



Glen Park Weekly Newsletter

Success for all, through learning together.....

World Book Day—Thursday 5th March



World Book Day is upon us this Thursday 5th March and across the school we are really excited. We are launching our new Reading for Pleasure Initiative – Developing a Reciprocal and Interactive Reading Community- and yes, that includes you! Firstly, thank you for your support in helping your children make a wooden spoon into a book character. We've seen a few amazing ones and can't wait for the rest to be brought in on Thursday.

Please remember to complete the book review on the character and if you can please bring the book in too. Every child is going to share their spoon and their favourite story with another in a different class (our reciprocal bit). KS2 children need to be prepared to read an extract out loud (please select a bit that someone else might like to hear and practise it).

Now for your turn! At 2:45pm on Thursday we are inviting you to join us to celebrate World Book Day. Please report to your child's class at the outside door used for drop off a pickup. Parents will have the opportunity to read with your child, see the spoons that have been created and visit the drama hall to pick a free book. We have a large selection of old guided reading stock from which you are free to select one.

At Glen Park Primary we believe reading underpins everything and leads to success in later life. If we can promote a love of books and reading with our children and our parents, together we can achieve a reciprocal and interactive reading community. Make sure you are part of it! Look out for our next family challenge – **Extreme Reading**. COMING SOON!



Mrs Partridge and the Reading for Pleasure Team

SATs meeting for Parents/Carers of children in Year 6

In order to inform the Parents/Carers of children in Year 6 about the Standard Assessments Tests (SATs) which will take place in the Summer Term during the week beginning Monday 11th May 2020, we will be holding a briefing session in the drama hall on Tuesday 10th March 2020 at 5.30pm. During this meeting Parents/Carers will have the opportunity to learn about the background to the tests / assessments and the changes for 2020. In addition, you will be able to view some of the materials used and discuss strategies for supporting your child through the experience.

Plymouth Leander, the country's leading swimming club is looking for 7-11-year olds currently at ASA Stage 7, 8, 9 and 10 in swimming lessons to join our junior programme from surrounding local schools!

They are inviting children to a trial between 3–4pm on Saturday 7th March 2020 at Plymouth College in Ford Park. There is parking available outside the sports hall accessed via the rear gate and opposite this entrance there is a council-run car park that is free for 1 hour.

A trial will consist of one of our experienced coaches taking prospects through all four strokes and skills such as dives and tumble turns! Supporting this trial day will be some of our performance swimmers who will be able to answer questions about their swimming journeys. Each trial will last around 15 minutes, with swimmers being grouped on arrival. After the trial has finished they will give children feedback on their next steps. Please contact enquiries@plymouthleander.com for more details or visit www.plymouthleander.com

This term in our Jigsaw work we will be exploring the theme of 'Healthy Me'. This week work we will be recognising and celebrating children across the school who:



- **Have eaten a healthy, balanced diet.**

Learner of the Week Awards

A big well done to all the children who were nominated as learners of the week in their class last Friday, we are very proud of them all.



Foundation Robins - Marta Fox (For always trying her best and persevering when she finds things tricky in her learning)

Foundation Wrens - Eddie Lillicrap (For having a super week and showing lots of enthusiasm for learning and following instructions)

Year 1 Chaffinches - Amelia Sperinck (For being so engaged in our literacy work and producing a super Big Write!)

Year 1 Sparrows - Sophie Court (For her amazing attitude towards learning, especially in reading and numeracy)

Year 2 Swallows - Jack Usher (For his outstanding effort in his writing. He is now joining beautifully and applying his grammar)

Year 2 Skylarks - Samuel Forryan (For his excellent ideas for creating imaginative sentences and the overall quality of his writing)

Year 3 Blackbirds - Emily Turner (For always having an excellent attitude towards her learning and putting in 100% effort)

Year 3 Nightingales - Onur Cetinkaya (For his great, positive attitude towards maths and being such a focused reader)

Year 4 Kingfishers - Ellen March (For her excellent effort with her spelling, through lots of practice at home and at school)

Year 4 Woodpeckers - Tia-Mae Smithson (For always going above and beyond with her learning at home and in school)

Year 5 Puffins - Joshua Lane (For a fantastic week in which he has been really motivated with his reading)

Year 5 Kittiwakes - Freya Edwards-Ede (For settling into her new class so well, joining in and answering questions)

Year 6 Buzzards - Daniel French (For always producing work homework of a really high standard)

Year 6 Barn Owls - Taylor Hardy (For his improved attitude to learning and working hard at the presentation of work)

Friends of Glen Park KS2 Disco

Letters for the KS2 Disco will be going home today - please check book bags. The Disco will be on Thursday 12th March, 4:30pm - 5:30pm.

Payment for tickets can be made online using this link:

<https://buytickets.at/thefriendsofglenpark/357363>

Or cash/cheque payments can be handed into reception.

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