



Glebeland Newsletter

Friday 20th March 2026



Message from Miss Davies – Academy Head



Red Nose Day

Thank you for all the donations to this charity; the hairdos were spectacular (Mrs Gibbs' in particular)!

Fire in our Curriculum!

Thank you to our firefighter parent, Mr Millar, for helping our children in Red Kites understand more about the Great Fire of London and teaching them how fire extinguishers work!

Staff absence

We have all missed Mrs Softley this week and wish her well. We hope to see her back on Monday. In the meantime, Robins have all been amazing this week, with the support of Miss Walker and Mrs Frame. Routines and learning have continued and every adult who has visited Robins has commented on what a joy our children are to teach. We are very proud of our youngsters.

Public Health

As you will be aware, in Kent there has been an outbreak of meningitis. There is no heightened risk here. I wanted to share a reminder of the signs and symptoms and how to keep safe.

NHS advice: Symptoms of meningitis can appear in any order. Some may not appear at all.

In the early stages, there may not be a rash, or the rash may fade when pressure is applied.

You should get medical help immediately if you're concerned about yourself or your child. Trust your instincts and do not wait for all the symptoms to appear or until a rash develops.

Symptoms of meningitis and sepsis include:

- a high temperature
 - cold hands and feet
 - vomiting
 - confusion
 - breathing quickly
 - muscle and joint pain
 - pale, mottled or blotchy skin (this may be harder to see on brown or black skin)
 - spots or a rash (this may be harder to see on brown or black skin)
 - headache
 - a stiff neck
 - a dislike of bright lights
 - being very sleepy or difficult to wake
 - fits (seizures)
- Babies may also:**
- refuse feeds
 - be irritable
 - have a high-pitched cry
 - have a stiff body or be floppy or unresponsive
 - have a bulging soft spot on the top of their head

Someone with meningitis or sepsis can get a lot worse very quickly.

Call 999 for an ambulance or go to [your nearest A&E](#) immediately if you think you or someone you look after could have meningitis or sepsis.

Call [NHS 111](#) for advice if you're not sure if it's anything serious.

If you've had medical advice and are still worried or any symptoms get worse, get medical help again.

Here is a link to the full public health advice if you wish to read further: [Guidance for public health management of meningococcal disease in the UK](#)

Champions of the Week

Robins



Red Kites



Well done to Aurelia who has been demonstrating fantastic listening and respect by following instructions straight away.

A big well done to everyone for their efforts during Pupil Parliament on Wednesday!

Sports Star



Well done Max! You showed great determination to use the correct technique when aiming at a target.

Message from Mrs Softley – Robins Class

I am super proud to hear how well Robins have coped with all the changes this week while I have been off. Thank you all for making the new adults feel welcome and teaching them the routines and expectations of our class. I will be hobbling back on Monday and can't wait to see everyone! Robins have been learning the story of Farmer Duck by Martin Waddell this week. They have explored adjectives to describe the lazy farmer and year one children have used the story as a template to write their own stories.

In maths this week, early years children have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes and exploring their properties and suitability for different tasks. Year one children have been learning about measuring length and height in centimetres and meters.

In history, Year one children have been code breakers like Alan Turing who is currently pictured on our £50 note. They will look at the 5 inventors we have studied next week and decide who they think should be pictured on our £50 note and then design their own.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and look forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

Message from Mr Lamoureux– Red Kites Class

We have had an action packed week full of exciting learning opportunities!

On Monday, we travelled to Sutton Hoo where the children explored a range of fascinating artifacts and burial sites. They especially enjoyed dressing up as Anglo-Saxons and taking part in their very own archaeological dig, it really brought our history learning to life.

Tuesday saw the Great Fire of Glebeland take place in the car park! The children observed how fire starts and spreads as we set fire to the houses they had carefully built, linking to our learning about the Great Fire of London.

On Wednesday, we joined other schools from the trust for Pupil Parliament. Following this, we have begun discussions about setting up our own school council, with a kindness and respect award as the first item on the agenda.

Thursday was all about crazy hair and PE, where we fine-tuned our tennis skills. The children worked hard on developing the correct technique to help them aim accurately at targets.

We ended the week with swimming, where the children continued to build their confidence and skills in the water.

Please remember to continue practising times tables and reading at home. Have a wonderful weekend

Message from Glebeland PTA

The PTA have our own email address in which you can contact us directly. If you have any ideas or would like to join us, email us at glebeland.pta@gmail.com



This Week will see our very first sponsored easter egg hunt take place on the 26th March 2026 at 2:30pm.

If you are planning on joining your child/children then please sign in at the office at 2.30pm and you will be able to join your child/ren in their class before the hunt commences.

Could all sponsorship forms and monies be submitted no later than the 16th April 2026 please and thank you.

We appreciate your continued support and look forward to seeing you all on Thursday



Raffle tickets are on sale now. Help raise money for the PTA and be in with a chance to win a rather large, cute unicorn (two to be drawn for). £1 a strip or 6 strips for £5.

See Mrs Frame in the office to buy your tickets.

The Raffle will take place following the Easter Egg Hunt on the 26th March.

Events & Dates

PTA Events

- PTA Baking Club - Wednesday 25th February – 25th March, 3:15pm – 4:15pm
- Sponsored Easter Egg Hunt - 26th March 2.30pm
- Movie Night – 21st May, 3.15-5pm

Coming Up...

- Monday 23rd March, 3.15-4.15pm - Green Fingers Gardening Club
- Friday 27th March – End of Spring Term
- Monday 13th April – First day of Summer Term