6pm
 Tuesday onwards normal hours resume

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FIND OUT MORE INFO:
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 region34uk@gkrkarate.com
 OR SCAN THE QR CODE

GKR KARATE GLOUCESTER CLASS TIMETABLE

BEGINNERS (White & Yellow)	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
GLOUCESTER	KINGSWAY 2 5.30-6.30pm Kingsway Primary School, GL2 2AR	QUEDELEY 2 6-7pm D-Club, School Lane, GL2 4PJ	LINDEN 6-7pm Ribston Hall High School, GL1 5LE		KINGSWAY 5-6pm Waterwells Sports Centre, GL2 2AG	QUEDELEY 10-11am Queudley, Comm Centre, GL2 4PJ	QUEDELEY 2 10-11am D-Club, School Lane, GL2 4PJ
GLOUCESTER	LINDEN 6.30-7.30pm Ribston Hall High School, GL1 5LE	CHURCHDOWN 6.30-7.30pm Chesnut Hill School, GL3 2PL	BROCKWORTH 5.30-6.30pm Coopers Edge Comm Centre, GL3 4BD	BROCKWORTH 9-9pm Coopers Edge Comm Centre, GL3 4BD	HUCCLECOTE 6-7pm Hillview Primary School, GL3 3LH		CHURCHDOWN 10-11am Chesnut Hill School, GL3 2PL
CHELTENHAM	BISHOPS CLEEVE 6.30-7.30pm B2 Youth & Comm Centre, GL52 9RL		WARDEN HILL 6.30-7.30pm Boonville School, GL51 3EF		CHELTENHAM 6-7pm Springbank Resource Centre, GL51 0LG	CHELTENHAM 10-11am Springbank Resource Centre, GL51 0LG	
STROUD	STROUD 6.30-7.30pm Stroud Leisure Centre, GL5 4AF		STROUD 6-7pm Stroud Leisure Centre, GL5 4AF				STROUD 10.30-11.30am Stroud Leisure Centre, GL5 4AF
DURSLEY			DURSLEY 6.30-7.30pm St Dominic's Church Hall, GL11 4ES		DURSLEY 6.00-7.00pm St Dominic's Church Hall, GL11 4ES		

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Why did the Easter egg hide?
 Because it was a little chicken!