



# Glenfield Infant School

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SCHOOL?

The only way to know what events/trips are happening at school is to visit our **Dates for your Diary** page available on our website.

This page is being updated daily and is the place to find out what's coming up. Please go to: **NEWS & EVENTS** and then **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY** (or scan the QR code). This is updated daily with upcoming events and you will find letters concerning the event/trip below the dates. There are links here also to find terms dates and inset days.

**Please make a point of checking this page each week for updates.**



**PLEASE SEE CHANGES BELOW: PE DAYS FOR 2024**

**Children should wear their kit to school:**

Year R - Monday 😊 Year 1 - Monday & Friday 😊 Year 2 - Tuesday & Wednesday 😊

# HEADS UP! >>

From Mrs Stamper



I write this having just watched the Year R Nativity rehearsal. There are a couple of rogue shepherds to sort out but hopefully it will be alright on the night! It never fails to bring joy to my heart and a smile to my face. I hope that by the time you read this you will have joined us to hear Year 1 and 2 singing on the playground or the Year R Nativity play and that you too are left with those same feelings. It is a wonderful time of year for many, but we are also mindful of those who find this time of year difficult. Maybe, because they are separated from loved ones or struggling with the cost of living crisis. We do our very best to support families in need. Our trust charity *Hamwic Education Foundation* is providing Christmas Eve boxes for 11 of our families and the Christmas Complete initiative is providing presents for 30 of our children. Food vouchers are available for families in genuine need from our family worker Justine Spake.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.  
**Best wishes from Mrs Stamper and everyone at Glenfield!**

If you have any urgent concerns, please email: [head@glenfieldschool.co.uk](mailto:head@glenfieldschool.co.uk)

## Staff News

**Miss Collins** leaves on maternity leave at the end of January. We have appointed Miss Stone to cover the maternity leave and are really looking forward to her joining our team. She will teach the class jointly with Miss Collins in the first few weeks of January to ensure she gets to know the class well before taking over.

**Mrs Gadd** leaves us at Christmas to work for Yellow Door. Whilst we are very sad to see her go this is an exciting opportunity for her. Mrs Gadd has worked in Year R for a long time and has been a valuable member of the team. We thank her for all of her hard work both with Year R and with leading our RE curriculum. We will miss her, and we wish her well for the future. Mrs Glasspool will take over as Rabbits class teacher on a Thursday and Friday.

We also say a very sad goodbye to **Mrs Bradshaw** who has worked tirelessly for our children with additional needs. Many of our families have been supported by her over the years and know how much of a difference she has made to children's lives. She leaves us to work with Southampton Inclusion Partnership so will be helping children all over the city. We thank her for her huge support and wish her good luck in her new role.





## School Lunches **ORDER NOW FOR 2024!**

Please sit down with your child during the holidays and select their meal choices for next year. We often have children upset at lunchtime as they don't like the option that has been chosen for them. All meals are made to order and we simply don't have the capacity to swop dinner choices. **Meals must be ordered by no later than 8:45am on the day using the online portal. If you miss the order deadline PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE.** Please cancel your child's meal if they are unwell and not coming to school.

## A reminder from the office... ;-)

For general enquiries, please come to school reception, telephone, email [info@glenfieldschool.co.uk](mailto:info@glenfieldschool.co.uk) or text back on the number we text you from.



Remember that letters or notes can be given to the member of staff at the playground gate in the morning or afternoon or you can pop them into our QUICK DROP BOX outside the office window. **Please don't ever give verbal messages to the teacher who is busy ensuring the safeguarding of the children, please speak directly to the office.**

**Please note:** We may send you a text to give you information. If you are signed up to MCAS a text will appear in the app (please ensure your notifications are on). If you aren't signed up it will appear in the usual way that a text is received on your telephone. Please regularly check your messages - we have recently had a parent who asked why they were missing information and had 214 unread messages in their MCAS app.



## FOG FUNDRAISING 2023

Thank you to everyone who attended and/or donated to the recent **Christmas Fayre** here at Glenfield. Everyone seemed to have a lovely time and we were

pleased and proud of the support our wonderful Glenfield families and community gave us. **This support allowed us to raise a phenomenal £1110!** Thank you to Mrs Hanley for her tireless work planning and co-ordinating and the parents and staff who volunteered to help to set up/run/pack away the fayre.

**Movie Nights** - Friends of Glenfield are delighted to have raised **£310** from the recent Movie Nights, thank you for your support!

**All of this money will be put towards some amazing new playground equipment (picture above) - there's a long way to go - fundraising is set to continue!**

**Thank you to the local companies who were incredibly generous by donating raffle prizes for our Grand Raffle...** Retro Room Salon & Beauty Treatments (Sholing) ▽ Romsey Rapids - Family Adventure Golf ▽ Brickworks Museum (Swanwick) ▽ Play Shack (Hedge End) ▽ High Score (Southampton) ▽ Scooperb Ice cream (Merry Oak) ▽ Sprinkles Ice cream (Portswood) ▽ Exbury Gardens & Steam Railway **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

## APPLICATIONS FOR JUNIOR SCHOOL PLACES FOR 2024

If you pay your council tax to Southampton City Council you will need to go to:  
[Apply for a school place \(southampton.gov.uk\)](https://southampton.gov.uk)

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: ONLINE ONLY by no later than 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024.**

If you are in need of help or support over the festive period, the following are available.

**St Denys Church, Dundee Road SO17 2NG.** From 11am-12.30pm Bring a bag for a free food package.

They also offer a Free Sunday Lunch between 10am and 12.30pm. No need to book, no referral needed.

**Food/Clothing shop.** Saturdays at Swaythling Station SO18 2LB. Membership £10 a year.

**The Highpoint Food Hub,** Highpoint Centre, Bursledon Road, Thornhill SO19 8BR

For Thornhill residents every Wednesday 10am-12pm.

### NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please ensure any food products your child brings into school do not contain nuts. We have staff and children in school who have severe allergies so we are therefore a NUT FREE school. Thank you.



### GET YOURSELF SEEN!

One of our school Governors has kindly donated these fabulous high viz jackets to keep our children safe while out and about on school trips. Many thanks to Laben Giles and Connect IT.



## Poppy Appeal

Thank you to those that donated to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Year 2 children made some amazing poppies for our display which looks very striking in the dark!

Thank you to the following local businesses who generously donated a prize for our Christmas raffle!



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