Glapthorn C.E. Primary Schoo



Autumn Term 2015

Friday 6th November 2015

Dear Parents/Carers,

The clocks have gone back and the nights are drawing in rapidly so a big thank you to FOGS for funding a new outside light, located on Robins class, to help light the way at the end of the day!

Next Friday is Children in Need day so children can come to school in their own clothes for a donation towards Children in Need. A cake sale will take place after school so if possible, please bring in cakes on Friday morning ready for the sale. There will be a disco after school in the school hall, also in aid of Children in Need details in the FOGS newsletter sent out today.

Some of you may have heard from your children about a new addition to our school that they met in assembly on Tuesday. Respectosaurus is one of four Learning Dinosaurs that are joining the school to help the children learn about some of the ways they can be really good learners. Respectosaurus helps the children to remember our school rule; 'Take care of our school and treat others how you would wish to be treated.' The children have been talking about the meaning of 'respect' and the importance of understanding and working well with others, even if they have different views to us.

On Wednesday, we celebrated the many children who had 100% attendance for the first half term, including many of Reception class. Children also got stickers if they had 98% or 99% attendance, i.e. just a day or so off school. Great as it is to have so many attendance stickers to give out, we know children do get ill so just a reminder that if your child is absent, do please give us a call to let us know by 9 a.m.

Thank you to all the parents who came along to the Parents Evenings before half term. If you didn't get a chance or have any concerns at any point in the term, do speak to your child's class teacher. The next Parents Evenings will take place in January. This is to coincide with a short termly report that will be sent out then summarising your child's progress during the Autumn Term. A similar report will be sent out in April and a more detailed report will be sent out in July, as usual. National Curriculum levels no longer exist in the same way but we are still tracking every child closely to ensure they are achieving their potential, are being appropriately challenged, and, if required, receiving additional support.

Letters have gone out this week inviting all the children in Nightingales and Red Kites classes on residential trips next spring. Nightingales class are going to be joining children from Polebrook and Easton Garfords schools to go Aylmerton, Norfolk, and Red Kites class are joining children from Nassington School to go to the Wye Valley on an Alex Rider spy mission!

Katherine Towns, Head

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	SCHOOL DIARY	
	Week beginning Monday 9th November	
Day	During School	After School
Monday 9 th November	Flu jabs for Years One and Two	Story Club
		Cheerleading Club
Tuesday 10 th November	Running Club	NO Basketball Club
Wednesday 11 th November	Gardening Club	Football Club
	Nightingales – whole class strings	
	Group and individual brass/woodwind lessons	
Thursday 12 th November	Individual strings lessons	Dance Club
Friday 13 th November	Children in Need Non-Uniform Day	Rugby Club
	French Club	Children in Need Disco
	Robins Class to Forest School	
Sunday 15 th November	Dads' Big Tidy Up 1p.m 4p.m.	
	Week beginning Monday 16th November	•
Day	During School	After School
Monday 16 th November	Barn Owls Class to Ely	Aylmerton meeting for Y3 parents at Polebrook - 4pm
		Story Club
		Cheerleading Club
Tuesday 17 th November	Running Club	Basketball Club
Wednesday 18 th November	Gardening Club	Football Club
	Individual School Photos	
	Nightingales - whole class strings	
	Group and individual brass/woodwind lessons	
Thursday 19 th November	Individual strings lessons	Dance Club
Friday 20 th November	French Club	Rugby Club
	Week beginning Monday 23 rd November	•
Day	During School	After School
Monday 23 rd November		Story Club
		Cheerleading Club
Tuesday 24 th November	Running Club	Basketball Club

Wednesday 25 th November	Gardening Club	Football Club
	Nightingales – whole class strings	
	Group and individual brass/woodwind lessons	
Thursday 26 th November	Individual strings lessons	Dance Club
Friday 27 th November	Robins to Forest School French Club	Rugby Club

Daily Assembly

Our artist of the month for November is Paul Klee and we are listening to gospel music.

During assemblies this month, we are meeting our new Learning Dinosaurs; Respectosaurus, Explorosaurus, Thinkosaurus and Tryosaurus.

Clerk to Governors Vacancy

There is currently a vacancy for a Clerk to Governors. For more details, see

http://www.glapthornschool.ik.org/p_Vacancies.ikml

This is a post for a professional Governing Body clerk and so we are ideally looking for someone with experience of this role, who is already working in other schools in this capacity.

Dance Club

A Dance Club will be beginning on Thursday 12^{th} November for children in **Year 2-5**. The instructor will cover a range of dance types during the sessions. We are heavily subsidising the club but are asking for a parental contribution of £5 towards the club to cover the five weeks of sessions. Please return the slip below to book a place for your child(ren).

Barn Owls Class - Flu Jabs

Flu jabs for all children in Years One and Two will take place on Monday 9th November. If you would like your child to have a flu jab and have not yet returned your form, please do so by <u>Monday morning</u>, 9th November.

Basketball Club

There will be **NO BASKETBALL CLUB** on Tuesday 10th November as Miss Marrison has to attend a meeting that afternoon.

Reply Slip
Child(ren)'s Name:
I agree to my child doing Dance Club, beginning Thursday 12 $^{\rm th}$ November 3.15 p.m4.15 p.m. and enclose £5 towards the cost.
Parent's Signature: