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Glen Hills Primary School



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Glen Hills Newsletter – November 2013

As usual when we head towards Christmas there is so much to do and so little time to do it! The staff here are magnificent and I really don't know how they pack so much in for the pupils – more than any school I know...but they do!

A MESSAGE FOR ALL THE CHILDREN...
Very simply, enjoy the fireworks but be super, super careful! Thanks.

WELCOME TO...
Miss Onions and Miss Hart, our two new midday Supervisors and also to Mrs Wolfe and Mrs Coyle who are joining our cleaning team. We also welcome Mrs Grage, Mrs Butterworth, Mrs Grant and a returning Mr Nutbrown to our governing body / board of directors and look forward to working with them all.

THANK YOU AND THANK YOU AGAIN!
Once again you have provided a mammoth amount of goodies for Leicestershire Age UK. Not only did their representative hugely enjoy our Harvest Festival, organised by our RE Leader Mrs Bahia, but we filled the minivan to overflowing!
The Area Director of Age UK has asked me to pass on his sincere thanks for your generosity. Also, many thanks for your amazing help for our NSPCC charity event which raised nearly £1,000
AND!.. thanks so much for your support with our book fair!

INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY PHOTOS
The school photographer will once again be visiting school to take individual and family photographs on **Thursday 7th November**.

Like last year all photographs will be taken in the Hall extension. If you wish to have **FAMILY GROUPS WITH PRE SCHOOL CHILDREN** then please come to the school hall from 8.45 a.m. Please note we will arrange for family groups for children at school later in the morning. As last year we will also take the 4+ children through with members of the 4+ Unit. So the timetable for the morning is as follows...

- 8:45am – Pre-School family groups (in the hall)
- 9:00am – School family groups. Eldest child will collect younger siblings with classroom assistant support.
- 10:00am – individual pupil photos.

DON'T BUY ANY CHRISTMAS CARDS!
Before you buy your Christmas cards this year, wait until you've seen your child's Christmas card design! Just like last year, your child will soon be bringing home a proof copy of their own Christmas card design and you will be able to order copies either through school or (more preferably) online. They are not over-priced either (as some companies offering this initiative can be) and the school gets a large percentage of the money which I assure you goes straight back into extra resources for your child.

GLEN HILLS CHRISTMAS SHOPPING NIGHT... FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER!
A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!
We have lots of stall holders coming for our Christmas Shopping Night! More details soon (if anybody you know would still like to buy a 'pitch' for the evening to sell their items / produce, please contact the school office).

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ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2013

In November, we will be holding our annual Anti-bullying week.

We have little bullying reported to us at Glen Hills and any that is reported is sensitively, quickly and firmly dealt with. It is one aspect that I will not tolerate at Glen Hills. During that week, **Miss Wilcox**, our Personal, Social and Health Education leader, will be organising aspects of work on anti-bullying themes. Once again, the message is STOP – Several Times On Purpose and Start Telling Other People.

WOW! OUR NEW OUTDOOR MUSIC AREA!

In October, we had our outdoor musical area built! And here it is...!



I'm going to have to stop building outdoor playground equipment now – that's over £40,000 spent in the last five years! Worth every penny though!

CHRISTMAS EVENTS...

More details and dates soon but we will be hosting 4+ and KS1 productions, the KS2 choir at Blaby Church, year group parties, PSA parties and our 'world-famous' PSA Carol Singing around Glen Parva!

STUDENT COUNCIL

After the success of the School Council last year, **Mr Storey** has now taken the reigns and leads our Student Council, who will very soon busy making plans for this year.

The Student Council 2013/14 is as follows;

- 6GR - Kaden Chambers, Kira Yates
- 6JdV - Charlie Burley, Ellise Smith
- 5BS - Jack Crick, Pippa Trenchard
- 5AS - Leo Charlton-Kemp, Amber Thornton
- 4DB - Sean Cheo, Caitlin Onions
- 4KW - Valen Chapman, Amber Coverdale

SPORTING NEWS

Football matches in October saw many intra school friendlies, a 3-1 victory over Greenfield in the year 5/6 cup, a 4-0 victory away at Whitehall in the Rice Bowl Cup and a 5-0 victory over Abington High School! The boys' year 4/5 league kicks off in November and similarly, the year 4/5 and 5/6 girls' teams start their football league in November and they are raring to go! **Myself, Mr Bolsover, Mr Robertson, Mr Storey, Miss Walker and Mrs Horton** will be plotting the victories for all the teams this year!

We had our first cross-country race of the season in October and the next race is on the 2nd November – as ever, our children represented Glen Hills brilliantly and big thanks to **Mrs Cole** and **Mrs Brinkley** for cheering the TeamGH runners on!

A big well done to TeamGH Tag Rugby squad who played friendlies against The Vipers during October with a fantastic draw and a narrow defeat! Huge thanks to two of our parents, **Mr Beedham** and **Mr Yates** for giving their spare time to train the team!

ROAD SAFETY OFFICERS

Well done to Lameira and Kira in year 6 who are our Junior Road Safety Officers! Together with our Local Community leader, **Mrs Laysley**, the girls and their parents went to an official launch at County Hall during October!



STAR OF THE MONTH!

Remember, send in details to me if your son or daughter has been an absolute star recently and done something amazing! This month, Jessica and Jackson Grant are photographed sitting proudly on the top of Mount Snowdon after a huge 1,085 metre climb! Well done to you both!



HOUSE POINTS SO FAR...



Glenville – 1,669
Cork – 1,779
West View – 1,611
Howard – 1,625

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