



Monday 7th October, 2024



AUTUMN NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a fantastic start we have had to our autumn term. Your children are making us very proud every day!

WELCOMES

We have received lots of new pupils to our school since we came back in September. We hope you will join with us in giving them the warmest welcome and best wishes for their time with us at Glapton Academy.

Lionel, Antonio, Ian, Isobel, Bastek, Kostek, Ashwin and Richard



ATTENDANCE

Great news!

We are starting back this academic year with really improved attendance and are really excited to keep this improvement going.

Well done everybody!

So far our attendance for the whole school is at **95.86%** and our target is 96%.

This is such a great improvement from this time last year when it was 93%!

Evidence from the Children's Commissioner Report showed that children who attend well in September are really likely to keep this up all year.

Don't forget that attendance is important for so much more than attainment. Regular attendance really helps build positive relationships and friendships and is a proven protective factor for mental health and well-being.



WELL PHARMACY

We know that this time of year can be challenging for children and parents regarding seasonal illness affecting attendance at school.

Well Pharmacy First in Clifton can help!

The Pharmacy First service is funded by the NHS so is free for children to have access to. Parents can bring their child to the Pharmacy with no appointment needed for a free consultation and provision of prescription only treatment including antibiotics. The following conditions can be treated:

Earache (in children only)

Sore throat

Impetigo

Infected insect bites

Sinusitis (children and adults over 12 years of ages)

Urine Infections (adults only)

Shingles (adults only)

If you would like any more information about how they can support you contact them at Well Pharmacy Clifton, Southchurch Drive
01159842910



READING ROCKETEERS REMINDER

Don't forget to record your child's weekly reading in your partnership book. Please record in the book and pop on your initials for your younger children. Children in KS2 can sign off two of their reads and as long as their grown up signs off three more. Children can pop the total onto their weekly pages in the homework section. Each week 7 or more reads are recorded they will be added to a running total to collect tokens.

20 reads = 1 token and tokens can be collected to exchange for items in our bookshop.



LEADING PARENT PARTNERSHIP AWARD

At Glapton, we want to ensure that as a school we work effectively with our parents and local community. We value the support and contribution that our parents and carers make to their children's school life, both within and beyond the classroom.

We have been working hard to achieve the Leading Parent Partnership Award (LPPA) to help strengthen our school's partnership with parents.

LPPA is a national award that has provided us with a valuable school improvement tool and will hopefully give us recognition for our commitment to working with parents and carers.

We hope to pass our assessment in December!

Feedback from parents and carers is extremely important to us and we want to hear your views to improve our current practice.

Our LPPA co-ordinator at school is Miss Haywood.

Our parent representatives are Jennifer Booth and Jennifer Morledge-Seeds.

If you would like to help, give ideas or have any questions with regard to any aspect of the LPPA do get in touch with Mrs Hurst or any of the LPPA team.



CHOOSE TO CHANGE

We have linked up with a Healthy Lifestyle Nutritionist as part of the Nottinghamshire Integrated Wellbeing Services.

They run parent sessions all about food and nutrition and will be dropping into school On TUESDAY OCTOBER 15th at 3pm.

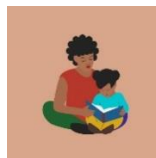
They will be bringing their SMOOTHIE BIKE and lots of other resources and can't wait to meet you.

They will also be holding a Parent/Carer information session at school on Tuesday November 12th.

Check out their website and read all about them on the attached leaflet.

Here is the link to their parent website page:

<https://yourhealthnotts.co.uk/choose-to-change/choose-to-change-parent-information/>



DROP-INS & OTHER PARENT SESSIONS

Our first Drop-in event for our new reception pupils had the best turn out ever, with someone visiting for virtually every child. Thank you for all of the positive comments you gave us.

Parents & Carers also enjoyed watching their children in phonics and then joining in with them for lots of fun in the classroom afterwards.

We are also looking forward to our parent & carer reading information session and a SATS information session this half-term.

Our class assemblies are kicking off this half-term with Elm and Birch classes. The dates for next half-term are all in your partnership book.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

The children enjoyed a lovely assembly celebrating the harvest with Penny Carrier. Penny is the 'Children and Families Team Leader' for Clifton Parish and supports our school with lots of our Christian celebrations.

We are able to send a wonderful contribution of food to the Clifton Foodbank thanks to your generosity. You are amazing!



PARENTS/CARERS EVENING

We have held our first parent and carer evenings for all our pupils from F2 to Y6 last week. We hope you found them really useful and informative.

If you didn't manage to attend staff will continue to try and make contact with you for either a face to face or telephone consultation.

We aim to have touched base with 100% of parents before the end of term.

FESTIVALS



Festivals we are looking at this autumn term include Harvest, St Andrew's Day, Guru Nanak's Birthday, and Remembrance Sunday and of course Christmas.



CLASS DOJO

We hope you are enjoying the 16 day posts and other information on Class dojo.

The private messaging system on Class Dojo is not in use. Please direct all enquiries and contact through the school office on 0115 915 2936 or at admin@glaptonacademy.co.uk Or pop a message in the partnership book or catch us on the playground in the morning.



Did you know there is a local library in Clifton? At Glapton, we want all of our pupils to love sharing and reading books. Reading is the bedrock of our curriculum and we are so lucky to have a Library locally. We wanted to signpost you all to this.

Opening Times	
Monday	- 9.30am - 5.30pm
Tuesday	- 9.30am - 5.30pm
Wednesday	- 9.30am - 1pm
Thursday	- 9.30am - 5.30pm
Friday	- 9.30am - 5.30pm
Saturday	- 9.30am - 1pm
Sunday	- Closed
Bank Holidays	- Closed

Contact Us

Email: clifton.library@nottinghamcity.gov.uk

Tel: 0115 915 2837

Address: Southchurch Drive, Clifton, Nottingham NG11 8AB

Dogs Trust Workshops

Join Alison from Dogs Trust for a super fun, free workshop for children aged 7-11 where they can learn all about dogs. She will explain how understand dogs better and know how to be their very best friend!

Wollaton Library Friday 25 October 11am
Southgate Park Library Monday 28 October 11am
Clifton Library Wednesday 30 October 11am
Nottingham Central Library Thursday 31 October 11am

The workshops are free to attend but places must be booked in advance by emailing alison.jacques@dogstrust.org.uk

Note: no real dogs will attend the event.



ROAD SAFETY

An illustration showing four children (two boys and two girls) crossing a zebra crossing on a road. They are holding hands and looking towards the viewer. A traffic light is visible on the right side of the road, and a city skyline is in the background.

Key stage 1 children enjoyed sessions about keeping themselves safe on the pavements and roads as the evenings get darker, especially when the clocks go back on the 27th October. Road Safety is a life skill that we all need to learn, with safe behaviour developing over time so the Road Safety Education Team talked to the children about the Green Cross Code and the importance of being seen in the dark (bright, fluorescent and reflective).



SOME IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES.

Don't forget all of these dates are in your Partnership Book

Reading Session for Parent/Carers	9 th October
Birch Class Assembly	10 th October
Life Education Space in School	14 th – 16 th October
Elm Class Assembly	17 th October
School Photographs	18 th October
Half-Term Holiday	18 th October 3.15pm
School Opens for Half-Term 2	4 th November
Y6 Residential	4 th – 6 th November
Saplings Parent/Carer Evening	5 th and 6 th November
Anti-bullying and Behaviour Week	11 th November
Whole School Drop-in Session	13 th November
Hazel Class Assembly	14 th November
Children in Need	15 th November
Flu Vaccinations	29 th November
KS1 Nativity	9 th December 1.30pm for 2pm
KS2 Christmas Concert Y5/6	10 th December
EYFS F2 Nativity	11 th December 1.30pm for 2pm
KS2 Concert Y3/4	12 th December 1.30pm for 2pm
Saplings Christmas Sing along.	13 th December 10.30am
Christmas Fete with Santa (if he's not too busy)	13 th December 3.30pm
Christmas Parties pm	16 th December
Christmas Jumper/Christmas Lunch Day	18 th December
Break up for Christmas	20 th December

Yours sincerely,

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