

Glasshouses Community Primary School

Learning Together, Achieving Together, Respecting Each Other

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Weekly Newsletter

20 September 2019

Dear parents, carers, staff, pupils, volunteers and friends of the school

It's been another great week at Glasshouses Primary!

The Pupil Leadership Teams have now been established, with children from Reception to Year 6 all working together in their teams to develop an action plan. From next week, you will be getting updates from each team on the progress being made.

On Monday, Key Stage 2 children went on a fieldtrip to Guisecliff Tarn. At Glasshouses Primary we live and breathe our CHAMPS values but it was lovely to get feedback from the parent volunteers who accompanied the children, who all said that their behaviour was exceptional. Well done everybody and thank you so much to everyone who gave up their time to help out.

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, we had a fire drill this week and practised the Partial Lockdown procedure. On both occasions, the children displayed perfect CHAMPS Safe behaviour. I was very proud of them all.

Due to the UCI cycling races taking place next week, there will be **NO ASSEMBLY NEXT FRIDAY**. We have checked the routes and this event shouldn't affect us too much, with the exception of Friday, when all children and staff will need to make a quick exit!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend – let's hope this fabulous weather continues.

Nicola Thornber
Headteacher

CLASS NEWS

CLASS 1

Class 1 have had a really busy week.

We have been learning about healthy eating, inspired by our story 'Supertato'. We have made apple crumble and next week we will be making vegetable soup.

In Outdoor Education we have been enjoying some outdoor refreshments. We made a fire and cooked hot chocolate.



Please could everyone save their plastic milk cartons? We would like them to make igloos!
Thank you 😊

We would like to remind parents that children are not to bring toys (of any kind) into school.

CLASS 2

We started our week with a fun field trip in the woods up above Glasshouses. We went bug hunting, pond dipping, exploring and mapping. The children were very well behaved and really engaged in the activities. We are all very proud of them! Back in the classroom, we've started to take what we learnt and write our children's magazine articles that are full of fun facts!



In maths we've been focusing on place value, partitioning numbers and working on our mental maths skills.

CLASS 3



What a fantastic week!

On Monday, we had our wonderful walk to Guisecliff Woods where we completed some fieldwork. Thanks to all the parents who volunteered; we really appreciated it!

The children have also been working extremely hard on a Young Writers poetry competition: Poetry Monsters. We have sent entries for all children in Class 3 and hopefully we will have some poems published.



Special Recognition Awards



CHAMPS of the Week

Class 1 - Ollie

Class 2 - Jensen

Class 3 - Halle

Maths Maestro of the Week

Class 1 - Connor

Class 2 - George

Class 3 - Reuben

Writing Whizz of the Week

Class 1 - Harry

Class 2 - Peter

Class 3 - Tess

Star of the Week

Class 1 - Charlie

Class 2 – Whole Class

Class 3 – Lily K

Reading Champion of the Week

Class 1 - Marley

Class 2 - Ellie

Class 3 - Daisy

Sports Star of the Week

Class 1 - Ollie

Class 2 - Seb

Class 3 - Ryan

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Primary School**



Open Day

26th September 10am - 11am and 2pm - 3pm

Come and see our fabulous school in action!

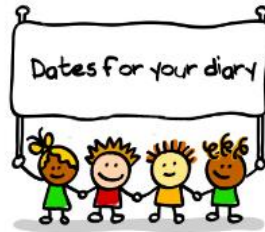
- We offer wrap-around care from 7:45 am through to 6:00 pm
- We also operate a Parent/Toddler Group from 9:30 – 11:00 am every Wednesday

**Please contact the school office on
01423 711440 or email admin@glasshouses.n-yorks.sch.uk
if you would like further information**

We are hosting another Open Day next Thursday - please spread the word!

It would be great to see as many people as possible and if you do know anyone with pre-school-age children in our catchment area, please invite them along.

Let's show them what makes Glasshouses Primary special and why it is the best place for their children to start their learning journey!



Please see the website for the whole year diary. Below is the diary for the current term.

AUTUMN TERM (2 September – 20 December)	
1ST HALF TERM (2 September – 25 October)	SWIMMERS: Mr Caswell's Class (every Wednesday) 4 September - 23 October inclusive (8 weeks)
23 September	Staff Training Day / Pateley Show – School closed to children
26 September	10:00-11:00am and 2:00-3:00pm Open Day for potential new parents
26 September	3:00-3:30pm (Reception/Year 1 PARENTS) Phonics/Reading Meeting with Mrs Wilkinson
27 September	9:30-11:00am MacMillan Coffee Morning – all welcome
3 October	<i>National Poetry Day</i>
3 October	3:00-3:30pm (PARENTS) Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar Workshop with Mrs Wilkinson
4 October	2:45pm Harvest Assembly with Rev Mike & Food Bank Collection – all welcome
Date?	Years 5/6 Campfire and Sleepover TBC
9 October	1:30pm Nidderdale Swimming Gala (Nidderdale Pool)
6 – 12 October	<i>Fire Safety Week</i>
11 October	1:00pm onwards – Flu Vaccinations/Screening (whole school)
18 October	3:30-5:30pm Halloween Disco - PTFA Event
22 October	3:00-6:30pm Parents Evening
25 October	School closes for half-term
2ND HALF TERM (4 November – 20 December)	SWIMMERS: Mr Caswell's Class (every Wednesday) 6 November – 18 December inclusive (7 weeks)
4 November	School starts – all children to be in school by 8:55am
11 November	Time? Remembrance Service TBC
12 November	1:30pm-3:30pm District Grand Final (swimming) – the Hydro
11 – 15 November	<i>Anti-Bullying Week</i>
18 – 22 November	<i>World Nursery Rhyme Week</i>
18 – 24 November	<i>Road Safety Week</i>
20 November	3:00pm (PARENTS) Coffee & Chat with the Head
22 November	9:00am Road Safety Assembly with Lauren Doherty (Whole School)
6 December	3:30-5:30pm Christmas Film Night (pyjamas & hot chocolate) - PTFA Event
11 December	10am Nativity Play for the Community and School
12 December	9:30am & 2:30pm Nativity Play for Parents
13 December	Time? PTFA Christmas Fair TBC
20 December	7:00pm Carols on the Green (mince pies & mulled wine at Broadbelt Hall after)
20 December	Winter Walk (weather permitting) 2:30 School Closes for Christmas

*NB, those not competing in the swimming gala on 9 October will not be swimming this week

Attendance

Our whole school target is set at **98%**.

PLATINUM 100%	GOLD 97% ⁺	GREEN 95-96%	AMBER 90-94%	RED Below 90%
	Class 3 – 98%	Whole School – 95.9% Class 2 – 96.5%	Class 1 – 91.5%	

Winning Class this week with 98% is Class 3

NB, in order to qualify for a Dress-down Monday, the winning class must have achieved Gold attendance with at least 97%.

Attendance results are announced during assembly on a Friday afternoon.

IMPORTANT NOTE: On dress-down days, clothing must still be appropriate for the school environment; no crop tops, short skirts, etc

SAFEGUARDING

Just a reminder about the morning routines:

8:45am – All Class Teachers and Teaching Assistants will be out in the playground. They are available for a quick chat but they are very busy at this time and their main concern will be to bring the children safely in to school. If you need to speak to the teacher privately, please arrange a meeting at this point.

Please do not share information about collection arrangements, illness, ETC, with the teaching staff – instead, please contact the Office. Tania will take responsibility for letting the relevant staff member(s) know.

8:55am – The children line up in Class lines to be taken into school.

NB - Anyone arriving after 8:55am needs to report to the office and be signed in as late in the register by the accompanying parent/carer.

ABSENCE – must be reported **by telephone or in person before 9:30am**. If you leave a message on the answer phone, please state your name, your child's name, the reason for their absence e.g. they have been sick, they have tonsillitis, they have a hospital appointment, etc (*not just that they are 'ill', 'won't be in today', etc*) and when you expect them to return to school. If you are unsure, you must telephone each day that your child is going to be absent.

Please do use email to report absence as emails are not always picked up early enough and can result in unnecessary telephone calls, etc.

Parent/Toddler Group

9:30-11:00am every Wednesday during term-time in the School Hall

We would like to encourage as many parents and their pre-school age children as possible to come along to our Parent/Toddler Group on a Wednesday morning.

The Group is staffed by our volunteers: Louise, Vicky, Jenny and Caroline, who have all been DBS checked.

We have a lovely selection of toys for the children to play with and have just taken delivery of a range of new arts and crafts materials (including aprons!!) for their 'messy play'.

The children presented Mrs Gillies in the office with a fabulous picture that they created and it is now taking pride of place on the office wall.



Parents can help themselves to refreshments whilst watching their children play in a safe and nurturing environment.

The Parent/Toddler Group is free to everyone although a small donation is gratefully received to cover the cost of the refreshments etc.