



Glen Park Weekly Newsletter

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

I was recently informed by Mrs Rossiter that she is expecting the birth of her first child in April. I am sure that you will join me in passing on congratulations to her and her husband at this exciting time. We have begun the process of recruiting a teacher to cover Mrs Rossiter's period of maternity leave which will commence at the start of term 5 when we return from the Easter break at the end of April. Further details about the role can be found on our website under the 'Community' tab.

Boys Football Team

A big well done to the Year 5&6 boys who represented the school at the Schools Cup Knockout Trophy which was held at Goals last week. The standard of play was high across the competition and the team were placed in a tough group alongside 4 other large primary schools in the city. Their standard of play certainly improved as the tournament went on and they narrowly missed out on reaching the semi-final after drawing two of their group games against Woodford Primary and Montpelier, and finished third in the group.

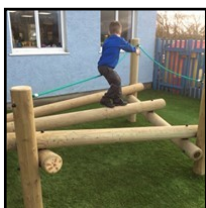
They showed great team spirit through the tournament and we were very proud of their efforts. Well done!



Researchers from the University of Leeds are conducting a study to find out more about children's eating habits and food in the family home with particular interest in the views of parents of primary school aged children. They have developed an online questionnaire and are trying to get as many parents to fill this in. It only takes about 8-12 minutes to complete, is anonymous and voluntary. Please use the below link to complete the survey: <https://leeds.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/food-in-the-family-home-2018>

EYFS Outdoor Learning Area

The staff in EYFS having been working hard on developing their outdoor area following the recent Lottery funding that we secured. The new climbing frame and play surface have been installed alongside a new water activity area. Further improvements will be completed shortly!



This week though our Jigsaw PSHE work we will be recognising and celebrating children across the school who:

Know how to help if someone is being bullied.



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:



Foundation Robins - Tamzin Dufton (For always having a positive attitude towards learning and being motivated to complete challenges)

Foundation Wrens - Zak Lethbridge (For sharing his knowledge about space and listening carefully during our topic work).

Year 1 Chaffinches - Archie George (For trying really hard to work independently and apply what he knows to his writing).

Year 1 Sparrows - Layla Archer (For having a fantastic attitude towards learning, particularly towards her reading).

Year 2 Skylarks - Amara Cutler (For her amazingly helpful attitude towards every member of the class, including Mrs Luffingham!).

Year 2 Swallows - Ellie-May Mitchell (For getting 100% in her AR quizzes this week, and working hard to improve her concentration).

Year 3 Blackbirds - Brooke Webb (For developing her confidence in Numeracy, enabling her to become more independent).

Year 3 Nightingales - Alex Terrel (For having the courage to talk about his feelings and being a supportive friend).

Year 4 Kingfishers - Heidi Mudge (For her creative ideas for her 'twisted' fairy tale).

Year 4 Woodpeckers - Maya Chapple (For her growing confidence and for always persevering in Numeracy).

Year 5 Puffins - Brooke Moorhouse (For having a great week in which she showed excellent engagement in History, sharing many insights).

Year 5 Kittiwakes - William Ford (For working really hard in Numeracy, using and applying methods for multiplication of larger numbers).

Year 6 Buzzards - Ella Sellors (For always giving 100% effort in her learning. She has also produced some fabulous homework this term)

Year 6 Barn Owls - Alexis York James (For her outstanding behaviour and helpfulness around school. She always displays an excellent attitude!).

Dates for the diary—Spring Term

Friday 1st February - Quiz night

Tuesday 5th February - PAT Dodgeball festival

Wednesday 13th February - Y6 Finance workshop

Wednesday 27th February - Y5 trip to Powderham Castle

Thursday 28th February - EYFS Pirates & Princess Day

Tuesday 5th March - EYFS Eye Test

Tuesday 5th & Wednesday 6th March - Parents Evening

Thursday 14th March—Year 1 trip to Buckland Abbey

Friday 15th—Wednesday 20th March—Scholastic Book Fair

Monday 18th March—Friday 5th April—Y4 Swimming at the Life Centre

Tuesday 26th March—Y5 Science workshop at Plympton Academy



We have received some complaints from local residents in Redwood Drive that a small number of children are cutting across the gardens and driveways when coming into and out of school. Could we please ask parents to ensure your children are supervised and make sure that they stick to designated pathways. Thank you for your support.