



Glebelands News

Volume 3 Issue 14

Autumn Term 13 December 2024

What a lovely week of performances we have had! The week started with The Foxes' class assembly. They were brilliant! We then had both the year 1 and year 2 Christingle performances. It has been so lovely to share these excellent performances with so many of you. On Thursday morning, we also met for a very special assembly. The winner of our picture book award - Susannah Lloyd - joined us for a video call to celebrate her success. She was asked some questions by some of our year 6 children and told us all about where her love of writing stemmed from. It has also been lovely to see everyone wearing their Christmas jumpers and the festivities continued today with the ever-popular Christmas Present Room.

Next week is the last week of term. We have plenty planned. Tuesday is Christmas dinner day at school, some children from Year 4, 5 and 6 will be off to London to see The Nutcracker on Wednesday and we also have celebration day on Friday. On Friday, the children will be celebrating the end of term with their classes. On this day, it will be **non-uniform** - please ensure that clothes worn are suitable for inside and outside.

Car Parking

We had some really worrying issues with cars along Farriers Gate this week. There were a couple of instances where children were crossing the roads and were very nearly hit. Some of the cars were parked on the yellow lines outside the school and this can make crossing the road very unsafe for everyone. We ask, where possible, that you walk to school and where this is not possible, park safely away from main crossing points or directly outside the school.

Clubs

A reminder that there are no clubs running next week. This does NOT include paid breakfast and afterschool club - these will run as normal. New clubs are being organised by the teachers and you will receive notification of how to sign up for these after Christmas.

Medical Tracker

We are going paperless with our first aid reporting. In the new year, we are aiming to launch an online reporting system. This means that you will receive email notifications for any first aid incidents that your child has been involved in. Once recorded at school, these notifications will instantly come through to the first two email contacts that we hold for you on Arbor. These notifications will be the way in which we will report to you unless the injury requires immediate attention. For this reason, we ask that you check the contact details that we hold for you on Arbor to ensure that these notifications get to you promptly. We will send out further information on the other side of the holidays.

School Attendance

Please find the class weekly attendance figures below:

PANDAS	93.55%	AXOLOTLS	88.33%
KOALAS	95.86%	DALMATIANS	92.41%
SWALLOWS	96.55%	PUFFINS	90.67%
ELEPHANTS	95.00%	ARMADILLOS	95.77%
OTTERS	94.23%	OWLS	98.89%
SHARKS	93.23%	GIRAFFES	91.67%
FOXES	96.13%	CHAMELEONS	94.14%

Overall weekly attendance for the whole school 93.97%.

School Meals

A copy of next week's school menu is attached.

Glebelands People

These are posted on our school website the weekend after the children have been awarded their stickers in assembly, so please take a look!

Phonics

We want to keep you up to date with the sounds we have been focusing on each week as this will help you to support your child at home.

FS: This week our new GPCs are: zz, qu, ch

Year 1: Our new GPC is e-e: eve, even, these

Glebelands House Standings

Shooting Stars - Yellow: 2210
Blue Lightning - Blue: 1950
Sparkling Spaceships - Green 2038
Inferno Fire - Red : 1863

Christmas Tree

We have been very fortunate again to have been donated a lovely Christmas tree this year. It is a beautiful real tree and it will be looking for a home for Christmas next Friday. If you are interested in taking it home for Christmas, please let the office know that you are interested. If you would like the tree, you will need to collect it at the end of the school day on Friday.

Questions of the week

We are aware that sometimes it is tricky for children to talk to parents about their learning from the week or that sometimes you get the answer "nothing" when asking children what they've learned at school. Therefore, we are going to provide a prompt question for each year group every week, that you can ask your child and get them talking about their amazing learning.

Year 1 Can you remember what the different parts of the Christingle represent?

Year 2: What do animals need to stay alive?

Year 3: How are fossils made?

Year 4: How can you use the 3 times tables to support you with the 9 times tables?

Year 5: Can you explain what area is?

Year 6: How many 2D and 3D shapes can you name alongside their properties?

Dates

16 December—The Chameleons Class Assembly
18 December—The Nutcracker at The London Coliseum
20 December—Last Day of Autumn Term
6 January—Training Day (no children in school)
15-17 January—Y4 Residential to Burwell House
7 January—First Day of Spring Term
3-6 February—Y5 Bikeability
4 February—Puffins Class Assembly 14:50
5 February—Otters class Assembly 14:50
7 February—School Disco
11 February—Parents' Evening
13 February—Parents' Evening
17-21 February—February Half Term
25 February—Year 5 Trip to The Space Centre
19 March—Voice in a Million
25 March—Y6 Trip to Duxford
4 April—Last day of Spring Term
7-21 April—Easter Holidays
22 April—Training Day (no children in school)
23 April—First day of Summer Term
5 May—Bank Holiday (no children in school)
12-15 May—Y6 SATs
16 May—Y6 Trip to The Playground
26-30 May—May Half Term
4 June—Y6 Trip to see Wicked
24 June—Y6 March Safety Zone
1-4 July—Y5 Residential to Chester
16 July—Y6 Trip to Wicksteed Park
23 July—Last day of the school year