



Glebelands News

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It is hard to believe that we have already arrived at half term! Hopefully, we will see less rain on the other side of the holidays. The children have been working so hard this week and definitely deserve the break! Thank you to all who have attended Parent's Meetings this week; it is a great opportunity to be able to share in all the wonderful work that they have been completing.

This week, we have seen some lovely class assembly performances: Mr Parkes' class on Monday and Mrs Maiden's on Tuesday! On Wednesday, we shared a whole-school assembly to celebrate the Kindness Project which Year 5 have been completing. It was great to see all their hard work on the big screen.

Tuesday this week also saw Safer Internet Day happening; children across the school engaged in activities around the theme which was 'Smart tech, safe choices - Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI.' This is a particularly important theme to explore due to the increased use of AI and emphasises the importance of understanding and navigating artificial intelligence in our daily online interactions. This week is also Children's Mental Health Week with the theme being, 'This is My Place'. The aim is to support the systems around children and young people to help them feel they belong.

After the holidays, we have another short half term with lots planned in already. Year 5 off to Leicester Space Centre on the Monday that we return.

Have a lovely half term and we will see you on the other side!

School Meals

Please find the week beginning 23rd February's menu attached. This is the new menu for the rest of the academic year.

We are now at the end of this half-term and all school meal debts must be cleared. Please ensure that this is done by topping up your child's Arbor account.

Drinks in school

We have been reviewing our policies with regards to drinks in school. Please can you ensure that children bring a named bottle to school daily. This bottle can contain water, sugar-free squash or sugar-free flavoured water. Please can we ask that no hot drinks, fizzy drinks (including sugar-free options), sports drinks or energy drinks are brought into school. Thank you for your support with this.

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!

School Attendance

Please find the class weekly attendance figures below:

PANDAS	95.20%	AXOLOTLS	92.69%
KOALAS	94.83%	DALMATIANS	90.00%
SWALLOWS	95.67%	ROBINS	87.86%
PUFFINS	90.69%	ARMADILLOS	92.07%
OTTERS	96.79%	GIRAFFES	88.28%
SHARKS	93.79%	KINGFISHERS	88.57%
FOXES	92.76%	CHAMELEONS	89.03%

Overall weekly attendance for the whole school 91.98%.

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: Our new GPC is oa eg boat road coat

Year 1: Our new GPC is: -y. eg cry try reply

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: Why is exercise important?

Year 1: Can you name the seas that surround the UK?

Year 2: What is a remainder?

Year 3: What are the features of a persuasive advert?

Year 4: What do you know about the artist Alberto Giacometti?

Year 5: What are the values of humanism and can you explain them?

Year 6: What is the difference between active and passive voice?

Glebelands House Standings

Shooting Stars - Yellow: 832
Blue Lightning - Blue: 936
Sparkling Spaceships - Green 634
Inferno Fire - Red : 679

Dates

16-20 February—Half Term
23 February—Y5 Trip to the National Space Centre
24 February—Year 3 Reading Café 14:00
26 February—Year 4 Reading Café 09:00
3 March—Year 2 Reading Café 09:00
4-9 March—Book Fair
5 March—World Book Day—Heros and Villains
5 March—Mrs Lack's Class Assembly 14:50
13 March—Mother's Day Present Room
17 March—Y6 trip to Duxford Imperial War Museum
18 March—Voice in a Million
19 March—Mr Cowling's Class Assembly 14:50
25 March—Foundation Stage trip to Church Farm
27 March—Last Day of Spring Term
13 April—Training Day (no children in school)
14 April—First Day of Summer Term
1 May—Class Photographs
4 May—Bank Holiday (No children in school)
8 May—Miss Barham's Class Assembly 14:50
19 May—Mrs Brooking/Mrs Thomas' Class Assembly 14:50
25-29 May—Half Term
12 June—Miss Green's Class Assembly 14:50
19 June—Father's Day Present Room
29 June—Miss Nightingale/Ms Collingswood Class Assembly
6-8 July—Year 5 Residential to Caythorpe Court
17 July—Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 09:00
17 July—Last day of the school year

1 September—Training Day (No children in school)
2 September—Training Day (No children in school)
3 September—First Day of Autumn Term