



Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024



### **NEWSLETTER SUMMER BLOCK 1**

Dear Parents & Carers

We can't quite believe it is nearly half term and the last half term of the academic year!

### **STAFFING NEWS**

Miss Padhiar will be leaving us in July and we wish her well in the new chapter of her career. Mrs Layton will be taking up a new position in a school for children with Special Educational Needs in the Autumn and we are delighted that her ambition has been realised and wish her lots of luck in her new school.

Mrs Kay remains on long term sick leave and Mrs Lees has been covering her role for us in school.

Mrs Warman had a beautiful baby boy and is currently thoroughly enjoying her maternity leave.



### **YEAR 6 SATS.**

To all of our wonderful Year 6 pupils,

We would like to start off by saying a massive congratulations on completing your KS2 SATs; you have all been absolutely amazing and we could not be prouder as your teachers and Head teacher. All of you have arrived at school on time with enthusiasm and maturity. Although this has been a challenging week, and a challenging set of papers, you have responded with resilience and character and the vast majority of you have even told me you have loved this week!

I would also like to thank our amazing staff team that have helped us to make this SATs week run so smoothly from toasting bread before 8am to keeping spirits positive and determined between test sittings. It takes a lot of work and preparation but everyone at Glapton pitched in and made sure our Y6 were as well looked after as they could be. A wonderful summer term lies ahead for this lovely lot!



### **STAY & PLAY IN RECEPTION CLASS**

Don't forget that on Wednesday 22nd May, we would like to invite our new starters for September 2024 to come into school for the morning to visit our F2 classrooms. This will be a chance for your child to explore their new classrooms with you before they begin their transition visits. The session will run from 9am until 10am. If your child already attends our nursery, they should go to nursery as usual on this day to be registered. We will then invite you into nursery at 9am where you can join your child to come and visit the F2 classrooms. If your child does not currently attend our school nursery, you will arrive with your child via the school office for 9am. We can't wait to see you!

### **TRANSITION**

Children will be practising some sessions in their new year groups after half term. This really gives staff an opportunity to get to know children and their likely starting points in order to hit the ground running in September. More importantly it allows the children to have a practice before the formal Transition Days. This means any concerns or anxiety can be smoothed and children can finish for the summer with positive anticipation for the new academic year.

#### **Transition Plans will look like this:**

<b>Week</b>	<b>Transition Plan</b>
1	One English Lesson
2	One Maths Lesson
3	One Maths & English Lesson
4	One whole Morning
5	Two Transition Days. New F2 will attend for 2 mornings. Y6 will attend Y7 Transition



### **SPORTS DAY**

Please note the swapped dates for Sports Day previously sent out by text.

KS1 Sports Day – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 9.15am

KS2 Sports Day – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 9.15am

Just like any sporting event your children will need to be in full PE uniform to participate.

- Black shorts or leggings with no stripes or logos.
- A plain white T-Shirt with no logos
- Trainers or well fitted plimsolls.

Children without PE kit will not be able to participate so use half term to check if PE bags are all in good order.



### **SUMMER WEATHER**

Fingers crossed that we will see some sunshine over the next few weeks. If sunshine is forecast (even if it is cloudy first thing in the morning) please remember the following:

- An application of 8-hour suncream to all exposed body parts – particularly faces and necks.
- A water bottle filled with fresh drinking water (no juice or squash)
- A sun hat.
- Uniform clearly labelled with your child's name. Tops come off in the summer and are nearly impossible to match to pupils without a name label.



### **LITTLE ACORNS**

From 'Little Acorns' grow mighty Oaks!  
Glapton Baby and Toddler Group has re-opened!

Every Tuesday from 1.30pm to 2.45pm during school term time.

Open to everybody. Lots of brand-new toys and activities, all set up and ready to play with and have lots of fun. A free hot drink and snack for parents and a healthy snack for your little ones. All in the safe and spacious environment of our school hall with a staff member on hand to support. Baby changing areas available, and we are a breast-feeding friendly school.

We have a lovely, enclosed garden area to play in during the summer months too. Come and meet other parents and their little ones and enjoy some relaxing time for yourself watching your baby or toddler make new little friends!

It is absolutely free and no need to book, just turn up to the Glapton Lane pedestrian gate and ring the bell!

You will always be welcomed with a big smile.



### **ONLINE SAFETY**

Children have access to a wonderful and extensive range of information, communication and entertainment systems now; far more than some of us will have been used to when we were their age. Being informed about the risks and how we can avoid them as parents will help to ensure they can enjoy this new technology without exposing them to the dangers it also offers.

Mobiles are a great way for children to keep in touch with friends but can leave your child open to someone you don't know getting in touch with them on their mobile or being bullied through their phone. They can also get enticed into behaving inappropriately and posting comments they would never say to someone's face.

#### **THERE ARE SOME TOP TIPS FOR MOBILE SAFETY:**

Talk with your children about responsible use: agree a limit to spend on apps, downloads, calls and texts.

Agree whether to switch them off at night or not.

Discuss rules about not meeting up with people only met online.

Encourage your child to discuss any texts or calls that have made them uncomfortable or unhappy.

Talk to them about RESPECT and not posting inappropriate or disrespectful comments or 'liking' posts of this nature.

#### **Social networking and instant messaging**

Adults and young people aged 13 and above can use the social networking site to post pictures, videos and chat to friends. Given the age restriction, we do not actively encourage children of primary age to have a social networking account but if they do here are some tips:

'Think before you post' – once something is posted online someone can copy and share it.

Protect your personal information, use privacy settings so only approved friends can view your full profile and personal details.

Know how to block or delete instant messaging and social networking contacts.

Make sure you know how to report anything that upsets or worries you or your child, using the administrator or reporting link for that service provider.

# NOTTINGHAM PLAYHOUSE

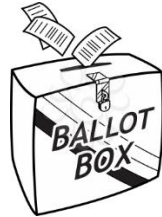
## SCHOOLS MASSIVE

Not only are our Y6 studying Macbeth this term but they are also performing it on stage to a live audience at the Nottingham Playhouse. Y6 pupils will become part of their theatre, in their city, creating lifelong memories and unlimited aspirations. We know they will be amazing!



## MESSY CHURCH

Messy Church will be held again from 4.00pm to 5.30pm on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May. Crafts, activities and food all for free. Holy Trinity with St Francis, Clifton Parish.



## PUPIL ELECTIONS/DEMOCRACY

After finding out the meaning of democracy this term our pupil group campaigns will begin in June with our outgoing groups creating videos of their work this year. Manifestos and publicity materials will be created by the children and elections are planned.

Have a chat with your child and see if they are interested in campaigning to be part of the following groups.

- School Nutritional Action Group (SNAG)
- Curriculum Champions
- Assembly Action Group
- The Glapton Library Group
- The School Sports Organising Crew (SSOC)
- School Council
- Eco Team



## **DATES FOR DIARY**

Break up for Half- Term 3.15pm Friday 24th May

School re-opens Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

### **WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTOS 3<sup>rd</sup> June**

Transition - starts 4<sup>th</sup> June

Bikeability - Y6 starts 4<sup>th</sup> June

New EYFS Parent/Carer Information session – 12<sup>th</sup> June

Chestnut Class Assembly - 2.30pm 13<sup>th</sup> June

KS1 Sports Day – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 9.15am

Y6 Schools Massive Performance at the Playhouse – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June

KS2 Sports Day – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 9.15am

Beech Class Assembly – 2.30pm 20<sup>th</sup> June

Enterprise Day – 28<sup>th</sup> June

New EYFS & Y7 Transition – 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> July

Parent Drop-in session – 5<sup>th</sup> July – 9am -10am

History Focus Day - Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July

### **SUMMER FAMILY PICNIC – 10<sup>th</sup> July**

Juniper Class Assembly – 2.30pm 11<sup>th</sup> July

Walnut Class Assembly – 2.30pm 18<sup>th</sup> July

Y6 Leavers Assembly – 24<sup>th</sup> July

BREAK up for the summer – 26<sup>th</sup> July

Yours sincerely,

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