



Parent & Carer Weekly Newsletter

Date: Friday 28th June

General Information and Reminders



Expressive Arts Summer Concert

Please see our poster for our Expressive Arts Summer Concert being held on Wednesday 3rd July. Tell all your family and friends! You can pay on the door £4.00 (£3.00 students). Students who are performing need to be at school by 6.30pm please. We hope to see you there!

United with Talent

This week Glossopdale School BTEC Dance students took part in 'United with Talent' at the Old Trafford ground with our Manchester United foundation partnership. They had a great day watching talent from around the northern schools as well as executing a FANTASTIC street dance performance.



Sports' Days

The days have been changed slightly from the calendared dates for sports day, please see the new dates:

- Y9 Monday 1st July
- Y7 Tuesday 2nd July
- Y8 Wednesday 3rd July

Students will need to arrive on the day in full Glossopdale PE kit. Students will require their equipment for tutor time and period 1. Sports day will commence in period 2 and last to period 5. All break times and lunch times will remain the same.

If your child is unable to participate in the day due to injury, we kindly ask that they still arrive in PE kit. In addition please ensure that an email is sent to info@glossopdale.school so this information can be passed onto the PE staff running the day and an alternative role will be allocated to your child to help facilitate the running of the day. Please refer to [our website](#) for the PE policy.

Attendance

We regularly discuss the importance of being in school as often as possible. You may be aware that where applicable, parents/carers can be fined for repeated child absence. There are some changes to these penalty notices with the introduction of the new 'National Framework for Penalty Notices'. These will come into force on the 19th August 2024. This one page guide explains these:

[Penalty Notices are Changing - one page guide 2024.pdf](#) .



As always, we want to continue working with parents/carers to ensure that all students have high attendance and reach their potential and fines are often a last resort. Please get in touch with your child's Year Manager, should you have any concerns surrounding your child's attendance.

Reminder – School Blazers

As we approach the summer term, we would like to remind you of our school policy regarding student uniforms, particularly concerning the wearing of blazers. It is essential that students always have their blazers with them, even during the warmer months.

Each morning, during our morning line-up, students will be advised whether they are permitted to remove their blazers for the day, depending on the weather conditions and other considerations. This ensures that we maintain our high standards of uniform while also accommodating the varying summer temperatures. On these occasions, students can carry their blazers or place them in their bags if they do not wish to wear them throughout the day.

Consistent uniform standards contribute to the sense of community and discipline within our school, and your cooperation is vital in upholding these values.

Summer Rewards Trip - Friday 19th July

Letters will be sent to parents & carers of students attending the summer rewards trip next week, which will detail plans for the day and outline any additional information that may be needed. If the payment for the trip has not been completed, students will unfortunately have to be removed from the trip. Students not attending the trip will still be expected to attend school on Friday 19th July. They will complete lessons within a modified timetable for the day.

Send Homework Club

Unfortunately due to staff training, there will be no SEND homework club until September.

Key Stage 3

Year 6 Parent Information Evening and Transition

This week we were delighted to wish a warm welcome to our newest students and their families who joined us for the Y6 into Y7 Information Evening. Mrs McGloin & Mrs Gilbert presented on the transition process so far and how the children will be supported as they make the big move up to secondary school! Many of the students have been attending transition clubs to ready them for their move to secondary school, boost their confidence and familiarise themselves with our building and facilities. Our wonderful student leaders spoke so proudly of their experiences here at school and provided confidence and enthusiasm about their Glossopdale journey too!

Next Friday it will be Induction Day - when the Year 6 children come for their first, full 'taster' day of life as a Glossopdale student. We are very much looking forward to seeing them.



Bronze DofE Award

The DofE practice expedition was a great success. The students were incredibly tenacious and hardworking. We are now finalising the plans for the assessed expedition on 11th and 12th July. Staff will meet the students after school on the 1st and 8th to make sure they have completed route cards and menu planning. The Assessors Reports for the physical, skill and volunteer sections are also now required on eDofE, these can be completed online here <https://www.dofe.org/assessor/>.



Key Stage 4

Students have enjoyed a week of normal lessons away from the exam hall this week and will be getting their marks and working through their exams over the next few weeks in lessons, rewinding and addressing any misconceptions.

This week, Year 10 students have been looking at future pathway choices in Personal Development. They examined all the different pathways available to them at the end of Year 11. We were excited to inform them of the Sixth Form at Glossopdale's move to their own bespoke provision in the new extension next year - away from the whole school building and very much a centre just for them. It will have its own food provision and social areas and the money invested by the school and the Trust in transforming this area for our older students is a clear statement as to how much we value our Sixth Form here at Glossopdale.

We are very much looking forward to our annual Celebration Evening on the 8th July which is always a fantastic opportunity to celebrate the many achievements of our students over the past year.

The summer rewards trips have been finalised this week and students who have earned their place on one of the trips are excited about attending their chosen event.

Finally staff and our Year 11 students are busily preparing for the prom next Friday, 5th July, at Kenwood Hall Spa Hotel in Sheffield. There will be plenty of manicures, spray tans and spectacular outfits to admire and the event is always a wonderful celebration and chance for students to share their memories of school with one another.



Sixth Form

Our Year 12 students have been busy completing their mock exams this week and will be ready for a well-earned rest over the weekend. Well done to all students who conducted themselves in these exams impeccably - arriving on time and working under strict exam guidelines throughout. Our Year 12 students will be back in normal lessons next week where they will receive their exam results and go over misconceptions before embarking upon a week's work placement during the week commencing 8th July.

Staff and Year 13 students are out this evening at the Leavers' Meal in Zizzi in Manchester. This will be an opportunity to celebrate their time at Glossopdale and for staff to wish them well in their next steps.

Dates for your diary

Monday 1st July	Year 9 Sports Day
Tuesday 2nd July	Year 7 Sports Day
Wednesday 3rd July	Year 8 Sports Day
Wednesday 3rd July	School Summer Concert
Friday 5th July	Year 11 Prom Y6 Induction Day
Monday 8th July	Y10 Celebration Evening <i>*This is a change to the date that may have been previously advertised, individual letters have been sent to Y10 parents*</i>
Tuesday 9th July	Year 9 Celebration Evening
Wednesday 10th July	Year 8 Celebration Evening
Thursday 11th July and Friday 12th July	DofE Y9 Expedition and Y10 Silver Practice Expedition
Tuesday 16th July	Y7 Celebration Evening
Friday 19th July	Summer Rewards Trip
Tuesday 23rd July	School closes for summer.

Thank you for taking the time to read the newsletter.

Best wishes from all at Glossopdale School and Sixth Form