



Glaisdale Primary School



"Outstanding Together"

Newsletter
05/05/2023

Dear Families and Friends,

New Cook

This week, we welcomed our new school cook, Mrs Nefdt, to our Glaisdale Family! Mrs Nefdt already knows the school and children from her time as a relief cook last term. She is keen to make the kitchen her own and will be working with the School Council to setup a monthly 'children's choice' meal, as well as provider 'taster' sessions for those children unsure on some of the new meals we provide.

SATs Week

Next week, all Year 6 children, in school and nationally, will complete their end of Key Stage 2 assessments in English and maths. These tests show children how far they have come at primary school and also show their new secondary school teachers where they need to go next. We have reassured children that they are well prepared for these with all the work they have done throughout primary school. We have also reassured children that they should just aim to do their best and not be disheartened if there are questions they cannot do – the whole point of a test is to see what your limit is.

Please encourage your Year 6 children to have a restful weekend; spend a short amount of time looking back through their SATs preparation work; get a good night's sleep and a good breakfast ahead of the week.

Children will have the following tests:

Tuesday – English spelling, punctuation and grammar (1 hour in total)

Wednesday – English reading (1 hour in total)

Thursday – Maths arithmetic and reasoning papers (1 hour 10 mins in total)

Friday – Maths reasoning paper (40 mins)

Some children may qualify for additional time depending on their needs

Please ensure children arrive at school promptly each morning for these assessments. If your child is ill/absent, please contact school immediately, as we may need to make alternative arrangements for any child missing a test. This may require them to avoid contact with other children who have sat the assessment already.

SATs Week – Free Breakfast Club

During SATs Week (9th-12th May), we will be offering free breakfast club provision for all our Year 6s, so that they have the opportunity to get a healthy breakfast and a chance to discuss (and remain calm about) the upcoming day's assessment.

Key Stage 1 Trip – Wednesday 10th May

Our Key Stage 1 children will be visiting Saltburn on Wednesday to take part in beach school and geography activities. They should come to school at the usual time in appropriate outdoor clothing/footwear; their school hoodie/jumper with a waterproof coat and sunhat. Packed lunches will be provided by school.

School Oaths – Parental Questionnaire

Thank you to all that completed our questionnaire on the school oaths. This information will be fed back to our joint governing board during our strategy day later this month, so that we can set out the aims of each individual school and what we would like them to achieve in the future.

Upcoming Road Closure

We have been notified by NYC Highways that there will be a road closure on High St from 22nd May 2023 for two weeks (between hours of 8.30am-5pm). Please see the separate e-mail with more information on this. Please bear this in mind for your journeys in the final week of this half-term. School are considering allowing children to be dropped off early during this week, to reduce the impact to parents. We will communicate shortly to confirm if this is possible.

Moors School

There will be no Moors School session next week. The final session of the half-term will take place on Thursday 18th May.

Barclays Cup Final

A massive well done to our joint Castleton/Glaisdale/Lealholm football team who shared the Barclays Trophy with Hawsker School following a hard fought 0-0 draw which progressed to extra time. Despite some excellent attacking play, a missed penalty, several 1:1 situations and the woodwork being hit, both defences could not be breached. It was decided that the trophy would, therefore, be shared.

The team enjoyed playing on Whitby Town FC's ground for the final, as well as enjoying post-match goodie bags kindly provided by Towbar Express!

Upcoming Bank Holidays

For the second week in a row, we have a bank holiday! School will be closed on Monday 8th May as a result of this.

Have a great weekend,

Mr Cooper



Attendance: This week's attendance was **94.2%** which is above the national average!
Our attendance this year is: 93.1% (National average: 93.9%)

Headteacher timetable for upcoming week	
Mon	Bank Holiday
Tues	am – Glaisdale pm - Castleton
Weds	am – Castleton pm – Glaisdale
Thurs	am – Glaisdale 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

May

8th: Bank Holiday

10th: Explorers trip to Saltburn

9-12th: Year 6 SATs Week

16th: Secondary school staff visiting Year 6

25th: Key Stage 2 Trip to Newcastle (Angel of the North and Hindu Mandir)

26th: End of half-term

June

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

16th: Year 1/2 Quad Kids Athletics Event

21st: Year 5/6 Quad Kids Athletics Event

July

3rd: Sports Day (pm)

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