



Glazebury C of E (Aided) Primary School and Nursery
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15th May 2020 - Our "Value for life" is Humility

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Ephesians 4:2



Head Teacher's Hello

To all our wonderful parents/carers and children,

In my letter to keep parents and children informed of developments to open our school this week, I mentioned about the banner that said, "It may be stormy now, but rain doesn't last forever! Well, a friend sent this to me to keep me going during this week and I felt someone somewhere was trying to tell me something: **"Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass. It's about learning how to dance in the rain."** So I promise you now, my staff and I have been learning **how to dance in the rain** and are furiously planning to bring our school family back as safely as we can. Returning to school, whilst giving parents access to all our preparations is our top priority, YOUR children's safety and well-being has and always will be at the centre of what we do. I will be able to give more information out on Monday and will have the final results of our risk assessment out to you as previously stated during the week of the 25th May 2020.

I can't believe we are out delivering *Home Learning Packs* again this week, we hope you enjoy decorating the wood chimes and send us pictures of the finished product proudly hung in your garden, we have a few to decorate for our school garden. Don't forget when you are taking your daily walk to pop into the school to help yourself to a book from the book boxes. They are wiped down every day for your safety. One of our lovely parents has also left beautiful bracelets (you can wipe them down) for you to take for free. I'm sure you won't forget our two metre distancing!

Thank you so much for the kind words of support and gift of cakes this week, we really do appreciate them (yum), another show of kindness that exemplifies our Glazebury school community to which I am proud to be a member. Mrs Mowbray.

Message from Rev Jan

Dear friends and much missed children,

I hope you are well and happy. Everyone will be viewing this time through different lenses according to their personality, their health, their domestic and financial situation and their life experiences.

It is heartbreaking to hear of the numbers of people who have suffered through this pandemic and we can feel so helpless but it is important to remember that we are doing something positive when we stay at home and ensure that we don't get sick and add to the pressure on the NHS by being selfish and dismissive of the advice we've been given.

There is a Prayer that is very appropriate for this time:

Lord give me grace to accept the things I cannot change
Courage to change the things I can
And the wisdom to know the difference. Amen

As we start to look at moving slowly out of lockdown let's pray for the wisdom to know what is right for us, our children, our school and community and our country so that we don't jeopardise the safety of others and the progress we have made.

Every blessing to you and those whom you love. Jan x



All Saints Church Services – you can join Rev Jan Harney in her services at All Saints Church, Glazebury Facebook page and on YouTube or on Jan Harney Facebook page as a public posting. All the dates are shown on the front page of the services.

Staff Car Park - New Surface



We are considering in the future having our car park re surfaced in tarmac as it is in quite bad repair. As you will know schools have very little budget, and we are wondering if there are any parents out there who may have contacts of companies that could offer competitive reasonable quotations?

If so, please can you drop Mrs Holcroft an email glazeburyprimary@ldst.org.uk or leave a voicemail at school and she will ring you back. Thanks



Many of us may find our financial circumstances have changed quite dramatically during the Covid19 outbreak. Many people are furloughed from their jobs or have now found themselves out of work with no income.

If this is applicable to your family then your child(ren) may be eligible for free school meals/pupil premium funding.

If you would like to find out more, please drop me an email (glazeburyprimary@ldst.org.uk) and I will telephone you to discuss further and guide you through the options and process.

Keep Safe. Mrs Holcroft.



Sophia decided she wanted to do something nice for everyone and to raise money for Derian House Children's Hospice who supports her family a lot for her sister Ellissa. She decided to make cake boxes. In each box is a mars bar rice krispie cake, flapjack and malteser cake. They have started delivering and have made £402 so far in donations. Some people donated and asked for boxes of cake to be delivered to who they thought would like them. And Sophia chose us and dropped 2 boxes off at school. That was so thoughtful and they were delicious. If you would like to donate please use the following justgiving link:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/elizabeth-borg?utm_campaign=lc_frp_share_transaction_transactional--donation_received--_nth_donation&utm_content=112b4a70-d84f-4a3b-ab3b-432dfc01c4da&utm_medium=email&utm_source=postoffice&utm_term=1589296436476



Our Police, our community:
Our Police and Community Police Officer and the team want all the children and parents/carers to know that they are here for them to and a new tab has been created on the website to bring a weekly communication to you all from the Police particularly the Officers that serve our community. Please log on to have a look for the information and activities they have created for you during this time. Each week there will be a new PowerPoint on our website with lots of advice and even riddles. Take a look.



ADDvanced Solutions
Community Network
Supporting you to find the answers

ADDvanced Solutions Community Network has a new online offer to support children, young people, families and professionals. They are offering a number of different support options please see the leaflet and full details attached. You can also find a copy under our new Keeping Mentally Healthy tab on our website where there are useful contact numbers and under our Anxiety and Worries tab you will find information and resources on how to support children's mental wellbeing during this difficult period.



The Tale of Going Back to School (After the COVID-19 Lockdown) – is a free downloadable special edition from www.talesofmebooks.com that you might like to read with your children to help positively prepare them for times of change.



TOP 5 Glazebury website recommendations this week:

At number one this week are: www.thenationalacademy.uk This is oak academy on-line lessons. They are really interesting.

Coming in closely at number two: www.bbc.co.uk The bitesize lessons are brilliant and some are TV programmes too.

Number 3: this week: redcross.org.uk/get-involved/teaching-resources/kindness-calendar Here the power of kindness calendar helps children and young people learn about and carry out kind acts. There are different sets of kindness activities for primary school children.

Number 4: www.wizardingworld.co.uk Yes Harry Potter is here!

and finally at number 5: www.sesamestreet.org You can't beat a bit of Elmo, Bert and Ernie -lots of educational games and stories for all.



NSPCC and O2 Keep Kids Safe

We are all spending more time on line with the current lock down restrictions and social distancing measures that are currently in place and children are no exception, from completing school work to socialising with friends. With that in mind, NSPCC and O2 have joined forces to deliver a webinar for parents, offering advice and guidance on keeping our kids safe on line. The webinar will run on Saturdays between 9am and 9pm. See the document below that the NSPCC have shared with us for details of how you can register. You can also see all the details on our school website.