



Glenburn Primary School News November 2022



Autumn has arrived! We can't quite believe we have been in our new campus for a whole term. Staff and pupils are settled in to their new surroundings and we are enjoying our lovely new learning spaces and facilities.

The old school building is no more 😞 We have watched the diggers knock down the school over the last few weeks with a hint of sadness but it now opens up space for the carpark, EYC outdoor space and more playground space for us all.

The astro turf pitch is taking shape and our pupils are excited about the play tunnel that has been built in the next playground phase - we can't wait.

A very busy and exciting term ahead!

Thank you so much for all donations towards our Campus coffee morning. We raised an amazing £2172 for the Ayrshire Hospice.



Additional Public Holiday

The additional public holiday due to the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II taking place, has been confirmed as Friday 23rd December in South Ayrshire.

This means that school will now close for our Christmas holiday on **Thursday 22nd December at 2.30pm.**

New Glenburn Primary Website

We are now in a position to be populating our new website with lots of news and information regarding the school and classes. The new website will provide important links to help support your child with their learning and links to school holidays, lunch menu and holidays. Our Twitter feed will also be live on our website. We will inform parents/carers very soon with our 'go live' date 😊



Parking around campus

Thank you so much to all the parents/carers who are taking the time to park a little bit further away from the main campus building and walking to school, even on rainy days!

Can we please ask that parents/carers are extra vigilant on Langcroft Avenue. It has been reported that some cars have been parked over some resident driveways resulting in some residents not getting their car out and as you can appreciate this must be very frustrating.

We have noticed that $\frac{3}{4}$ of our pupils are using the Langcroft Avenue gate to enter and leave school so there is a higher volume of cars using the area in the morning. Again, we encourage parents/carers to park further down the street and not across resident driveways. We are re-establishing our pupil JRSO group who will be working towards safer parking around the school and safer walking routes.



Maths Winners

Congratulations to Carrick and James, 2 of our Primary 7 pupils, who recently won the cluster maths competition during Scottish Maths Week. Well done James and Carrick, we are so proud of you!

Sharing the Learning

All pupils will be bringing home some of their written jotter work over the following weekends where you and your child can spend some time discussing their learning: -

- P1 - P4 Friday 18th November
- P5 - P7 Friday 25th November

*Can we ask that all jotters are returned to class teachers on the Monday as pupils use the jotters every day.

*Please complete the parent/carer evaluation. It is extremely helpful and important to evaluate parent/carer thoughts and feelings regarding pupil learning and progress. Thank you 😊

Maths



Over the next few months our staff will be working with Count On Us developing our training on using the numeracy blueprint boards we have in school. We have also organised 2 parent/carer family sessions in the new year to help support you and your child when learning maths at home and with maths homework.

Save the date:-

Tuesday 21st February P1-3 maths workshop 6pm-7pm

Tuesday 28th February P4-7 maths workshop 6pm-7pm.

Youth Music Initiative



Over the last few months Tracy Nelson, our Youth Music Instructor, has been working with all P6 and P7 pupils across the campus exploring music genre, rhythm and song.

We are delighted to announce that our pupils will be performing their showcase to you in our large campus gym hall on **Monday 28th November** at the following times:-

Primary 6	Primary 7
9.20am	9.50am

*Please enter through our campus main entrance.

The Youth Music Initiative has been a great project to bring our schools together and build pupil relationships.

We hope you enjoy the showcase!

Dolphin House

Our 3 P7 classes have all completed their week residential at Dolphin House at Culzean. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed taking part in exciting activities such as caving, abseiling, hill walking, fire making, archery, orienteering and so much more!! However, the winning favourite activity had to be the 'trout run' where pupils (and staff!!) walked through a gorge in knee deep water while crawling under bridges!

All our pupils were an absolute credit to our school with Dolphin House staff commenting on their exceptional manners, enthusiasm, knowledge and bubbly personalities. And we should also mention how tidy they all kept their dorms 😊

PE Kit



All pupils should now have a PE kit kept in school. PE is part of the curriculum and it is vital that all pupils take part. We now have in school spare kit for all ages and gym shoes in all sizes. This ensures that if a pupil has forgotten their PE kit they can still take part in PE lessons.

Parent Council



Our parent council continue to work tirelessly together to organise interesting and exciting fundraising activities and events.

So far this year the Parent Council have organised the popular scarecrow trail, sale of recycled halloween costumes and the reintroduction of our school halloween discos - which were a great success!

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 8th November at 6.30pm** in the school. It was great to see so many new members last term and everyone is warmly welcome to join our friendly, enthusiastic group 😊 We would love to see you at our next meeting.



Children In Need

Children In Need is on **Friday 18th November** and Glenburn Primary will be participating in some fun fundraising activities for this great charity.

Pupils can dress down and bring a small donation - dress down and/or wear Pudsey merchandise i.e. onesie, tshirt etc.

Pupils will be able to buy Pudsey badges throughout the week and classes will be taking part in their own CIN activities.

Dress down day and bring a bottle

To kick start the festive season we are having a non-uniform day on **Friday 25th November** and 'bring a bottle!' This is a Glenburn Primary tradition where we then have a bottle stall at our Christmas Fayre the following week. Any kind of bottle can be donated (shampoo, bubble bath, sauce etc), however we do ask that if any bottles of alcohol are being donated they must be handed into the main office or an adult member of staff at the school gate.



Christmas will be here before we know it!! Here is all the information you will need regarding our Glenburn Christmas activities.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE FRIDAY 2nd DECEMBER



Our festivities kick off with the reintroduction of our Glenburn Christmas Fayre and concert on the morning of **Friday 2nd December**. Come and enjoy a tea/coffee and festive cake and be entertained by our wonderful pupils in our large hall. Our pupils can dress up in Christmas jumpers and all things 'christmassy' to start the festivities. The Christmas song singing is already 'wafting' through the school and starting to put us in the mood. A timetable of when each class is singing on stage will be issued ASAP. We look forward to seeing you there.

PANTOMIMES

On **Tuesday 6th December** our P1-4 pupils will be involved in the 'in school' pantomime by M and M productions. (A separate letter has been issued about this).

On **Tuesday 13th December** our P5-7 pupils will take a trip to the Gaiety Theatre in Ayr to see 'Sleeping Beauty'. (A separate letter has been issued about this).

PRIMARY 1 NATIVITY WEDNESDAY 14th DECEMBER



This year our Primary 1 pupils will be performing 'Wriggly Nativity' on **Wednesday 14th December** at 2pm in school. We welcome all parents/carers/grans/granpas etc to see our wonderful show - we would love to see you there.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH WEDNESDAY 14th DECEMBER

All pupils and staff are invited to enjoy a traditional Christmas Lunch on **Wednesday 14th December**. The menu for this will be sent out in due course. Please note that there will be no other alternatives on the lunch menu on this day. Pupils can bring a packed lunch on this day if they wish to do so.

CHRISTMAS CLASS ENTERPRISE DAY FRIDAY 16th DECEMBER

Our much loved Christmas Class Enterprise day is back by popular demand. During the build up to this day pupils devise Christmas activities or organise things to sell within their class learning about profit making. All pupils will be timetabled throughout the day to visit each class 'stall'. We ask that each pupil bring in a small amount of 'pocket money' to spend at the enterprise day.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES

No Christmas would be complete without a good old Christmas school party! Please see below the days and times for each class party. Please let class teachers know if pupils are going home for their lunch on the party day with a short note. All pupils going home for lunch on party days should be picked up and dropped back off at the main campus entrance. Thanks 😊

CLASS	DATE	TIME
Primary 7B, 7M and 7R	Thursday 15 th December	6pm - 7.45pm
Primary 5P, P6/5 and P6S	Friday 16 th December	1.30pm - 3pm
Primary 2S and 2C	Tuesday 20 th December	1.30pm - 3pm
Primary 3L, 4/3 and 4R	Wednesday 21 st December	1.30pm - 3pm
Primary 1M and 1I	Thursday 22 nd December	11am - 12.30pm

CHRISTMAS CHOIRS

Our school choirs have been asked to sing at a number of events across Prestwick this year. We feel really bad turning some down but I am sure everyone will appreciate how busy this time of year is. We love performing and are performing at the following events:

GROUP	DATE AND TIME	VENUE
Campus Choir	Sunday 27 th Nov at 2.45pm	Lighting Up Prestwick - main stage
Campus Choir	Friday 9 th Dec at 7pm	St. Nicholas Church, Prestwick
P5 and P6 pupils	Thursday 15 th December TIME TBC	Prestwick Academy

***A separate letter will be issued to all pupils regarding choir venues and times.**

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
G. Hartley



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
Tuesday 8 th November	6.30pm	Parents/carers	Parent Council Meeting
Friday 18 th November	-	Parents/carers/pupils	P1-4 Jotters home
Friday 18 th November	-	Staff and Pupils	Children In Need
Tuesday 22 nd November	AM	All pupils	Flu Immunisations
Friday 25 th November	-	Parents/carers/pupils	P5-7 Jotters home
Monday 28 th Nov	9.20am	P6 parents/carers	P6 YMI showcase
Monday 28 th Nov	9.50am	P7 parents/carers	P7 YMI showcase
Friday 2 nd December	AM	Parents/carers/pupils	Christmas Fayre
Tuesday 6 th December	AM	P1-4 pupils	Pantomime in school
Tuesday 13 th December	10am	P5-7 pupils	Pantomime at the Gaiety
Wednesday 14 th Dec	Lunch	All pupils	Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 14 th Dec	2pm	Parents/carers	Primary 1 Nativity
Thursday 15 th Dec	6pm-7.45pm	P7 pupils	Christmas Party
Friday 16 th Dec	AM	All pupils	Class Christmas Enterprise Fayre
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	11am-12.30pm	P1 pupils	Christmas Party
Thursday 22 nd Dec	2.30pm	All pupils and staff	Close for Christmas break
Fri 23 rd Dec - Sun 8 th Jan	-	All pupils and staff	HOLIDAY
Monday 9 th January	9am	All pupils and staff	Back to school