



Glenburn Primary School News September 2022



Welcome to our September Newsletter. We are now settled in our new building and staff and pupils are absolutely loving our new learning environment. We are working on a few areas in the school - organising set ups and resources and creating specific learning areas. Our Primary 7 pupils have had a great view of the old Portakabin classrooms being removed. Demolition of the old building commenced on the 12th September and will consist of a 4 week soft strip period, followed by a further period where the excavator will move in to demolish the building and remove all materials from site.



Prestwick North Campus

Moving into a shared campus is a new experience for everyone - pupils and staff. Through time we will become more familiar with working as a shared campus and we already have lots of plans to share experiences and events across both schools. At the moment we have no plans to share playtimes and lunchtimes across both schools due to the lack of space and school assistant provision both schools have. We will review this in the future when the campus is completely finished and we have more playground space and the astro turf pitch.

Please note that both schools are also their own schools in their own right and will organise and plan our own events.

New Glenburn Primary Website

We are pleased to announce that a new, updated Glenburn Primary Website will be up and running very soon with lots of school and campus information, class information and lots of photos to showcase our learning. More information about the launch of the new website coming soon!



School Uniform



Our pupils look amazing in their new school uniforms! Thank you to all our parents/carers and pupils for ensuring that our school is well represented. We are very proud of our school and campus. A particular thank you to our senior pupils who look very smart in their uniforms and are wearing it with pride - keep it up!

Consent Forms

Can we please ask parent/carers to promptly complete any consent forms and hand back into school. There is an increasing number of consent forms not being completed and handed into school and this may result in children not attending events/activities out with school grounds. Thank you 😊

Parents/carers in the playground

Our pupils have become more confident in the playground in the morning and we ask that after the September break we have Primary 1 parents/carers **ONLY** entering the school grounds. This is a joint campus decision and St. Ninians Primary will also only have Primary 1 parents in the playground in the morning.

The afternoon arrangements for all parents/carers collecting children remains the same.

Both gates at the back will be 'manned' by a school assistant and there will be lots of staff in the playground and the gate at the Sherwood Road entrance from 8.45am to assist the children.

Parking around campus

We have been really lucky with the weather coming back to school with lots of parents/carers/families all enjoying the walk to school! We have lots of pupils travelling to school on bikes and scooters, many with helmets, which is also great to see. With the increase in numbers of pupils attending both schools and the EYC we ask that consideration is taken when parking around the campus to ensure the safety of all our children. We would like to encourage everyone to park further away from the campus and walk using the crossing patrols around the area - even when it is raining!!

Attached to the newsletter is the travel leaflet outlining the walk times from particular parking spots in the area. Thank you to everyone for supporting safe travel to school 😊



Parents Afternoon/Evening

Our parent information afternoon/evening is on Thursday 13th October. This will be a 'face to face' meeting with the class teacher. More details will be issued nearer the time allowing you to choose a time that suits you best.

This is another chance to view the new campus and enjoy a coffee/tea and chat in the atrium.

We will also have a second hand book stall available during our parents evening for parents/carers to purchase good quality children's books very cheaply. We would ask that from now until parents night we would love donations of children's books to be handed into the main office.

Literacy - Accelerated Reader

Our pupils from P3-P7 enjoy working through the accelerated reading programme in school. The programme allows class teachers to monitor reading levels and assess next steps in learning for all our learners. Across the school there is a positive reading ethos and pupils enjoy reading for lots of different purposes and for enjoyment. We are currently setting up reading areas across the school and as part of the School Development Plan will develop accelerated reader at our Primary 2 stage.

Maths Week Scotland 26th September - 2nd October 2022



We are celebrating Maths Week Scotland 2022 with a number of fun activities.

We would like to invite you to a **Family Maths Workshop on Wednesday 28th September at 1.30pm.**

Mr Scott Morrow, Numeracy Development Officer for South Ayrshire, will lead the session with parents/carers from both St.Ninians and Glenburn Primary which will begin in the gym hall. Your child or children will then come and join in the practical challenge of the session. Parents should enter via the front main entrance.

A letter with a tear off slip has already been sent out about this and if you would like to attend please fill in the form and hand in to school.

Homework

Following the September weekend pupils will begin to consolidate learning in Literacy and Maths by having weekly homework tasks. Time will be given to complete the tasks as many children are now back attending after school activities. Any homework sent home will consolidate learning from class work.

Youth Music Initiative



We are delighted to have Tracy Nelson in school from the Youth Music Initiative (YMI) every Friday working with our P6 and P7 pupils. Tracy also works with P6 and P7 pupils from St Ninians Primary and the pupils will come together to perform to an audience later in November.

Please follow the link below to learn more about the YMI programme.

<https://sway.office.com/FMFYEgDaYtq9VTzj?ref=Link>

Campus Fundraising Day

On Friday 14th October we are having a coffee morning for parents/carers and pupils to raise funds for the local charity, the Ayrshire Hospice. Parents/carers from both Glenburn and St. Ninians are invited to enjoy a coffee/tea, cake and a chat in our main atrium from 9.30am - 11.30am. There will be stalls run by our senior pupils including book stall, toy stall, guess the teddy name etc. Our pupils will be able to enjoy a drink of juice and a cake in class and have time to visit the stalls too.



We ask that everyone dresses in 'Purple' for the day and bring £1 donation for juice and cake and loose change for the stalls.

We will also be looking for donations of cakes and second hand toys/books for our stalls nearer the time.

PE Kit



All pupils should keep a PE kit in school with trainers and a pair of shorts. Trainers worn for PE in school should be a change from the outdoor shoes or trainers pupils wear to school.

Class teachers will send PE kits home at the end of term to be washed or can be collected at other times if requested by parents/carers. Most pupils come to school on PE days with their school polo shirt on that can be worn during PE.

We would be very grateful for donations of black gym shoes and shorts that children have grown out of so we have a range of sizes for pupils to borrow if they have forgotten their PE kit.

Parent Council

We had our first Parent Council meeting of the school year this week and welcomed some new members 😊

Our first fundraising event of the school year is our Parent Council Halloween Discos to be held in our big hall on **Tuesday 1st November**.

Times for the discos as follows:

*P1-4 6pm-7.15pm

*P5-7 7.30pm-8.45pm

**More information will follow.



Once again we are excited to announce that after the huge success of last year the Glenburn Primary Scarecrow Trail is back again!!

The trail will begin on Saturday 29th October and continue over the weekend into Monday 31st October.

**Again, more information to follow.

Communication with the School

Should parents wish to contact the school with a query or wish to speak to a particular member of staff, we would ask that this is done by phone or e-mail:

By phone: 01292 473452

By E-mail: Glenburn.mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

Many Thanks

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Please find below, a list of school dates for your diary. As we progress through the school year, this will be added to, and I will keep you informed of other important dates as they emerge.



| Date | Times | Who | Details |
|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Friday 16 th September | - | All pupils and staff | HOLIDAY |
| Monday 19 th September | - | All pupils and staff | HOLIDAY |
| Thurs 22 nd Sept | 3.30pm | P7 parents/carers | Dolphin House Information session online. |
| Mon 26 th Sept | - | All pupils and staff | MATHS WEEK SCOTLAND |
| Tues 27 th Sept | 9am-10.30am | P1 Parents/carers | Primary 1 Information Session |
| Weds 28 th Sept | 1.30pm | Parents/carers | Family Maths Workshop |
| Thurs 7 th Oct | - | Parents/carers | Tracking Report Issued |
| Mon 3 rd Oct - Thurs 6 th Oct | - | P7M | Dolphin House |
| Mon 10 th Oct - Thurs 13 th Oct | - | P7R | Dolphin House |
| Thurs 13 th October | 3.15pm - 5.15pm 6pm-8pm | P1-P7 Parents/carers | Parent/Carer Evening |
| Friday 14 th October | 9.30am-11.30am | Parents/carers | Go Purple Fundraising Day |
| Mon 17 th Oct - Fri 21 st Oct | - | All pupils and staff | HOLIDAY |
| Monday 24 th October | All day | All pupils and staff | In Service Day |
| Tues 25 th Oct - Fri 28 th Oct | - | P7B | Dolphin House |
| Tuesday 1 st November | P1-4 6pm-7.15pm P5-7 7.30pm-8.45pm | All pupils | Halloween Discos |
| Tuesday 22 nd November | AM | All pupils | Flu Immunisations |
| Friday 2 nd December | AM | All pupils and staff | Christmas Fayre |
| Tuesday 13 th December | 10am | P5-7 pupils | Pantomime at the Gaiety |
| Wednesday 14 th Dec | Lunch | All pupils | Christmas Lunch |
| Thursday 15 th Dec | 6pm-7.30pm | P7 pupils | Christmas Party |
| Friday 16 th Dec | 1.30pm-3pm | P5 and P6 pupils | Christmas Party |
| Tuesday 20 th December | 1.30pm-3pm | P2 pupils | Christmas Party |
| Wednesday 21 st Dec | 1.30pm-3pm | P3 and P4 pupils | Christmas Party |
| Thursday 22 nd Dec | 10am | P1-4 pupils | M&M pantomime in school |
| Thursday 22 nd Dec | 1.30pm-3pm | P1 pupils | Christmas Party |
| Friday 23 rd Dec | 2.30pm | All pupils and staff | Close for Christmas break |