



Monday 24th July 2023



END OF YEAR NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week brings us to the end of another hugely successful year for Glapton Academy, our children and of course, we must not forget our wonderful OFSTED report. There is lots to tell you before we break up for the summer.

KS2 SATs and other results

KS2 Reading - Expected Plus: 71%

KS2 Writing - Expected Plus: 67%

KS2 GPS - Expected Plus: 75%

KS2 Maths - Expected Plus: 69%

Y1 Phonics - Pass: 81%

Y4 Multiplications timetables check - Pass: 77%



We are super proud of all of our children; every single one of them gave their very best.



Staffing News

Please find below details of class teachers and class organisation for next year.

Year Group	Class Name	Class Teacher
Nursery (F1)	Saplings	Mrs Smith
Reception	Walnut	Mrs Eden-Smith/Mrs Fletcher
	Juniper	Miss Haywood
Y1/Y2	Willow	Mr Payne
	Chestnut	Mrs Layton
	Beech	Miss Gibbons/Mrs Kay
Y3/Y4	Oak	Miss Neville
	Sycamore	Mrs Lomax
	Alder	Miss Padhiar
Y5	Hazel	Mr Phillips
	Cherry	Miss Edwards/Miss Cosway
Y6	Elm	Mrs Ralph/Mrs Kay
	Birch	Miss Shenton

Sports Days

We had two wonderful sports days this term where the weather was kind. Children were rattling with medals, showing sportsmanship values and resilience, whether in the sprint, inside a sack or carrying an egg on a spoon. What a wonderful day! Pictures of your children are available to download from the website under the 'Latest News' tab. It was super to see so many parents, carers, aunties, uncles and grandparents cheering the children on, making the day even more special.



Class Assemblies

We finished the year with class assemblies from Chestnut, Beech and Walnut. As always, we are so pleased we can share your children's learning with you and hope you enjoyed joining in.

Year 6 School's Massive

Our year 6 children were successfully chosen as one of five schools only to perform in the 'Schools Massive' this year. They rehearsed and performed scenes from Macbeth to a live audience at the Nottingham Playhouse. Talents were realised, aspirations created and some children told teachers it was the best day of their life! Thank you to all of you who attended, and I am sure, like us, you are incredibly proud of what they achieved.



Book Fair



The Scholastic Book Fair was held in Willow class this term and was busy, every evening after school. Children were choosing books from favourite authors, new authors or books that just captured their imaginations. £422 was raised and a significant amount of new books will now be available in our amazing school library. Happy reading everybody!

Bike ability

All our year 6 children could be seen cycling around the playground or in the locality, learning all about bike safety and safety on the road. They all joined in with enthusiasm, whatever the weather and we are very proud of their achievements. These sessions will serve to keep them safe in the future as they become more independent, cycling to school and further afield, hopefully all now knowing the vital importance of wearing a cycle helmet. Well done Year 6.



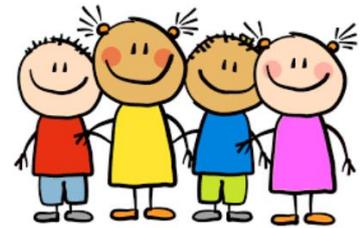
Enterprise



Enterprise ran once again, for the fourth year, and was even bigger and better than ones previously seen. Children created their enterprise, prepared their enterprise, ran their activity and handled all the transactions. Enterprises saw children being soaked in the stocks, making bracelets and keyrings, guessing the name of the sloth, buying and selling wonderful food and drink creations and generally having so much fun. All of the children from our four year olds to our eleven year olds impressed us with their ability to manage money, host their event and clear up afterwards. Over £800 was raised, which will be used to enhance playtimes and lunchtimes for the children. Last year's money was used to provide tubs of brand-new games for wet play times for every class.

New EYFS Visits and Lunch

Our new EYFS children visited their new classrooms on two occasions in July. The highlight was when they joined their parent, carer or grown up for lunch on the second day. All enjoyed a roast dinner, and the children wowed us with their independence and ability to carry their trays, eat up their dinners and clear away, all by themselves.



Topic Week



The children held their own topic week towards the end of term. This is a week where we allow children to research, prepare information in their own creative ways, and really explore their interests. We saw classes taking extra PE sessions, children creating topic books about horses, fashion, hairstyles through the decades and many other projects. The children loved this week and at our last curriculum review, it was something they wanted to stay. It will be on the plan next year children!

Pupil Elections and New Groups

After some very impressive campaigning and manifestos, the children took part in democratic elections, posting their votes in real ballot boxes. Votes were counted and new groups were duly elected. Groups for next year include the Glapton Library Group, Assembly Action Group, Eco Team, School Sports Organising Crew, Curriculum Champions, School Nutrition Action Group and School Council. Watch out for news of their activities in the new year on the school website under the Classes page and pupil groups tab.



DART Graduation



This Life Skills Education primary programme was delivered to year 6 pupils to equip them with a range of knowledge and skills, which they can use as they transition to secondary and beyond.

Our Y6 children will graduate from the programme on Tuesday.

School Trips

We have had some fantastic school trips during July, including our reception children heading off to the zoo, year one visiting East Midlands Airport, Y4 off to Wollaton Hall, Y2 became National Trust members for the day and visited Calke Abbey and Y5 undertook some important geography fieldwork in our locality in Clifton.

They have all had a fantastic time visiting new and interesting places and these could not have happened without your help, so a **massive** thank you to all parent and carer helpers for your support across this year.



Reading Rocketeers

Children have been recording their reading throughout the year and collecting tokens to exchange for books in our bookshop. Some children have saved their tokens and been able to 'buy' a high value book that they have had their eye on for a few months. Don't forget to record your reads and top them up before the end of the year to make sure your child receives any Rocketeer prize that is due.



SCHOOL PICNIC

This was a great success and something we will definitely continue next year.

Over a hundred families joined us bringing a picnic or snacks, a rug or blanket and collecting their child for a little chance to relax together as a school community.



Leading Parent
Partnership Award

LEADING PARENT PARTNERSHIP AWARD

Next year we will be starting work to achieve this prestigious award.

It will help our school to work in partnership with all parents and carers. Increasing parental participation in school life leading to improved pupil progress, punctuality, attendance and behaviour. The framework also encourages parents to be involved in their children's learning leading to improved outcomes in all aspects of school life.

Key areas include transition, participation in school life, communication, guidance, induction and home-school links.

We will be looking to form a working parent forum and LPPA group. Drop Mrs Hurst an email via the office if you are interested in joining.

Finally, it has been a long half term, and we are all looking forward to enjoying this last week together before we finish for the summer.

We would like to wish our Year 6 children all the best for their future and we know each and every one of them will shine brightly in their new schools.

Goodbye and good luck from all of us to:

Adhrith, Ajay, Amelia, Amelia, Andrei, Andrey, Anna Mariya, Ashley, Beau, Brooke, Caleb, Carter, Chance, Charlie, Chloe, Daisy, Dylan, Eden, Edwin, Ethan, Ethan, Evie, Fatimah, George, Georgiana, Harley, Harry, Hollie, Isabella, Isla, Izabella, Jake, Jonah, Joseph, Jude, Junior, Kobie, Layla, Lexi-Mai, Lucas, Lyla, Mia, Michael, Nathan, Oliver, Serenity-Leigh, Shunezia, Sienna, Sophia, Tamem, Thea, Timothy, Willow and Zoe-Jo

Have a fabulous summer when it comes at the end of this week and see you all on MONDAY 4th SEPTEMBER.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'C Hurst', written in a light grey or blue ink.

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