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Glen Hills Primary School



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Dear Parents,

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. A handy overview can be seen on the next side

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 19th December**.

SCHOOL POST BOX

Yes, the red box has again appeared 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 Megan or Joshua and not even Santa can work out which Megan or Joshua should receive them!

FIRST TIME ADMISSIONS TO OUR 4+!

If you have a child who was born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015 (inclusive) and have not already applied online for a place at Glen Hills for them, you **MUST DO SO BY 15th JANUARY**. 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!

COATS AND LABELLING

May we please ask that all children bring coats into school now the weather has changed, as the children go out to play daily and many are without warm coats. Also can you ensure everything the children bring into school is labelled including lunchboxes, purses, socks and drink bottles (the most lost items).

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SICKNESS

Children who have been sick need to be kept off school please for at least 24 hours to ensure they are not passing on their bugs to others, we have a number of children with sickness bugs at the moment and wish to ensure all are well at Christmas.

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 school app.**

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

SPORTS UPDATE

What a busy month of sport! The Year 5/6 boys' Rice Bowl football team have managed to safely progress to the second round of the cup, having comfortably beaten Griffydham in their first round fixture. In the Oadby and Wigston league, both boys' teams have played several games, picking up victories in all but one. We also took a team of boys to Judgemeanow Community College on a Saturday morning this month to play in the county round of the Danone Cup. The boys did very well but just fell short of progressing through to the next round. Well done to all the boys who have played football for Team GH this month.

We have also been equally successful in table tennis this month. The Year 5/6 boys' table tennis team played in the School Games final this month, representing all of the Oadby and Wigston schools. The top 9 schools competed against each other at Knighton Park Table Tennis Club and our boys managed to finish 3rd! Well done boys - what an achievement!

Cross-country- a steady finish to the season with a number of pupils running from Team GH. The results are still being finalised but the year 4 girls have a good chance of coming in the top 3. A superb performance by Joe (year 4) for finishing 8th in the year 5 race. Very well done Joe! Well done to everyone that has competed this term.

The year 4 girls' football team did extremely well in the indoor girls' football league this term finishing joint 3rd and only one point away from 1st place. They girls battled well against some tough opposition.

In addition well done to Henry for his participation in the 50th celebration of the Oadby and Wigston Lifesaving Club.

PHONING IN FOR ABSENCE

Can we remind parents they need to phone in and leave a message with the office if their child is poorly and absent from school, otherwise we can spend hours phoning home ensuring children are safe, so please ensure we are informed. Many thanks!

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2018

During November, we had our annual anti-bullying week.

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.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

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

NO DOGS

Please remember no dogs are to be brought onto the school premises at any point in the day please.

HOUSE POINT UPDATE...



Glenville 5080

Howard 5102

Cork 4359

West View 4603

ROUTE 2 RESILIENCE

Watch out for a letter coming home about our new and exciting initiative, 'Route 2 Resilience'. All the staff and children will be learning about the power of vocabulary to help the children 'exercise their character muscles', to help develop character traits such as perseverance, cooperation, resilience, humour and much more to help develop life skills in our pupils. – Please see the website for more details

CHRISTMAS 2018 @GH....

Friday 7th December – Performance of Snow Queen by Hobgoblin theatre company am
Tuesday 11th December – KS2 Choir performance at All Saints Church, Blaby - 6:30pm
Wednesday 12th December – Year 4 Christmas Party pm
Friday 14th December – Foundation Stage perform to parents am and Year 5 party pm
Tuesday 18th December – Year 3 party am, Year 2 party pm. PSA Carol Singing 6pm.
Wednesday 19th December - Christmas Lunch
Thursday 20th December – Foundation Stage party am, Year 1 party pm.
Friday 21st December – Year 6 party pm

A big reminder for the big one!

The PSA Carol Singing Event – Tuesday 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 6.00pm and try to get back for hot soup and mulled wine by 7.00pm. 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.

A letter will be out next week with more details and some raffle tickets 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 14th December.

Thanks so much! ☺

A FEW DATES

Flu immunisation will be on Monday 10th December 2018.

May we just remind you that we close for Christmas on the **evening of Friday 21st December 2018**. Children will return on **Tuesday 8th January 2019**.

Thanks for your continued support and a Happy Christmas and New Year to you all!



Mr Sutcliffe
Executive Head



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Head of School