



GLENBROOK

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Kindness is key

On Wednesday we welcomed Paul Cookson to Glenbrook, a musician and storyteller. He helped the school council create a super school song about kindness which pupils shared in assembly. In workshops that followed, the year 5 and 6 pupils really impressed him with their enthusiasm and energy in learning new songs and poems. The year 6 pupils enjoyed their session so much that they have invited Paul Cookson to their leaver assembly at the end of the year. Hopefully, we will see him again soon.

Kerry Biggs

We say goodbye to Mrs Biggs this week who has begun her maternity period. We send her our best wishes and thoughts as she prepares for her new arrival.

Class Dojo

This is a reminder that whilst we are happy to receive messages via Class Dojo, please be aware this is not always the best way for you to communicate with us. There is no expectation for staff to respond to messages out of school hours and most staff leave their IPADs locked in school. For this reason, if you would like a quick response, it is much better to contact the school office and make arrangements to meet your child's class teacher. This is because sometimes staff may not see your message on Class Dojo for several days if they have not logged onto the site.

Please also be aware that staff are not available after 8.50 am as they will be teaching their class. It is much better to seek an appointment after school or at a mutually convenient time which can be arranged with the office or our family support worker, Mrs Smith.

School Forum

We had our first informal Parent Forum meeting which was attended by several parents. Even though we had a good turn-out, we would like to see more parents involved. Our next meeting will be advertised in the very near future. If you are interested in this please contact the school office for details. Everyone welcome!

Parliament workshops

Diane Hedditch, from Parliament's Education Service, visited school on Thursday afternoon. She presented an interactive assembly for all of key stage 2, before working with both year 4 classes. Year 4 Merlins and Falcons took part in a parliamentary-style debate, deciding whether to call 'aye' or 'no' to schools having a non-uniform policy. Miss Palmer and Mr Munday were very impressed with the excellent reasoning skills shown.

Family Cyberwise

We are holding an exciting workshop on Tuesday 28th February from 2.00pm to 3.15pm for mums, dads, grandparents, carers and children (years 4,5 and 6) to learn how we can support pupils to be respectful and safe online and to promote positive cyber citizenship. If you would like to attend this workshop please see the school office for details.

Cyberwise

Key stage one participated in Cyberwise workshops this week. The workshops involved discussing all the different apps and websites children go on and acting out key messages of how to stay safe online. This included saying, 'I'm not telling!' if someone asked for their personal information and to tell an adult if they see anything online that upsets them. We thoroughly enjoyed participating in the activities!

World Book Day – Bedtime Reading

A reminder that we are celebrating World Book Day this year on Friday 3rd March. See an outline below:

1. Book swap – children can bring up to 5 good condition books to swap.
2. Non-uniform day – Pupils are asked to dress up to match our theme: Bedtime Reading. Enjoy a comfortable day in your onesie or PJs!
3. Every child will get a free World Book Day book to celebrate.
4. Visiting author, Gareth Baker, will be conducting reading workshops during the week.

Achievement Assembly

The following children were praised in our achievement assembly today:

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Mayla Lancaster	Year 1 Doves
Megan Browne	Year 1 Quails
Torres Carthy	Year 2 Flamingos
Katie Spinks	Year 3 Kingfishers
Liam Browne	Year 4 Falcons
Oskar Drazewski	Year 4 Merlins
Leia Armstrong	Year 5 Eagles
Billy Gough	Year 6 Ravens

Congratulations to all of those children and to their families for the help and support they give.

Attendance Lottery

The week before half terms attendance lottery for Foundation was a rollover. KS1 was Esme Fawcett and KS2 was Evelyne Brown. All winners will receive a voucher each.

Best Attendance

I am impressed by the attendance figures for Miss Burgess' class; they achieved 98.9% last week. Well done, everyone!

Best wishes,

Samantha Eyre
Headteacher