



Dear Families,

As we approach the end of another remarkable academic year, this will be the last newsletter. There is much to celebrate, but I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

Our **Summer Fair** was an outstanding success; with a fabulous turnout from our community. The atmosphere was truly special, and I am thrilled to announce that we raised over £1000 through your generous support and participation. This achievement reflects the strong community spirit that makes our school such a special place.

The **Arts, Crafts and Music Festival** provided another highlight, offering brilliant activities and events that showcased the creative talents of our pupils. These occasions remind us of the importance of nurturing creativity alongside academic excellence, and it was wonderful to see so many children enjoying these enriching experiences together.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to **Mrs. Birkbeck**, who joins us as our new **Family Support Worker**. We are excited to have her expertise and dedication as part of our team.

At the same time, we bid farewell to **Mrs. Wright**, who retires at the end of next week after an incredible 25 years of service to our school. Her commitment and contribution to countless pupils' lives have been immeasurable, and we wish her the very best in her well-deserved retirement. You may also be aware that Mrs. Wright coordinated Glynwood's Music provision and curriculum and she will also be truly missed within this role.

This is a particularly poignant time as we celebrate our **Year Six pupils**, who are experiencing their final week with us. This cohort holds a special place in my heart, as they were the children in Reception when I first started my journey as Head Teacher here At Glynwood. They have grown into wonderful, bright, and enthusiastic young people. Their recent performance of Shakespeare Rocks was absolutely outstanding - they demonstrated remarkable talent and enthusiasm as performers, making us all incredibly proud.

As the summer holidays approach, I wanted to share some valuable information about travel opportunities. Tyne and Wear Metro continues their Kids go Free promise, allowing up to three children aged 11 and under to travel free on Metro or the Shields Ferry when accompanied by a fare-paying adult. Additionally, between 19 July and 31 August, up to three children aged 11 and under can travel free on buses with an adult holding a valid ticket. For more information, please visit nexus.org.uk or www.northeast-ca.gov.uk/bus.

Please remember there will be no after school club next Friday, 18th July. As the weather continues to be warm, please ensure your children have water bottles, caps, and sun protection cream.

Children return to school following the summer break on Tuesday, 2nd September 2025.

Please see below for Key Dates for next week and also some additional information regarding your child's report.

With my best wishes for a lovely weekend and then a happy and peaceful summer.

Vicky Nellis
Head Teacher

Year 6 Leavers assembly - 9.15am - Friday 18th July

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

Return date for children in September - Tuesday 2nd September

Report Information

Today you will have received your child's report.

In Year One reports, there will be a copy of your child's phonics screening results.

In Year Four reports, there will be a copy of your child's Multiplication Check results.

On all reports, you will see assessment information for your child.

Below is an explanation of the abbreviations that are used on the reports.

WTS	EXS	GDS / GD	PKS
This stands for working towards the expected standard.	This stands for working at the expected standard.	This stands for working at a greater depth of the expected standard.	This stands for working at a level that is pre-key stage.

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.