





**Growing Together  
at Glynwood**

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<b><u>November 2024</u></b>
Parents evening for Reception, Y1 and Y2 - <b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November</b>
<b><u>December 2024</u></b>
Shipleigh Art Gallery Visit - <b>Y6HB Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December</b>
Shipleigh Art Gallery Visit - <b>Y6SO Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December</b>
<b>Nursery's Christmas Singalong - Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December x 2 performances</b> <b>AM Nursery + 30 hours at 10:15am and PM Nursery + 30 hours at 2:15pm</b>
Reception Christmas Performance - <b>2:30 pm Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December</b>
Year 1 Nativity Performance - <b>2:30 Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b>
Year 2 Christmas Carol Performance - <b>2:30 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b>
Christmas Jumper Day (wear your Christmas jumper to school) - <b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>
Christmas Party Day (children to come to school in party clothes) - <b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>
<b>Nursery</b> Christmas Party Day (children to come to school in party clothes) - <b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>
Year 3 and Year 4 (Year 3 lead performance) - Carols at St. John's - <b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 2:30pm (parents invited) TBC</b>
Year 5 and Year 6 (Year 5 lead performance) - Carols at St. John's - <b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 2:30pm (parents invited) TBC</b>
Christmas holidays - break up 20 <sup>th</sup> December and return to school 6 <sup>th</sup> January
<b><u>January 2025</u></b>
<b>Panto for pupils - Puss in Boots on Treasure Island - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January</b>
<b>French Day - Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January</b>

## February 2025

Valentine's Disco -Reception - Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 2:15pm

Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February (Assembly in school for children)

Valentine's Disco - Year One and Two - Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 3:30 - 4:30pm

Valentine's Disco - Year Three and Year Four - Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Valentine's Disco - Year Five and Year Six - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Half term holiday - break up on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February and return to school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

## March 2025

World Book Day - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March - more information to follow.

Red Nose Day - Non-uniform - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March

## April 2025

Family Attendance Meetings - Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Faith Day - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup> April and return to school on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April

## May 2025

Earth Day-non-uniform day (wear something green) - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

BANK HOLIDAY - School Closed - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May

Year 6 SATs week - Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May - Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May

Family attendance meetings - Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May

Break up for half term holiday on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May and return to school on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

## June 2025

Year Four Multiplication Check - Week beginning 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Nursery and Reception Sports Day - Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 2:15pm

Year One and Year Two Sports Day - Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 2:15pm

Year Three and Year Four Sports Day - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 2:15pm

Year Five and Year Six Sports Day - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 2:15pm

Year One Phonics Screening - Week Beginning Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June

Occasional Day - School Closed - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June

Rainbow Day- Non-uniform and assembly in school - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June

Glynwood Arts, Music and Craft Festival - 23<sup>rd</sup> June - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July

## July 2025

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

Family attendance meetings - Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July

Pupil end of year reports out to families - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July

Last Day of term for the summer break - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July

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

**After School Club** please find attached a copy of our After School Club Policy, can I draw your attention to the section that deals with late pick ups. We have noticed that the number of late pick ups have increased recently and would like to remind you that if you are late collecting your child, you will incur an additional charge.

**Afterschool club/ breakfast club** - Did you know that you can get help towards the costs. We are registered with the Government Tax-free childcare initiative, please see the attached flyer and click on the link. <https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare> our school post code is NE9 5SY.

**Christmas Cards/Gifts orders with Class Fundraising** - a second on-line shop is being opened from 15<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> November for anyone who missed placing an initial order.

**School dinners** - can parents of children in KS1 please discuss their lunch choices before school as many children are not sticking to the choices made on Parentmail meaning the older children sometimes do not get the choices they have ordered.

**Parents evening** - For parents of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, you now have a new date of Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November. Original appointment times for this new date if convenient - if you need a new time, please contact a member of staff.

**Pick up times** - When arranging for someone else to pick up your child at hometime, please make contact with your child's class teacher in advance to let them know the details, or ring the office to give your permission for your child to go with a different trusted adult. **Can we also remind you that older siblings should be at least 16 years old for picking up their brothers or sisters.** Thank you.

**Request for help** - Staff in Reception would still like your help please for their outdoor area in school. Donations of watering cans, buckets, guttering, plants, wheelbarrows, large stones, conkers and tarpaulin would be most useful. If you have any large garden games they would also be welcome. Thank you in advance.

**Playground equipment** - Could parents waiting for children at the end of the day please remind the children that they should not be using the equipment from boxes in the yard after the equipment has been tidied away at lunchtime.

**Reading folders** - Could parents please make sure your child has their reading book and reading record with them every day. Please try to read with your child as much as you can at home.

**Earrings** - a polite reminder that children should have their earrings taped up if they are unable to remove them for school.

**Cold weather clothing** - can we ask that pupils wear a warm coat for school and have hats and gloves if possible as some children are attending school only in their school jumpers.

**Reporting absences** – if your child is going to be absent from school, it is essential that you let school know either through the ParentMail app or by phoning the school office. If we do not receive a reason for absence then we may conduct an unannounced home visit to ensure the welfare of the whole family.

As always, my door is open – please do call school if you would like to speak to me.

**With my best wishes – Vicky Nellis (Head Teacher)**

**Attendance target/ National Expectation – 96% Glynwood Attendance this week – 89.3%**

### **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), Carolyn Dobbing (Home School Liaison Officer), 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.



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