



# Glenburn Primary School News February 2023



Welcome to our February News! It has been a busy few months at Glenburn with lots of interesting learning taking place in all our classes.

Our car park is nearing completion. The car park will be for staff only, however, we are looking at a logistics plan across the campus in order that we do make full use of the space. The rest of the school grounds and new Sherwood Road pedestrian entrance is due to be completed by the end of March.

## Teacher Industrial Action

Two days of Industrial Action day are scheduled for **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February and Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March**. This will mean that all South Ayrshire primary and secondary schools will be closed to pupils on that day. A letter has been issued confirming school closure.

## Parent Pay

We now have 81% of our parents/carers registered with ParentPay. If you still haven't registered and need help with this please pop into the school office where someone will sign you up. Please remember that ParentPay is not only for ordering and paying for school meals - upcoming school trips and events must be paid through ParentPay.



## Buzzbee News

You can find the latest class Buzzbee Newsletter on your child's class page on our new school website.

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/sa/glenburnps/>

Over the next few months we will be liaising with parents/carers to find out what information you would find helpful that we can put on to the website.

## Child Sickness

We would like to kindly remind parents/carers that if your child has been sick/had diarrhoea they should not return to school less than 48 hours after their last bout. This is the official advice from the NHS to reduce the risk of other children and staff catching or spreading gastro. We thank you for your understanding with this.

**Diarrhoea and vomiting in children**

There's no specific cure for stomach bugs such as **Norovirus**. See tips to reduce the spread and treat symptoms

**Keep kids home from school for 48 HOURS**

after symptoms have passed. This is enough time to let the virus run its course

If your child already has a serious illness, or symptoms last longer than a few days, contact your GP to seek advice  
Visit [nhs.uk/norovirus](https://www.nhs.uk/norovirus)

**Washing hands frequently and thoroughly helps limit the spread of the virus**

**25** different strains of Norovirus are known to affect humans. They're the most common cause of stomach bugs in the UK

**Home Treatment**

Paracetamol is useful for fever or aches and pains

Give kids plenty of water to stay hydrated and replace lost fluids

If your child feels like eating, give them bland foods

choices foodbank agency

## Parking Around Campus

With the better weather coming in (hopefully) we would like to encourage parents/carers and pupils to walk, scoot or cycle to school. We are currently having a second bike and scooter shelter built so lots of space to safely store them. We do ask that parents/carers dropping pupils off around the campus make sure they park in a safe place and that cars DO NOT mount pavements to park. Please be extra vigilant on Langcroft Avenue as the road is tight and residents do need to get out of the street.

Please note that there is still restricted access in front of the school on Sherwood Road.



## Maths - Family Workshop Sessions



Our first maths family workshop was a success. Thank you to all parents/carers and pupils who attended. We hope you found the workshop useful.

A reminder that the P4-7 Family Maths session is now Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March At 6.00 p.m.

## Primary 7 Mental Health Workshops



for Scotland's mental health

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, our Primary 7 classes will take part in mental health workshops focussing on understanding and managing anxiety for children. The sessions are led by Zoe Dingnam who is the Let's Talk Engagement Officer for Children and Young People. Zoe will also be delivering a parent/carer session for P6 and P7 parents on ZOOM covering the same subject and this will be on the evening of the **23<sup>rd</sup> March at TBC.**

More details will follow regarding the parent/carer session.

## Reading Books

Across the school we are missing quite a few reading books and have noticed that not all books are being returned to school. Can parents/carers please check around houses and school bags and return any reading books you may have. Thanks 😊



## Musical Celebration Evening

Mrs Henderson is hosting a musical celebration evening on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 6.30 p.m.** in the large hall. This is an evening to celebrate our musical singing groups and our instrument players. The following pupils will be involved in the celebration evening: -

- \*Ukulele players
- \*Boys choir
- \*Flutes
- \*Violas
- \*Brass players



More information and tickets for this evening will be available soon 😊

## Parent Council Spring Disco



We are delighted to announce that our annual Spring disco is back!! The discos will take place on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March** in our large games hall.

More information regarding tickets will follow nearer the time.

### Disco times are:

6.15 -7.30 p.m.      Primary 1 - 4  
7.45 - 9.00 p.m.    Primary 5 - 7



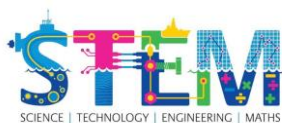
The Parent Council are looking for lots of parent/carer helpers for both discos. If you are able to help out can you please e-mail the school mailbox, [glenburn.mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk](mailto:glenburn.mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk) or send a message via your Xpressions app to let us know what disco you can help out with. Please also include your contact number. Thanks 😊

## Summer Fair - SAVE THE DATE



Our annual Summer Fair is planned for **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June**. If you have not experienced the Glenburn Summer Fair before this is a fantastic school community event that not only raises amazing funds for the school but brings everyone together having a great day out! Planning for the Fair will begin soon and we will be looking for volunteers to help out. You may not be able to attend any meetings but happy to help out on the day and that would be great! More information to follow soon.

## STEM Focus



Across the school this term staff and pupils will be focussing on aspects of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths)

Each year group will explore a different aspect of STEM where, in groups, they will be asked to plan, design, investigate and ultimately build something they can be proud of! Pupils will be developing and applying skills such as measuring, cutting, sawing, working with others, sharing responsibility, testing and evaluating success.

Our classes will be studying STEM through the following topics:

P1: Dinosaurs

P2: Castles

P3, P3/4 and P4: Shoebox Cars

P5: Space

P6/5: Rockets and Space Vehicles

P6: Flight

P7: Electric Powered Vehicles

Our STEM topic will culminate in a STEM showcase on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March, where pupils will get to explore and investigate what other classes have been learning about during the topic! We will then have our STEM awards in the afternoon, where one pupil from each class will be crowned STEM champion! One lucky winner will be also be honoured with the Glenburn STEM Champion 2023 trophy!

## Congratulations

### Gymnastics Team



Our P5-7 gymnasts competed in the South Ayrshire gymnastics competition this week and were an absolute credit to the school. Well done Farrell, Jess, Phoebe and Kia. Phoebe and Kia chose the leotard design that has now become the official Glenburn gymnastics leotard.



### Scottish Gymnastics Champion

At the weekend Etta, P7R, competed in the Scottish National Gymnastics Championships. Overall Etta won the Bronze Medal in the All- Around Scottish National Espoir Championship and qualified for all four apparatus finals on the Sunday. Etta won the silver medal on the beam and became Scottish National Espoir Champion on vault. Etta was competing against Scotland's top gymnasts in her first ever Scottish National Championships. Well done Etta, we are so proud of you and you are such an inspiration to our young people!

### Girls Football Team



The girls football team have enjoyed three games in January and February. The girls lost their first two games of the season - 7-1 at home to Heathfield and 5-4 away to Kincaidston. In their third match, the girls won 10-4 at home to Troon. After a tough start to the season, the girls found their rhythm against Troon and put on a great team performance. Well done girls 😊

## Boys Football Team



### League:

Our A Team footballers have had an excellent season so far! Wins against Annbank Primary, Gardenrose Primary, Heathfield Primary and Braehead Primary meant that we finished first in our group in the initial standings. This then meant that we would go on to play against other schools who finished first in their respective groups. So far in the second phase of league play, we have played Forehill Primary, and came away as 2-1 winners. The pupils involved have shown excellent teamwork and attitude, representing

themselves and their school superbly well. We have matches against Alloway Primary, Wellington and Struthers to play in the coming months.

### Cups:

We have entered into both the Mackie Cup and McWilliam Cup this season. We drew a very tough opponent in Alloway Primary in the Mackie Cup, and our tournament was ended early after a 3-0 defeat. In the McWilliam Cup, we drew Ayr Grammar and the result on Monday was 5-3 to Ayr Grammar.

## School Fundraising

Across the school year staff and pupils organise 3 fundraising events that support others and also the school community. The school strives to fundraise for 1) a local charity, 2) a national charity and 3) our own school community. This school year we have raised vital funds for The Ayrshire Hospice and Children in Need.

This term we are raising our own school funds. The money raised from our fundraiser helps support buying school resources such as books, textbooks, IT equipment, STEM resources and so much more.

By popular demand our sponsored 'bounce' is back this year. Our 'Spring Hop' fundraiser is on **Thursday March 23<sup>rd</sup>**.

Pupils can dress down on this day wearing comfy clothes ready to 'bounce'. More details will be issued separately.



## Lost Property



We have a vast amount of lost property residing at the school office. If your child has lost a jumper, cardigan, jacket, water bottle, etc. please pop into the school office to collect.

Please put your child's name on all school clothing and equipment as this means we can quickly return any items found lying about. Thank you 😊

### Age 8+ school uniform needed

We have lots of spare uniform for our younger pupils to change into, however we are looking for some older aged clothes to have in school. If you have any school trousers/skirts/t-shirts/sweatshirts/socks/tights and pants that your child has grown out of age 8+ they can be dropped off at the school office. Thanks, 😊

### 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, e-mail or Xpressions.

By phone: 01292 473452

By E-mail: [Glenburn.mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk](mailto: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 more information will follow for some events nearer the time. I will keep you informed of other important dates as they emerge.

Date	Times	Who	Details
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	All Day	ALL PUPILS	Closure due to Teacher Industrial Action
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	All Day	ALL PUPILS	Closure due to Teacher Industrial Action
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	AM	P1 and P7 pupils	Dental checks
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	AM	P1 and P7 pupils	Dental checks
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	AM	P1 Pupils	Height and weight checks
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	AM	Involved pupils	Ayrshire Music Festival
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	6.00-7.00pm	P4-7 parent/carer/pupil	Family maths workshop
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	6.30pm	TBC	Music Celebration Evening
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	All Day	ALL PUPILS	SPRING HOP
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	6.00pm	P6 & P7 Parents/carers	SAMH presentation
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am-2.30pm	P7 Pupils	Technology Transition Day at Prestwick Academy
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	6.15-7.30pm 7.45-9.00pm	P1-4 pupils P5-7 pupils	SPRING DISCO
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	6.30pm-7.30pm	P7 parents/carers	Prestwick Academy Information evening for pupils on STINT
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	2.30pm	ALL PUPILS/STAFF	CLOSE 2.30pm
1 <sup>st</sup> April - 16 <sup>th</sup> April	-	ALL PUPILS/STAFF	HOLIDAY
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	6.30pm	Parents/Carers	Parent Council Meeting
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	-	ALL PUPILS/STAFF	HOLIDAY
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	-	ALL PUPILS/STAFF	HOLIDAY
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	6.30pm	New P1 parent/carers	New P1 parent/carers meeting
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30 - 11.00am	P1-4 Pupils	SPORTS DAY
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	1.30pm-3pm	P5-7 Pupils	SPORTS DAY
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	-	ALL PUPILS	Reports Issued
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	3pm-8pm	ALL parents/carers/staff	Parents/Carers Evening
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	-	ALL PUPILS/STAFF	HOLIDAY
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	-	ALL PUPILS/STAFF	HOLIDAY
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	-	ALL PUPILS/STAFF	IN SERVICE
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	6.30pm-8pm	P7 parents/carers	Prestwick Academy Information Evening
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	TBC	ALL pupils/parents/carers/staff	SUMMER FAIR
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> June - Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> June	9am - 3pm	P7 Pupils	P7 Prestwick Academy Transition Days
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	TBC	ALL parents/carers	P7 School Show
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	TBC	ALL parents/carers	P7 School Show
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	TBC	P7 parents/carers	P7 Leavers Assembly
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	1pm	ALL PUPILS/STAFF	CLOSE FOR SUMMER BREAK



