



Glengowan Primary School and Nursery Class



Newsletter - September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Family Cow Race Night

Thank you to everyone who attended and/or supported the Family Cow Race Night on the 15th of September. A total of £965.52 was raised. All events organised by the Glengowan Parent Group are for the benefit of the children at the school. Money raised by the Parent Group is used to, among many things, provide additional curriculum resources and offset the cost of trips/events.



Club update

Mrs Gardiner and Mrs Kyle are hosting Chess Clubs at lunchtimes for Primary 4 and Primary 5 children.

Mrs Inglis is hosting 'Relax and Read' sessions for P2 children on Tuesday lunchtimes in the Library. Due to the level of interest, the P3 club will be held at a later date.

Mr Urquhart holds football training sessions for P7 children on Thursdays after school.

Our upper school Athletics Club takes place after school on Friday and is led by our friends from Larkhall Harriers.

Keith, from Active Schools, leads a Multi-Sports Club every Tuesday. Primary 4 pupils are coming to the end of a 5 week block. In the coming weeks, P5 and P6 pupils will be offered the same opportunity.

P1-7 Parents' Evening

Our first P1-7 Parents' Evenings take place on the 4th and 5th October, starting at 4pm. A link to book an appointment was posted on our school app and a reminder email was sent to the parent/carers email address supplied at the beginning of the session. Please make a note of your day and time as the subscription to this booking service expires at the end of September.

Halloween Disco

The Glengowan Parent Group will host an evening disco on Thursday 26th October.

Staggered Entry/Exit

We have a staggered entry system in place for P1-7 to reduce congestion. Children due to start at 8.50am will be marked late if they arrive at 9am.

P6 and P7: 8.50am-2.50pm

P4 and P5: 8.55am-2.55pm

P1-3: 9am-3pm

P4 Harvest Assembly

Our Primary 4 children will present an assembly on Friday 13th October. A link to book places for family and friends was posted on the school app this week. We plan to make a donation to the local food bank again this year. Please look out for a list of suitable items coming soon.

Nursery Class

It has been a busy start to the new session in our Nursery Class. We would like to extend a very warm welcome to all our returning children and those who have recently joined us. The children are settling well into nursery life and are enjoying having fun with their new friends! We look forward to working closely with our children and their families in the coming months.

Football Festival

On 13th September, a group of Primary 7 pupils represented the school at the first Larkhall Football Festival of the session.

The team played 7 matches and ended the Festival with a mixture of wins, draws and losses. The positive attitude and excellent behaviour of the team was noticed and commented on.

Thanks to parents, carers and relatives who came to support the children.



Sports Hall Athletics

On 21st September, a group of Primary 7 pupils represented the school at the first Larkhall Sports Hall Athletics event of the session.

The event took place in the games hall at Larkhall Academy.

All pupils took part in a variety of both track and field events. Their behaviour, sportsmanship and enthusiasm was exemplary.

A further two Sports Hall events will take place in the coming months before the Larkhall Final, which Glengowan won last year, takes place in January.



Parents Portal

All parents/carers of P1-7 children must register with parentsportal.scot as soon as possible.

To access parentsportal.scot go to

<https://parentsportal.scot/home/>

Please check

The items of clothing we have in the lost property pile do not have names on them. Please label all clothing, bottles and packed lunches. If you find an item at home that belongs to another child, please hand this in to the office. Mistakes are made all the time.

Week One

The next few pages contain photos of some of our new P1 pupils enjoying their first week at Glengowan.





School Improvement - Priority Three

Attain our first Reading School Award.

Thank you to all involved in expanding our Library even further in recent weeks.

This space is used by all of our children in Nursery to P7.



Key Dates

<i>Wednesday 4th & Thursday 5th October</i>	<i>P1-7 Parents' Evenings</i>
<i>Tuesday 10th October</i>	<i>Nursery Class Parents' Meetings</i>
<i>Thursday 12th October</i>	<i>Parent Group Meeting - 7pm</i>
<i>16th-20th October</i>	<i>Holiday</i>
<i>Thursday 26th October</i>	<i>P1-7 Disco</i>

Nursery Parents/Carers

Please check Learning Journals for updates specific to our Nursery Class.

Yours faithfully,

Graeme Murray, Head Teacher