



# Glenburn Primary School News October 2023



Welcome to our October newsletter. Not long to go until our October week holiday. School will be closed for the Autumn holiday from **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Oct**. Pupils will return to school on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October** as **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct** is an Inservice Day.

Thank you for everyone's understanding while pupils were at home during the strike days. We know that some parents/carers had some child care juggling to do and we are grateful for any learning that was completed during the strike days.

## Staffing

We have had a few changes in our staffing team during this first term. Firstly, we have welcomed Miss Reilly back to Glenburn.



We have said goodbye to Mrs Hamilton until June next year while she steps in as acting Depute Head at Heathfield. We will miss Mrs Hamilton very much and hope to see her soon as she is just along the road. We wish Mrs Hamilton all the very best in her new role.

We are also delighted to announce that in Mrs Hamilton's absence Mr Bentley is our new acting Principal Teacher.

Miss Morrison and Mrs Fraser have joined the Glenburn team. Miss Morrison is teaching P6S on a Monday and Tuesday. Mrs Fraser will teach P7B on a Wednesday, P6A on a Thursday and P2M on a Friday morning.



Next Friday (13<sup>th</sup>) we also say goodbye to Miss McKie as she embarks on a very exciting new job working as a youth activities counsellor on a Disney Cruise ship!! The staff and children are going to miss Miss McKie so much and we all wish her the very best of luck on her new adventure.

## Baby News



Miss Bowie had her baby boy last month and both mummy and baby are doing well. Congratulations to Miss Bowie and her family and we hope to see mum and baby soon.

## Glenburn Parent Council



A new office bearing team was established at our first Parent Council Meeting of the school year.

We are delighted to report that Eilidh Agnew is our new Parent Council Chair taking over from Michelle Strong.

Michelle has worked tirelessly over the last few years as Glenburn's chair and we want to thank her for her tremendous hard work, dedication and enthusiasm for leading fundraising events and raising incredible amounts of money that has helped support the school in many ways. Thank you Michelle and we know your advice as we move forward will be invaluable. With Eilidh moving into the chair position Maria Thomson has taken up position as Vice Chair - thank you Maria.

We also thank Jennifer Reid for all her hard work as secretary over the last few years and welcome Laura Wallace to the office bearer team who will take over from Jennifer.

Jennifer Mijatovic remains as treasurer. We are looking forward to another enthusiastic year of fundraising 😊

## Halloween Discos

The first Parent Council event of the year is our Halloween Discos on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November**. Both discos will take place in our large gym hall.

Times for the discos as follows:

\*P1-4 6pm-7.15pm

\*P5-7 7.30pm-8.45pm

\*\*More information to follow.



And..... the Glenburn Parent Council scarecrow trail is back for another year!!!



## Campus Fundraising Day



On **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> 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 **9.30 am - 11.30 am**.

Parent/carer coffee morning tickets are £2 each and are now on sale at our school office, however, you can also pay on the morning.

There will be stalls for our pupils to spend their loose change at including book stall, toy stall, guess the teddy name etc.

We ask that our pupils dress in 'Purple' for the day and bring in loose change for the stalls.

We are looking for donations of toys, books, Halloween costumes to sell at our stalls.

We are also looking for donations of baking that can be handed into school on 12<sup>th</sup> Oct or morning of the 13<sup>th</sup> Oct.

We hope that Agent H will visit us this year and see our super fundraising event!!

## School Uniform

Our children do all look very smart in their school uniforms. As we move into the colder, wetter weather can pupils be reminded to make sure they wear a warm jacket to school with their name on.



## Consent Forms

There are still a few outstanding consent forms to be handed into the school office. 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 Afternoon/Evening



Parent appointments have now been issued for our parents afternoon/evening on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Oct - we look forward to seeing you in the school.

## Scottish Maths Week

This took place during the week of the strikes. Our P2-7 pupils were able to have an input from Count on Us on Friday and enjoyed putting their mental maths skills to test!!

If you want more information on Count on Us and the numeracy blueboards we use in school please visit their website - <https://www.countonus.org.uk/>



## House Captains

We now have our House Captains and Vice Captains for our 2023/2024 session:-

|           |          |              |
|-----------|----------|--------------|
| Marchburn | Captain  | Vice Captain |
|           | Kelci K  | Tiegan B     |
| Sherwood  | Captain  | Vice Captain |
|           | Finn McA | Becky W      |
| Adamton   | Captain  | Vice Captain |
|           | Finn C   | Sofia MacL   |
| Boydfield | Captain  | Vice Captain |
|           | Lilia R  | Charlotte WC |



## 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](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 I will keep you informed of other important dates as they emerge.



| <b>Date</b>   | <b>Times</b>               | <b>Who</b>                  | <b>Details</b>                 |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> October                       | AM                         | P1-P7 Pupils                | Flu Immunisations              |
| Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> October                      | 3.15pm - 5.15pm<br>6pm-8pm | P1-P7 Parents/carers        | Parent/Carer Evening           |
| Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> October                     | 9.30am-11.30am             | Parents/carers              | Go Purple Fundraising Day      |
| Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct - Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct | -                          | All pupils and staff        | HOLIDAY                        |
| Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October                     | All day                    | All pupils and staff        | In Service Day                 |
| Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov                       | 6pm-7.15pm                 | P1-3 pupils                 | Halloween disco                |
| Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov                       | 7.30pm-8.45pm              | P4-7 pupils                 | Halloween disco                |
| Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov                         | AM                         | P1-7 pupils                 | Individual/Sibling photographs |
| Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov                         | TBC                        | TBC                         | Prestwick Light Switch On      |
| Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December                     | AM                         | All pupils & parents/carers | Christmas Fayre                |
| Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December                   | 10am                       | P5-7 pupils                 | Pantomime at the Gaiety        |
| Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec                      | Lunch                      | All pupils                  | Christmas Lunch                |
| Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec                      | 2pm                        | P1 parents/carers           | P1 Nativity                    |
| Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December                    | AM                         | All pupils                  | Christmas Class Enterprise     |
| Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December                    | 1.30pm-3pm                 | P6 pupils                   | Christmas Party                |
| Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December                   | 1.30pm-3pm                 | P5 pupils                   | Christmas Party                |
| Weds 20 <sup>th</sup> December                      | 11am-12.30pm               | P2 pupils                   | Christmas Party                |
| Weds 20 <sup>th</sup> December                      | 1.30pm-3pm                 | P3 pupils                   | Christmas Party                |
| Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec                       | 1.30pm-3pm                 | P4 pupils                   | Christmas Party                |
| Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec                       | 10am                       | P1-4 pupils                 | M&M pantomime in school        |
| Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec                         | 11am-12.30pm               | P1 pupils                   | Christmas Party                |
| Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec                         | 2.30pm                     | All pupils and staff        | Close for Christmas break      |