



Glen Park Weekly Newsletter

Classroom to Moon!

Throughout the month of October, Glen Park Primary will be taking part in the 'Classroom to Moon' school walking challenge. This is a Plymouth wide school challenge which aims for children and parents across the city to collectively travel to the moon by the end of October. It's all part of the Plymotion project which aims to get more people in Plymouth walking, cycling and using public transport and less people using cars.

During October, we will be encouraging all our children to walk to school and keep a record of the number of minutes it takes them to travel to and from school. There will be prizes for the schools in the city who manage to collate the greatest amount of walking time, including a special visit from a mobile planetarium! Further details about how parents/carers can support this event will be sent out later in the week.



The school has recently received requests from a number of parents/carers who have parental responsibility for their child but aren't registered on our system as the main carer or point of contact with the school, and who would like to receive copies of letters sent home about events and notifications. We endeavour to ensure that all copies of letters sent home with children are uploaded onto the school website for viewing. You can also log on to our website to register your name to receive an e-mail copy of the weekly newsletter.

If you do have parental responsibility for your child and would wish to receive a copy of your child's school report, school photograph or opportunity to attend parents evening, please ensure that you have left the correct contact details with the school office, including your current e-mail address.

Lost Property- We had a vast amount of un-named lost property left at the end of last term and there is still a huge collection of coats waiting to be claimed outside Year 4. If your child has lost a coat please look here and ensure that they are named. Please ensure all of your child's uniform is named as if lost they can easily be returned to your child.

The children in Year 1 have been very busy this week exploring the use of labels around the school. This is as part of their literacy topic on Labels, Lists and Captions. The found many examples around the school and some ideas that they will be able to use in their own writing.



As part of our ongoing work to develop extra-curricular provision for our children, we have started a new partnership with Premier Sports this year. Every Tuesday, a sport specialist coach is working with different classes across the school, enabling the children to experience new sporting activities.

We have also appointed our Year 6 Sports Ambassadors for the year, who have received training from our sports coach on how to lead games with younger children at lunchtimes.



Learner of the Week Awards

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



Year 1 Chaffinches - Erin Yorke James (For showing a lovely, happy attitude towards her learning and taking part in everything!)

Year 1 Sparrows - Elise Burton (For her outstanding behaviour and amazing attitude towards learning)

Year 2 Skylarks - Frankie Ford (For his total commitment and enthusiasm in every single lesson. Brilliant!)

Year 2 Swallows - Edward Turner (For being very focused during numeracy and literacy, always joining in)

Year 3 Blackbirds - Faith Clarkson (For having an amazing attitude towards her learning. This week she has been really focused in all lessons)

Year 3 Nightingales - Caiden Spear (For his fantastic descriptive writing in literacy this week)

Year 4 Kingfishers - Logan Conlon (For his fantastic general knowledge and enthusiasm for our Rainforest topic)

Year 4 Woodpeckers - Cole Raymont (For always being engaged and working hard in literacy and numeracy)

Year 5 Puffins - Isla Young (For being an excellent role model and consistency working to the best of her ability)

Year 5 Kittiwakes - Ruby Caunt (For demonstrating a fantastic understanding of place value in numeracy. Well done Ruby!)

Year 6 Buzzards - Johnathon Haynes (For showing brilliant insight whilst reading using inference and deduction skilfully)

Year 6 Barn Owls - Summer Woodford (For her fantastic effort and motivation in all subjects, especially art and literacy)

Barnardo's 'Real Junk Food Project'

Barnardo's will be holding a monthly community lunch, on the 1st Tuesday of the month, at the Rees Centre in Plympton in partnership with the Real Junk Food project. They will be providing a 3-course meal, utilising surplus food that was destined for waste, based upon a 'pay as you feel' system and voluntary contributions. For more details visit www.barnardosplymouth.org.uk



Dates for the diary—Autumn Term

Thursday 27th September – Wednesday 3rd October – Book Fair
Thursday 11th October – Tempest Individual photographs
Monday 15th – Friday 19th October – Y6 Residential visit to Hindhead
Monday 22nd – Friday 26th October – Half Term
Tuesday 30th October & Thursday 1st November – Parents Evening
Thursday 1st November – Y4 visit to the Eden project
Monday 5th November – Fire Brigade talk for Year 2 and Year 5
Thursday 15th November – Flu Vaccinations (Foundation – Year 5)
Thursday 13th December – Foundation stage visit to Pennywell Farm
Thursday 20th December – Children's Xmas lunch
Friday 21st December – Last day of term 2