

Glascote Academy Newsletter

9th February, 2024



Stars of the Week

2nd February 2024: Congratulations to...

Rec Mersey: Sydney

1 Aire: Oaklyn

2 Dove: Phoebe-Mae

3 Bain: Nora

4 Eden: Daryl

6 Trent: Vincent

Rec Thames: Marty

1 Ribble: Neveah

2 Otter: Odin

3 Rea: Eirini

5 Severn: Ashley



Stars of the Week

9th February 2024: Congratulations to...

Rec Mersey: Hunter

1 Aire: Leo

2 Dove: Lilly-Rose

3 Bain: Kristians

4 Eden: Gracie-Mae

6 Trent: Millie

Rec Thames: Theodore

1 Ribble: Demi-Blu

2 Otter: Mason

3 Rea: Evelyn

5 Severn: Evie



KS2 Reading Raffle Winners!

Class bonus week...

2nd February:

3 Bain: Heison

4 Eden: Oscar

6 Trent: Riley

3 Rea: Sienna

5 Severn: Cassidy



KS2 Reading Raffle Winners!

Class bonus week...

9th February:

3 Bain: Heison

4 Eden: Merida

6 Trent: Rosie

3 Rea: Noah C

5 Severn: Evie



Year 3 Stone age Workshop

3 Bain and 3 Rea had an amazing day with their Stone-Age visitor! They made salt dough arrow heads, learned about tools, sang songs, learned about Stone Henge as well as other Stone-Age activities. Family members of 3 Rea joined in part of a workshop as their Inspire Workshop session before having Family Lunch. A good time was had by all. The visitor commented positively on the children's enthusiasm. Well done Year 3!



Year 3 and Year 4 Music Concert

Year 3 and Year 4 children performed beautifully for their family members on 6th February. Thank you for your resounding positive feedback! We are glad that you all enjoyed it so much and were pleased to see your children performing the musical pieces that they have been learning. We will pass these comments onto Mrs Smith also and she will in turn let Mr Baugh (Rockit Music Director) know that it was a huge success. The children's musical confidence never ceases to amaze us! They looked and sounded like true professional Steel Pan players!



Year 2 Think Tank

Year 2 went to the Think Tank on 5th February. They had an amazing day. They loved the Mini Brum section, the stuffed animals, the Steam train and the water when it tips powered by the Smethwick Engine! Their teachers said that their behaviour was exemplary and they asked some really good questions. Well done Year 2!



Parents' Evening

Parents' evening took place this week. Despite the awful weather, many parents and guardians took the opportunity to engage in conversations with class teachers.

Parents Thoughts

Thank you to the large number of parents and guardians who took the time to tell us their thoughts...

- 95% are aware of their child's academic strengths and areas for improvement
- 95% feel that Staff know their children as an individual
- 85% agree/strongly agree that school gives them advice on how to support their child's learning at home
- 80% agree/strongly agree that their child is highly interested in learning.
- 80% agree/strongly agree that their child likes to participate in the school's activities and events.
- 68% agree/strongly agree that their child is self-motivated and wants to learn.
- 95% agree/strongly agree that through participation in the school's extra-curricular activities (Farm, Forest, After-School Clubs, Trips, Music, etc) knowledge and life skills are increased
- 85% agree/strongly agree that School organises activities where child and adult can learn together
- 93% actively participate in the activities organised by the school
- 100% said they are kept up-to-date and informed about what is going on at school (Parents' Evening, Newsletters, Emails, Marvellous Me messages, etc)

Activities that families participate in are: multiple after school clubs, Farm and Forest Inspire Workshops, Family Lunches, Chocolate Bingo, World Book day, Christmas productions, Raffles, and Class Assemblies.

"We believe the school supports our child by setting clear expectations and boundaries, whilst creating a safe and supportive learning environment."

"I feel that my child is confident to approach members of staff if they have a problem and I feel confident that members of staff will help/deal with whatever problem that may be, that's a massive strength"

"I feel that both of my children are understood and are valued as people with their own personalities/traits (not just as children/pupils)."

What can we do to further support your child's learning and development?

"Extra support in classes more teaching assistants to help " *As a school we would love to employ more Teaching Assistants. We currently have a vacancy but, like all schools nationally, we are struggling to appoint suitably qualified people.*

"Being able to communicate with teachers. Teachers sending out what they are learning for the week so we know what they are doing & can help." *Teachers are available to talk to (please call the office or speak to leaders on the gates). The homework links to what the children have been learning in the week plus the homework grid and parent communication sheet provides overviews of what the children are learning across the half term/term.*

Upcoming Events

19th February	School Opens
19th February	Year 4 Trip to Tamworth Castle
20th/21st/22nd February	Outdoor Farm and Forest: 1 Aire
22nd February	9:30am Parent Coffee Morning
27th/28th/29th February	Outdoor Farm and Forest: 1 Ribble
29th February	Parent Assembly: Reception (joint)
5th/6th/7th March	Outdoor Farm and Forest: Reception Mersey
7th March	World Book Day – dress up as a word!
11th March	Easter Biscuit pre-order opens
12th/13th/14th March	Outdoor Farm and Forest: Reception Thames
14th March	Parent Assembly: 6 Trent
15th March	Easter Biscuit pre-order closes
19th/20th/21st March	Outdoor Farm and Forest: 5 Severn
19th March	Reception Trip to Wonderland
20th March	Easter Services at St Peter's Church (pre-book tickets)
21st March	Parent Assembly: Year 1 (joint)
22nd March	Termly Achievement Assembly Break up for Easter