



Notes from our Virtual Coffee Morning December 2022

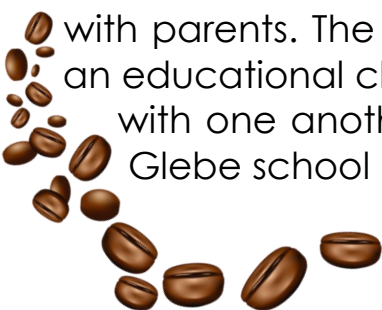


- Headteacher welcomed parents and thanked them for their continuing support.
- The Headteacher shared key dates before the end of term, including the Christmas concert and Christmas lunch on the 9th December. He also urged parents to use parentpay to order the pupils' choice of Christmas meal.

- The PTA updated parents about their work including the Christmas Jumper sale and that there would be a refreshments stall at the Christmas concert on the 9th December. The PTA urged parents/carers to attend and requested that loose change is brought to buy refreshments. The PTA also asked if any parents wanted to help on the evening, then they should email the school admin.



- The Headteacher updated parents about the school building works resulting from the burst water pipe. He informed parents that the works are almost complete with the portable classroom now removed and all but one classroom now refurbished. This would be completed early in the new year. The Headteacher also explained that the weathervane on the school roof is in a state of disrepair, hence the reason for scaffolding outside the school. For health and safety reasons the weathervane will be removed before being repaired and then restored.
- The recent success of the school's challenge partner review was shared with parents. The Headteacher explained that challenge partners are an educational charity. Hundreds of schools are a part of this and work with one another to improve the educational system. Once again, Glebe school has been judged to be leading in all areas.





- The many trips, visits and residentials that have taken place this term were shared. The Headteacher shared with parents that there have been over 60 trips and visits this term including trips to the theatre, Hever Castle and residentials at Woodlodge.

- The school's progress towards a range of accredited kitemarks was shared with parents. The Headteacher confirmed that the school is currently in the process of reapplying for accreditation in Careers, Investors in People and learning outside the classroom. The Headteacher also shared that new kitemarks were being applied for including, Inclusion and wellbeing quality mark.



- Information was shared around key dates: School reopens on the 4th January; Parents evening is on 12th January; IAP day is on 20th January; there is a reading workshop on the 24th January and year 7 parents evening on the 26th January. The Headteacher also informed parents that Sixth form applications need to be completed by the 31st January and that more information on this will follow.

- The Headteacher shared information around new after school clubs, skateboarding and cycling velobuild. He stressed that the cycling club in particular is for pupils looking to travel independently and any parents who are keen for their child to travel independently should email the school admin.



- The Headteacher shared information on the new reporting system. The report is more concise and gives a much better overview of pupils' engagement, progress, behaviour and punctuality. Parents will receive this very soon with an accompanying booklet that explain the Glebe stages of progress for each subject. A question was asked about attendance on the report and the Headteacher shared that this was just for information. Another parent expressed that local authority transport were often at fault for pupil lateness.

- Parents were encouraged to sign up with the National Online Safety platform. He stressed how social media and the online world poses real dangers for our children and the resources on the platform are very useful for parents. It was acknowledged by the Headteacher that the community is very vigilant when reporting concerns and he



thanked parents for emailing the school about crime news in the Bromley area. Sharing this information always helps to keep our school community safer.

More information about the NOS platform will be in the end of term newsletter.



- The Headteacher encouraged parents to engage with school initiatives around reading and writing. Letters have been sent from the Head of English, Mrs Langridge about creative writing in the holidays and reading through Myon and Bedrock learning. A parent brought it to the Headteacher's attention that as a new parent to the school that they had not received some of this information. The Headteacher said he will look into this.



**Next Meeting:
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