

Glenleigh Park Primary Academy

Growth, Perseverance, Positivity, Achievement

FEBRUARY
HALF TERM

Newsletter

Friday 13th February 2026



Ms Barnard
Headteacher

Today marks the last day of Term 3. What a busy and brilliant term it has been. I hope everyone enjoys a well-deserved half-term break and I can't wait to see all of the children back for the start of Term 4. Ready for more adventures, more learning, and more opportunities to be awesome!

Last week, our Year 6 pupils took part in their mock SATs and they truly outdid themselves. Their dedication and perseverance were clear to see and they achieved some amazing results that reflect just how hard they have been working. At the same time, Year 5 enjoyed an exciting electricity workshop, where they explored circuits, sustainability, and even powered cars to race around a track in the Hall. It was a fantastic hands-on experience that brought science learning to life.

This week began with our marvellous dancers performing at the White Rock Theatre on Monday. I had the privilege of watching them, and they were absolutely fantastic! Full of confidence, joy and teamwork. I'm incredibly proud of each and every one of them. In addition, Upper Key Stage 2 have been working incredibly hard on improving their attendance over the last three weeks. All four classes have managed to improve their attendance in that time, and both Sycamore and Oak achieved over 95%, earning their classes a very well-deserved pizza party. We know how important good attendance is for learning, progress, and confidence for all children so look out for more exciting attendance competitions in the coming weeks.

To make today even more memorable, Crazy Hair Day arrived alongside the rainforest! A host of fascinating creatures visited Year 5, giving them the chance to deepen their understanding of animals, rainforests and ecosystems while enjoying a truly unique experience. What a way to end the term for them!

Looking ahead to Term 4, we have lots to be excited about, including the Year 5 residential trip, a visit from important members of our Trust to see our wonderful school, more clubs, and more exciting learning opportunities for all of our children.

Wishing all our children, families, and staff a wonderful half term. See you in Term 4!

Attendance

MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.

Class attendance top three this week:

Elder, Cherry Sycamore

We know the cost of half term can rack up!
Here are some places where children can
eat for free or at a reduced cost!

PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) FEBRUARY HALF TERM 2026 moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free	
ANGUS STEAKHOUSE Kids under 8 eat FREE daily, 12pm to 5pm	MORRISONS Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend
ASDA Kids eat for £1 daily, with no adult spend	PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend all day
ASK ITALIAN Kids under 10 eat for £1 during school holidays	PREMIER INN 2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast
BELLA ITALIA Children eat free Sunday - Thursday	PRETO Kids up to age 10 eat free with 1 paying adult
BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE 2 Kids Eat Free Breakfast with one paying adult	PREZZO Kids eat for £1 from 6th Jan to 11th February 2026.
BILLS Kids eat free Monday 17th - Friday 28th Feb	PUREZZA Kids under 10 get free pizza with every adult meal
BREWDOG Kids eat free this Feb Half Term	PIZZA HUT Kids Eat Free Every Day after 3pm
BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE 2 under 16s get free breakfast daily with 1 adult!	SA BRAINS PUBS Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays
COCONUT TREE Kids eat FREE from 10 th to the 16 th of Feb 2026.	SIZZLING PUBS Kids eat for £1. Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm
CAFE ROUGE Kids Eat FREE 12-4pm every day of the week	TABLE TABLE 2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult
DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES Kids eat for £1 with an adult breakfast or lunch	TGI FRIDAYS Kids Eat Free with any adult meal (Via App)
FRANKIE & BENNY'S Kids eat FREE during all school holidays	THE REAL GREEK Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend
FUTURE INNS Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal	TRAVELodge 2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast
GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS Kids under 10 eat FREE all day, every day	TURTLE BAY Kids eat free with every £15 adult spend
IKEA Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am	WHITBREAD INNS 2 Kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast
LAS IGUANAS Kids under 12 eat FREE with 'My Las Iguanas' App	YO! SUSHI Kids eat free all day (weekdays) in school holidays
MARCO PIERRE WHITE Kids under 12 Eat FREE daily with an adult spend	ZIZZI Kids eat free all day Feb 16th - 20th 2026

Key dates



Term 4

Monday 23rd February - Back to School

Thursday 5th March - World Book Day

Monday 9th March - Wednesday 11th March - PGL

Friday 13th March - INSET Day

Friday 27th March - Last day of term

Parent LAB member vacancy

Dear Parents/Carers

Following the resignation of Dianne Ryan as chair of the Local Academy Board (LAB), one of the current parent LAB members, John Lucas, has now been appointed as LAB chair. This has resulted in a parent LAB member vacancy, and we are therefore seeking nominations for one parent volunteer to join the LAB. The LAB is responsible for the governance of the school at a local level, effectively being a committee of the Aurora Academies Trust board.

What is the LAB?

The purpose of the LAB at Glenleigh Park Primary Academy is to ensure that all children at the school access the best quality educational experiences leading to high levels of achievement and aspiration.

How many meetings will there be?

We meet five times per year either in person or online. Minutes of the meetings are available on request; please feel free to enquire if you would like to gain an insight into how meetings are conducted. We also visit the school at other times, meet with the children and staff and undertake a range of monitoring activities in agreement with the school.

How long would I have to commit myself for?

A LAB member's term of office is four years, and parent LAB members may serve on the board until their term expires, even if their child leaves the school. Your term of office would commence as soon as the election process is completed.

How do I apply?

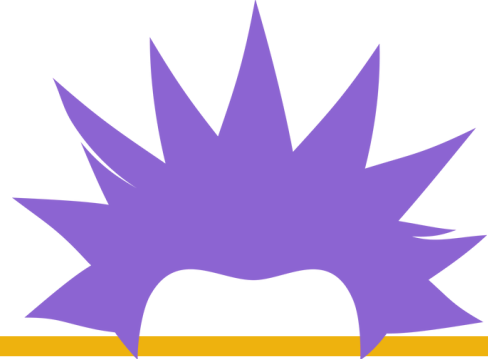
If you are interested in nominating yourself for the role of Parent LAB Member please follow [this link](#) to complete a nomination form online, where you will also be able to access our LAB Member role description and Code of Conduct. Alternatively, you may contact the office for a hard copy. The closing date is 27 February, 3pm. All parents and carers of pupils in the school or nursery are eligible to stand for election. However, in order to ensure an appropriate balance between LAB members who are staff at the school and those who are not, we would ask parents who work at the school not to put themselves forward.

APPLY NOW

Time 2 Dance

A huge well done to our brilliant KS2 children who represented the school at 'Time 2 Dance' at the White Rock Theatre in Hastings last night. With this year's theme of 'The Past', our dancers brought incredible energy and commitment to their Newsies-inspired routine.

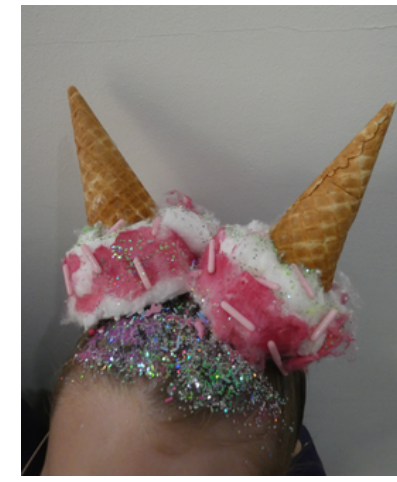
They've been practising since September, and it truly showed, confident, dynamic and full of character. We couldn't be prouder of the way they performed and represented our school. Fantastic work, everyone!



PTFA Crazy Hair Day



Thank you for taking part in Crazy hair day!
The first one at Glenleigh Park.
The school has been a sea of colour and glitter!



We have raised **£155** - Thank you



Our achievements

Early Years and Key stage 1



Class	Star of the week ★	PE award
Daisies	Jasper	Reuben
Poppies	Noah	Harper
Daffodils & Tulips	Brody	Back next term

Key stage 2



Class	Star of the week	PE award
Elder & Cherry	Teddy & Ushriya	Noah & Reality
Willow & Maple	Modou, Josh, Robyn	Kobi, Kian, Andrii, George, Ava, Mason
Birch, Sycamore & Rowan	Tyler, Nyla, Darvan	Amelia. Hira, Isla R
Oak	Finlay	Esmee