



Glebelands News

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It has been another busy and successful week in school. We would like to extend a huge thank you to all the parents, children and families who gave up their time last weekend to help clear part of our school site. Thanks to your hard work; the allotment is now looking much more ready for use, and we are excited about the opportunities this will provide for our children in the coming months. Your support and community spirit are greatly appreciated.

A polite reminder to all families to please use the designated pathway when walking across the car park. This helps to keep everyone safe, particularly during our busy arrival and collection times.

Thank you also for your generosity in supporting our Harvest Assembly. We were delighted by the number of donations received, all of which will be gratefully received by Ely Foodbank. Our Harvest Assembly on Wednesday was a lovely occasion, and it was wonderful to be joined by members of the church as we celebrated and reflected on the importance of helping others within our community.

Finally, a reminder regarding medication in school. Antibiotics should only be brought into school if they need to be administered four times a day. In most cases, antibiotics prescribed three times a day can be given before school, after school and at bedtime. If you have any questions about medication, please contact the school office.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership. We hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Glebelands House Standings

Shooting Stars - Yellow: 50
Blue Lightning - Blue: 40
Sparkling Spaceships - Green 20
Inferno Fire - Red : 23

Flu Vaccinations

The flu vaccinations will take place in school on Monday 19th October for all children whose parents have given consent. You should have received a text from the NHS this week with details of how to do this. Please click on the link given and follow the instructions. There is a drop down menu where you choose Glebelands as a school. Consent must be given by Sunday 18th October. Your child will not receive the flu nasal spray unless consent is given by this date.

Parents' Evening—Online

Parents' Consultations for this term will take place over two evenings. For the majority of classes this will be on Tuesday 20th October and Thursday 22nd October between 15:30 and 18:00. Sycamore (Mrs Laws), Chestnut (Mr Cowling) and Maple (Miss Green) will hold their appointments on Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st October between 15:30 and 18:00. Appointments can be made from Sunday 11th October at 19:00 and will close on Sunday 18th October at midday. Should you wish to make any changes after this date, or you have difficulty making an appointment on line, please contact the school office. An email with details of how to book was sent out yesterday.

School Meals

Please find next week's menu attached.

School Attendance

Please find the class weekly attendance figures below:

BIRCH	89.31%	CEDAR	88.93%
ELM	95.00%	HAWTHORN	95.86%
MAPLE	97.33%	WILLOW	94.67%
ALDER	94.81%	HAZEL	94.83%
ASH	96.33%	COPPER BEECH	93.23%
OAK	89.66%	POPLAR	96.79%
CHESTNUT	95.17%	SYCAMORE	87.96%

Overall weekly attendance for the whole school 93.57%.

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.

In FS we have been learning the letters: ck, e, u, r

In Year 1 our new GPC is ea: stream, cream, heat

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!

Our New Eco Council

Do you care about our planet? Do you love nature and wild-life? Have you got lots of ideas to make our school greener? Then this is for you! We are excited to be setting up an Eco Council at school. The council is open for all year groups. It will give you the opportunity to share your ideas and help make our school a more environmentally friendly place. If you would like to join, application forms can be picked up from the school office. Please return them by **Friday 23rd October**. Successful applicants will be informed after half term.

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.

EYFS: What makes you happy?

Year 1: Can you tell your family about a Percy the Park Keeper book that we have read?

Year 2: Can you partition some two-digit numbers into tens and ones?

Year 3: What is the difference between coordinating and subordinating conjunctions?

Year 4: How can you use your knowledge of place value, addition and subtraction to calculate efficiently?

Year 5: How do you create a compound word?

Year 6: Can you name 3 different classifications of invertebrate?

Dates

19 October—Flu Vaccinations FS—Y6
20 October—Parents' Evening Online
22 October—Parents' Evening Online
26-30 October—Half Term
9 November—Y4 Trip to West Stow Anglo Saxon Village
1 December—EYFS Nativity
2 December—EYFS Nativity
3 December—Y3 Trip to Flag Fen
8 December—Year 1 and 2 Christmas
10 December—Christmas Jumper Day
10 December—Year 1 and 2 Christmas
16 December—Christmas Dinner
18 December—Last Day of The Autumn Term
4 January—Training Day (No children in school)
5 January—First Day of The Spring Term
13-15 January—Year 4 Residential to Burwell House
15-19 February—Half Term
4 March—Year 5 Trip to The National Space Centre
25 March—Last Day of The Spring Term
12 April—Training Day (No children in school)
3 May—Bank Holiday (No children in school)
31 May—4 June—Half Term
7 June—Training Day—(No children in school)
7-9 July—Year 5 Residential to Caythorpe Court
21 July—Last Day of the Academic Year