Glasshouses CP School



NEWSLETTER



At Upper Nidderdale Primary Federation, we will all approach everything we do in the **CHAMPS** way, helping every child flourish into a caring, confident and resilient young person who has a love of learning and:

- Chooses the right way and takes responsibility for their own actions
- Is **H**onest in everything they do and shows compassion for others
- Achieves the best they can with the talents they have and develops their wisdom
- Shows good Manners to everyone and treats everyone with respect
- Perseveres when situations are difficult and shows courage when they are challenged
- Knows how to keep **S**afe on and offline, ensuring that everyone is kept physically and emotionally safe.

This shows the special relationship we have with each other, where as a community, we look after each other, keeping each other safe – **Koinonia**.

Message from the Headteacher

Dear parents, carers, staff, governors, volunteers and friends of the school

What a busy few weeks we have had at Glasshouses! The children (and staff) are settling back into the routines; expectations of school life and are all working hard on being CHAMPS. Returning to school to a different year group, with a different teacher, or starting school for the first time, can be challenging as there are so many things to get used to, but it will soon feel like 'the norm'.

Communication

I just want to let you know that the school will send information to you via letters, newsletters, texts, and for those of you who use Facebook, via posts on our school page. We will always try our best to let you know of any events and provide information in advance, but some things are reactive due to changes imposed on us, and there may not be a lot of notice in these circumstances - hopefully, these instances will not be too frequent.

Class teachers are always available for you to talk to on a daily basis, both in the morning and after school as you drop off or pick-up your children. We appreciate that there may be occasions when you may want to talk privately with a member of staff; if this is the case, please contact Mrs Gillies in the school office who will ask the teacher to call you back, or arrange a meeting with you.

There are a few events coming up – please check the calendar at the end of the newsletter.

Our first Parents Information Sessions are taking place on Thursday (29th). If you have been unable to make an appointment, please contact the school office.

The first 'Spotlight on the Curriculum' sessions will take place during the week commencing 3 October. Further information will be sent out from the English Team shortly. We hope that you will be able to come along.

Have a great weekend – Miss Thornber and the Team

This week at Glasshouses

<u>Attendance:</u>

If the winning class achieves over **98% attendance** they qualify for dress down day on Monday

Class 1: 97.65%

Class 2: 97.64%

Class 3: 100%

The winning class this week is: Class 3

Class 1

What a wonderful first few weeks! The children in reception have been painting self-portraits and family photos. They have worked hard on learning their first phonic sounds and have enjoyed blending their first words too! We have also explored measure, looking specifically at height, weight and capacity! Year 1 have done some marvellous work writing about their summer holiday. In Maths this week, they have been comparing quantities using the language 'more than', 'less than' and 'equal to'. Well done, Class 1! \bigcirc

<u>Class 2</u>

We've had a busy start to the term in Class 2. We have really been enjoying our science topic on plants and, with all our new knowledge on this, we will be writing about different kinds of leaves in English. We have been practising our grammar skills to get ready for this.

In maths, we have been learning all about place value and partitioning numbers using part-whole models. The children have settled in really well and have been absolute CHAMPS! Mrs Tropia is looking forward to a wonderful year with everyone!

Article of the Week

Article 2 (non-discrimination)

The Convention applies to every child without discrimination, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language, abilities or any other status, whatever they think or say, whatever their family background.

CHAMPS Values and Ethos

This Half Term our CHAMPS Value is: CHOICES

SPOTTED:

Rupert, Lucy and Hana

For wonderful lunchtime manners and making good choices when walking around school.

<u>Class 3</u>

Class 3 have been really busy already this term! They have all settled extremely well, and, as always, showing they are CHAMPS. We have started the term looking at writing to inform. We are writing biographies about famous people, using the life of David Attenborough as a great example. In maths, we have been learning about numbers all the way to 10 million! In science, we have studied extraordinary plants including the Venus fly trap and the pitcher plant.

NOTICEBOARD

Please may we remind parents that any changes to normal collection arrangements, medical appointments, etc, must come via the office and not the teacher/TA on the gate at drop-off/pick-up. Their priority at that time is the safety and well-being of the children, not to remember to relay messages to the correct person. This is school policy. Thank you.

Class 1 are looking to add a dolls house to their provision. If anyone has an unused / old dolls house that they are willing to donate, please come and see either Mrs Platt or Miss Sullivan.

After School Club Vacancy We are looking to appoint a member of staff to run our After-School provision, which runs from 3:30-5pm, Monday-Friday during term time.

No experience necessary, although the position requires an aptitude for working with children along with a keen interest in their safety and wellbeing.

If you have a child/children at Glasshouses school, free afterschool care would be provided to enable you to take up the role.

Appointment subject to satisfactory DBS checks.

Please contact the office if you would be interested in applying.

Drop-off and Pick-Up Arrangements

Class 1 (Reception/Year 1) Class 1 door, next to the Early Years Playground

Class 2 (Years 2 & 3) Through the double gates on Albert Terrace

Class 3 (Years 4, 5 & 6) Through the main entrance

The doors/gates will be open at 8:45am and closed at 8:55am. Anyone arriving after 8:55 will be marked 'Late'.

Miss Thornber or a member of the Senior Leadership Team will be outside at drop-off time as well as your child's Class Teacher/TA.

Class 1 finish at 3:25pm and Classes 2 & 3 finish at 3:30pm.

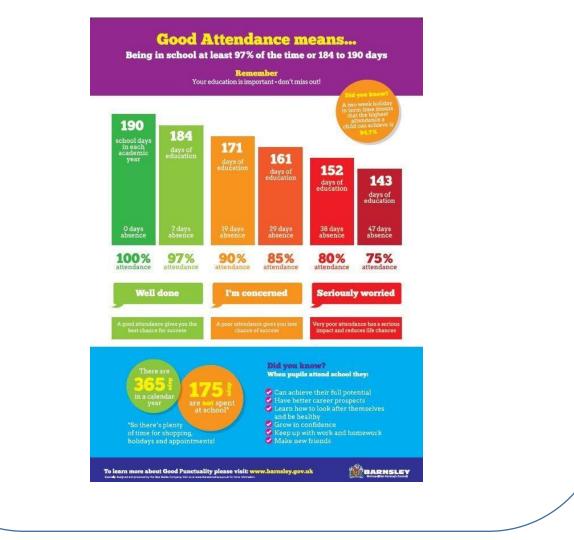
A mention from Mrs Beckett in the kitchen – this week, there have been 78 'Clean Plate' stickers given out ©

Safeguarding

<u>Punctuality</u>

Our school Attendance Target is 97%

The school day starts at 9.00 am and pupils will be in their classrooms ready to learn at this time, therefore pupils are expected to be on site by 8.55am when the bell is rung. A letter will be sent home next week detailing important safeguarding procedures around attendance.



DIARY DATES

29 Sep 2023	Parents Information Sessions 1pm-6pm School Hall
W/Comm 3 Oct	Spotlight on the Curriculum – date/time TBC
21 Oct 2023	School closes for half-term (normal time)
31 Oct 2023	School re-opens after half-term

In the community and beyond!





