



Glaisdale Primary School

Newsletter
23/02/2024

Dear Families and Friends,

Teaching Assistant Support in Adventurers

We are pleased to announce that all checks have been conducted on our new teaching assistant, Miss McCabe, and she will begin working with us from next week. Miss McCabe will predominantly support Mr Wood and Adventurers but will also work with other children, covering classes and leading Breakfast Club on Fridays (once she has settled!) I know you will all join us in making her feel welcomed to the Glaisdale family! Whilst Miss McCabe settles, we will still have the support of Mrs Laverick for some days up until the Easter break – this will help on days when Mr Wood is out of school too.

Moors School

Our first Moors School session of term will take place on Tuesday 27th February. Please can children arrive in appropriate clothing and footwear for this day.

We are really excited to explore our new Moors School site with its fire pit and seating. A massive thank you must go to all the volunteers who gave up their time to set this up over the half-term! We plan to add to this over the coming weeks to use as our base for outdoor learning.

Parents Evening

We are looking forward to welcoming you into school on Thursday 29th February for our Spring Term parents evenings. This will be a great chance to share your child's progress over the year and look ahead to their next stage in their learning journey. If you have not had a chance to book an appointment, please do so via MCAS or contact the school office.

World Book Day – 7th March

As you may be aware, as a Poverty Proofing trust, our schools have not been holding non-uniform days this year, so that families, especially those struggling most in the cost-of-living crisis, do not feel excluded.

However, with World Book Day (7th March) coming up, other trust schools/PTFAs have devised a fairer system to allow for this (and, potentially, other non-uniform days) to go ahead with an option of dressing up. This involves a mass collection of pre-loved costumes to a bank or uniform store. These could be costumes that are no longer wanted or simply costumes which will not be worn on the day (and therefore can be returned to their owner). Costumes would then be made available to ALL children, so that it is not identifiable which children have donated costumes and which are wearing one from home. This is also more environmentally friendly and more in line with how sharing Glaisdale is as a school community.

Glaisdale PTFA will be in touch to gather some of these costumes, in the hope that we can offer a similar facility for all children. However, you can bring outfits to school at the start/end of the day. Alternatively, they can be brought to the PTFA meeting next Tuesday.





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Of course, children can still choose to wear their own costumes from home and there is no obligation to wear a donated costume (or wear one at all).

We hope this is a fair way for all children/families to feel they can be involved with these days.

Explorers Trip to York – Wednesday 28th February

As part of their history learning on the evolution of the railways, Explorers will be visiting York's National Railway Museum. Children should arrive **at Lealholm School** by no later than 8.25am, so that we can have a prompt departure. All children will be provided with a school packed lunch, unless you have told us that one will be provided by home. Children should wear their usual uniform and bring a coat. Please note that the coach will return at approximately 4.30-4.45pm.

No Art Club – Wednesday 28th February

Due to the Explorers trip, there will be no Art Club next Wednesday.

Year 3/4 Peat Rigg Trip

It was lovely to hear so many excited voices after our Peat Rigg pre-visit meeting on Thursday evening. We hope you found this informative and reassuring. If you were unable to make this meeting, there is a recording available (please go to Class Dojo for the link). You will soon be receiving Peat Rigg's own consent form (paper copy) which must be returned to school as soon as possible. Please also ensure that payment for the visit is completed by the end of this month (if not done so already). Please get in touch if you wish to discuss any other payment plans.

Key Stage 2 Cross-Country – Friday 1st March

All Key Stage 2 children will be visiting Caedmon College next Friday afternoon to take part in a Cross-Country event, as part of their PE curriculum and so they can take part in competitive sport. Children should arrive in appropriate PE clothing and footwear with warm/waterproof clothing to wear between races.

PE Next Week

Our PE sessions for both classes will take place on Thursday next week. Please continue to check the newsletter/Dojo for PE days as these will vary week-to-week this half-term due to other events/staffing.

Year 6 Booster Club

There will be no Booster Club next Thursday due to parents evening. The next session will take place on Thursday 7th March.

Have a great weekend!

Mr Cooper

Attendance: Our attendance this week was: 99.0%

Our attendance this year: 95.9% National average for this year: 94.6%

Stars of the Week:

Explorers: Max – for his positive attitude towards learning!

Adventurers: James – consistent improvements in grammar and maths!



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

Next Week's Events

- Monday** No events
- Tuesday** Moors Schools – both classes (please arrive in appropriate clothing/footwear)
- Wednesday** **No Gardening Club (Lunch time)**
No Art Club (3.30-4.30pm)
Explorers Trip to York Please arrive/collect at Lealholm School (8.30am departure; 4.30-4.45pm return)
- Thursday** **PE – both classes (please arrive in PE kit/footwear)**
No Year 6 Booster Club
Parents Evening
- Friday** **Music Lessons**
Key Stage 2 Cross-Country Please arrive in appropriate clothing and footwear with warm/waterproof clothing to wear between races

🌸 Glaisdale Methodist Chapel Easter Service 🌸

Family friendly Easter service on Sunday 31st March at 10:30

All very welcome

👤 Family friendly service, including crafts and sweet treat activities and juice for the children 🍷

Teas and coffees ☕

Be lovely to see you 😊

(a message if your able to come with how many children would be appreciated so we can be prepared 😊)

Please feel free to share with anyone you think would be interested 🌸 🏰 🐑 🥚 🍷 🍷 🍷 🍷 🍷 🍷 🍷 🍷





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Term Dates 2023/24

- 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 – 12th July 2024
- Last day of Summer Term - Monday 22nd July 2024

Future Dates

February

- 27/02 – Moors School
- 28/02 – Explorers trip to York
- 28/02 – No Art Club due to trip
- 29/02 - PE
- 29/02 – Parents evening (both classes)
- 29/02 – No Booster Club this week

March

- 01/03 – KS2 Cross-Country
- 06/03 – Explorers Author Visit (at Castleton)
- 07/03 – Booster Club
- 08/03 – PE
- 11/03 – PE
- 11/03 – Straws Cup Football Tournament
- 11/03-13/03 – Eskdale Festival
- 12/03 – Moors School

- 14/03 – Booster Club
- 20/03-22/03 – Year 3/4 Peat Rigg Visit
- 20/03 – Playgroup and Explorers and Y5/6 Moors School Session (joint)
- 21/03 – Y5/6 visiting Castleton School
- 21/03 – PE
- 21/03 – Booster Club
- 22/03 – Castleton Y5/6 visiting Glaisdale

Later in the Year

- 10/04 – Stay and Play (2-3.15pm)
 - 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 week*

Term Dates 2024/25

- Staff Training Day – Monday 2nd September 2024
- Staff Training Day – Tuesday 3rd September 2024
- First day of Autumn Term – Wednesday 4th September 2024
- Half Term - Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2024
- Staff Training Day - Friday 13th December 2024
- Last day of Autumn Term - Friday 20th December 2024
- First Day of Spring Term – Monday 6th January 2025
- Half Term - Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2025
- Staff Training Day - Friday 28th March 2025
- Last day of Spring Term - Friday 4th April 2025
- First day of Summer Term – **Tuesday** 22nd April 2025
- Bank Holiday – Monday 5th May 2025
- Half Term - Monday 26th May to Friday 30th 2025
- Last day of Summer Term - Monday 21st July 2025
- Staff Training Day – Tuesday 22nd July 2025



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