



Autumn Term 2015

Friday 2nd October 2015

Fortnightly Newsletter Issue 3
Glapthorn C. E. Primary School

Dear Parents/Carers,

Running Stars Firstly, well done to everyone who represented school in the Cluster Cross-Country Competition on Wednesday. The children from the smallest Year 1 to the tallest Year 5 did brilliantly, all running long distances for their ages from 750m to 1750m and showing great sportsmanship and support for their teammates.

Road Safety Thank you to all the parents who returned the travel questionnaire. The information has been collated as part of a Travel Plan and sent to Northamptonshire Highways Department for feedback. Thank you to those who have volunteered to be part of Speed Watch and I will pass your details on to the Glapthorn road safety working group. I will put a summary of the Travel Plan in future newsletters and a copy will be downloadable from our school website shortly. Nightingales class have designed signs to remind everyone to slow down and park safely and one of these will be used to replace the faded sign on our fence. Please do your part and park safely, not on the yellow zigzags, and please take care when maneuvering, showing respect to our neighbours by not blocking or turning in their driveways.

As suggested in the travel questionnaire, we are trialling expanding Breakfast Club so there is now an option to use it from 8.30 a.m. until 8.45 a.m. for 75p a day, not including breakfast. Children can be dropped off at or after 8.30 a.m. and a registration form and booking form must be completed prior to use - available from the school office or our website.

http://www.glapthornschoo.org/p_Wrap_Around_Care.ikml

We will continue to welcome all parents and children into school in the 15 minutes prior to the start of school, i.e. from 8.45 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.

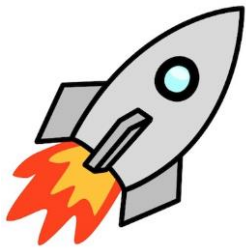
We are investigating the option of a drop off zone but there is a lot of thought required for this and we need to take advice on whether this improves road safety by reducing the number of cars or creates more problems with turning cars/maneuvering and by taking up valuable parking spaces for the drop off zone.

End of the Day We are changing the way children leave school at the end of the day as from Monday. Please could you complete the reply slip at the end of this letter to confirm whom you are happy for your child to be collected by. **Please let your child's teacher or Mrs Sawyer know if they are being collected by anyone other than someone on the list.**

- Parents with children in Barn Owls and Nightingales classes need to wait in the playground at the end of the day and children will be dismissed individually from the classrooms once the teacher can see a child's parent/named adult.
- Children in Red Kites class will be brought out to the gate as currently.
- Children in Robins class will be dismissed from outside Robins class as currently. If you have a child in more than one class, please collect your child from Robins and then collect your child from the other class(es).

As always, if you would like to talk to your child's teacher at the end of school, they are usually available unless rushing off to a meeting but please wait until they have finished dismissing the children so they are free to talk.

Katherine Towns, Head



Sit Together And Read!

Congratulations to the many children that have read at least ten times since the beginning of term and have been able to colour in their first star in their reading record.

I know some are now colouring in their 25 star too. See our new STAR board outside Barn Owls class celebrating all our brilliant readers!



Congratulations to our Stars of the Week:

Robins: Max Edwards, Holly Cockings

Barn Owls: Angus Ogilvy, Noah Wilson, Henry Cutmore, Celia Hamalainen

Nightingales: Rhys Poyser, Bea Hyne

Red Kites: Annabel Shardlow, Oliver Robinson, Holly Ford, Sam Sherwin

WELL DONE!

Harvest Day will take place on Monday 5th October. This is a chance for all the children to harvest, cook and sample some of the wonderful produce grown in our allotment.

French Club

There are a few spaces in French Club (Friday lunchtimes) for children of all year groups. Please ask in the office for a sign-up letter if interested.

Dates for the Diary

Parent Evenings will take place on Tuesday 20th October, 3.30 p.m.-5.15 p.m. and Wednesday 21st October 5.00 p.m.-7.30 p.m. (Please return the reply slip at the end of this letter to book a time - first come, first served!)

Christmas dates for your diary!

Our Nativity performances will take place on Tuesday 15th December at 2 p.m. and Wednesday 16th December at 6 p.m. Tickets will be available to purchase (much) nearer the time!

The Autumn Term will finish on Friday 18th December with a carol service at 2 p.m. in St. Leonard's Church, Glapthorn. All parents are invited.

Sports Crew Update



This week Sports Crew have organised and run a limbo competition at lunchtime. The children all enjoyed it! Well done to all of the winners!

Our Lost Property box is overflowing! Please check it if your child has lost anything as any unnamed, unclaimed items will go into the Second Hand Uniform sale at the end of each half term.

If you only write your child's name on in pen, please be aware this washes off and becomes illegible and we have quite a few sweatshirts that were obviously named once!

The lost property box is located outside Barn Owls class, by the boys' toilets.

SCHOOL DIARY

Week beginning Monday 5th October

Day	During School	After School
Sunday 4 th October	Family Service at St. Leonard's Church, Glapthorn 9.15 a.m. All welcome!	
Monday 5 th October	Harvest Day	Story Club Cheerleading Club
Tuesday 6 th October	Running Club	Basketball Club
Wednesday 7 th October	Short Wood Orienteering Event -Red Kites class Gardening Club Nightingales - whole class strings Group and individual brass and recorder lessons	Football Club
Thursday 8 th October	Catch-up individual strings lesson	
Friday 9 th October	French Club School Council Elections!	Rugby Club
Sunday 11 th October	World Conker Championship, Southwick	

Week beginning Monday 12th October

Day	During School	After School
Monday 12 th October	Mrs Sawyer out of school	Story Club Cheerleading Club
Tuesday 13 th October	Running Club	Basketball Club
Wednesday 14 th October	Gardening Club Nightingales - whole class strings Group and individual music lessons	Football Club
Thursday 15 th October	Y3/4 Tag Rugby Competition led by Miss Marrison, remaining Red Kites and Nightingales with Mrs Coulthard	
Friday 16 th October	French Club 2 p.m. Harvest Festival, St. Mary's Church, Southwick - please could children bring harvest produce donations. Parents welcome.	Rugby Club

Week beginning Monday 19th October

Day	During School	After School
Monday 19 th October		Story Club Cheerleading Club
Tuesday 20 th October	Running Club	Basketball Club Parents Evening

Wednesday 21 st October	Gardening Club Nightingales - whole class strings Group and individual music lessons	Football Club Parents Evening
Thursday 22 nd October	SAINTS Tag Rugby coaching for Barn Owls, Nightingales and Red Kites - please ensure they have trainers/PE kits in school	
Friday 23 rd October	French Club END OF TERM - RETURN ON TUESDAY 3 RD NOVEMBER	Rugby Club

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Special
Guests
TBC!

**STAR
WARS
READS
DAY**



Saturday 10th October
10.30 am – 12pm
At Oundle Library

**Themed games, crafts and refreshments, plus a
huge selection of Star Wars books to borrow!**

St Leonard's Church Glapthorn: There is a special family service at 9.15 am on 4th October, when we celebrate the start of the new school year. Please come along to this informal and friendly service which will be taken by Jema Ball, our new Associate Vicar. There is a play area for children with books and toys, and the opportunity to stay for a chat over coffee. Everyone is most welcome!

Collective Worship News

In assemblies, our artist for October is Claude Monet and our music is some very upbeat worship music!

We are continuing to talk about Harvest, with an assembly at the allotment on Monday, weather permitting. We will then be looking at harvest around the world.

Our new assembly monitors; Leila, Orson, Holly, Sam, Oliver and Oscar are doing a great job of helping to organise assemblies.

Simon Davies is playing an uplifting programme for the classical guitar in Glapthorn Church, Friday 9th October at 7.30 p.m. Tickets £14/£12/£4 from www.oundlefestival.org or on the door. Proceeds to the Church and Oundle Music Trust. A relaxing start to a competitive Conker weekend!

Reply Slips: PARENT EVENINGS - Please put your child's name by as many time slots as possible or talk directly with Joanna Sawyer to book a slot for Parents' Evening. Times are allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Robins Class - Mrs Taggart

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Barn Owls Class - Miss Vickers

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Nightingales Class - Miss Marrison

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Red Kites Class - Mrs Coulthard

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Collection From School

Child(ren)'s Name(s):

The following people are able to collect my child:

If anyone else is collecting your child, please inform the school in advance.