



**Growing Together
at Glynwood**

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<u>19/04/24</u>
<u>April 2024</u>
Earth Day - Monday 22nd April
<u>May 2024</u>
Bank holiday Monday - school closed to pupils - Monday 6th May.
Friday 10 th May - Y1 visit to Alnwick Castle
Year Six SATs week - Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May.
Please do not book holidays for your Year Six child during this week.
Inclusion week - Week beginning Monday 20th May
Last day in school before the half term holiday - Friday 24th May.
<u>June 2024</u>
Children return to school after the half term holiday - Monday 3rd June.
Monday 3 rd June - Y1/2 sports day 2.15pm
Tuesday 4 th June Reception & Nursery sports day 2.15pm
Thursday 5 th June - Y5/6 sports day 2pm
Friday 7 th June - Y3/4 sports day 2pm
Year Four Multiplication check - Monday 3rd June - Thursday 13th June (Children take one test at some point during this time.)
Year One Phonics Screening Check - Monday 10th June - Friday 14th June.
Tuesday 11 th June - Y4 visit to Housesteads
Occasional Day - School Closed for children - Friday 14th June
<u>July 2024</u>
Week beginning 8 th July - SCIENCE WEEK
Reports out to parents - Friday 12th July.
Last Day of term - Friday 19th July

Message from Mrs. Nellis:

Dear Families, We hope that you had a great Easter break, despite the disappointing weather. Hopefully, the sun will shine and the weather will warm up over the next few weeks. The children have returned to school raring to go, as always, and full of enthusiasm. The **Y5 basketball team** are taking part in the Champion of Champion finals at the Eagles this afternoon and we wish them all the best of luck! The **Y6 football team** also played some great league games last night and demonstrated some excellent sportsmanship.

Reporting absences - I cannot stress enough the importance of reporting your child's absence. You can report this via parentmail, by calling the school office or by sending an e mail to the main Glynwood email account. If we have not heard from you, we cannot get in touch with you and we are concerned about you or your child, then we will conduct a home visit. If a home visit fails, then we may ask other service to conduct a welfare check. Safeguarding is our number one priority and we have a responsibility to know that children are safe if they are not in school. Please inform school each day of your child's absence.

It is also important to be honest about the reason for absence. If you are on holiday, but school think that your child is absent due to sickness, then that puts everyone in a difficult position, particularly your child when they return to school.

After School Club - Please can you ensure that your child knows if they are attending After School Club whenever possible. Many thanks.

Spare clothing - If anyone has any outgrown spare clothing (jogging bottoms, leggings etc) in all sizes (to fit children right up to Y6), we would really appreciate donations. Children often fall over in the mud or need to get changed for other reasons, so spare clothing is always needed!

Lunchtimes - we are on a mission to make lunchtimes as enjoyable as possible. We have purchased some great new equipment for the children and there are now different areas for the children to access on the KS2 playground. **The Playground Leaders** (KS2 children) have been doing a great job supporting the children on the KS1 playground, but also ensuring that the new zones on the KS2 yard have been working well too. Lots of new activities will be introduced onto the KS1 yard in the next couple of weeks. Hopefully the children will also be able to access the play equipment on the grassed areas when the weather improves too.

Please do not allow your children to play on the fixed play equipment before or after school. This is for health and safety reasons.

We are delighted that the **Easter raffle** raised £499 - many thanks for your contributions and we hope that those of you who won enjoyed your hampers!

Earth Day - Monday 22nd April. The children are taking part in a collaborative art project, so we are asking for each child to bring in either a plastic bottle OR a plastic bag.

With my best wishes- Vicky Nellis (Head Teacher)



70 Acts of Kindness for 70 Years!

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Who to talk to if you have any concerns, questions, queries or comments:



Vicky Nellis (Head Teacher)



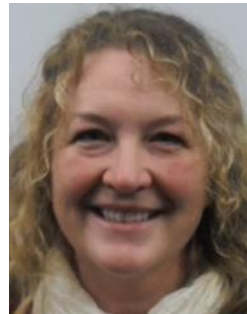
Simon Otterson (Deputy Head Teacher Y5/6 Lead)



Carolyn Dobbing (Home School Liaison Officer)



Esther Commons (SENDco/ KS1 Leader)



Jude Etherington (Curriculum Lead)

The above staff are also all designated safeguarding leaders or deputy leaders, so you can talk to any of them if you have a concern about a child.

Please remember that if you do have concerns about a child, you can speak to any of the adults above. If the concerns require an immediate response, then you should call the police or children's social care, where you can make referrals anonymously, if you wish. You can also call the NSPCC 0800 1111 for advice.

If you notice suspicious activity in the vicinity of the school, then please do report it via the police, or inform one of our designated safeguarding leads.

We request that whilst you are on the school site, or in the vicinity of the school, that you do not use bad language/ swear and also dress appropriately (no swimwear please).