

Friday January 30th 2026



WEEKLY NEWS

<https://www.glebeprimary.co.uk>

Our Nurture, Inspire and Challenge characters.



School Motto:

We nurture and inspire others and challenge ourselves. Be brave, be kind and seize the day!



EYFS

Nursery Pear Class- George R, for being creative with duplo blocks.

Apple- Jasmine W, for being so eager to learn new things.

Cherry- Felix M-G, for amazing phonics and reading.

Y1

Monkey Puzzle- Jonathan D, for trying really hard in phonics.

Beech- Theo G, for good listening and trying hard.

Y2

Willow- Jessica W, for great handwriting improvement.

Pine- Margot Q, for being a fantastic role model.

Y3

Alder- Darcey P-C, for being kind and caring towards classmates.

Lime- Evie B, for being the ultimate eco-warrior!

Elm- Laney S, for being a maths superstar!

Y4

Cedar- Alfie H, for determination to reach learning goals.

Sycamore- Evie B, for fantastic effort in all she does!

Y5

Magnolia- Chester T, for 100% effort in his writing.

Oak- Florence S, for excellent attention in class.

Holly- Parker S, for fantastic effort with writing and spelling.

Y6

Hazel – Isobel D, for incredible effort with writing.

Juniper- Holly N, for fantastic effort and progress in writing.

Rowan- Zain H, for setting a fantastic example in all he does.

Star certificates and stickers will be given out in next week's Star assembly.

Whole School Attendance - 95%

Thank you and good news for children's learning and school engagement!

House Points last week

Arundel	Bramber	Lewes	Pevensey
576	543	592	584



Beauty & The Beast M&M Productions 2026

Headteacher message

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for supporting the cost of the pantomime theatre production of Beauty and the Beast this week. The children loved it! Thankyou also to the PTA today for the cake sale after school. Please check dates for bake sales in 'events'.

Mobile phones in schools:

On Monday all Head teachers in England received a letter from the Secretary of State for Education. Regarding children and mobile phone use in schools. The Secretary of State made it clear that children must not have access to mobile phones during the school day at any time at school.

At Glebe, in Y5 and Y6 children who have permission from parents/carers to walk to school and back without an adult can bring their phone to school. This is to ensure they can be in touch with parents and carers on the way to and from school. When children enter the school gate, phones go away in bags. Staff on duty before school with Y5/6 keep an eye out for phones to make sure they are not used on site. When the children come in to the building phones are handed in and locked away for the day. The phones are returned at 3pm for home time. If children go to a school after school club the phones are collected again and handed back at the end of the club.

Staff can use their mobile phones in the staffroom during their scheduled breaks as this is a space where children do not go. We use our phones when children are not in the classroom and when children are not in the office, for accessing secure password links and for some communication e.g. with local school groups or to check messages from family. We don't use our phones as cameras and have school lpsads and school cameras just for school use.

Any visitors are told on arrival to put phones away on site and turn them off when they arrive to sign in.

As a school, we have looked at the Smart Phone Free campaign and at present do not think the school needs to insist on brick/ non smartphones coming in only. Phones are not in use all of the school day here currently and what parents and carers choose to decide at home regarding phones is their own decision. I hope that is helpful to know.

Best wishes
Mrs. Crutchfield

Special Books

Classes are currently reading the following picture books shortlisted for the West Sussex Libraries Picture Book Awards and voting on their favourite: Dogdunnit by Peter Bently and Tor Freeman
The Tour at School by Katie Clapham and Nadia Shireen
Jenny Peckles Lays Eggs with Speckles by Rachel Emily and Paul Delaney
Don't Trust Fish by Neil Sharpson and Dan Sentat



Keep an eye out for these at your local library and ask your child which was their favourite at home!
Mr. Miller, Reading Champion.

Free School Meals and Pupil Premium Fund

The Pupil Premium fund is allocated to children from low-income families who are currently known to be eligible for free school meals (FSM) and children who have been looked after continuously for more than six months. The fund gives the school valuable funds to support learning progress for children from YR all the way through secondary phase. **It only takes few minutes to apply, so if you receive any of the benefits eligible, you can apply online using the following link:**

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/free-school-meals/#how-to-apply>

Please note that all children YR to Y2 are entitled to a free school lunch but this is different.

Events:

Spring term starts for children: Tues 6th Jan 2026

Y4 swimming 8/1 to 12/2

The Outdoor Project Friday Club Y1 to Y6 16/1 to 27/3. Please book online via the provider.

Wednesday 4th Feb YR PTA Party/Disco after school until 3.45pm: please wear party clothes to school YR (tickets can be purchased nearer the time online).

Thursday 5th Feb Y5 Magnolia assembly for parents- 8.45 sports hall.

Thursday 5th Feb PTA Disco Events:

3.00-4.00pm Y1 and Y2 (wear party clothes to school)

4.15-5.15pm Y3 and Y4

5.30-6.30pm Y5 and Y6

Please note that children are not allowed to bring mobile phones or smart watches to the Disco and must be collected by an adult (tickets for the Disco night available nearer the time online).

Friday 6th February- whole school Science afternoon.

W/O 9th Feb Parent Meeting Week Nursery to Y5 (online bookings for time slots).

Tuesday 10th Feb Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 11th Feb Y5 Safety Online workshop with Police Youth team.

Thursday 12th Feb Non-uniform day for donations towards extra playtime equipment (please donate online- no cash).

12th February PTA Bake Sale after school.

Half term for children: Thursday 12th Feb 2026

Spring Term 2

Back to school for all: Mon 23rd Feb 2026

Y2 swimming 26/2 to 2/4

Wednesday 25th Feb Young Voices Choir perform at the O2 in London.

Friday 27th February PTA Bake Sale after school.

W/O 2nd March Y6 Parent Meeting Week (online booking for time slots)

Monday 2nd March YR to the Southwick Library

Thursday 5th March Y3 Lime class assembly for parents. Sports hall 8.45.

Friday 6th March- Glebe's World Book Day

Thurs 12th March Y1 assembly for parents- 8.45 sports hall

Thursday 19th March Y5 Oak assembly for parents-8.45 Sports hall.

Friday 20th March PTA Bake Sale after school.

Thursday 26th March 2.20pm Y3 Music event for parents in Sports Hall.

Friday 27th March Non-uniform day for donations towards extra playtime equipment (please donate online- no cash)

Y3 to Y6 decorate an Easter Egg competition- all entries to classrooms.

Nursery to Y2 Easter Bonnet/hat day- wear a decorative hat to school- parade 8.45am.

PTA provide a prize for both events for each class.

Easter hol's for children: Fri 27th March 2026

Summer term 1

Summer term for all: Monday 13th April 2026

Y5 swimming 16/4 to 21/5

Thursday 23rd April PTA Quiz Night

Half term for children: Thursday 22nd May 2026

Summer Term 2

Back to school for all: Mon 1st June 2026

Summer hol's for children: Fri 17th July 2026



Support for Parents and Carers

The Health and Wellbeing Page on the Glebe website.

<https://www.glebeprimary.co.uk/parents-carers/health-and-wellbeing>

Useful Tik Tok advice for parents on our school website:

<https://www.glebeprimary.co.uk/parents-carers/e-safety>