





Glaisdale Primary School

"Outstanding Together"



Dear Families and Friends,

School Timings Questionnaire

From September 2023, all schools are required to offer a 32.5 hour (per week) timetable. As a result, from April 2023, we have been trialling a 9am-3.30pm school day, to accommodate this. We are interested to gauge your views on how this is working for your family and to explore if there is a strong feeling that an alternative arrangement should be trialled before the end of the year (i.e. 8.45am-3.15pm).

Please complete this questionnaire to share your views: <u>https://forms.office.com/e/HqUAvixENz</u>

Ongoing Road Closure

We have had notification that, unfortunately, the High Street will be closed in the week after half-term (5th-9th June). Furthermore, according to the project engineer, the road will be closed at evenings and weekends during this week. Please ensure that you allow plenty of time for school journeys if travelling by car. As you know, we have been allowing early drop-offs during this week when the road closure started at 8.30am. However, with the full closure of the road, we do not think this option is of use now. Breakfast Club is still available from 7.45am.

School Meal Tasting Session for All Children

North Yorkshire County Caterers have recognised that school meal provision over the last couple of years has, at times, fallen below the standards expected, especially when our regular cook has not been available. To restore the school's and children's confidence in this provision, NYC Caterers will be running a special 'tasting session' on Thursday 15th June 2023. Please see the posters below for more information. All children (regardless of whether they usually have a school meal or packed lunch) may engage with this at no additional cost. Children will be able to eat their regular meal for that day, as well as have the chance to taste the options listed below.

Gymnastics Club and Rounders Club (Parents invited)

After half-term, Mrs Wardell will be finishing Gymnastics Club and will be starting a new club: Rounders Club. This will take place at 'The Quarry' on Wednesday afternoons.

To make it possible to play full games, we are inviting parents to join us and play along! If your child is interested in this club (and you are too), please get in touch with school (if you have not done so already). Parents, children and Mrs Wardell will meet at school and walk down to the quarry together. Any child who does not have a parent attending should be collected from the quarry unless other arrangements are required (please get in touch with school if this is the case).

Road Safety – 20s Plenty Campaign and Petition Arranged by Whitby Community Network

Whitby Community Network, alongside Dr Ian Suckling (Cycling UK area representative) and Dr Margaret Jackson (General Practitioner) are running a petition to apply pressure on North Yorkshire Council to reduce speed limits in Whitby and the Esk Valley to 20mph. This is part of the 20s Plenty for us scheme which has been used in other areas of the county.

On Monday 12th June, the organisers are hoping to deliver a letter, by bicycle, to all Whitby and Esk Valley schools and GPs. They will also be leaving a paper petition and suitable lesson materials regarding road safety and active travel. There is, however, an electronic version of the petition available for those of you who support a speed reduction in our villages. If you would like to complete this, please do so by Monday 12th June, using this link: <u>https://www.change.org/p/change-to-a-20mph</u>

Key Stage 2 Trip to Newcastle

Our Key Stage 2 children thoroughly enjoyed their cultural visit to Newcastle, taking the time to learn about Hinduism by visiting a Mandir, as well as visiting the Angel of the North as part of their art focus on the sculptor Antony Gormley. The children also got to spend more time with their friends from our other local schools, Castleton, Lealholm and Oakridge, who share the same curriculum and many of whom will attend the same secondary schools in the future.

Moors School

Moors School will start again on Thursday 8th June. We will have fortnightly sessions (diary permitting).

Music Lessons – week commencing 5th June

For one week only, music lessons with Alix Lillie will take place on Monday in the first week back after half-term. Please ensure instruments/notes are brought on this day.

Swimming Lessons – Parental Contributions

As we now have had half of our swimming sessions, the first voluntary instalment of £17.50 is now due. Please login to your MCAS account to provide this. Please note: if we do not receive enough contributions, future sessions may need to be cancelled.

Stay and Play for New Starters – Friday 9th June (2.15pm)

We will be hosting another Stay and Play for our new starter children at 2.15pm on Friday 9th June. We look forward to seeing you!

End of half-term

As a reminder, school is now closed for half-term. We return to school on Monday 5th June.

Have a great weekend,

Mr Cooper

Stars of the Week:

Explorers: Jack – for his hard work and perseverance in all areas of his learning! Adventurers: Molly – for her excellent all round attitude and her writing about 'Red Scarf' Headteacher: Evanie – for becoming much more confident in all aspects of her work! Rudi – For being a massive help at lunch time!

Attendance: This week's attendance was **93.5%** which is slightly below the national average. Our attendance this year is: 93.5% (National average: 93.9%)

School Dinners W/C 05.06.23

<u>Monday</u>: Cheese & Tomato Pasta - Raspberry & Apple Doughnut Muffin <u>Tuesday</u>: Hot Dog & Diced Potatoes – Summer Mousse & Shortbread Bite <u>Wednesday</u>: Cottage Pie – Cheese & Crackers <u>Thursday</u>: Chicken Korma & Rice – Chocolate Orange Sponge & Chocolate Sauce <u>Friday</u>: Fish Fingers & Chips – Fruity Flapjack

Headteacher timetable for upcoming week	
Mon	am – Castleton
	pm - Glaisdale
Tues	Glaisdale all day
Weds	am – Glaisdale
	pm – Castleton
Thurs	am – Whitby
	pm – Castleton
Fri	am – Castleton
	pm - Glaisdale

Term Dates – 2022 / 2023

- Half Term Monday 24 October to Friday 28 October
- Staff Training Day Friday, 9 December
- Last day of Autumn Term Friday 16 December
- First day of Spring Term Tuesday 3 January 2023
- Half Term Monday 13 February to Friday 17 February
- Staff Training Day Friday, 24 March
- Last day of Spring Term Friday 31 March
- First day of Summer Term Monday 17 April
- Bank Holiday Monday 1 May
- Bank Holiday Monday 8 May
- Half Term Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June
- Last day of Summer Term Monday 24 July

Training days for staff when the children will not be in school are as follows:

Friday 9 December

Friday 24 March 2023

Tuesday 25 July

Term Dates - 2023/24

- Staff Training Day Monday 4th September 2023
- Staff Training Day Tuesday 5th September 2023
- First day of Autumn Term Wednesday 6th September 2023
- Half Term Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd November 2023
- Staff Training Day Friday 15th December 2023
- Last day of Autumn Term Friday 22nd December 2023
- First Day of Spring Term Monday 8th January 2024
- Half Term Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February 2024
- Staff Training Day Friday 15th March 2024
- Last day of Spring Term Friday 22nd March 2024
- First day of Summer Term Monday 8th April 2024

- Bank Holiday Monday 6th May 2024
- Half Term Monday 27th May to Friday 31st 2024
- Staff Training Day Friday 12th July 2024
- Last day of Summer Term Monday 22nd July 2024

Training days for staff when the children will not be in school are as follows: Friday 15 December 2023 Friday 15 March 2024 Friday 12 July 2024

Future Dates

<u>May</u>

26th: End of half-term

<u>June</u>

Year 4 times table check takes place this month 5th: Children return to school 12th: Phonics screening week (Year 1) 14th: Year 3/4 Tennis Event 15th: School Meal 'Taster' Sessions 16th: Year 1/2 Quad Kids Athletics Event 21st: Year 5/6 Quad Kids Athletics Event

<u>July</u>

3rd: Sports Day (pm)
5th: Year 5/6 Rounders
6/7th: Year 6 Edinburgh Trip
10-14th: Whitby secondary school transition week
17th: Year 6 Crucial Crew visit (pm)
24th: YEAT Sports Festival at Whitby Town FC
24th: School finishes for summer holidays

Endeavour Fun Club

May Half Term

We are open Tuesday 30th May to Friday 2nd June. 8am - 6pm.

Join us for a growing and planting themed week. Lots of Arts, crafts and baking activities.

Ring or text 07795314255/07974974033 or inbox us to book spaces.



