

## NEWSLETTER 08/11/24

Dear Families,

One of the things that makes Glenealy such a wonderful place is the shared values and experiences among children, families, and staff. Our recent Diwali celebrations provided a vibrant opportunity for this connection. A special thank you goes to the parents who graciously volunteered their time to organize and supervise these activities in the playground. We also appreciate our Year 6 parents for hosting an amazing Halloween-themed bake sale last Friday. Your hard work and delicious treats made the event a spooktacular success! Your involvement and support are invaluable, and we are incredibly grateful for your commitment to making these celebrations memorable for our students.

The school has been buzzing with activity, with a wide range of experiences taking place. Year 6 visited the Ping Sham Heritage Trail, while Year 2 enjoyed a trip to the Hong Kong Children's Discovery Museum. It's wonderful to see our new Learning Commons being utilized for a variety of activities, from movie-making and bread-baking to designing and printing 3D teacups!

This year's Box of Hope donations have been successfully collected, and we thank everyone for their generosity. These boxes will bring joy to many less privileged children in the Asia Pacific region. We are thrilled to report a record number of boxes collected, and the allocated house points will be announced at the next assembly by our House Captains.

This week also marked the start of our overnight camping experiences for upper school students. These camps are essential for supporting the social and emotional development of our students, providing challenges that build resilience while ensuring everyone has fun. Year 5 has engaged in adventurous activities, including gorge exploration and jetty jumping at Tai Tam and Mount Davis. Year 4 has been learning about pioneering and first aid scenarios, as well as enjoying water-based activities like stand-up paddle boarding at Mui Wo.

We look forward to our Year 6 Camp next week, where students will participate in a range of adventurous and cultural activities in Huanghua Village, Qingyuan, China.

Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes  
Christopher Coyle  
Principal

### **DATES & EVENTS**

An overview of the key dates and school events can be found in the calendar on the ESF App. You can also find the school calendar on the homepage of our school website at [\[Web Link\]](#). Please make a note of the following events that will take place early in Term 1:

### **KEY DATES Term 1 - 2024/2025**

- **12 November** - Year 3 & 4 Athletics Meet, Causeway Bay Sports ground
- **12 - 15 November** - Year 6 China Trip/Camp
- **18 November** - Vision Screening
- **21 November** - Parent Workshop: A Holistic Approach to Early Years Learning

- **28 November** - Term 1 ECAs End
- **29 November** - 2K Road Safety Trip
- **29 November** - Glenealy School Winter Fair
- **03 December** - Year 5 & 6 Athletics Meet, Causeway Bay Sports ground
- **04 December** - Year 1 Road Safety Trip
- **05 December** - Student Photo Day 1
- **06 December** - 2D Road Safety Trip
- **06 December** - Term 2 ECA sign-up opens
- **06 December** - Christmas Carols and Y5 Bake Sale
- **09 December** - Student Photo Day 2
- **12 December** - Year 6 Panto am performance for parents
- **13 December** - End of Term - Noon dismissal

## PTA - NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY HUB

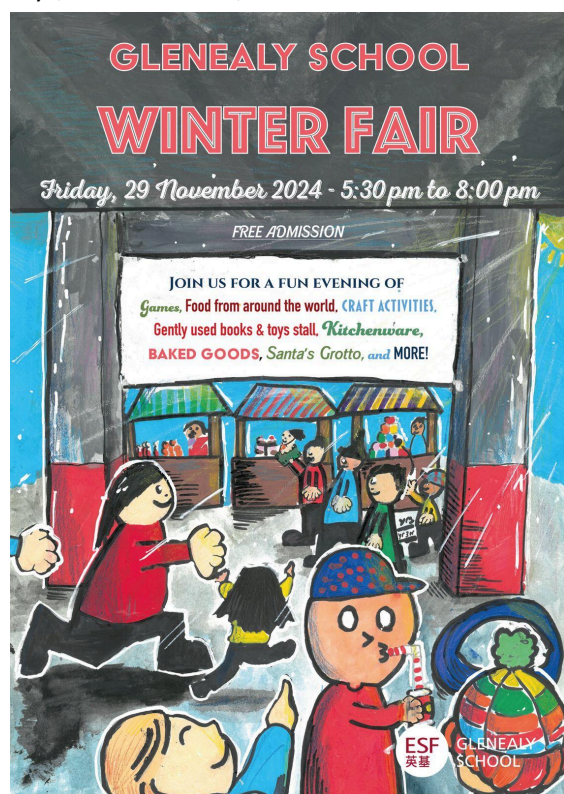
### CHRISTMAS ARTS & CRAFTS - FRIDAY 22 NOVEMBER

The PTA is pleased to announce a Christmas Arts and Crafts Day, which will take place during lunchtime on the playground on November 22nd. If you are able to volunteer your time from 12pm to 1.30pm, we kindly encourage you to join our WhatsApp group for further coordination and updates.

[Click here to join the Christmas Arts & Crafts whatsapp group.](#)

### GLENEALY WINTER FAIR - FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER

We look forward to have you Join us at the Glenealy Winter Fair. There is so much to look forward to including an array of International Food, Games & Activities, The ECA Experience, Christmas Marketplace, 2nd Hand Books & Toys, Silent Auction, and much more.....

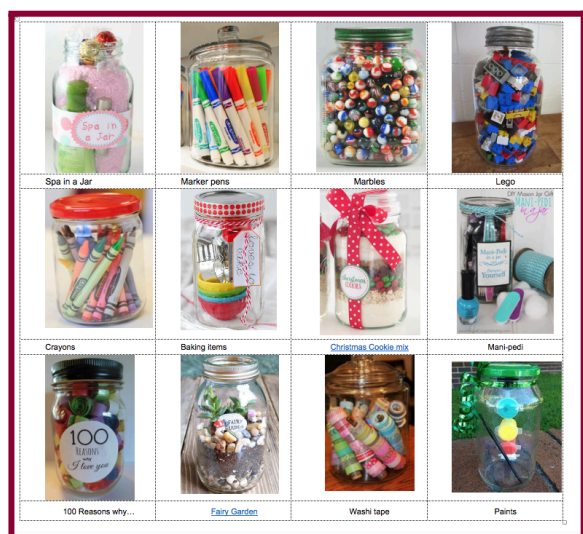


## DONATIONS

If you're planning an Autumn clear-out, remember to put aside new and gently used toys and books in good condition that deserve a new home. Please bear in mind that we are unable to accept plush/soft toys.

**All donations can be dropped off outside the community hub from 18 to 22 November.**

- **New Gift Items:** The PTA are asking glenealy families for donations of new card games, stationary, puzzles and any other new gift items that can be used as prizes at various game stalls.
- **2nd Hand Toys & Books:** We will also be collecting new or pre-loved toys, games, puzzles and books for our popular 2nd Hand Books and Toys stall.
- **Spin and Win Gift Jars:** Please consider donating a jar of any size filled with something fun for this game that will be played at the Glenealy Winter Fair. Some ideas of what can go in the jar are shared in the image. Please make sure all items are new and in good condition. The jars will be colour-coded according to the value of the contents. Get creative and make this game a success. You can buy a jar or recycle one from home. We encourage each family to make a donation of one jar.



The Glenealy Winter Fair brings the whole community together and we appreciate the help of every family to make it work. Please join the relevant group to lend a helping hand.

### Food & Bake Sale Donations

Bake Sale - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/HdTR2GTXCUIKad7BMKQDv>

Indian Food - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/C54EODmYNoS98yxZ0xerxR>

Western Food - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/DvgwnxlAumwDAe73EiyBcs>

Chinese Food - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/BqvdyRutgxiFGrVujf4Qs0>

Sausage sizzle - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/CzZsyo7rtFaGXnq7cUS3n9>

Popcorn - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/J2lu7mxVbVS4h96toi2PwJ>

### Volunteering opportunities on the day

Set up - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/DukYnbNweKElovJ4aihESH>

Arts & Crafts - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/CbmzbgF8UgCDbQedsItlou>

Beauty & First Aid - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/Cjf6CDxR8m7IhbcvZL24jC>

Holiday Wreaths - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/EZz7DLDbAFIlJoCDfGa2L>

Second Hand Books - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/DWWx50NNWEJDPKlzEsdoDM>

Second Hand Toys - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/EJ4H8KczsToHCHuQ97HZJf>

Kitchen Ware - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/IJFWuKwMhdp85UO3fkLZA>

Silent Auction - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/GKwPTwZKOUoB0cRKF7J22j>

Photobooth - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/LtvThnwtMP26ZaMwpU2v4>

Prize table - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/EUmnkXxQBBDE1xiK0AptX0>

Games - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/Ke8xhz6f8kcKCMKKFr1DF>

Clean up - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/DukYnbNweKELovJ4aihESH>

### **HANDMADE CHRISTMAS WREATHS - LIMITED QUANTITY - PREORDER BY 22 NOVEMBER 2024**

A big thank you to Glenealy moms Joanna White and Louise Crooks for making these gorgeous wreaths! They're on sale now, so be sure to order yours today—quantities are limited!



### **Y6 BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER**

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the Y6 families for your incredible support during the spooky bake sale fundraiser held last Friday. Your effort and contributions played a vital role in making the event a resounding success.

A special acknowledgement goes to Mr. Benny or shall I say “Frankenstein”, which added a delightful touch to the festivities.





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