# newsletter GLENWOOD SCHOOL

## DIARY DATE

**BACK TO SCHOOL!** YEAR 7 JOIN US ON **MONDAY 6TH** SEPTEMBER 2021 YEARS 8-11 RETURN ON **TUESDAY 7TH** SEPTEMBER 2021





### INSET DAYS

Thursday 2nd September & Friday 3rd September 2021

### WELCOME TO **OUR NEW** YEAR 7'S

For the second year running, due to Covid we were unable to welcome our new Year 7 pupils into school for their transition days but we arranged individual visits so that they had the opportunity to meet their new form tutors and have a look around school.

A meeting was also held for parents so that they could meet the Head and Deputy Head, hear more about the school and its ethos and have the opportunity to ask questions.

We look forward to welcoming them on 6th September and hope they will enjoy their time at Glenwood School.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Here we are... the end of the academic year, and what a year it has been.

It has, without doubt, been a challenging year for us all. But the positives and successes far outweigh having to manage school life during a pandemic. And the many achievements of our pupils would not have been possible without your continued support and the dedication of staff. Thank you.

We are immensely proud of every pupil who conducted themselves with incredible resilience during the past turbulent year. Pupils took everything in their stride, coming back from a long period of absence during lockdown, straight back into their learning, so impressive!

Sadly, we say goodbye to Mrs Channon, and we all wish her the best in her new career.

Please note that Monday 6th September is Year 7s only. We felt it important that because our new pupils did not have the transition we planned, they would benefit from a day's orientation before we welcome all pupils back on Tuesday 7th September.

I hope you and your family enjoy a lovely summer holiday. Mrs Payne

#### **OFSTED VISITS - MARCH & JULY 2021**

Before Easter we were remotely inspected, the main focus being how we were progressing during the difficult circumstances of the pandemic. This was followed up in early July with a one-day inspection. The feedback from both was really positive with some useful recommendations towards our journey to being a "Good" school - and thank you for your positive parent contributions!

#### **YEAR 11 LEAVERS**

Despite the challenging circumstances, our Year 11's enjoyed several events to celebrate the end of their time at Glenwood - Leavers Assembly, trips to Paultons Park (one rainy, one sunny!) and the prom at the Brookfield Hotel in Emsworth. Although



we couldn't have a disco, everyone made the most of the occasion and dressed up to the nines, hired/borrowed fabulous cars and enjoyed a lovely meal, awards for being "best at" and a fun game trying to decide which member of staff matched their baby photos! They all looked absolutely amazing but possibly the highlight was Mr Chalmers who wore his kilt!



#### DONATIONS TO GLENWOOD

Over the past few weeks we have been lucky enough to receive several donations and grants:



Our local Asda and Morrisons stores provided picnic food for our Y11 leavers' trips to Paultons Park and the entrance fees were generously donated by Havant Rotary Club. Local Masonic lodges donated a fabulous sum for us to use for off-site trips and activities during the year; some of the money will be used to purchase season tickets for Queen Elizabeth Country Park, Staunton Gardens and Farm Park.

We were also delighted to receive a large donation from the Friends of Emsworth Community Health which is helping us to develop our outside areas over the summer break so that pupils can enjoy, learn and develop using these outside spaces.

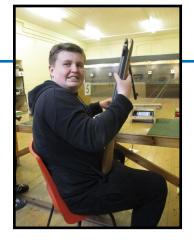
**Mrs Butcher - Business Manager** 

#### **FUTURE YOU PROJECT**

The 'Future You' project has been undertaken by six Year 10 pupils this term. The project is designed to help pupils prepare for the next steps in their education and to develop confidence around their transition. Pupils have taken part in a variety of activities such as fly fishing, bowling, archery, axe throwing, bush craft, outdoor cooking, problem solving, low ropes courses and kayaking. Every pupil involved has developed more self-confidence and we have seen a really positive impact on their maturity. We are very excited to be able to offer this opportunity to another group of pupils in the Autumn Term.

#### **Mrs Williams**







#### **SPORTS DAY 2021**

The Glenwood 2021 sports day was a great success—the sun shined as the new houses competed against each other to see who would lift the Glenwood Sports Day trophy!

Throughout the day each team showed fantastic skills, sportsmanship and determination, tackling such events as an obstacle course, (sponge) javelin, football dribble & shoot plus everyone's favourite — Steal the Treasure! Although the weather was hot everyone made a determined effort to help their team score as many points as they could. In the afternoon parents were invited to watch the final event of the day, the tug of war competition and top the day off, we were treated to a fly-past by the Red Arrows!

It was a close-fought competition - the points were very close between all the teams but the eventual winners who lifted the shield this year was the Warrior team . In second place was Victory and in honourable joint third Britannia and Ark Royal.

The schools values were demonstrated throughout the day - well done everyone!

#### **Mr Richards**















### **ACTIVITIES WEEK 2021**

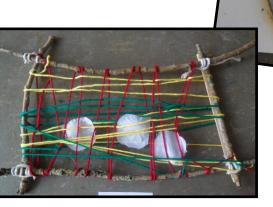
















Unfortunately due to the drama bubble having to self—isolate, we couldn't complete our production - but the show must go on! We plan to complete and stage in the Autumn Term