



## Growing Together at Glynwood

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<b><u>10/11/23</u></b>
<b><u>November 2023</u></b>
Odd Socks Day - Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November
Robinwood - Residential trip for Year Six - Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November
Individual School Photographs - Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> November
Children in Need - Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November
<b><u>December 2023</u></b>
Happy Birthday Glynwood Day - Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December
Flu immunization team in school - Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Jumper Day - Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December
Nursery Christmas Carols 9.15am - Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December
Reception Class Christmas Performance 2.15pm - Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Parties YR-Y6 - Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December
Nursery Christmas Party 9am - Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December
Y3 & Y4 (Y3 lead the service) Carols at St. John's Church 2pm - Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December
Y2 Carols by Candlelight 9.15am - Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December
Y5 & Y6 Carols (Year 5 lead the service) at St. John's Church 2pm - Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December
Last day in school before the Christmas holiday - Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December
<b><u>January 2024</u></b>
Children return to school after the Christmas holiday - Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January (8 <sup>th</sup> January is a teacher training day).
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January - Pantomime in School - Robinhood
<b><u>February 2024</u></b>
Last day in school before the half term holiday - Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February
Children return to school after the half term holiday - Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February
<b><u>March 2024</u></b>
Last day in school before the Easter holiday - Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March
<b><u>April 2024</u></b>
Children return to school after the Easter holiday - Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April
<b><u>May 2024</u></b>
Bank holiday Monday - school closed to pupils - Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May.
Year Six SATs week - Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May - Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May. Please do not book holidays for your Year Six child during this week.
Last day in school before the half term holiday - Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May.
<b><u>June 2024</u></b>
Children return to school after the half term holiday - Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June.
Year Four Multiplication check - Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June - Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June (Children take one test at some point during this time.)
Year One Phonics Screening Check - Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June - Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June.
Occasional Day - School Closed for children - Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June
<b><u>July 2024</u></b>
Reports out to parents - Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July.
Last Day of term - Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July

## Message from Mrs. Nellis:

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November - ODD sock day** - This is an awareness Day for anti-bullying week. Children should wear full school uniform, but can wear odd socks. Any odd socks will do - there is no need to buy anything special! Classes will be having sessions around anti-bullying throughout the week.

As part of anti-bullying week, we will be looking again at cyberbullying and online safety. Attached is a flyer about cyberbullying that you may wish to share with your child before next week.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November** - school photograph day, children should come to school wearing full school uniform. You will receive a parentmail at the beginning of the week if you would like to arrange a family group/ siblings photo.

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November Children in Need** - This will be a non-uniform day for a £1 donation. This can be paid in cash to your child's class staff. We will also be holding a special Children in Need Assembly.

**Christmas Card orders** - Thank you to everyone who has already bought their Christmas cards and other goodies. There will be another opportunity for you to buy between 17<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> November if you follow the instructions on your card sample.

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December is Christmas lunch day** - lunch options will be restricted to Christmas dinner only i.e. Turkey Christmas dinner or vegetarian Christmas Dinner. IF YOUR CHILD WOULD LIKE A CHRISTMAS DINNER PLEASE BOOK IN ON THE PARENTMAIL APP.

**Flu immunisation** for children in years Reception to Year 6 will take place on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December. You have until 4pm on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December to give your consent. You can do this by using this link:

<https://www.northumbriaimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

using school code **NB108372**

**Happy Birthday Glynwood!** - Glynwood is 70 years old on 28<sup>th</sup> November this year. We will be marking the occasion in school by having a celebration day for the children on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December. This will include some sessions about the history of the school, but also some fun activities too.

I am also very keen to collect some memories from the wider school community about the school. If you or any of your family members/ friends attended Glynwood, then please do e mail your memories to the school e mail address ([glynwoodcommunityprimaryschool@gateshead.gov.uk](mailto:glynwoodcommunityprimaryschool@gateshead.gov.uk)) or write them down and drop them in to the school office.

Tomorrow morning, Glynwood will be laying a wreath as part of the **Remembrance Service** at the Boer War memorial on Durham Road. Some of the Y6 Head Boy and Girl representatives will be accompanying me. If you would like to attend, then people start to gather from 10:35am.

Overall, it has been a great start to the second half of the Autumn term. Many thanks to the parents/ carers/ extended family members who attended the **Phonics workshop** - it was a great turnout! If you do have any further questions about how to support your child's learning at home, then please do ask your child's teacher or teaching assistant. With my very best wishes for a great weekend

Mrs Vicky Nellis (Head Teacher)

**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).