

Attendance and Punctuality

Every lesson at school is important for your child's development and so we ask that they come to school every day and always arrive on time. Classroom doors open at **8.35** and registration begins at **8.50**. If your child is ill, please call the school office and let us know.



Behaviour

We expect all of our Year 5 children to be shining examples of good behaviour to the rest of the school. We will be giving them lots of responsibilities and opportunities to show off their good manners, positive attitudes, knowledge and skills.

As usual, the children will be given dojo points and praise for good behaviour and can earn class rewards for good teamwork. Poor behaviour will result in minutes being lost from their break or lunch time along with a discussion reinforcing positive behaviour. We will, of course, contact parents if we have any concerns.



Reading

Please encourage your child to read at home. Books, magazines, newspapers, websites —anything! They don't always have to read to an adult, but please ask them questions and either sign their reading record to show they have read to you or encourage them to record their own reflections on their reading (they will have been shown how to do this successfully in school).

Children should ensure that they have their reading books and reading record in school every day.

PE

Each class will have two outdoor PE sessions per week.

Researchers -
Monday and Friday

Investigators-
Tuesday and Friday

Children should wear their PE kits to school. They should have a plain **light blue or white T-shirt and black shorts**. They should wear **trainers** (sportswear, not fashion-wear), a **sweatshirt** and **jogging bottoms/shorts** as appropriate.

No jewellery is allowed to be worn during PE lessons. Long hair should be tied back and children should not wear football shirts or clothing with slogans.

Swimming

During the Autumn term, the year 5 children will be taken for swimming lessons. Investigators will swim on a Friday during the first half of the term, Researchers will swim on a Friday after half term. More information about this will be shared separately.

Daily Boost

All the children will be taken outside (on non PE days) for 15 minutes exercise, designed to promote a healthy body and improve fitness. Therefore, please ensure that children are wearing appropriate footwear to school every day.



Well being

As always, there will be a focus on well-being and characteristics for learning. Children will also be practising mindfulness regularly to help them to become more focussed and positive learners.

Progress

The school is working hard to ensure that all children make good rates of progress. It is important that children understand what they are learning and how to improve. Please discuss this with your child and encourage them to tell you what they enjoy learning in class.



Queries

If you have any questions or concerns, please raise these promptly with your child's teacher. We want to work together to make sure that your child is happy and learning. It often helps to know if a child may be upset or worried about something that may affect them.

School Website

Information about events and classes can be found on the school website at: www.glenfield.leics.sch.uk

Twitter

@GlenfieldPrim



Curriculum Topics

Our main topics for the Autumn term:

Writing - Texts: Wizard of Oz, The Nowhere Emporium, Anglo Saxon Boy, The Highway Man.

Outcomes: Descriptive writing, newspaper reports, narrative, persuasive speech, non-chronological report.



Maths - Place Value, calculations and word problems involving the four operations (+, -, x and ÷) and statistics.



Science - Properties of Materials

History - The Vikings.

RE - Christianity

Geography - South America



DT - Comparing commercial and domestic processes and making structures.

Art - Drawing skills—tone, texture, shading.



PE - Netball and hockey.

French—greetings, numbers to 30 and directions.

Music—listening, appraising and composing.

Computing—Internet safety and We are game developers

PSHE—Families and friendships, safe relationships, respecting ourselves and others.

How you can help

Reading

As often as possible, please! Children can choose a fiction or non-fiction book to bring home. Please talk to your child about what they are reading and ask them questions, then record any comments in their reading record.



Spellings

Please encourage your child to use Spelling Shed, an online application, to practise their spellings each week. Each child has their own log-in details.

Maths skills

Times tables will also be tested. By year 5, children should know their times tables up to 12. Please help your child learn their times tables (with corresponding division facts) as these form the foundation to so many other elements of mathematics. We use the TTRockstars programme to support with this at home, each child will have their own log in details.

Homework

Homework will be given out on a Friday via Microsoft Teams. It is expected that this is returned by the following Wednesday. Homework will be discussed in the classroom in order to consolidate children's understanding and eliminate misconceptions.



Please encourage your child to talk to you about their school work and support them with any aspect of their learning.

If you have any concerns or queries about your child, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

Glenfield Primary School



Learners in Year 5

Information for Parents Autumn 2021

Researchers - Mrs Thomson
and Mrs Booree
Investigators - Miss Whitaker