

Glebe School NEWSLETTER

Summer Term #1 - 2/5/25



MON 5TH MAY

BANK HOLIDAY

School will be closed for the Bank Holiday, and reopen on Tuesday 6th May

TUES 13TH MAY

PARENT 'WALK & TALK' FOR WELLBEING

9:15 - 10am

Come and join members of our senior leadership team, mental health leads, safeguarding staff and representatives from external agencies for a chat and relaxing walk around the school grounds.

More information has been sent to you separately. If you have any queries, please contact the school office or please scan the QR code to register your interest.



THURS 22ND MAY

PARENT WORKSHOP - READING

2pm

This in an ONLINE event

Join us for our annual reading workshop, which will provide information on how you can support reading fluency and reading comprehension skills at home.



The joining link has been sent to you separately. If you have any queries, please contact the school office.

FRIDAY 23RD MAY

END OF HALF TERM 5

School will finish at the usual time of 3.15pm

**IMPORTANT
INFORMATION**

➤ 12th - 18th May is Mental Health Awareness Week. As well as numerous activities and initiatives taking place for our students, we would like to include parents/carers this year too. We will be holding a 'Walk & Talk' event on Tuesday 13th at 9.15am, and we hope to see you there!

➤ A reminder that now the weather is getting warmer, it is important that everyone stays cool and hydrated. Please bring a refillable water bottle with you to school, and remember to take jumpers off!

NEWS HEADLINES

A huge congratulations to this year's athletes who completed the **Street 2 Stadium** Athletics programme. Led by coaches at Blackheath and Bromley Athletics Club, students had the opportunity to try different athletic events, including long jump, shot putt and various track distances. At their last session, they met and were congratulated by double Olympic medalist Sam Reardon, who kindly stopped his own training to speak to them. The programme means that they now have further opportunities to train at the club with the potential of classifying as para-athletes.

A number of our Street 2 Stadium students took part in the West Kent Athletics Championships 2025. Over 750 students from schools across in Kent were competing, and we are so proud of all our athletes, who held their own against some very fierce competition!

A well deserved well done to Adam W, Aleah G, Charley C, Coco B, David I, Deborah N-B, Egzon B, Gabes T, Mia H, Michael S, Niyaz A, Olivia F and Tiffany L.



The whole school took part in the *Mini London Marathon* recently - every student was asked to run (or walk!) two miles around the school field. Almost everyone achieved their goal, with only injury stopping a small handful - they turned their hands to marshalling their peers instead and did a fantastic job.

Collectively as a school we ran the equivalent of just over 20 full marathons! A special mention must go to Niyaz in year 9, who ran 8 miles over 2 days (that's 24 laps!) just because he wanted to!



THE POWER OF POETRY

Poetry books are a fantastic way to help young people enjoy reading and build their confidence. Poems are often short, full of rhythm, and really fun to explore; perfect for students who might find longer books tricky or overwhelming.

Reading poetry can help them express their feelings, spark their imagination, and make sense of the world around them in a way that feels manageable and positive.

Poetry is easy to find - local libraries, bookshops, and loads of websites have brilliant collections, including ones specially designed for different reading levels. It's all about finding something that clicks with your young person and letting them enjoy it at their own pace.



YEAR 7

Year 7 have had a very positive start to Summer Term. It is a very busy time ahead for students and staff - in PE this term, students will be learning new skills in tennis and cricket, as well as athletics techniques in preparation for their first Sports Day at Glebe.

In their tutor groups students will be discussing and planning their enterprise for the Summer Fete. They will need to convince Ms Bromfield (our Head of Maths) that their ideas can be profitable, Dragons Den style!

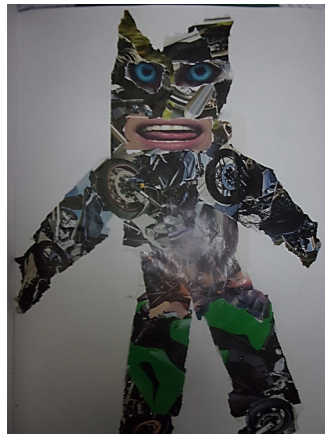
Year 7 are also very excited about the upcoming transition of new Year 7 students. They look forward to welcoming and supporting their younger peers during their visits to Glebe in June, as well as not being the youngest students in the school anymore!

YEAR 8

Welcome back to the new Summer term, we hope you had a relaxing Easter break.

Year 8 have enjoyed studying the work of the German artist Hannah Hock and have produced some beautiful collages. They then they developed these into Styrofoam prints.

A huge well done to David I for his participation in the Street 2 Stadium Programme, and then the West Kent Athletics Competition at Norman Park! Well done David.



YEAR 9

Year 9 have made a positive start back after the spring break and during the first week back, threw themselves into the mini marathon around the school field with gusto. Niyaz was a machine, racking up 8 miles - well over the required 2! Well done.

Thank you to all parents and carers for returning your child's options form. We are currently working through the selected first and second choice options and devising the timetable to facilitate them. We will be confirming option choices in June, as mentioned in our Options letter.

YEAR 10

Year 10 have returned from the Easter holiday refreshed and ready for a new term ahead. A reminder please to ensure that your child is in school uniform ([CLICK HERE](#))

A special mention goes to Harry D, who demonstrated amazing community spirit when he offered to return a lost shopping trolley to M&S West Wickham. The manager of the store was impressed with his kindness and offered Harry a sweet treat as a gesture of thanks. An excellent demonstration of Compassion and Collaboration!

Another shoutout goes to Coco, Charley, Michael, Egzon, Olivia, Gabes, Tiffany and Adam, all of whom participated in the West Kent Athletics Competition. Everyone showed excellent sportsmanship and represented the school and our values impeccably. Congratulations to all!

YEAR 11

Year 11 formal examinations start next week, commencing on Friday 9th May. Please take some time to look over your child's exam timetable with them so that they know what to expect in the coming weeks. When not in exams, students will follow their normal timetable.

Well done to those students who have already completed their practical exams for DT, Art and Textiles.

A letter was sent to you recently regarding Record of Achievement Evening (Tuesday 24th June). This event celebrates our students and all their achievements over the years, as they come to the end of their school careers with us. We would very much like to see you all there. There will also be an Art Exhibit showcasing their work.

If you would like to attend, please take a moment to fill in the link included in the letter, or contact the school office.

Please note that students' last Friday at college will be Friday 16th May.

PROVISION

KS3/4

This week students took part in a creative collaboration challenge in the wild area. Working in small teams, they explored the space to capture the most impressive photo of themselves in nature, using teamwork, communication and collaboration. The students produced some fantastic entries - congratulations to our winners whose photograph was chosen by members of the Senior Leadership Team!



Our KS4 students started their First Aid curriculum for PSHE with a hands-on CPR session, learning how to check for breathing, call for emergency help, and deliver chest compressions to the beat of a metronome. Every student had the opportunity to build vital life-saving skills and grow in confidence. We are very proud of their enthusiasm and focus.



KS5

Our long-awaited KS5 residential took place this week, with students spending Monday to Thursday at Blackland Farm. The group has just returned from an action-packed few days of outdoor challenges, team-building, and unforgettable memories. Students embraced every opportunity with determination and enthusiasm. We'll be sharing a full round-up (and photos!) in the next edition of the newsletter, so watch this space.