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END OF TERM NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we head towards the end of a busy but very exciting autumn term, we would just like to update you with some information and news.

STAFFING NEWS FOR THE SPRING TERM



Deputy Head

Mrs Warman will be leaving us for her maternity leave at the end of the first half term. We are delighted to let you know that Mrs Ralph will be our deputy head during Mrs Warman's leave and sure you will join with us in offering her congratulations on her promotion.

Cherry Class

Mr Holland will be taking up his position as permanent class teacher at Glapton Academy and will be looking after Cherry class from January 8th.

Beech Class

We will all be very sad to see Miss Gibbons leave Glapton Academy to spend more time with her family at the end of term. We sincerely thank her for all she has done to support our school and our children. She will be missed by us all.

We have appointed Miss Smith as the permanent class teacher. She is an experienced teacher who will be taking Beech class from after Easter. The delay is due to national resignation dates for

teachers which require them to work until the end of a term.

Miss Patel, also an experienced teacher, has been appointed to take Beech class for the spring term.

Teaching Assistant Support

Miss Galhena has been recently appointed to our Teaching Assistant Team and will take up her post in January.

I'm sure you will join with us all in welcoming all of our new staff to the team.



CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY AND CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Once again, our fantastic kitchen team will be cooking a wonderful Christmas dinner on Tuesday, and we will be making the occasion extra special by allowing our children to wear their own Christmas jumpers for the day. Please bring your voluntary £1 donation for Christian Aid, we really appreciate all your support.

Don't worry if you haven't got a Christmas jumper, just use some of your Christmas decorations to wear as a 'Christmassy' accessory.



SANTA AND STALLS

I'm sure you don't need reminding but Santa will be visiting Glapton Academy on TUESDAY DECEMBER 19th 2023.

If you would like to see him you will need your ticket. Please ask your grown up to bring you to the KS2 hall between 3.30pm and 4.45pm.



Santa will be in his grotto!

Tea, coffee and mince pies will be available for grown-ups to buy while they wait and we have some festive stalls for them to visit too (including our really popular 'Secret wrapping Room).

CHRISTMAS CRACKER DAY

The Curriculum Champions have worked with Miss Shenton to create a Christmas Cracker Day on Wednesday 20th December. Lucan, Thorely, Grayson, Willard, Bobby, Colton, Mustafa, Grayson, Archie, Taya and Miss Shenton are all excited to host an exciting maths day filled with festive fun! Throughout the day, each class will be delivered 3 special maths problems which they will be able to

find inside three Christmas crackers! If the class manages to work together to solve the problems, they will receive a special surprise from their elf at the end of the day!



THANK YOU CLUB

A massive thank you to all our children who have stayed on the TEAM board throughout this term. We are incredibly proud of your efforts and will be giving you a big thank you on Wednesday afternoon when we hold our autumn term Thank You Club.



BREAKING UP FOR CHRISTMAS

We finish for Christmas on Wednesday 20th December at 3:15pm. Planet Play (After School Club) will not operate on this day. All the staff at Glapton wish you a really happy, peaceful and fun filled couple of weeks off.

SODEXO VOUCHERS

For parents who receive free school meal vouchers, please be advised these will be distributed on 19th December by Sodexo.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

January 8th 8.45am – School reopens to Children

January 8th – Behaviour Week

January 15th – Thank you club for Behaviour Week

January 18th – Sycamore Class Assembly 2:30 for a 2:45pm start

January 25th – Alder Class Assembly 2:30 for a 2:45pm start

January 25th – Young voices Performance

January 30th – Parent Carer evening – 3.30pm – 6pm

February 1st – Parent Carer evening- 3.30pm – 6pm

February 9^{th} – Break up for half term 3.15 pm

We are looking forward to enjoying the last couple of days of the term, and we will see you all refreshed in the New Year.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher