

Glascote Academy Newsletter

21st June 2024



Stars of the Week

14th June 2024: Congratulations to...

Rec Mersey: Kallie

Rec Thames: George

1 Aire & 1 Ribble : All of Year 1

2 Dove: Elkans

2 Otter: Harry

3 Bain: Megan

3 Rea: Fred

4 Eden: Max

5 Severn: Ellie-May

6 Trent: Sally



Stars of the Week

21st June 2024: Congratulations to...

Rec Mersey: Abraham

Rec Thames: Thea

1 Aire: Robyn

1 Ribble: Allanah

2 Dove: Evelyne

2 Otter: Odin

3 Bain: Aréya

3 Rea: Abbie

4 Eden: Finley

5 Severn: Willow

6 Trent: Rio



KS2 Reading Raffle Winners!

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3 Bain: Megan & Leland

3 Rea: Noah & Logan

4 Eden: Hozan

5 Severn: George

6 Trent: Jenson

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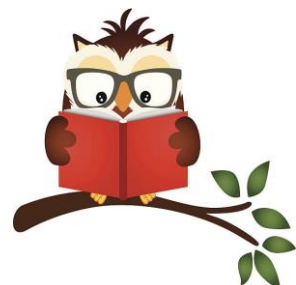
3 Bain: Florence

3 Rea: Noah

4 Eden: Isabelle

5 Severn: Grace

6 Trent: Sally



Parent Voice

Edurio Trust Parent Survey:

70 parents started the survey but only 34 completed it.

- In general, how satisfied are you with the school's **communication** with you? **69%** (*One parent view: "There are too many methods of communication"*)
- How do you **mainly get information** about what is happening at school?
Email – **89%**
- How would you **prefer to receive information** from the school (choose 3 pref)? **Email – 76%; text 40%; App 31%; face to face 20%; visiting the school 4%**
- How easy is it to contact the school if you need to? **93%**
- How easy or difficult is it for you to attend school events? Please comment to tell us why. **56%** (*work – difficult to book time off; no siblings allowed*)
- How does the school's approach to homework fit your child's needs? **66%**
- How does the school's approach to behaviour fit your child's needs? **90%**
- How does the school's approach to attendance fit your child's needs? **92%**
- How confident are you that your child's teachers are able to help your child learn? **89%**
- How confident are you that your child's teachers are able to keep your child safe? **91%**
- In general, how respected by the school do you feel? **83%**
- In general, how clear is it what the school expects from you as a parent? **91%**
- How confident do you feel in supporting your child's learning and development at home? **73%**
- How interested would you be to receive suggestions on how to support your child's learning and development? **90%**
- How clear to you is the role of the Trust in this school? **54%**
- How confident are you that being part of the Trust is beneficial for pupils? **60%** (*It is unfair where other schools within this Trust have opportunities that are not available to children at Glascote Academy e.g. Cross Country, football matches*)
- In general, how satisfied are you with the school's efforts to engage you as a parent? **68%** (*One parent view: Having parents in school is nice, however it does not tell me anything about my child's attainment or how they are doing in school.*)
- On a scale from 1 to 10, how likely are you to recommend this school to other parents? **74%**
- How often do you see that your feedback to the school has impact? **46%**

Thank you for your feedback; we do try to act upon this unless after consideration there may be reasons why we are unable to.

We have listened...



Communication: When information goes to more than one family, we tend to send an email. We know that some of you miss the text service; however, changes are in the pipeline (further information coming soon) that will hopefully enable us to use a text service again as part of a new whole Trust service.

Parent voice cont...

Homework: In light of your feedback, we have held discussions with the Student Governors regarding our current homework structure. Homework from September will be changing to:

- **Reception:** phonic reading books, and a book banded reading book.
- **KS1 (Years 1 & 2):** phonic reading books, a book banded reading book, and a White Rose Maths Journal that links directly to the class lessons.
- **Lower KS2 (Years 3 & 4)** book banded reading book, a White Rose Maths Journal, and a CGP Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling book.
- **Upper KS2 (Years 5 & 6)** book banded reading book, a White Rose Maths Journal, a CGP Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling book, and a CGP Reading Comprehension book.
- Across whole school, **all children are expected to read four times per week.**

We will look at ways of supporting you to support your children further at home.

Across Trust activities: Fierté Festival Week will be held across all Trust schools. Children will experience a Magic show and will meet an Author/Illustrator which will be paid for by the Trust and have been organised by teacher representatives from all Trust schools.

Across Trust/Interschool activities: Next year we would really like to be involved in interschool sporting opportunities. This will take a lot of organisation, but we are willing to try.

Parent engagement: We offer a regular parent coffee morning with guest speakers. We offer Inspire workshops, family lunch, assemblies, productions concerts, and parent evenings. If you have any other suggestions that we could consider, please let us know.

Parent end of day gate collection vote: Thank you, we had 121 responses:

- **78%** (95 responses) in favour of gate collections staying as it is (choice of gate)
- **16%** (19 responses) in favour of collecting from playground
- **6%** (7 responses) in favour of one-way system from playground.

Proud of our Community: Fundraising:



We held a “non-school uniform day” on **Wednesday 19th June** in support of Dementia Friends. Tina Clements, our local Dementia Friends Ambassador, conducted an assembly for the whole school. You raised **£229.36** which will be donated to the Alzheimer’s Society. **Thank you so much** for helping us to make a difference for people in our Community.

Year 5 and Year 6 Music Concert

Congratulations to our Year 5 and Year 6 children who performed in a musical extravaganza for parents on Tuesday 18th June. Their “expertise” as musicians shown through.

A special mention to Thomas-Jay in Y6 for his impressive solo at the beginning of one of the pieces! Well done everyone, we are very proud of you.



UPCOMING EVENTS

25th June	Year 6 Production (2pm and 5:30pm) pre-booked tickets
26th June	New Intake (September) Parent meetings
27th June	Parent Coffee morning (hall) 9:30am
28th June	Whole school Sports morning (families welcome – bring a chair!) 9:30am start weather permitting
1st & 2nd July	Y6 Transition days (TEC)
3rd July	Year 1 workshop (school) Y5 Transition days (TEC)
4th July	Reception workshop (school) Y5 Transition days (TEC)
5th July	New Intake (September) lunch Year 4 trip to Bishops Wood Y5 Transition days (TEC)
8th to 12th July	Fierté Festival Week
9th July	Reception Music concert for parents
10th & 11th July	Y6 Transition days (Landau)
15th July	Annual Reports to Parents Big Breakfast Bonanza for winning house! (Attendance, Thumbs up, Sports day)
16th July	Drop-ins for parents regarding reports (3:30pm to 4:30pm)
17th July	Transition morning – children to visit new class!
18th July	Year 6 Graduation Assembly at St Peter’s Church (afternoon) pre-booked tickets Year 6 Prom (School) Evening
19th July	End of term Achievement Assembly – invited parents only