



**Growing Together
at Glynwood**

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February 2025

Valentine's Disco - Reception - **Monday 10th February at 2:15pm**

Safer Internet Day - **Tuesday 11th February (Assembly in school for children)**

Valentine's Disco - Year One and Two - **Tuesday 11th February 3:30 - 4:30pm**

Valentine's Disco - Year Three and Year Four - **Wednesday 12th February 3:30pm - 4:30pm**

Valentine's Disco - Year Five and Year Six - **Thursday 13th February 3:30pm - 4:30pm**

Half term holiday - break up on **Friday 21st February** and return to school on **Monday 3rd March**

March 2025

World Book Day - **Thursday 6th March - more information to follow.**

Red Nose Day - **Non-uniform - Friday 14th March**

April 2025

Family Attendance Meetings - **Wednesday 2nd April**

Faith Day - **Friday 11th April (parents will be invited into school from 2:45pm to look at children's work on different faiths)**

Break up for the Easter holidays on **Friday 11th April** and return to school on **Monday 28th April**

May 2025

Earth Day-non-uniform day (wear something green) - **Friday 2nd May**

BANK HOLIDAY - School Closed - **Monday 5th May**

Year 6 SATs week - **Monday 12th May - Thursday 15th May**

Family attendance meetings - **Wednesday 21st May**

Break up for half term holiday on **Friday 23rd May** and return to school on **Monday 2nd June**

June 2025

Year Four Multiplication Check - **Week beginning 2nd June**

Nursery and Reception Sports Day - **Tuesday 3rd June at 2:15pm**

Year One and Year Two Sports Day - **Wednesday 4th June at 2:15pm**

Year Three and Year Four Sports Day - **Thursday 5th June at 2:15pm**

Year Five and Year Six Sports Day - **Friday 6th June at 2:15pm**

Year One Phonics Screening - **Week Beginning Monday 9th June**

Occasional Day - School Closed - **Friday 13th June**

Rainbow Day- Non-uniform and assembly in school - **Friday 20th June**

Glynwood Arts, Music and Craft Festival - **23rd June - Friday 4th July**

July 2025

Glynwood Art Exhibition - **open to families from 3:15 - 3:45 on Wednesday 2nd July, Thursday 3rd July and Friday 4th July.**

Family attendance meetings - **Tuesday 8th July**

Pupil end of year reports out to families - **Friday 11th July**

Last Day of term for the summer break - **Friday 18th July**

Dear Families, I hope that this newsletter finds you well.

School Crossing Patrol - Today we said goodbye to Angela our school crossing patrol lady who has been with us for 33 years! The Head boy and Head girl presented her with gifts from the donations made by parents and staff and she was most grateful. Angela has been a wonderful member of our school community and we wish her the very best of luck and good health for her retirement xxx

Staff absence - Mrs Commons has a planned knee operation coming up on the 8th February, so if you have any concerns about your child that you would normally direct her way, please speak to Mrs Nellis, Mr Otterson or Mrs Jobling instead. Any meetings you already have booked in with her will be held with one of the other staff instead. Mrs Nellis will be back full time in school from Monday 10th February.

Valentine Disco - We will be holding our Valentine Discos again this year (please see the dates above). The cost is £2.00 per child, this can be paid in cash to either your child's classroom staff or the school office. The charge includes admission, a drink and a snack. Discos will be 3.15 - 4.30pm; children should come into school on the day of disco wearing their disco clothes. Reception will hold their own disco during the school day on Monday 10th Feb.

Collection point at the end of the discos:

Y1 and Y2 - KS1 Playground

Y3 and Y4 - KS1 Playground

Y5 and Y6 - KS2 Playground

Appointments - We appreciate that sometimes you have to make appointments for your child during school time, but can parents and carers please try to send their children into school for as long as possible rather than taking the whole day off for one short appointment - thank you.

Swimming - There are a number of children regularly staying off school or forgetting kit or saying they can't go swimming because of different ailments. It is a requirement of the National Curriculum for your child to attend swimming lessons as well as obviously being an extremely important life skill. Please encourage your child to complete the remaining lessons this half term.

Earrings - should not be worn in school and either be removed by the child or taped up to enable them to take part in PE etc.

PE Kit - All children should be wearing our Glynwood PE T-shirts or sports hoodies for PE days - No-one should be wearing football tops.

Have a lovely weekend

Best wishes

Mr Otterson

Child Protection and Safeguarding

Child Protection and Safeguarding are always an absolute priority in school. Our designated safeguarding leads and deputies are: Vicky Nellis (Head Teacher), Simon Otterson (Deputy Head), Sarah Brunskill (Assistant Head), Esther Commons (SENDco) and Jude Etherington (Curriculum leader). Please talk to any of us about any concerns that you may have. Posters displaying photos of the designated safeguarding leads are displayed around school.

If you have concerns about a child in your community, you have a number of options:

- 1) You can call 101 and ask for some welfare advice. This can be done anonymously.
- 2) You can visit the NSPCC website on: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/reporting-abuse/report/> or you can call the NSPCC helpline on 0808 800 5000, You can report concerns here anonymously too.

Attendance target / National Expectation - 96%

Glynwood Attendance this week - 92.5%



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