



Glenburn Primary School
News
March 2024



Welcome to our March newsletter. Spring has sprung and we are looking forward to having more opportunities to learn outside.

Reminder that we finish for our Spring break on **Thursday 28th March at 2.30pm.**



SHARED LEARNING SESSIONS

Thank you to everyone who has managed to attend one of our Shared Learning Sessions.

We would love to hear your thoughts about the sessions you attended.

Please click on the link below and let us know about your experience - will only take a few minutes to fill in. Thanks 😊

<https://forms.office.com/e/C6efrHvZFS?origin=lprLink>

We still have two more sessions with our Primary 2 and Primary 6 classes - see times below.

*Just a reminder that no more than 2 family members should attend due to space 😊

Stage	Date	Time	Session info
P2	Thursday 14 th March	1.45pm - 2.45pm	STEM workshop! Making an anemometer (wind meter) using recycling materials.
P6	Tuesday 5 th March	11.30am - 12.30pm	Health and Wellbeing - food advertisement!



Empowering Ayrshire's Neurodiverse Communities

Recently we have been sharing with some parents the NEST hub which is available for all parents/carers of children in Ayrshire. "NEST is a supportive hub that empowers Ayrshire's neurodiverse communities through education, resources and collaboration with health services".

It offers a wide range of information, advice and workshops that may help parents to support their children and give a better understanding of a wide range of needs. It really is worth a look so why not visit the website at www.nest.scot.

Mrs Henderson

Our very own fabulous music teacher Mrs Henderson is retiring in June 😞 However, Mrs Henderson will be back in school in the new school session working with different groups and in particular our uke orchestra in a more freelance role.



Mrs Henderson has been our music teacher here at Glenburn for 19 years and has really put music at the heart of the school and this is something we really want to continue.

We are delighted to announce that the South Ayrshire Youth Ukulele Orchestra will be up and running again after a long hiatus. The group will be led by Mrs Henderson and will use our campus as their practice base. More exciting information to come about this 😊



Ayrshire Music Festival

We have 2 groups of pupils attending and taking part in the Ayrshire Music Festival this year. Our ukulele orchestra, comprising of 66 pupils from P4 - P7, will showcase their pieces on Monday 4th March at 12.00 pm in the town hall in Ayr. On Thursday 7th March our P3 pupils are performing in the junior choir section at 10.00 am in the town hall.

We also have Angus, Keir and Connor performing in the solo viola section.

Good luck to everyone involved 😊



All parents/carers will be able to see all our performances at our musical evening on **Wednesday 27th March** at 6.00 pm. More information coming soon 😊

CITIZENSHIP



Pupil views are very important to us and as a staff team we strive to not only listen to our pupil views but also to respond in a positive way. Sometimes, pupil views are out of our hands i.e. an outdoor swimming pool and a horse paddock!! However, we are always listening and improving experiences for our learners.

Before Christmas pupils were voicing their views that Citizenship was too long. Our house captains worked together gathering different ideas on how to improve the hour a week of Citizenship. We now have a new way of engaging in citizenship and this is proving to be very successful and enjoyable for all pupils.

All pupils arrive at Citizenship at 1.45 pm on a Monday afternoon. Mr Martin and Mrs Blackwood share school news, pupil of the week and wider achievement with all pupils. At 2.05 pm our P7 pupils lead different activities across the school environment for small groups of children. This is done on a 3 weekly cycle i.e. P1 and P2 groups for 3 weeks. The other year groups not involved in the activities remain in the hall and engage in activities relating to SHANARRI and also have the chance for outdoor play for remaining 15 mins. The pupils are enjoying working with each other in different stages and experiencing different activities set up and led by our P7 pupils. Some activities include, art, block play and construction 😊

P7 Headstrong Assemblies

As part of the P7 Transition Programme, Prestwick Academy have been working with Headstrong who specialise in supporting and helping boost self-esteem and handling stress. Our primary 7 classes will take part in two assemblies this month led by Headstrong. If you would like to find out more you can check out the website:- www.headstrongminds.com

Beat The Street



Beat the Street mania has taken over Glenburn! The children (and staff) have been so excited about the initiative and are going above and beyond to collect points for Glenburn Primary. As this newsletter goes to press we are sitting 4th on the South Ayrshire schools' leader board. Beat the Street finishes on Wednesday 27th March. So, please keep going and don't give up!

PARKING AROUND CAMPUS

Our car park is for staff and blue badge holders only. We have had a number of parents/carers/grandparents across the campus parking in the disabled parking spaces in the campus without holding a blue badge. Similarly, people are also parking in designated taxi spaces. This has, at times, prevented pupils being dropped off in the disabled bays or at the end of the day preventing pupils getting to their taxi or car who really need to access the vehicle quickly and safely. Please do not park in the campus car park at 9.00 am and 3.00 pm, especially in the designated disabled and taxi spaces unless in possession of a blue badge to allow parking in a disabled space.

Karate sessions



On the 5th and 7th of March our pupils will be taking part in karate taster sessions from Senjokai Karate. We apologise in advance if your child comes home presenting as the new karate kid 😊

Karate is a great sport that develops strength, coordination, agility, balance and endurance. Please contact the school if you would like any more information about karate sessions in the local community.

Multi Sports - Wednesday lunch time

Aiden from Active Schools takes a Wednesday lunch time multi sports club. Over the school session all age groups will have the chance to take part.

Please note that this is not a club for parents/carers to sign their child up to but pupils will be asked if they want to take part and encouraged to join if they wish to.



PARENT COUNCIL



DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - SUMMER FAIR SATURDAY 1st JUNE 😊



SPRING DISCO - Wednesday 20th March



Get your glad rags on and boogie on down at the Spring disco!!

Tickets are £3. Tickets will be put in pupil bags on Monday 18th March and it is 'pay on the night'. Don't forget to fill in your child's ticket and bring it with you.

Times for the disco: -

*P1 - P4 6pm - 7.15pm

*P5 - P7 7.30pm - 8.45pm

SPRING HOP - Friday 22nd March



Every year our pupils enjoy our Spring Hop fundraising event where our pupils and families raise money to go towards vital school funds.

This year our Spring Hop is on **Friday 22nd March**. This is a dress down day, wear comfy clothes day, as there will be lots of bouncing on the bouncy castles and assault course on the day. More information to come 😊

READING BOOKS

Once again, we send out a plea to parents/carers to return any school reading books you may have lying about the house! Please have a good look and return any books. Class teachers need enough books to teach our groups and we have noticed that sometimes we do not have enough because pupils have not returned them previously.



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 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 5 th March	11.30 - 12.30	Parents/carers	Primary 6 Sharing the Learning
Thursday 7 th March	10am	P3 pupils	Music festival
Thursday 14 th March	1.45 - 2.45	Parents/carers	Primary 2 Sharing the Learning
Wednesday 20 th March	6pm - 7.15pm 7.30pm - 8.45pm	All Pupils	Spring Disco
Wednesday 27 th March	6.30pm-7.30pm	P7 Parents/carers	Parent Information Evening at Prestwick Academy for pupils on Staged Intervention
Friday 29 th March	All Day	All staff and pupils	HOLIDAY
Mon 1 st April - Fri 12 th April	-	All staff and pupils	HOLIDAY
Monday 15 th April	9am	All staff and pupils	Return to school
Thursday 2 nd May	All Day	All staff	IN SERVICE
Monday 6 th May	All Day	All staff and pupils	HOLIDAY
Wednesday 8 th May	All Day	P7 pupils	Newton Racers - Transition event
Wednesday 8 th May	6.30pm	New P1 parent/carers	New P1 parent/carers meeting
Friday 17 th May	AM	P1-3	SPORTS DAY
Friday 17 th May	PM	P4-7	SPORTS DAY
Friday 17 th May	-	P1-7	Reports out
Tuesday 21 st May	3pm-8pm	Staff, parents, carers	Parents Evening
Friday 24 th May	All Day	All staff and pupils	HOLIDAY
Monday 27 th May	All Day	All staff and pupils	HOLIDAY
Tuesday 4 th June	7pm	P7 pupils, staff, parents and carers	SCHOOL SHOW
Wednesday 5 th June	6.30pm-8pm	P7 Parents/carers	S1 Transition Parent Information Evening - Prestwick Academy
Thursday 6 th June	7pm	P7 pupils, staff, parents and carers	SCHOOL SHOW
Tues 11 th June - Thurs 13 th June	All Day	P7 pupils	P7 Transition to Prestwick Academy
Wednesday 26 th June	1.30pm	P7 Parents/Carers	P7 Leavers Assembly
Friday 28 th June	1pm	All staff and pupils	CLOSE