



Newsletter

Glaisdale Primary School

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Dear Families and Friends,

Mr Cooper's Support of West Cliff Primary School

As discussed in previous newsletters, Mr Cooper's support of West Cliff Primary School is due to end at the end of this term. We are pleased to announce that this is now confirmed due to West Cliff Primary School appointing a new headteacher to start after the Easter break. This means Mr Cooper will return to his usual schedule of splitting his time evenly between Castleton and Glaisdale Schools.

As always, Mrs Barber (Glaisdale) and Mrs Wardell (Castleton) remain the senior leaders in their respective schools and can act as your first point of contact for any feedback, concerns or questions. This also includes after Mr Cooper's return, given his split schedule between schools. Please be reassured that both Mrs Wardell and Mrs Barber have the leadership knowledge and authority to make improvements to the school and respond to any feedback, liaising with Mr Cooper as the executive headteacher, as required.

Adventurers Develop Playleader Skills

The Adventurers class have thoroughly enjoyed working with Caron Twamley to develop their playleader skills. During these sessions, pupils explored how to organise and lead fun, inclusive games, building confidence, teamwork and leadership along the way.

The children showed fantastic enthusiasm and creativity as they learned how to support others, encourage fair play and make sure everyone feels included. These new skills will now be used to help provide active, engaging breaktimes and lunchtimes for all children across the school.

We are very proud of the Adventurers for taking on this responsibility and making playtimes even more enjoyable for everyone.

Library Van Visits Glaisdale

Yesterday, the whole school enjoyed a visit to the library van at the Robinson Institute. The children were excited to explore the wide range of books on offer, taking time to browse, discover new authors and choose stories that sparked their interest.

The Library Service gave us an introduction to the Library Van and have provided us with information to share with parents/carers to allow you to sign up your child/children for their own library card. Please follow the link below to register your child/children:

https://forms.northyorks.gov.uk/service/register_a_child_with_the_library

It was lovely to see such enthusiasm for books, and we look forward to welcoming the library van back next month.

Upcoming Parents' Evening- Thursday 26th February

Please note that Parents' Evening will take place on Thursday 26th February. Appointment details will be released by Mrs Littlewood in due course.

If this date is not convenient, please consult with your child's class teacher, and an alternative date or time can be arranged.

Year 3/Year 4 Multi-Skills Event

At the time of writing, our pupils in Years 3 and 4 are looking forward to taking part in a multi-skills event at Whitby School. The children will participate in a range of activities designed to develop agility, coordination, balance and teamwork.





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Tuesday 3rd February- Year 1 and Year 2 Gymnastics Event

On Tuesday 3rd February, our Year 1 and Year 2 children will be visiting Whitby School to take part in a gymnastics event. This will be a wonderful opportunity for the children to develop their balance, strength and coordination while enjoying physical activity in a new setting.

To ensure everyone can take part safely, please can all Year 1 and Year 2 children come to school wearing their full P.E. kit, including trainers. Long hair should be tied back and any jewellery removed.

The children will return to school in time for the end of the usual school day. We look forward to a fun and active event for all involved.

Next Moors School Session – Thursday 5th February

Our next Moors School session for Glaisdale will take place on Thursday 5th February. On this day, all children should attend school wearing their Moors School clothing. Please ensure long hair is tied back, and that children bring a warm, waterproof coat and a change of shoes.

Stay and Play- Wednesday 11th February

We're delighted to invite families with children who will be starting Reception in September 2026 or September 2027 to our next Stay and Play session on Wednesday 11th February 10.30am–12pm. This session is a lovely opportunity for children to explore our classrooms, meet our staff, and enjoy some fun activities, while parents and carers get a feel for daily life at Glaisdale.

If you know any families with younger children, please do encourage them to come along and see what our wonderful setting has to offer. We'd love to welcome them and share what makes Glaisdale such a special place to learn and grow.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Barber
Teacher-in-charge

Mr Cooper
Executive Headteacher

Attendance

Our attendance this week was: **94%**

National Average for this year: **93.36%**

Our attendance this year: **98%**

We are currently ranked: **3rd out of 290 schools**

Attendance winners this week: **Years 2, 4, 5 and 6**

Stars of the week

Explorers- **Finn** for being so hard working, kind and a great example to others. Well done, Finn!

Adventurers- **Jude S**, for settling into Adventurers class so confidently and having such a positive start. Well done, Jude!

Readers of the week

Rosie G, Estelle, Rudy, Leo, Jack and Ralphie.

Rightsholder of the week

This award winner has been selected by our RRSA Ambassadors for upholding the UNCRC Rights of the Child. This week the award goes to **Ella** for following our Playground Charter.





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Safeguarding Statement

Yorkshire Endeavour Academy Trust and Glaisdale School are committed to ensuring the safety and welfare of all children. If you have any concerns regarding this, please contact one of our designated safeguarding leads (listed below). For significant and immediate concerns, please contact the police on 999. For concerns that are not immediate, please contact the North Yorkshire Council Emergency Duty Team: 0300 131 2 131.

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mr Olly Cooper (01947 897218 or 01287 660496 or headteacher.cg@yeat.co.uk)

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Laura Barber (01947 897218 or lbarber.glaisdale@yeat.co.uk)

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Rowan Mitchell (01947 897218) or rmitchell.glaisdale@yeat.co.uk)

Safeguarding Governor: Mrs Jo Kevan (01287 660496 or jkevan@yeat.co.uk)

Next Week's Events

	In School	After School
Monday 2nd	PE, whole school	
Tuesday 3rd	Year 1/Year 2 Gymnastics Event	
Wednesday 4th		Arts and Crafts Club- 3.30-4.30
Thursday 5th	Music Lessons Moors School	Board Game Club – 3.30-4.30
Friday 6th	Number Day	

Next Week's Menu

	Main	Dessert
Monday	Chicken Burger & Diced Potatoes	Oat Cookie & Cheese
Tuesday	Crunchy Topped Mac & Cheese	Sticky Toffee Pudding & Custard
Wednesday	Roast Gammon & Mashed Potato	Berry Mousse Pot
Thursday	Beef Mexican Taco & Rice	Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Sauce
Friday	Fish Star & Chips	Lemon Drizzle Shortbread

Future Diary Dates

Please note: some of these events may still need to be confirmed.

February

- **09/02-13/02:** Children's Mental Health Week
- **10/02:** Safer Internet Day
- **11/02:** Stay and Play
- **26/02:** Parents' Evening
- **06/03:** Y3/4/5/6 Gymnastic event
- **09/03-12/03:** Eskdale Music Festival
- **21/04:** Swimming lessons start again
- **11/05-14/05:** Year 6 SATs Week
- **01/06-05/06:** Year 4
- **08/06-12/06:** Year 1 Phonics Screen Week
- **16/06-17/06:** Year 6 Edinburgh Trip
- **29/06-01/07:** Year 3/4 Peat Rigg Trip



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Term Dates 2025/2026

- **Last day Autumn Term** – Fri 19th Dec 2025
- **Training Day** – Mon 5th Jan 2026
- **First day Spring Term** – Tue 6th Jan 2026
- **Half-term** – Mon 16th to Fri 20th Feb 2026
- **Training Day** - Fri 13th March 2026
- **Last day Spring Term** - Fri 27th March 2026
- **First day Summer Term** – Mon 13th April 2026
- **Bank Holiday** – Mon 4th May 2026
- **Half-term** - Mon 25th to Fri 29th May 2026
- **Last day Summer Term** – Fri 17th July 2026
- **Training Day** – Mon 20th July 2026

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

Term Dates 2026/2027

- **Training Days** – Mon 7th & Tue 8th Sept 2026
- **First day Autumn Term** – Wed 9th Sept 2026
- **Half-term** – Mon 26th to Fri 30th Oct 2026
- **Last day Autumn Term** – Fri 18th Dec 2026
- **Training Day** – Mon 4th Jan 2027
- **First day Spring Term** - Tue 5th Jan 2027
- **Half-term** – Mon 8th to Fri 12th Feb 2027
- **Last day Spring Term** - Fri 19th March 2027
- **Training Day** – Mon 5th April 2027
- **First day Summer Term** – Tue 6th April 2027
- **Bank Holiday** – Mon 3rd May 2027
- **Half-term** - Mon 31st May to Fri 4th June 2027
- **Last day Summer Term** – Fri 23rd July 2027
- **Training Day** – Mon 26th July 2027

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