



Newsletter

Glaisdale Primary School

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Dear Families and Friends,

Visit from Whitby Lions – Chris Roe

We were delighted to welcome Chris Roe from the Whitby Lions to speak to the children about the important work the organisation does within our local community. Chris shared how the Lions support individuals and families in need, organise charitable projects, and work together to make our local area a kinder, more connected place.

Our children were eager to tell Chris about the ways we have recently contributed to our community. They proudly talked about the items we created for display at the war memorial, as well as our harvest collection, which we donated to Whitby Foodbank to support local families.

In a wonderful act of generosity, Whitby Lions gifted us a collection of daffodil bulbs. A group of children worked alongside Chris to plant them, helping to brighten our school.

Thank You for Joining Our Stay and Play!

A huge thank you to everyone who attended our recent Stay and Play session. It was wonderful to see families enjoying themselves, exploring our learning spaces, and experiencing everything Glaisdale Primary has to offer. The children loved sharing their activities with you, and the atmosphere throughout the morning was full of excitement and curiosity.

We're delighted that so many children could join us, and we look forward to welcoming even more families next time. News of our next Stay and Play session will be shared soon—watch this space!

Children's Mental Health Week at Glaisdale

As part of Children's Mental Health Week, our pupils took part in a live national assembly focused on the theme **"This Is My Place."** The session encouraged children to think about the spaces—both physical and emotional—where they feel safe, valued, and supported.

Following the assembly, we continued the conversation in school through a series of discussions. The children talked about what makes a place feel safe, who their trusted adults are, and how they can look after their own wellbeing. These ideas link closely with our 'Nurture' approach, where we consistently promote the importance of emotional safety, positive relationships, and knowing who to turn to for help.

It was a thoughtful and meaningful week, giving pupils time to reflect on their wellbeing and helping them build confidence in recognising the support around them.

Safer Internet Day 2026 at Glaisdale

On Tuesday, the children took part in a BBC Live Lesson to mark **Safer Internet Day 2026**. This year's focus was on the **safe and responsible use of AI**, an important topic as artificial intelligence becomes an increasingly common part of everyday life.

During the session, pupils explored how AI works, discussed its benefits, and learned about the potential risks that come with using new technologies. They reflected on how to stay safe online, make sensible choices, and use AI tools responsibly—skills that will be essential as digital trends continue to grow.

The lesson sparked thoughtful conversations across the school and reinforced our commitment to helping children navigate the online world safely and confidently.





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After-School Clubs at Glaisdale

We are delighted to continue offering a range of after-school clubs that give our children the chance to develop new skills and enjoy enriching activities beyond the school day.

Art Club takes place every **Wednesday from 3.30–4.30pm** with Miss Sandilands and Miss Lees.

On **Thursdays from 3.30–4.30pm**, Mrs Barber and Miss Sandilands will lead our Archery Club. This club will build on the excellent work the children have been doing in PE with Mr Coultas, helping them to refine their coordination, focus, and technique while enjoying a fun and engaging sport.

Please ensure your child is signed up for clubs with Mrs Littlewood. It is important that we have accurate registers to account for staffing and for safeguarding purposes.

Below are the link's to the online forms:

Thursday's Archery Club, starting 5th March due to parent's evening on the 26th:

[Thursday After School Archery Club : From February 2026 – Fill in form](#)

Wednesday's Art Club (please note this is a new form), starting 25th February:

[Wednesday's After School Arts and Crafts Club : from February 2026 – Fill in form](#)

We are thrilled to see so many children taking part and look forward to another half-term of exciting activities.

Parents' Evening- Thursday 26th February

Our next Parents' Evening will take place on Thursday 26th February from 2.45pm–6pm. Booking is now available via MCAS. If you need any help with making your appointment or have any questions, please contact Mrs Littlewood, who will be happy to support you. Please also note that our after school club will not take place on this day.

Parents' Evening is an important opportunity to discuss your child's progress, celebrate their achievements, and look at how we can work together to support their learning throughout the year. We strongly encourage all families to attend.

Music Lessons

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Lillie will be spending a full day at Glaisdale on a Friday where she will take pupils for their individual music lessons as well as conducting whole class music lessons.

If your child has already been enjoying music lessons from Mrs Lillie these will continue as normal, if we were aware that your child was on the waiting list to have lessons you will have been contacted by Mrs Littlewood offering you a weekly slot; please contact Mrs Littlewood if you have not received an email and wish for your child to have lessons.

Please also note that from Friday 27th February lessons will increase from £8 to £9 per lesson, this is the first time Mrs Lillie has raised her prices since 2023, these will continue to be charged in half-termly blocks.

Half-Term Break

School will be closed for the half-term holiday next week. We hope all our children and families enjoy a well-deserved rest. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 23rd February.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Barber
Teacher-in-charge

Mr Cooper
Executive Headteacher





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Attendance

Our attendance this week was: **86.5%**

Our attendance this year: **97.4%**

Attendance winners this week: **Years 1, 4 and 5**

National Average for this year: **93.39%**

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

Readers of the week

Hermes, Rosie D, Ezra, Georgie and Poppy.

Stars of the week

Explorers- **Aubrey** - for her fantastic progress with her reading and positive, sunny attitude in school. Well done Aubrey!

Adventurers- **Erin** - for her insightful comments in our Whole Class Reading sessions this week. She has really engaged with the texts we have been studying. Well done, Erin!

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 **Emi**.

Our Right Respecting Ambassadors felt that she upheld Article 13 'Sharing thoughts freely'. Well done, Emi!

Next Week's Events after Half Term

	In School	After School
Monday 23rd	PE for all	
Tuesday 24th		
Wednesday 25th		Arts and Crafts Club
Thursday 26th	Library Van	Parents Evening
Friday 27th	Music Lessons	

Next Week's Menu after Half Term

	Main	Dessert
Monday	Chicken Nuggets & Potato Wedges	Shortbread
Tuesday	Beef Burrito & Rice	Victoria Sponge
Wednesday	Roast Gammon, Mash & Gravy	Jelly & Ice-cream
Thursday	Spaghetti Bolognese	Crumble Sponge & Custard
Friday	Fish Fingers OR Salmon Strips	Brownie





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Future Diary Dates

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

February

- **26/02:** Library Van Visit
- **26/02:** Parents' Evening
- 02/03-06/03: Careers Week
- 05/03: World Book Day
- **06/03:** Y3/4/5/6 Gymnastic event
- 09/03: Adventurers (Y3-6) Hockey Event
- 10/03: Foundation For Common Land North Yorkshire activities for Explorers and Adventurers
- **09/03-12/03:** Eskdale Music Festival
- 20/03: Y3/4 Hockey Event
- 24/03: Y5/6 Netball Event
- 26/03: Adventurers (Y3-6) Cross Country
- 21/04: Swimming lessons start again
- 22/04: Earth Day
- 28/04: Adventurers (Y3-Y6) Visit to Murton Park
- **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

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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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)

