



# Glusburn Community Primary School

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**Weekly Newsletter: Week ending 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

## **Welcome Back**

"It's the most wonderful time of the year!" Happy New Year everyone – well school year anyway! I hope that all our families had a relaxing and enjoyable Summer break as we begin the Autumn school term. I hope that all children have settled in well with their new teachers and classrooms, particularly our 97 new starters to Nursery and Reception! We now have close to 400 children in school, thank you for choosing us when there is so much choice in the area; your continued support is greatly appreciated and we look forward to working with you all again over the next academic year.

You will have noticed the changes to school over the Summer holidays: 2 new classrooms, a linking footpath to between playgrounds, an extension to the playground and additional staff car parking.

Following a successful Lottery Fund grant we have also installed a 'trim-trail'. This will help our children develop balance, coordination, climbing confidence and strength through physical challenges. I must remind parents to ensure that their children do not use the trim trail before or after school. The equipment should only be used during school time and under supervision of school staff. Thank you for your cooperation.

## **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September it's Macmillan's biggest fundraising event where people across the UK hold a coffee morning and raise money for people living with cancer. This is a reminder to say we will be holding our coffee morning in the school hall from 9:00 until 10:30. This will also coincide with our Harvest Festival, where we will be joined by the school choir singing harvest songs.

*Macmillan Coffee Morning: What's it all for?* Cancer is the toughest fight most of us will ever face. The good news is that as treatments improve, more and more people are living with cancer in their daily lives. The money you raise at our coffee morning will help make sure no one has to face cancer alone, from the moment they're diagnosed, through treatment and beyond.

*Harvest festival: Who will benefit from the donations brought to school?* This year we will be donating to Skipton Foodbank.

All Harvest donations as well as cakes, buns and biscuits to sell alongside our Fairtrade tea and coffee will be gratefully received! So come and join us on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September and celebrate Harvest with our choir, whilst supporting the World's biggest coffee morning, promoting Fairtrade and helping those in need.

## **Mr Clayton to visit China**

Mr Clayton has been selected to take part in a prestigious teacher exchange, focusing on mathematics, with a partner school in Shanghai. He is among 70 expert mathematics teachers from schools across England taking part in an exchange as part of the Maths Hubs programme. Glusburn school is working with the White Rose Maths Hub.

The purpose of the exchange is to further develop the understanding and implementation of mastery approaches to teaching maths at Glusburn, and in local partner schools that Mr Clayton will be working with during the school year 2017-2018.

This is one part of the Teaching for Mastery Programme, run by the National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics (NCETM) in conjunction with the Maths Hubs programme, and funded by the DfE. There are 35 Maths Hubs, spread across England, each led by a school with a record of high achievement in maths and of supporting improvements in maths teaching and learning in neighbouring schools.



*\*Mrs Forster will be covering Class 13 between Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September and Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September.*



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## **'Oliver!' Cast wanted**

Sutton's Green Hut Theatre Company are staging 'Oliver!' in April 2018 and are looking for young people to join the cast. All parts are currently available and 'Oliver!' boasts a wonderful youth chorus. The company is holding an information evening on Wednesday 13th September from 7:30pm at the Green Hut. This is for children over 8 years of age. Please contact [suttongreenhuttheatre@gmail.com](mailto:suttongreenhuttheatre@gmail.com) for further details.

## **Y6 Residential**

A reminder that the Y6 Residential information evening will take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 6:00pm.

## **Autumn 1st half-term diary dates**

- 11.09.17 15:45 FOGS meeting
- 12.09.17 Class 13 begin swimming lessons: September 12th, 19th, 26th; October 3rd, 10th
- 13.09.17 Y6 Information evening High Adventure residential trip
- 19.09.17 9:00 EY coffee, cake and reading session with parents led by Linsey Sanderson
- 20.09.17 Individual Photograph Day by Phototronics
- 22.09.17 2:45 KS1 coffee, cake and reading session with parents led by Lynn Ashton
- 29.09.17 Harvest festival / Macmillan coffee morning
- 04.10.17 – 06.10.17 Y5 Residential to Nell Bank
- 06.10.17 Class 10 assembly to parents. (2:45pm)
- 06.10.17 Book Fair
- 11.10.17 Parents' evening
- 13.10.17 Visiting Speaker assembly: Rev Collings
- 13.10.17 Class 9 assembly to parents. (2:45pm)
- 18.10.17 – 20.10.17 Y6 Residential to High Adventure
- 20.10.17 Class 12 assembly to parents. (2:45pm)
- 20.10.17 Break-up for half-term