Glebelands News

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As we reach the end of our first half term, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all of our children on the fantastic start they have made to the school year. They have worked incredibly hard, shown great enthusiasm for their learning and demonstrated our school values every day. We are very proud of all that they have achieved in such a short space of time.

Thank you also to all parents and carers who attended Parents' Evening this week. We greatly value the strong partnership between home and school and appreciate the time you took to meet with teachers to discuss your child's progress. A particular thank you goes to those families who were so flexible in coming into school at short notice when the online meeting platform experienced difficulties. Your understanding and support were very much appreciated.

We wish all of our families a restful and enjoyable half term break and look forward to welcoming everyone back for the second half of the autumn term on Monday 2nd November. Enjoy the week ahead and thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Clubs

After half term, please remember that children attending any after-school clubs will need to be collected by an authorised adult. This applies to all children irrespective of their walk home permissions.

Wellies!

Please could we ask that you ensure that your child has a pair of wellies in school. If they do not have these, they will not have access to any of the activities on the field at lunchtime. Please ensure they are in a bag and labelled. In addition to this, please can you make sure that they come to school with a coat. The weather changes throughout the day and as we aim to be out in all weathers, a coat may be required by break or lunchtime.

School Meals

Please find the week beginning 2nd November's menu attached.

Please note that Thursday 5th November is Firework Day Lunch. The options are:

Red	Firecracker Hot dog with Smokey Crispy Potatoes and Sweetcorn
Green	Tomato & Cheese Catherine Wheel with Smokey Crispy Potatoes and Sweetcorn
Blue	Cosy Warm Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings
Pudding	Bonfire Rice Krispie Cake

School Attendance

Please find the class weekly attendance figures below:

BIRCH	90.00%	CEDAR	91.38%
ELM	95.00%	HAWTHORN	93.45%
MAPLE	95.00%	WILLOW	99.00%
ALDER	91.38%	HAZEL	95.17%
ASH	97.33%	COPPER BEECH	89.35%
OAK	96.25%	POPLAR	93.21%
CHESTNUT	92.07%	SYCAMORE	92.00%

Overall weekly attendance for the whole school 93.63%.

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 and Y1 we have been recapping the sounds we already know. These are shown on your child's reading card.

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!

Glebelands House Standings

Shooting Stars - Yellow: 57
Blue Lightning - Blue: 53
Sparkling Spaceships - Green 32
Inferno Fire - Red : 32

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: How would you trap the big bad wolf?

Year 1: Can you remember the pairs of numbers that go together to make 10?

Year 2: What is a food chain? Can you explain one to an adult at home?

Year 3: How many words can you make which contain the prefix de-?

Year 4: Can you explain how you round a 4-digit number to the nearest 1,000, 100 or 10?

Year 5: What could you buy with £10 and how would you work out the change?

Year 6: Name the highest common factor of 54 and 120?

Dates

26-30 October—Half Term
6 November—Y4 Trip to The Museum of Zoology
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—Frist 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