



Education today for tomorrow...

# Glen Hills Primary School

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## Glen Hills Newsletter – February 2015

Dear Parents,

### WELCOME

Welcome to Mrs Talvinder who will be starting with us after half term as the new school Business manager, congratulations to Nita Soma who has been appointed as our new Breakfast Club assistant and to Rachel Burrows who has gained a place on the School Direct teacher training course for next year.

### PARENTS' EVENING

Just a reminder, the dates for the Parent Interviews are **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2015.**

### HOLIDAY

Hopefully you are aware that the school will be closed for the week for half term from **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February and it will be open again on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.**

### ARRIVAL TIME

We are still having several children arrive at school after school starts. **Can I just repeat that the Juniors start going into class at 8.50 so that lessons can start at 8.55.** The junior playground gates are shut at 8.50. Infants come in at 8.55 and the 4+ start at 9.00 a.m.

Once doors are shut late comers must come in via the main entrance to ensure that we know they are registered. Some children are arriving much later and are missing the start of their first lessons.

**Access Education Solutions, our appointed attendance officers have been inspecting registers recently and will be following up children who are persistent late arrivers. This could lead to a fine.** Being just ten minutes late per day adds up to nearly one whole hour per week lost!

### ISSUES OUT AND ABOUT...

Recently, I have had a number of complaints about issues outside of school one being dog fouling and the other parking. For three weeks now the school swimming bus has not been able to drop the children off outside school because of bad parking. This puts our children at risk crossing roads to get to school which is avoidable with sensible parking.

### THOSE INDOOR SHOES AGAIN!

We are getting an increasing number of children who are not wearing indoor shoes or or who are wearing inappropriate slippers. One of the main reasons we have indoor shoes to wear is from a safety aspect – treading on a staple can be painful and in the event of an emergency situation, slippers without a 'back' or flimsy fabric bottoms can cause obvious problems. Indoor plimsolls are the best choice. Thanks for your support with this.

### SPORTS UPDATE

Well, the weather took its toll on some of our sporting fixtures in January with some matches being cancelled. The year 6 semi-final cup match against Redhill has had to be rescheduled. The girls' football teams are enjoying the indoor league. They are mid table with two matches still to play. Our football B team won 2-1 at Woodland Grange the lost 2-1 with a last minute goal to the Meadows A team. Well done to the Basketball A team that came 5<sup>th</sup> out of 10, and the B team that came 3<sup>rd</sup>.



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## PSA EVENTS

Yes, it's back! **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February**, Film Night, more details to follow. Spring discos are also planned for Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March.

The school, with the help of the PSA have also purchased new hall tables, these are making dinner times easier and look very smart.

## KIND HEART AWARD

Well done to Reanna Spriggs for being awarded a kind heart award this week. This is something we have started new every week, to praise those children who have behaved with particular kindness to others.

## HURRAY! WELL DONE TO THE WEBSITE AND TWITTER!

Remember Twitter and the school website is the fastest way for parents to find out if we are closed for snow! If you haven't joined already, it's



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## BILLY BOB BUTTONS!

We had a great morning on 20<sup>th</sup> January when Billy Bob Buttons came to visit Glen Hills, he shared some of his books with the children and discussed the life of an author. Lots of children purchased signed books and enjoyed meeting a famous prize winning author.



## HOUSE POINT UPDATE



**Glenville 7,065**  
**Howard 6,749**  
**Cork 6,573**  
**West View 7,035**

## NEWS RELEASE

### DEMENTIA SESSIONS FOR GLEN PARVA RESIDENTS

Residents and businesses from the Glen Parva area are invited to attend a free Dementia Friends information evening this February.

The one hour session will take place on Tuesday 10 February, 7-8pm at Glen Parva War Memorial Hall, on Dorothy Avenue, LE2 9JD.

Dementia Friends is an Alzheimer's Society initiative to help members of the public understand what it might be like to live with dementia and turn that understanding into action.

Blaby District Council is working in partnership with the Alzheimer's Society and other members of the Leicestershire Dementia Action Alliance to make the district a dementia-friendly community.

It is estimated that 1 in 3 people over 65 will develop dementia before they die. Blaby District has an increasing ageing population and it is expected that the number of people living with dementia locally is expected to almost double by 2030.

For more information or to book your place contact Zoe Coulson, Partnership Co-ordinator at Blaby District Council at [strategic.partnerships@blaby.gov.uk](mailto:strategic.partnerships@blaby.gov.uk) or call 0116 272 7566.

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