



Newsletter

Glaisdale Primary School

18/09/2026

Dear Families and Friends,

New Payment and Booking System – Arbor

Thank you all for your patience while I have been setting up and learning how to use our new school system; Arbor. As you will be aware, from the email I sent out earlier this week, I have now managed to get the Parent Portal part of Arbor up and running. This is where you will be able to pay for lunches, breakfast clubs and trips, you will also be able to book your child/ren onto our after school paid for childcare provision from here. While I am still getting to grips with this new system it may take me longer than usual to address any issues or problems you encounter but, as always, I am available over the phone or via email to answer any queries.

In answer to some of the questions I've had so far:

- Our breakfast club remains open to any children on a day- to- day basis, no need to book in advance, you will simply be charged for the sessions you use.
- It is important however that you book your child/ren onto both our free and paid for after school clubs. This is to help the end of the school day run as smoothly and make sure we are complying with safeguarding procedures.
- Our paid for afterschool club can be booked via the Parent Portal/ Arbor App or by phoning/emailing me. This is bookable up until 10.30am on the morning of the club.
- For our free Wednesday and Thursday after school clubs we require you to complete the online Microsoft Form for each child who wishes to attend. If they are signed up and there is a week where they won't be attending, please let me or another member of staff know by 10.30am on the day of the club. If we do not have consent for your child to attend, they need to be collected at 3.30pm as usual. These clubs cannot be booked onto via the Parent Portal/ Arbor App.
- Music lessons can be paid for in the 'clubs' section of the Parent Portal.

Kind regards,
Mrs Littlewood

Year 5/6 Bikeability – Tuesday 15th September

Our Year 5 and 6 pupils recently took to two wheels for their Bikeability training, and we could not be prouder of their achievements. Over the course of the sessions, the children worked incredibly hard to master the skills needed to navigate our local roads safely and confidently.

The instructors were full of praise for our pupils, noting how exceptionally well they represented the school. Throughout the training, the children listened attentively, followed complex safety instructions diligently, and showed immense respect to the Bikeability team.

During the course, the riders moved from playground practices to real road situations. They learned vital skills for life, including how to signal clearly, negotiate junctions, and maintain high awareness of surrounding traffic.

Thanks to their sharp focus and determination, the children successfully achieved their Level 2 Bikeability award. To celebrate this fantastic milestone, badges and certificates will be proudly presented to the riders during our upcoming school assembly.

Congratulations to all our Year 5 and 6 cyclists for demonstrating such excellent responsibility and road safety!



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Glaisdale Book Fair-Monday 21st September

The fair will run from Monday, 21st September to Friday, 25th September, opening daily at 3:30 pm in the Glaisdale School library. It is the perfect chance to browse a wonderful selection of titles right after the school run.

Whether you are looking for an educational story for the children, or even looking ahead to stock up on early Christmas presents, every single purchase makes a real difference. All proceeds from the event directly benefit Glaisdale, helping us to refresh our shelves, update our resources, and enhance our library space for everyone to enjoy.

Pop in, discover some literary treasures, and help us keep our school library thriving. We look forward to seeing you there!

Moors School – Wednesday 16th September

We were delighted to recommence Moors School this week. We used this session to refamiliarise children with our setting, as well as introduce this programme to our new pupils. Children took part in team building activities whilst doing this, developing important skills which will help them in and out of the classroom.

We will aim to attend Moors School sessions on a fortnightly basis – dates can be found below.

Home items

As we settle into the new school term, we want to gently remind all families about our school policies regarding personal belongings. We kindly ask that children do not bring squishes, toys, or smart watches into school.

While we love seeing our pupils' enthusiasm for their favourite items, keeping them at home helps our school community in several important ways:

Minimizes Distractions: Toys and squishes frequently disrupt classroom learning and concentration.

Prevents Loss and Damage: Personal items can easily get misplaced or broken, causing upset.

Ensures Safeguarding: Smart watches with internet access, messaging, or camera capabilities present significant privacy and safeguarding risks.

Promotes Fair Play: Leaving expensive gadgets at home prevents social exclusion and peer pressure on the playground.

Thank you for your continued support in keeping our classrooms focused, safe, and happy learning environments for everyone.

Reading Meeting for Reception Parents- Tuesday 22nd September

Mrs Mitchell will be hosting a reading information meeting for parents of our new Reception children. The session will take place in the Explorers classroom at 3:30 pm on Tuesday 22nd September.

During the meeting, Mrs Mitchell will introduce our school phonics scheme, Read Write Inc. (RWI), and explain how we teach early reading to your children. She will also share practical, easy tips on how you can support your child's reading journey at home. We hope to see you there to help give our youngest learners the best possible start to their reading adventure.

Adventurers' Trip to York – Thursday 24th September

Adventurers class is looking forward to an exciting and busy trip to York on Thursday 24th September. Thank you to families for completing the consent form for this. As a reminder, children need to arrive at school at **Lealholm School** at **8.10am** for our earlier departure. Children should arrive in uniform with a coat and (unless ordered from school) a packed lunch and drink. We aim to return to school for 4.30pm to Lealholm School but will update via Dojo/Facebook of any delays.



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Music Lessons

Due to Adventurers' trip on Thursday 24th September, music lessons will take place on Tuesday next week.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr Cooper
Executive Headteacher

Attendance

Our attendance this week was: **98.48%**

Our attendance this year: **98.7%**

Attendance winners this week: **Reception, yr 1, yr 3, yr 4 and yr 6 – all 100% Well done!**

Stars of the week

Explorers – **Peter**- For an excellent start to year 2, being an independent learner in English and Art.

Adventurers – **Max**- for showing fantastic focus and determination, which has helped him become much speedier and more efficient at completing his daily tasks!

Headteacher – **Edith** - for excellent progress, independence and effort in all subjects, especially in maths!

Florence – for being a brilliant student and a fantastic friend!

Next week's Events (14th – 18th September)

	In School	After School	Headteacher Timetable
Monday	PE Lessons (all children)	Paid-for after-school club 3.30-5pm	Castleton/Glaisdale
Tuesday	Music Lessons with Mrs Lillie	Paid-for after-school club 3.30-5pm	Glaisdale/Castleton
Wednesday		Craft Club 3.30-4.30pm Paid-for after-school club 3.30-5pm	Castleton/meetings off-site
Thursday	Adventurers Trip to York	Sports Club 3.30-4.30pm Paid-for after-school club 3.30-5pm	Meetings off-site
Friday		Paid-for after-school club 3.30-5pm	Glaisdale



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Next Week's Menu

	Main	Dessert
Monday	Chicken Nuggets & Diced Potatoes	Chocolate Orange Mousse Cake
Tuesday	Pork, Yorkshire Pudding & Mash	Flapjack Apple Crumble & Custard
Wednesday	Pizza & Wedges	Fruit Jelly & Ice Cream
Thursday	Pasta Bolognese	Custard Cookie
Friday	Fish Fingers (OR Battered Fish) & Chips	Victoria Sponge Muffin

Future Diary Dates

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

September

- **21/09-25/09: Book Fair in school**
- **29/09:** Flu vaccinations
- **29/09:** Boys' Football Tournament
- **30/09:** Moors School

October

- **02/10:** Y4-6 Pro-Ride Cycling Competition
- **06/10:** Adventurers Cross Country
- **08/10:** Library Van
- **13/10:** Year 5/6 Biking on the Moors Trip
- **14/10:** Moors School
- **15/10:** Stay and Play

Future Dates

- **14-16/04:** Year 5/6 Peat Rigg Visit
- **10-14/05:** Year 6 SATs Week
- **07/06-18/06:** Year 4 Multiplication Check Week
- **14/06-18/06:** Year 1 Phonics Screening Week
- **28-29/06:** Year 6 Edinburgh Trip

Remaining Term Dates 2026/2027

- **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

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



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Term Dates 2027/2028

- **Training Days** – Mon 6th Sept 2027
- **First day Autumn Term** – Tues 7th Sept 2027
- **Half-term** – Mon 25th to Fri 29th Oct 2027
- **Last day Autumn Term** – Fri 17th Dec 2027
- **Training Day** – Tues 4th Jan 2028
- **First day Spring Term** – Weds 5th Jan 2028
- **Half-term** – Mon 21st to Fri 25th Feb 2028
- **Last day Spring Term** – Thurs 6th April 2028
- **Training Day** – Fri 7th April 2028
- **First day Summer Term** – Mon 24th April 2028
- **Bank Holiday** – Mon 1st May 2028
- **Half-term** – Mon 29th May to Fri 2nd June 2028
- **Last day Summer Term** – Fri 21st July 2028
- **Training Days** – Mon 24th and Tues 25th July 2028

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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:

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mr Olly Cooper (01947 897218 / 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)

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.