



## ♥ 'Growing together at the Heart of God's Community' ♥

9<sup>th</sup> January 2026 - Our "Value for life" is Friendship

"A sweet **friendship** refreshes the soul. PROVERBS 27:9"



Head Teacher's Hello



Dear all,

Happy New Year!

We hope you all had a wonderful festive break. It has been lovely to see how well the children have settled back into school life, ready for an exciting term ahead. We have lots to look forward to this half term, including upcoming School Council activities which will be confirmed soon. A very warm welcome to Miss Hampson, who has joined our school family as our new teacher, we are delighted to have her on board.

We are also looking forward to those who have chosen to be part of the PAN performance this year and can't wait to see the creativity of the children. A big thank you to Mrs Goman for her dedication to this project, it promises to be a fantastic experience for everyone involved.



As we begin this new year together, let us remember the words from Proverbs 17:17: "A friend loves at all times." May we continue to nurture kindness and friendship throughout our school community. Mrs Mowbray



We are a church school... our Christian value this half term is Friendship.

### What did Jesus say?

The most fundamental message of Jesus is that, "One who forgives an affront fosters friendship, but one who dwells on disputes will alienate a friend."

The Message: **We must love and care for one another. Be kind and forgiving and you will have many devoted friends; hold grudges and you will lose them.**

When we love and forgive we are following God's wishes.



Teaching a Knowledge rich curriculum

#### Week in pictures...

##### Nursery: Math



##### Class 2: Labelling



##### Class 3: Spelling

disappoint  
disagree  
disobey  
disappear  
disbelieve  
discover  
disease  
distrust  
disable  
disrespectful

##### Class 4: PE



### The **HEART** of our Curriculum:

**H** - Helping children prepare for life, growing with God.

**E** - Embracing Christian Values.

**A** - Achievement for all.

**R** - Reading at the heart of our school

**T** - Teaching a knowledge rich curriculum.

### Our Trust's Prayer



Heavenly Father,  
Let peace, friendship and love grow in our schools.  
Send the Holy Spirit to give excellence to our learning,  
love to our actions and joy to our worship.  
Guide us to help others, so that we may all  
Learn, Love and Achieve,  
Together with Jesus.

Amen



### Glazebury Governors

Chair of Governors – Dave Beechey

Head Teacher – Mrs Karen Mowbray

Staff Governor – Mr Sachin Sharma

Parent Governor – Mrs Amanda Wilcock

Parent Governor – Mrs Jan Morgan

Parent Governor – Mrs Sarah Colbert

Foundation Governors – Sara Makepeace-Taylor, Stuart Roberts-Tighe, James Towey, Dave Clifton

If you wish to contact them, you can do so via the school email address:

[glazeburyprimary@ldst.org.uk](mailto:glazeburyprimary@ldst.org.uk)



**Learn, Love and Achieve with Jesus ...**

### The LDST promise ....



**Love** and understand the importance of love in relationships and communities



**Discover** and be curious, confident lifelong learners



**Serve** others, to make our communities a better place



**Thrive together**, collaborating as kind and empathetic individuals ready to contribute to a global society

'Peep into Glazebury History from Logbooks - We are in possession of our school logbooks that date back to July 8<sup>th</sup> 1873, before we were even in our school building in 1882. We thought we would share some of the accounts with you each week.

1912- January 9<sup>th</sup> – A very wet and stormy day. A large number of children, chiefly infants were wet through on arriving at school in the afternoon. Fires were utilised for drying their clothes.

1912-January 18<sup>th</sup> – a heavy fall of snow, which is still continuing to fall. Children were sent home for the day at 9.50. weather getting worse.





### Glazebury - 4<sup>th</sup> School in Warrington in Performance Tables

We truly believe that children are not just statistics and at our school this is just one part of what we offer the children in our care. We do however sincerely appreciate the effort that children and staff have made to become the **4<sup>th</sup> best performing school out of 84 Warrington schools** as mentioned in the Warrington Guardian. Everyone, children, staff, governors, parents and carers all are part of this success and should be proud of this achievement.  
Mrs Mowbray

### School Term and Holiday Dates.

Please find attached a copy of our school term dates for 2026, these are available on our school website and paper copies are available in the school entrance foyer. Please refer to our term dates before booking any holidays. Please can I remind you of the following:

#### Key Information on Unauthorised Holidays

We must stress that **holidays during term time are not authorised** and should not be booked.

- Warrington Borough Council will **issue a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN)** if a child has **10 or more unauthorised absences** (equivalent to 5 full school days) in a single academic year.
- The initial penalty is:
  - **£80 per parent, per child**, if paid within **21 days**,
  - Rising to **£160 per parent, per child**, if paid between **22–28 days**.
- A **maximum of two FPNs** may be issued to a parent for the **same child within a three-year period**. The second FPN will be at the **higher rate (£160)**.
- Once two penalties have been issued, **any further unauthorised absence may lead to prosecution**, which could result in a **criminal record, fines, or other legal action**.

We are **legally required to report** any family reaching the threshold of 10 unauthorised sessions to Warrington Borough Council. Please understand that we have no discretion in this matter, as we are duty-bound to follow this process if the criteria are met. Mrs Mowbray.



#### Nursery Places – 2 Year and 3 Year Old

We still have limited places available for 2 and 3 year old nursery children. Enquire via Mrs Holcroft in the school office, if you would like further details or why not come for a look round.



#### Apply for primary school by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Reminder if your child is due to start school in September 2026, please make sure you have completed an online application with your local authority and also handed in a school application form to the school office.



### Summer swimmers are made in winter.



Get the kids ready for the summer holidays with Be Well's Learn to Swim programme! Keep them active, happy, and healthy over the winter months as they build confidence, learn valuable life-skills and make friends. Use the following link [BeWell Wigan Offer](#) now to secure 50% off for your child's first 2 months membership.



Let's  
Celebrate  
You!



Oliver and Ellie both recently received their Grey and White belt in Brazilian JiuJitsu. They have both shown great resilience, patience when helping the newer students and greater increase in confidence when faced with difficult situations. They always show great respect to their teammates and coaches. Well done Oliver and Ellie we are all very proud of you.



Many of our children take part in a whole wide range of activities outside school. Football, music, dancing, gymnastics, rugby, karate to name but a few. We would like to hear about their achievements, share with our Glazebury family via our weekly newsletter. So, we can all be aware and proud of our children's achievements. Please can you speak to or email the school office [Glazeburyprimary@ldst.org.uk](mailto:Glazeburyprimary@ldst.org.uk) with their achievements and we can include them in our newsletter.



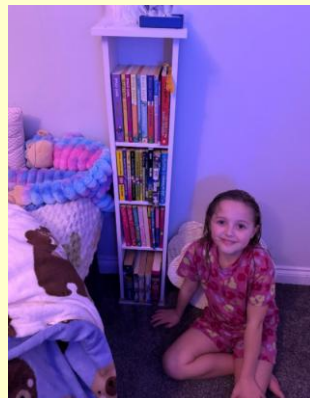
## National Year of Reading

2026 is the National Year of Reading and our school has reading at its HEART. Thanks for all the photos you have provided for our reading tree. See below a small selection of them.

The National Year of Reading 2026 is a special year, created to help children and adults in the UK enjoy reading more. Everyone is encouraged to explore all kinds of stories, books, comics, magazines, websites, and even audiobooks, with the theme 'Go All In'. Throughout the year, schools, libraries, and communities will run fun events and challenges to help everyone find a type of reading they love.



Learn more about this week's story [here](#).  
Watch this week's useful video [here](#).  
This week's Virtual Picture News [here](#).



# WINTER WATER SAFETY FOR KIDS



## STAY AWAY FROM FROZEN WATER

Ice can be thin  
dangerous.



## ALWAYS PLAY WHERE ADULTS CAN SEE YOU

Never go near ponds  
or lakes alone.



## WEAR WARM CLOTHES

Hats, gloves, and  
boots help keep you  
safe and warm.



## IF YOU SEE SOMEONE FALL IN, GET HELP

Call an adult or emergency  
services, don't try to rescue  
them yourself



26<sup>th</sup> December – Alice – Year 3  
 26<sup>th</sup> December – Mila – Year 1  
 27<sup>th</sup> December – Arhcie – Nursery  
 28<sup>th</sup> December – Penelope – Nursery  
 30<sup>th</sup> December – George – Year 5  
 30<sup>th</sup> December – Shea – Year 4  
 1<sup>st</sup> January – India – Year 1  
 4<sup>th</sup> January – Jack – Year 3  
 5<sup>th</sup> – January – Koa – Reception



### Active Sport PE Star of the Week Awards



Annabelle S

Year 5

Tilly

Year 1



### French Outstanding Work Award

Alexander T

Year 4

Benjamin

Year 3

Libby

Year 6

Xanthe

Year 6



### Lunchtime Award

Rafe for making Kim feel so welcome working in our kitchen, sharing stories and asking how she is.



### Golden Tickets



Nursery – Aiza, Alfie, Amari x 2, Amelia H, Amelia G, Autumn, Ava, Bella x 2, Bonnie x 2, Elliot, Jupiter, Laverna, Luca, Mabel x 2, Penelope, Sophia, Talulah x 2.



Reception – Alvey, Gabriella, Perseus, Tadhg.



Class 2 – Joe, India, Ellie, Archer, Ninny, Tilly, Parker, Harry P x 2, Bertie, Jersey, Harry W, James, Florence, Harley.



Class 3 – All class 3 have a ticket for a super first week of learning and hard work for 2026



Class 4 – Annabel, Deion, George, Jaxx, Lewis, Libby, Lucy, Oliver A, Oliver G, Spencer, Vincent.



## Head Teacher Award



**Mabel**

for being so kind to her friends in play.  
I am proud of you.

**Ella**

for being a wonderful teacher helper being a  
great role model tidying up.  
I am proud of you.

**Ava**

for having a smile and hug for everyone, your  
kindness shines through.

**Clark**

for always wanting to share learning and tell  
all. I am proud of you.

**Henry**

for being so polite, holding doors and  
demonstrating good manners.  
I am proud of you.

**Sienna**

for being so positive and kind to younger  
children in school.

**Spencer**

for following our Golden Rules and being a  
positive role model.

**Xanthe**

for being a positive role model for others in  
learning and conduct. I am proud of you.



## Personal Development Award

**Talulah**

for settling into nursery so well, trying her best  
and being a lovely friend.

**Tadhg**

for participating his wonderful ideas during  
carpet time.

**Ninny**

for being respectful to others and trying hard.

**Tilly**

for working hard on her handwriting and trying  
her best.

**Caleb**

for his amazing work in math, working with  
factors and products of the 4 times table.

**Alice**

for her focus, hard work and positive attitude to  
her learning.

**Annabel**

for always working enthusiastically and  
contributing to class discussions.

**Libby**

for working hard to improve her reading,  
demonstrating great resilience.





## ATTENDANCE

Pupil Attendance Officers – Jaxx Yr 6 and George Yr 5.  
Whole school attendance so far, this academic year is 96.5%.  
Glazebury School attendance target is 97%.  
Attendance for week starting Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 97.2%



### Did you know?

When children attend school they:

- Can achieve their full potential
- Have better career prospects
- Learn how to look after themselves
- Learn how to be healthy
- Grow in confidence
- Keep up with work and homework
- Make new friends

A two-week holiday in term-time means the **highest** attendance your child can get is **94.7%**. This is 65 hours of missed school time.

### Attendance in our classes

Miss Carroll - Reception attendance	100% Well done!
Mrs Tate - Year 1 attendance	96.9%
Mrs Tate - Year 2 attendance	99.4%
Mrs Goman- Year 3 attendance	95.4%
Mrs Goman- Year 4 attendance	95.4%
Mr Sharma - Year 5 attendance	92.2%
Mr Sharma - Year 6 attendance	98.5%

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**Love** never fails- 1 Corinthians

