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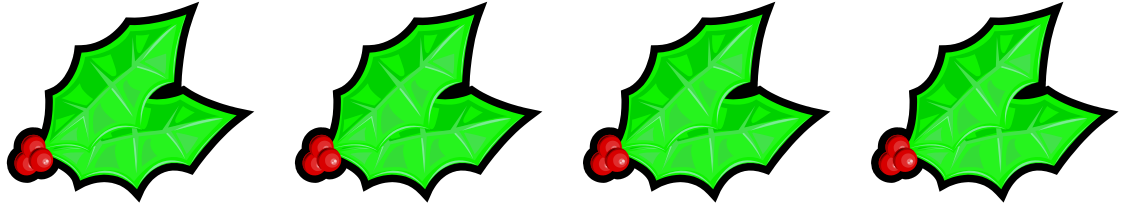
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Glen Hills Newsletter – December 2017



Bumper Christmas edition!

Christmas at GH, latest GH news... it's all here!

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THANK YOU...

Your support as parents is wonderful. We do our utmost to ensure your child has the very best possible education and care at Glen Hills and without your support, we'd find this task very difficult.

In the last week, your support to help the school through a difficult time following the passing away of our Chair of Governors, Jo, has been very much appreciated. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Well, the Festive Season is fast approaching and as usual, we have tons of events planned! Individual year groups will receive letters regarding their year group Christmas parties. Please see below for details of Christmas at GH;

6th December FS perform to parents 9.30am
7th Dec PSA parties 5.45-6.45pm 4+, Yr 1 and 2 and 7-8pm Yr 3, 4, 5 and 6
8th December am Hobgoblin performance at school 'Christmas Carol'
11th Dec 11am Strings concert for relevant pupils
11th Dec 6pm KS1 performance
12th Dec KS2 Choir performance at Blaby church 6.30pm
13th Dec Christmas dinner
14th Dec 4+ party am
14th Dec KS1 performance to parents 6pm
15th Dec Christmas Jumper day Year 3 party pm
18th Dec year 5 party pm, year 1 party pm and year 4 party pm
18th Dec Carol singing PSA 6-8pm
19th Dec In school Staff Pantomime am
19th Dec Year 2 party pm
20th Dec Carol service am, Year 6 party pm

FIRST TIME ADMISSIONS TO OUR 4+!

If you have a child who was born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014 and have not already applied for a place at Glen Hills for them, you **MUST DO SO BY JANUARY 15TH** Last year, some parents were unaware that they had to apply for a place, believing that if you were in the catchment area, you automatically got a place for your child. This is NOT the case and all parents must apply. Similarly, if you know anyone who will have a child starting here next September who won't receive this newsletter, please let them know! It looks like we will be up to our intake limit once again; don't leave it too late!

A big reminder for the big one!

The PSA Carol Singing Event – Monday 18th December! **Once again, we will terrify the good inhabitants of Glen Parva with our imperfect renditions of all the well known Carols (plus a few others just to confuse everyone).** We leave school at 6.00 p.m. and try to get back for hot soup and mulled wine by 7.00 p.m. See you there!

Our raffle will be drawn after the event and all proceeds from the Carol Singing will go to our charity for the year and PSA raffle money goes straight back into helping your children have even better resources at Glen Hills.

Raffle tickets will be sent out soon which we'd be so grateful if you could sell to help raise money for Glen Hills. If any unused booklets could be dropped back to school by Friday 15th December.

Thanks so much! 😊

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Once again at Glen Hills we will be providing Traditional Christmas Dinner of turkey with all the trimmings (complemented by a vegetarian alternative) on **Wednesday 13th December.**

All Christmas dinner orders must be paid and ordered by 1st Dec and the Hobgoblin performance payment is due by the same date.

SCHOOL POST BOX

Yes, the red box is appearing again in the main entrance for the delivery of Christmas cards within the school but only if they have the child's **FULL NAME AND CLASS** on the envelope. Every year we have cards addressed to Ellie or Joshua and not even Santa can work out which Ellie or Joshua should receive them!

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY!

Friday 15TH December! Send your little one with their Christmas jumper or something Christmassy! A small donation to go to our school charity would be much appreciated!

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2017

Miss Wilcox got the children very busy in Anti-Bullying Week in November.

No school can say they do not ever have bullying; we have very little but when bullying does begin to raise its head, we will stamp down on it very firmly and quickly.

CHANGES TO OUR DINNER SERVICE AFTER CHRISTMAS

In January, Glen Hills will be moving away from School Food Support in Leicestershire and we will be running our own kitchen and food service. This decision has been taken to ensure we can provide even better school meals for your children as well as keeping the costs down.

Every year, we see the price of school meals rise and we want to be in control of this and ensure price hikes are minimised. We also know that certain menu days are far less popular than others for our pupils.

The menus will therefore change in time – of course, we will ensure that the nutritional value of our meals continues to be healthy – but this will take a little time to become established.

Next term, we will look into speaking to parents and pupils to engage them and take ideas on board but for now, we just wanted to let you know about this change.

SNOW

Thought I'd get in early with this one! We will always *try* to stay open but if there is an abnormal snowfall overnight then we will go for a delayed start of 10.00 a.m. unless there is no other option but to close. In all cases please listen to Radio Leicester for information or, very simply, **check out our Twitter site (@GlenHillsSchool) or our Facebook site (glenhillsps)**

Please do not phone the school as the lines get far too busy.

HOUSE POINT UPDATE...



Glenville 5610

Howard 5738

Cork 5029

West View 4928



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Well done to Reuben, Eva and Alice in year 6 who represented Glen Hills superbly well in the Remembrance Service which was held at the Glen Parva Memorial Hall in November.



SPORT UPDATE...

This month has seen the Glen Hills Foxes boys' football team play against Fairfield and Parkland Primary Schools. We performed superbly in each match, winning 7-2 against Fairfield and 9-0 against Parkland. That makes it three wins out of three so far!

Glen Hills Fosse boys' football team got off to a flying start to the Oadby and Wigston League this month. The boys played three of their league fixtures, beating Fairfield and Parklands, 4-1 and 3-0 respectively, and then drawing 1-1 in what was a very close affair against Meadow. Well done boys for such a strong start to the season!

The Rice Bowl team successfully navigated a tricky fixture with Thringstone Primary School. The boys ran out 7-4 winners and progress into the next round of the cup.

Oliver Whiting won the Oadby and Wigston year 5 cross county boys league this year (well done, Oliver!) and the year 5 boys' team came second overall. Well done to all of the runners that took part this year.

The year 5/6 girls' football team represented Oadby and Wigston schools in the Danone cup and came 9th out of the top 12 schools in the whole of Leicestershire and Rutland. 20 year 5/6 children have been trained to become playground leaders which will start next week. They will organise games and competitions for other children and promote good sporting behaviour and a healthy life style.

The year 3/4 girls' football team have had coaching from the Leicester Ladies Football Club this month and will now play in an indoor league against other schools.

Finally, the girls' table tennis team represented Oadby and Wigston and competed against the best team in Leicestershire and Rutland at Leicester Grammar School. They were very unlucky to finish 6th out of the 12 teams playing. They played very well.

A FEW DATES...

May I just remind you that we close for Christmas on the **evening of Wednesday 20th December**. Children will return on **Tuesday 9th January 2018**.

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