



Glaisdale Primary School



"Outstanding Together"

Newsletter
21/07/2023

Dear Families and Friends,

Message from Mr Cooper

On behalf of everyone at Glaisdale, please can I thank you all for a wonderful year. Your support has allowed us to make leaps of progress as a school which has really benefitted our children in and out of the classroom. This is really reflected in the results we have achieved in national assessments, from early learning goals to phonics screening to Year 4 multiplication check to Year 2/6 SATs – we have achieved above the national average across the board!

We have a solid platform to build on this progress next year and we have plans in place to improve our school further through the following priorities:

- Further developing our curriculum in all subjects, basing our lessons around key themes
- Developing how we support children with additional needs
- Enhancing our writing curriculum
- Broadening children's experience of their community and wider world so that they are prepared for the next stage in their journey.

On a personal level, I would also like to extend my thanks for all your support during my own family's tricky time just after Christmas with the early arrival of my daughter, Phoebe. I am indebted to you for the care and understanding you gave during this time which allowed me to focus on my own family, as well as my Glaisdale Family! I am pleased to say that Phoebe continues to do well. Her consultant is very happy with her progress and the outlook is that she will not have any complications due to the premature birth. We are now starting to wean Phoebe onto food; she is starting to roll over on her own and is constantly talking to us or smiling!

YEAT Olympics – Monday 24th July

The weather forecast for Monday's Olympics event in Whitby with our other trust schools is not looking favourable (as it stands). We will try to make a decision as early as possible as to whether this will go ahead. If we do have to cancel the event, we will have a fun day in school with our children, to make up for it.

Whether the event goes ahead or not, children should come to school in weather-appropriate sportswear (incl. coat) and footwear, with their own packed lunch and drink. We will be collected and dropped-off during the regular school day.

Moors School and PE

Moors Schools will start again on Thursday 14th September (second week back). PE will take place every Monday (starting from Monday 11th September). Children should come in appropriate clothing and footwear for these days.

Summer Fair and Sports Day

It was wonderful to see so many of you join us as a community on Sports Day and at our Summer Fair. We were very lucky with the weather, meaning we had two fantastic events that were enjoyed by all. In total, we raised £231 for PTFA funds, following the Summer Fair – a fantastic total for a small school!

Thank you for your support.

Safeguarding Concerns During Weekends/Holidays

With the upcoming summer holidays, and as a reminder to all parents, you may wish to know what to do if you have a concern about a child's welfare. NSPCC offer confidential support for any person who wishes to discuss concerns: 0808 800 5000 (<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>)

For more urgent referrals, please call the North Yorkshire Council Multi-Agency Screening Team (connected to social care): 0300 131 2 131. For emergencies, please call 999.

Children return to school on **Wednesday 6th September 2023** – we look forward to seeing you again. Have a great summer holiday!

Mr Cooper



Stars of the Week:

Explorers: Erin – for being a wonderful role model and help to the other children in class.

Adventurers: The whole class – for making Mr Wood proud of everything they do!

Attendance: Our final attendance for the year was 94.2%. This is above the national average of 94.0% - thank you for supporting and encouraging good attendance across the year!

Headteacher timetable for upcoming week	
Mon	Training Day
Tues	Training Day
Weds	am – Glaisdale pm – Castleton
Thurs	am – Castleton pm – Glaisdale
Fri	am – Castleton pm – Glaisdale

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

July

24th: YEAT Sports Festival at Whitby Town FC

24th: School finishes for summer holidays

Next academic year:

04/09: Training Day

05/09: Training Day

06/09: Children return to school

22/09: Zambia Schools Trust Assembly

05/10: Key Stage 2 Trip to Eden Camp

12/10: Tub-up Music Workshop (parent volunteers may be required)

20/03-22/03 – Year 3/4 Peat Rigg Visit

13/05-17/05 – Year 6 SATs Week

10/06-14/06 – Year 1 Phonics Screen Week

22/07 – YEAT Arts Extravaganza

Please avoid booking term time holidays, especially during assessment weeks.

Endeavour Fun Club

Summer Holidays

We are open Wednesday 26th July to Friday 1st September 8am -6pm.

We are very excited to be going around the world. Lots of themed Arts, craft, baking and more planned.

Book your sessions now to avoid disappointment on 07795314255 or 07074974033.

(Closed Monday 14th Aug and Monday 28th Aug)

Please see our Facebook page or call for more details and prices.

Get active with the Summer Reading Challenge 2023!

Ready, Set, Read!

You can pre-book events from Saturday 15th July

All events for ages 4-11

A summer of fun at Whitby Library!

- Thursday 27th July 10am-12noon
Elmer and the Race - story, crafts & games
- Thursday 10th August 10am-12noon
Sports in Lego - help build a sport stadium!
- Thursday 17th August 10am-12noon
Sporty Crafts - decorate a sports bag, trophy, & mascot keyring, £2.00 per child
- Thursday 3rd August 10am-12noon
Sporty Crafts - decorate a sports bag, trophy, & mascot keyring, £2.00 per child
- Thursday 24th August 10am-11am
Colebrooke Productions "Ready-Set-Read" cheer-leading & dance session
- Thursday 31st August 10am-12noon
Yorkshire Rotters - Smoothie Bike & Love Food Hate Waste activity

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THE READING AGENCY

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

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Children can once again sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge at their local library during the holidays. This year the theme is Ready Set Read! and is all about the power of play, sport, games, and physical activity.

The challenge for children is to read 6 library books of their choice and collect special stickers and other prizes along the way – everyone who finishes will receive a limited-edition Ready Set Read! medal and a certificate. Any child aged 4 to 11 can join in and the challenge runs from Sat 15th July until Sat 9th Sept.

There will also be a fantastic programme of activities in libraries all summer, many of them free, to go with the challenge – look out for flyers with more details which have been sent to schools to share with children and families.

Anyone living outside Whitby can also access library books via the Supermobile Library which visits Danby, Castleton, Staithes, Sleights, and Robin Hood's Bay among many others around the County, or you can join our library online and read e-books if this is preferable. Please call us if you have any queries, on 01609 534350 at Whitby Library.