



Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

I would like to thank and congratulate the students and staff for the superb job they did at the Open Evening last night. We had close to a thousand visitors who toured the school and saw the departments and students in action. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive as to how the students represented the school and how warmly they welcomed the families. I am especially grateful for the support of so many families in encouraging and enabling their sons and daughters to attend the evening - especially with the 8.30pm collection. I am incredibly proud of how the students presented themselves and represented the school.

We are looking forward to the Parents' and Carers' Information Evenings next week, meeting the Year 7 families on Tuesday evening and Year 8 and 9 on Thursday. It is essential that all families attend to ensure that you have met your son's Head of House, Form Tutor and the Leadership Team supporting them. It will also provide you with the key ways in which you can support and encourage your son over the next year, as well as receiving essential information about some of our new systems and procedures.

I have been extremely impressed with the overall attitude and behaviour of the students from the very first day of this academic year. They are wearing their uniform smartly and behaving exceptionally well, however I would like to emphasise some key points regarding attendance and punctuality. Attendance is the single most important factor in determining the success of a student at secondary school. If a student's attendance drops below 97% it is likely to have a significantly detrimental effect on their future success. Additionally, I would ask that all families try to ensure that their child is at school by 8.30am, arriving ready to **start** their first lesson at 8.40am. The gates are closed promptly at 8.40am and late arrivals will receive a late detention on that day.

Finally, we are now running a large number of clubs, activities and fixtures throughout the week and at weekends. Please encourage your children to continue to make the most of these superb opportunities as they enable them to develop friendships and confidence.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mr Phillip Wheatley, Headteacher

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**Dates
for
Your
Diary**

Tuesday 22 September - Year 7 Parents' and Carers' Information Evening 6.30pm
Wednesday 23 September - Years 7-9 Lower School Concert in the Canteen at 5.00pm
Thursday 24 September - Official Opening of the Chaloner Building
Thursday 24 September - Years 8 and 9 Parents' and Carers' Information Evening 6.30pm
Friday 25 September - Years 7 and 8 Glyn PSA Disco in the Proctor Hall 7.00pm to 9.00pm



International School Award

I am delighted to let you know that, following on from the work Glyn School did last year in developing our relationship with our partner school, Philip Quaque in Ghana, and developing International Learning in our curriculum, we have been successfully accredited by the British Council with the International School Award which will mark Glyn as a leader in International and Global education for the next three years.

Miss Butler, Geography, International Status

Lower School Concert - Wednesday 23 September

The Lower School Concert will take place on Wednesday 23 September in the Canteen at 5pm. If there are any students in Years 7, 8 or 9 who would like the opportunity to perform at the first music event of the new academic year, please see me in the Music department.

Mr Houlston, Head of Music, Extra Curricular



Join the Debating Club!

Calling all students! Do you like to talk? Are you up to date on all the hot topics of the day?

Come and join the Debating Club to put your skills to the test (and hopefully learn some new ones!).

The Debating Club is open to students in all year groups and we are especially keen to encourage Year 7 students along to our taster session next week.

Bring all of those bustling thoughts and opinions, along with your lunch, to E1 every Tuesday lunch time at 12.20pm sharp!

Mr Peel and the Debating Club
peelj@glynschool.org





Food Technology Information

Practicals are now in full swing in Food Technology, with students in Years 8-13 preparing and cooking a wide range of tasty products. To keep up-to-date with what is being made, you can now follow the Food Technology Department on Twitter and Instagram: [@GlynSchoolFood](#).

Please also note that updated ingredients lists and practical schedules for current classes in Years 8 and 9 can be found via the Food Technology section on the Learning Portal, Insight.

Thank you for your support.

Miss Owen, Head of Food Technology

Combined Cadet Force

The cadets were a credit to themselves and the school as they showcased their skills at last night's Open Evening. A particular highlight for many visiting Year 6 pupils was seeing the cadets in uniform and watching as they demonstrated weapon handling.



This term's timings for CCF on Fridays are as follows:

Lunchtime - Change into uniform

3.00pm - Leave Glyn School by minibus

3.05pm - Year 9 Merton, Oaks, St Benet and Tudor CCF cadets will be collected by minibus from Priest Hill

5.30pm Leave City of London Freeman's School by minibus for return to Glyn School. Parents are welcome to collect cadets from Freeman's, but please can you let me know if you will be doing so.

5.45pm Return to Glyn School

Date for your diary : Late night exercise until 8pm on Friday 2 October

Sqn Ldr Pearson
pearson@glynschool.org



Music Exam Success

Congratulations to Tibo Chamouret 8SB who passed his grade 4 piano exam with merit.

Glyn PSA Notices

School Disco - Year 7 and 8

The first Glyn PSA Disco for students in Years 7 and 8 will be held on Friday 25 September 2015 from 7.00-9.00pm in the Proctor Hall at Glyn School. Students from Rosebery School will also be invited. Tickets cost £4.50 and are now available via ParentPay. Each student is only allowed to purchase one ticket and tickets are non-refundable. If you do not have details of your login or require any further assistance with this, please email finance@glynschool.org or call the Finance Office on 020 8716 4938. Your son's name will be added to the ticket list held at the door on the night of the disco. Refreshments will be available to purchase. Tickets for this event are limited and traditionally sell out very quickly, so please buy your tickets early. Many thanks for your support.



Facebook

The Glyn PSA Facebook page is the easiest place to see what's happening and to connect with other parents. Events and details of available second hand uniform are all listed. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/GlynSchoolPSA> or email us at GlynPSA@Outlook.com and we will send you the link.



Glyn Christmas Fayre 2015 - Saturday 21 November

Our Christmas Fayre will be held on Saturday 21 November 2015 from 11.00am - 3.00pm. Please put the date in your diary as it's an event not to be missed! We already have a good variety of stalls and something for everyone. However, if you are interested in booking a stall please email GlynPSA@Outlook.com

Easyfundraising - Internet Cashback Site

We have raised £1,141 so far with Easyfundraising and that's with only 140 registered supporters. Thank you to those 140 people. It would be wonderful if more families would consider signing up. Easyfundraising works in a similar way to many other loyalty shopping sites but, instead of earning points when you shop, you raise a donation for Glyn School. It's as simple as that! **Signing up is free!** Please sign up now using this link: <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/referral/108000>

When you sign up via this link Glyn School PSA - Ewell will receive a thank you from Easyfundraising for referring you. This won't affect the amount you raise and when you've signed up, you can introduce new groups and benefit in the same way. If you shop online the PSA will receive a percentage of everything you buy at no cost to you at all, as long as when you register you choose to help the 'Glyn School PSA' to raise funds. There are thousands of retailers who take part, including Expedia, Thomas Cook, Lastminute.com, Amazon, Asda, Argos and Tesco. The donation money is then paid directly into our bank.

Glyn PSA



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You will always find important information about the school on our website.

However, for informal snippets of information and news you can also follow us on twitter. Simply click 'follow us on twitter' on the home page of the school website www.glynschool.org



Top Scouting Award for Tom Ruis



We were delighted to hear that Tom Ruis 10 Oaks was awarded the Chief Scout's Gold Award at an awards ceremony in Guildford at the end of July. This award is the highest in the Scouting section of Scouts.

Tom, who is a Patrol Leader within Ajax Sea Scouts, has been involved in scouting for eight years.

To earn the award Tom completed eight multi-level Challenge badges: Promise Challenge, Fitness Challenge, Global Challenge, Community Challenge, Creative Challenge, Outdoor Challenge, Expedition Challenge, Adventure Challenge. Each of these challenge badges involves multiple activities, with tasks such as planning and undertaking an expedition on coastal water,

attending summer camp in Holland along with 8,000 Dutch Sea Scouts, volunteering annually at the EMC book sale in Epsom, participating in Remembrance Day parades and campfire cooking, among a plethora of character-testing activities.

Congratulations to Tom for achieving this very prestigious award.

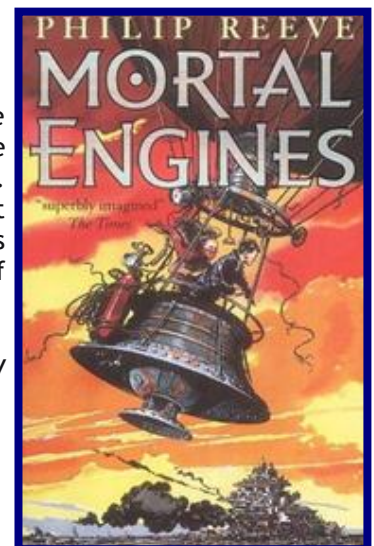
Miss Meadows, Publicity Officer

The LRC Book of the Week - *Mortal Engines* by Philip Reeve

London is on the move again in a world where cities have had to tear themselves up by the roots in order to survive. Tom is an apprentice in the Guild of Historians. He saves the Head Historian, Thaddeus Valentine, from assassination by the mysterious Hester Shaw. However, he finds himself thrown from the city and stranded with Hester in the Out Country. As they struggle to follow the tracks of the city, the sinister plans of London's leaders begin to unfold and it becomes a race against time to save London and the rest of the world.

"The story is very inventive. I liked the constant suspense and the multiple plots. I really enjoyed this book and would recommend it." Patrick Humphris 8 Abbey

Available to borrow from the LRC!



The following article is not connected to Glyn School, but may be of interest to Glyn Families.



Volunteers Sought

Like you, every parent or carer wants their child to grow up surrounded by love and security. Unlike you, not all of them can manage. Children in your community need you to lend their parents or carers the strength and resourcefulness you have shown in your own family while they cope with crisis.

Please help them by becoming one of our supported and valued volunteers.

Free preparation course starts on 23 September. For further details please call 01737 379902 or email us on homestart@hseeb.org.uk

You will need to agree to an enhanced DBS check. Out of pocket expenses paid. Charity number 1156539 company ltd by Guarantee 8765689

Sports News



Year 7 Badminton Trials

Badminton trials for students in Merton, Oaks, St Benet and Tudor Houses will now take place on Wednesday 23 September in the Sports Hall from 3.10pm-4.30pm. Candidates must bring full PE kit and a badminton racket, if they have one. Students from Abbey, Bourne, Carew and Derby Houses who missed the trials on Monday 14 September are also welcome to attend. Thank you.

Mr Colombage, PE

Sportsmen of the Week - Ben Standage 13C and Luke Hammond 11 Oaks

The first 'Sportsman of the Week' for this season follows a slightly more alternative slant.

The PE faculty have been working over the summer on a new 'Year 7 Sport Academies' initiative for this year which will give every Year 7 student the opportunity to participate in either a Football, Rugby, Badminton or Table Tennis Academy Club each week. When setting up such a comprehensive program, a capable and willing support team or 'backroom staff' is fundamental to its success. Two students have been central in the planning and organisation of the program's launch: Ben Standage 13C has assembled a team of experienced student leaders to support each session on either a Monday or Thursday after school and Luke Hammond 11 Oaks has created a Google survey form to capture the key data so that we can monitor attendance and celebrate success.

A huge thank you and well done to both of you.

Mr Menagh, Head of PE and Games



Surrey Cup Match Details

1st X1 Surrey Cup Match (home)
Monday 21 September at Priest Hill Playing Fields
Glyn v Woodcote School
Meet at Priest Hill at 2.15pm
K/O at 3.00pm

Mr Menagh, Head of PE and Games

Swimming

Good luck to the Swimming team who are in the Surrey Schools' relay gala at The Spectrum in Guildford on Saturday. We are delighted to have a Senior Girls' team for the first year in Glyn School's history, as well as three boys teams. Last year the Senior Boys went on to the final of the English Schools' Relay Competition and climbed up the National Rankings.

Biathlon entries have gone in for the K2 competition on Sunday 11 October. An email will be sent to students, parents and carers with the final timings next week when they are published.

Mrs Pearson, Science, EVC, Extra Curricular Manager, UCAS



Football Tour to PSV Eindhoven - Holland

Thirty-one Year 10 boys and three staff set off at 4 o'clock in the morning from an eerily empty Sainsbury's car park to embark on their coach journey to Eindhoven.

The squad members from the school's U15 A and B teams were eagerly looking forward to their time at Holland's Eredivisie champions, PSV Eindhoven, where they were to enjoy several training sessions at the Club with PSV coaches, as well as four fixtures against local youth football clubs.

After a relatively smooth journey, only disrupted by an M25-style jam getting through Brussels, the touring party arrived at their hotel, (incredibly a 4 star rated one!), but the delay had meant missing the first scheduled training session. Although

this was a great disappointment, there was still enough time to be given a tour of the amazing facilities at PSV's training ground.

Having settled in to our 'luxury' surroundings and had a welcomed and hearty dinner, comfy beds and a good night's sleep seemed the obvious destination!

The coaching sessions at PSV's training ground were an unqualified success and both sets of squads regularly impressed the Club coaches, to the extent that they couldn't believe the boys were "just" a school team! Lunching at the facility was also well received, with a wide range of foods available. Dutch legends, Ruud Van Nistelrooy and Mark Van Bommel lunched alongside and who knows, the presence of great players of the past, might have inspired the boys to even greater levels of commitment and quality. Subsequent sessions seemed to bring the very best out of all squad members and again, the coaches eulogised about the high standard of ability, commenting that some of the boys would probably be asked along to the Club if they were Dutch!

Somewhat disappointingly, the arranged games did not provide the challenge that all would have wanted. Both teams won all games with, at times, embarrassing ease to the extent that one local club thought we were a UK professional club's Academy team!

In all, a very enjoyable trip. The footballing duties were mixed with ten pin bowling, crazy golf, swimming, a tour of PSV's stadium and of course, the obligatory shopping trips in Eindhoven's modern town centre. Unfortunately, most of these forays seemed to draw many of the boys to the highly questionable 'delights' of such gastronomic emporia as KFC and McDonalds!

On behalf of all tourists, thanks go to organiser, Mr McKay and assistant coaches, first aiders and bottle fillers, Mr Knight and Mr Kilpatrick. With the successes of the last two years, this trip surely must become a permanent fixture on the school calendar?

Glyn 'A' 8 VV Acht 0
 Glyn 'B' 13 VV Acht 0
 Glyn 'A' 8 RKKV Sint-Michielsgestel 0
 Glyn 'B' 10 RKKV Sint-Michielsgestel 0

Glyn's Roving Reporter
 V.V. ACHT 13-0 and 8-0??



Wishing you a restful weekend.