



# Glebelands Newsletter

Friday 14 September

## Message from the Head of School

The class of 2018 like their peers across the country were the first cohort to face the new more challenging 9-1 GCSE's in almost every subject. The students at Glebelands showed that they were prepared for the additional challenges and achieved some of the best results in the school's history. Over 81% of all grades were grade 4 (C) or above. 75% of students achieved the new basics measure of grade 4+ in both English and Maths.

As a school, we are delighted with the consistency across subjects. We know that these results come about through determination and hard work by students, staff and parents. It is pleasing to see that their commitment has been rewarded with some excellent results and qualifications that will open doors for them in the future.

There were a number of students currently at the school who sat some examinations early. I would like to congratulate all of them for these fantastic results:

Ainhoa Ferrer-Pearson	Spanish GCSE	A*
William Heard	French GCSE	A*
	Latin GCSE	A*
Ruby McCann	Dutch GCSE	A*
Manami Imada	Japanese A level	A*
	Latin GCSE	A*
Joe Abrahams	Latin GCSE	A
Grace Anderton	Latin GCSE	A*
Jasmine Ayres	Latin GCSE	A*
Ellen Butler	Latin GCSE	A*
Florence Currie	Latin GCSE	A*
Mary Halliday	Latin GCSE	A*
Victoria Standing	Latin GCSE	A*
Madeline Summers	Latin GCSE	A*

All this bodes very well for the future. We are delighted to see the return of our students who have begun the term in excellent fashion. The new Year 7 group have made a positive start to life at Glebelands. Finally, thank you to all parents who attended the information evenings this week, we know that the key to success comes from good collaboration between school and parents.

## Diary Dates Autumn Term 2018

Date	Event
<b>17 September</b>	<b>School Photographs for Y7,9&amp;10</b>
18 September	Info Evening Y7 6.30pm
<b>26 September</b>	<b>Whole School Photograph pm</b>
28 September	Y11 Road Safety Day/Enrichment Day Y7-10
<b>04 October</b>	<b>Open Evening-6-8.30pm (School finishes at 2pm)</b>
05 October	School Starts at 9.35
<b>19 October</b>	<b>Half term begins</b>



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**Dear Year 8 parents,**

I am so pleased to say that Year 8 have had a fantastic start back to school! Thank you for making sure they came back looking very smart, with lots of new equipment for school. I would also like to thank those parents who made it to the Year 8 Information Evening on Tuesday night, it was great to meet some of you in person rather than on the phone/ by email and I look forward to meeting you all in good time as the term progresses. We will be sending out the information powerpoint to you so that you can review it again or indeed read over it with a cup of tea if you were unable to make it on Tuesday.

I would like to remind you that the Tower of London trip payment deadline is next Thursday the 20th of September. The cost of the trip is £19.50. Please contact the school finance department via the usual school number if you are having any difficulties paying or if you have any problems accessing your Squid online account so we can help with that. Students who are not going on the trip will remain in school on the day working on a project that I will set for them.

With a whole new tutor team this year you may wish to note your child's tutor contact details. Please do drop them a line if you have any queries or have information you want to communicate with them/ the school. Just as a reminder students should have their exercise books for the day, pencil cases and journals every day. Should there be a uniform issue (broken shoes etc) please pop a note in their journal for me to see and I will issue a yellow card for the appropriate amount of time until it can be corrected.

We have a new tutor team this year.

**7JDT** now have Mrs Martin and Mrs Durward and are now known as **8KLM**.

**7LAM** have Miss Brewer and are known as **8JEB**.

**7PJL** have Mrs Riley and are known as **8JCR**.

**7KJS** have Mr Ransom and are known as **8MPR**.

If you have any concerns or queries please initially contact the tutor via [info@glebelands.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@glebelands.surrey.sch.uk) or myself and mark it for the attention of the relevant person. We will try to get back to you within 48 hours as per school policy.

We are looking forward to a great term ahead. Have a nice weekend.

## **LRC and Main Reception – new opening hours**

We have improved the opening times of our LRC and students can now access all the available resources from 8.30am until 4.30pm daily. We hope this will help those students who wish to print out homework, or change a reading book before school starts, as well as giving them somewhere warm to wait in the winter months!

Main Reception will now be open from 8.15am to 4.15pm daily. However, the switchboard will move to a voicemail service from 4pm onwards and any messages left will be dealt with on the next working day. Please be aware that other staff will not necessarily be available to speak to from 8.15am, but messages can be taken and the appropriate staff member will be in contact within 48hrs as per the school policy.

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## Free NAS Workshops for Parents



The National Autistic Society is pleased to invite all the parents/carers of autistic children (before and after diagnosis) to attend our autumn workshops in Reigate, Shepperton and Woking.

For organisational reasons parents/ carers have to book their place by phone or email. Due to the nature of our work we may not always be in the office, so please leave a message for us. Click [here](#) for more information.

Book Now: 01483 521 744 [SeResourceCentres@nas.org.uk](mailto:SeResourceCentres@nas.org.uk)

## Glebelands Sports News

The PE department are pleased to announce that we have achieved the School Games Silver Award for extracurricular provision. We are very happy to receive this recognition of the extracurricular provision sports available for Glebelands students and given the size of the school, in comparison to other secondary schools in Surrey, we are delighted to have achieved this.





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## Autumn Term Practices 2018/19

All practices will run depending on weather, staff availability etc. Please note the timings, lunchtime practices will run from 12.30-1.10pm for years 7,10 and 11 and from 12.55-1.30pm for years 8 and 9. All after school practices will finish between 4.20-4.30pm.

DAY	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
<b>LUNCH-TIME</b>	<b>YEAR 8 BOYS FOOTBALL</b> (SP HALL) RMW/RNH  <b>YEAR 8/9 GIRLS BASKETBALL</b> (GYM) NTB	<b>YEAR 11 BOYS FOOTBALL</b> (SP HALL) RMW	<b>YEAR 9 BOYS FOOTBALL</b> (SP HALL) RNH/RMW  <b>YEAR 7/8/9 BOYS BASKETBALL CLUB</b> (GYM)	<b>YEAR 10 FOOTBALL</b> RMW  <b>YEAR 7/10 and 11 GIRLS BASKETBALL</b> (GYM) NTB	<b>YEAR 7 BOYS FOOTBALL</b> RNH  <b>YEAR 10/11 BOYS BASKETBALL</b> (GYM) RMW
<b>AFTER SCHOOL</b>	<b>NETBALL CLUB</b> (ALL YEARS) NTB/OTJ	<b>RUGBY CLUB-</b> (ALL YEARS) TRW  <b>ALL YEARS GIRLS FOOTBALL</b> (THIS WILL BE SPLIT INTO KS3 AND KS4) RMW/RNH	<b>BADMINTON CLUB</b> (ALL YEARS)  <b>FITNESS CLUB-PAID</b> (GYM)	<b>GCSE BOOST SESSIONS</b> MK	<b>TABLE TENNIS CLUB-PAID</b>

Just to remind all parents that all our fixtures will be on our website. Also look out for our Twitter feeds!



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## **SPORTING SUCCESS 2017-18**

**YEAR 10/11 BOYS WINNERS WAVERLEY BADMINTON TOURNAMENT-  
QUALIFIERS FOR SURREY SCHOOLS FINALS**

**YEAR 10/11 GIRLS WINNERS WAVERLEY AND DISTRICT BADMINTON  
TOURNAMENT  
SURREY FINALISTS**

**YEAR 11 BOYS RUNNERS UP GUILDFORD AND DISTRICT BASKETBALL  
TOURNAMENT 2018**

**YEAR 9 GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM RUNNERS UP GUILDFORD AND DISTRICT  
BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

**YEAR 11 GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM RUNNERS UP GUILDFORD AND DISTRICT  
BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

**YEAR 7,9,10 AND 11 BOYS FOOTBALL TEAMS RUNNERS UP WAVERLEY  
LEAGUE  
PLAY OFF QUALIFIERS 2018**

**YEAR 7 BOYS RUNNERS UP GUILDFORD AND DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE  
2018**

**ED CULVERWELL, SETH DIBBEN, ETHAN HUGHES AND THEO CURRIE SELECTED  
TO REPRESENT WAVERLEY AT SURREY ATHLETICS FINALS 2018**



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**YEAR 8 GIRLS WINNERS WAVERLEY AND DISTRICT ROUNDERS TOURNAMENT  
2018**

**YEAR 10 GIRLS WINNERS WAVERLEY DISTRICT ROUNDERS TOURNAMENT  
2018**

**OVERALL RUNNERS UP GUILDFORD AND DISTRICT 2018**

**YEAR 9 BOYS CRICKET TEAM WINNERS DISTRICT LEAGUE 2018  
COUNTY CUP PLATE SEMI FINALISTS**

**YEAR 10 BOYS CRICKET TEAM RUNNERS UP DISTRICT LEAGUE 2018**

**YEAR 9 BOYS WINNERS TRACK EVENT DISTRICT SPORTS 2018**

**GLEBELANDS OVERALL RUNNERS UP DISTRICT SPORTS 2018**





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*\*We would like to draw your attention to the following information missing from your child's journal*

## How to be a good attender

### **Attendance**

Each student **must** be registered twice a day. If you are late into school or miss morning/afternoon registration for some reason you must sign in at the office.

Arrival at school after 9.15am without good reason will be marked as an unauthorised absence (code O).

The school should be notified by telephone each day (**01483 542408**) of any absence. Parents who do not inform the school will be contacted by telephone to ask the reason for the absence.

If you have to leave school at any time during the day e.g. for a doctor's appointment, a letter must be handed into reception. Please avoid making any appointments during the school day.

### **At home**

Make sure you get all your uniform and anything else you need for the day: pens, books, homework, etc; ready the night before, then you won't be in a rush in the morning.

Check that your homework is complete and in your bag before you leave home – trying to finish it on the way to school will mean that it doesn't get completed properly.

Why not copy your timetable and put it on your bedroom wall, then you can check it daily to see if you need any special equipment for school that day.

### **On the way to school**

If you want to do anything on the way to school make sure you leave the house in plenty of time. When you arrive in school go immediately to your classroom when the bell goes to avoid being late for registration.

### **School**

Always come to school whenever you can, aim for full attendance each term. School begins at 8.45am, try to arrive five minutes before the bell goes, this means you will never get a late mark.



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## Education Welfare Service

The law does not grant parents an automatic right to take their son/daughter out of school during term time. Any absence from school will disrupt their learning. You may consider that a holiday is educational, but your son/daughter will miss out on the teaching that their classmates will receive during your holiday.

Attendance is vital to academic success and lost education poses a potential risk of under achievement. Data shows that students with an attendance rate of 90% achieve a one grade drop in every GCSE subject compared with students with 100% attendance.

This is something that we all have a responsibility to avoid. If you consider your request to be an exceptional circumstance then please complete a Leave of Absence Form which your son/daughter can obtain from their Head of Achievement.

Where a child is taken out of school for 5 days or more and the leave of absence is without the authority of the Headteacher, **each parent** is liable to receive a Penalty Notice for **each child** who is absent. The amount payable on issue of a Penalty Notice is **£60 if paid within 21 days** of receipt of the notice, rising to **£120 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days**.

The issue of a Penalty Notice will be considered where a student has incurred 7 or more unauthorised sessions during the preceding 6 school weeks. The parents' failure to engage with supportive measures proposed by the school or Education Welfare will be a factor when considering the issue of a Penalty Notice. Unauthorised absence will include late arrival after the close of registration without good reason.

Should a student's attendance become a cause for concern then the parent(s) will be invited to a meeting along with their son or daughter. The meeting will be with the Head of Achievement and the Educational Welfare Officer and will be used to set attendance targets and an intervention plan if necessary.