

## NEWSLETTER 03/10/25

Dear Families,

As the first half-term draws to a close, we would like to acknowledge that this term has seen many more class suspensions than usual due to severe weather, which is incredibly frustrating for everyone. Thank you once again for your patience and understanding as we deal with the suspension of classes during these occasions.

The past week has been filled with vibrant activities and creative endeavours. Students, staff and parent volunteers came together to learn about the traditions and significance of the Mid-Autumn Festival and enjoyed various activities, including moon-cake making, lantern making and singing and storytelling. It has been a time of sharing and learning as our school community came together to embrace the traditions and significance of this special occasion.

The highlight of our celebration was undoubtedly last night, when our campus was transformed into a spectacle of art and light, drawing families and friends to admire the stunning displays created by our talented students. It was lovely to see so many children and family members visiting the school campus to enjoy our beautiful art installations. This year, the children's work included lanterns, laser-cut light panels, multimedia presentations, art installations, including our ever-popular UV painting wall. The school was a sensational sight for everyone who visited and we are grateful for all of your positive comments and feedback.

We would like to thank our dedicated staff for organising such a memorable celebration and for helping to foster cultural understanding among our students and community. A special thank you also goes out to our supportive PTA members for providing refreshments and adding to the festive spirit of the event.

Have a great week ahead and we look forward to children returning on Tuesday, 14 October!

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 our school website at [https://glenealy.esf.edu.hk/parent/school\\_information/school\\_calendar/](https://glenealy.esf.edu.hk/parent/school_information/school_calendar/)

Please make a note of the following events that will take place in Term 1:

#### KEY DATES Term 1 - 2025/2026

- **06 to 10 October** - ESF Mid-term break
- **13 October** - CPD - No school
- **14 October** - DTap Vaccination Day
- **15 & 16 October** - Student Conference
- **20 October** - Flu Vaccine Date for Students
  - Y6 Pre-Camp Briefing
- **21 October**-Y5 Camp Briefing
  - Glenealy School Tour Video Shoot
- **23 October** - PTA Parent Social - High Street Grill - 6pm onwards
- **23 & 24 October** - Student Photo Days
- **24 October**- PTA Y6 Bake Sale Fundraiser

- **28 October** - Y3 Camp
- **29 October** - Public Holiday (Chung Yeung Festival)
- **30-31 October** - Y4 Camp
- **3-7 November** - IS Quest WK Students
- **4-7 November** - Y6 Camp
- **10 November** - CPD - No school
- **13 November** - Parent Workshop: Early Years
- **17 November** - Flu Vaccination - 2nd dose  
- Year 1 cycling trip
- **19 November** - Year 1 Cycling trip
- **21 November** - Y5 & 6 Athletics Meet
- **21 November** - Winter Fair 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM
- **26-28 November** - Y5 Camp
- **27 November** - T1 ECA Ends
- **28 November** - Island School Fair  
-Y3 & 4 Athletics Meet
- **05 December** - PTA Y5 Bake Sale Fundraiser  
-Christmas Carols  
- T2 ECA sign up opens
- **08 December** - HK Election Holiday (School Closed)
- **10 December**-Senior Choir Carol Singing at HKGC
- **11 December** - Y6 Panto AM
- **12 December** - Term 1 ends: Half-day
- **15 December - 2 Jan 2025** - Winter Break

## SCHOOL CALENDAR 2025/2026

Please find a copy of the School Calendar for 2025/2026 at the following link:

<https://gloodle.glenealy.edu.hk/pluginfile.php/15220/course/section/3621/calendar2025-26.pdf>

## Box of Hope – Let's Share Some Joy!

Glenealy is proud to support **Box of Hope** again this year! It's a wonderful way to spread kindness and help children in need.

**Drop-off Dates: 3rd–7th November: Where:** Lower Playground: **Time:** Before school, **8:00–8:30 a.m.**

After the mid-term break, you'll receive a special label showing what to pack and how.

**Stick this label on top of your box.** Extra labels will be available at the collection point and the school office as well.

## What to Put in Your Box

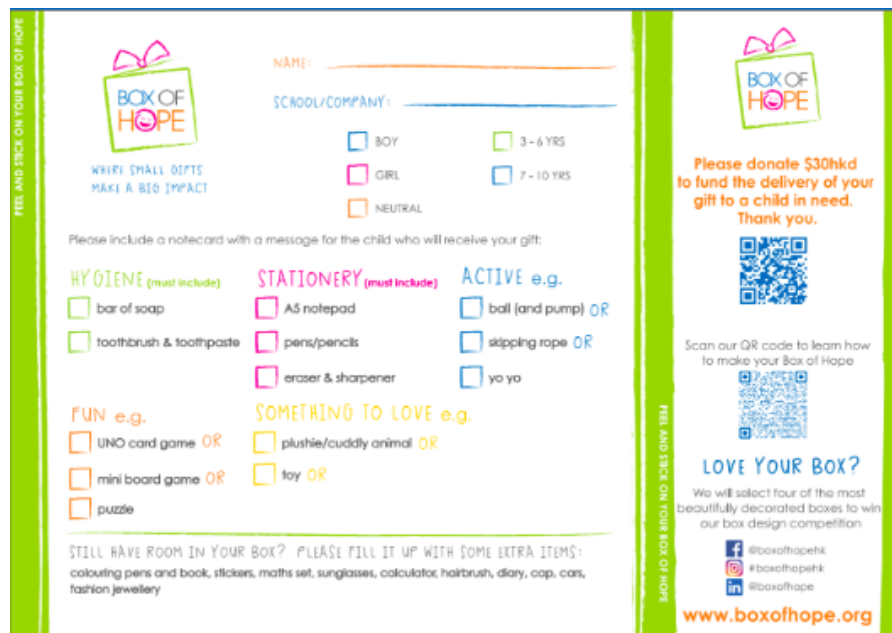
If you'd like to start collecting items during the break, here's what to include:

- 🧼 A bar of soap
- 🪥 Toothbrush & toothpaste
- 📝 Notepad & pen/pencil
- 🎲 Something small and fun (e.g. card game, puzzle)
- 🏀 Something active (e.g. small ball, skipping rope)
- 🧸 Something to love (e.g. a small toy)

Visit [www.boxofhope.org](http://www.boxofhope.org) for tips, packing help, and stories about the children you're supporting. Check out their YouTube and social media for inspiration!

Let's make this festive season extra special by sharing kindness, love, and hope.

**Thank you for helping Glenealy show we care!**



The image shows a 'Box of Hope' form and a QR code. The form is titled 'BOX OF HOPE' and includes fields for 'NAME:', 'SCHOOL/COMPANY:', 'BOY', 'GIRL', 'NEUTRAL', '3-6 YRS', and '7-10 YRS'. It also has sections for 'HYGIENE (must include)', 'STATIONERY (must include)', 'ACTIVE e.g.', 'FUN e.g.', and 'SOMETHING TO LOVE e.g.'. A QR code is located on the right side of the form, and a note at the bottom says 'Please donate \$30hkd to fund the delivery of your gift to a child in need. Thank you.' The QR code is labeled 'Scan our QR code to learn how to make your Box of Hope'.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL/COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ BOY ☐ 3-6 YRS

☐ GIRL ☐ 7-10 YRS

☐ NEUTRAL

Please include a notecard with a message for the child who will receive your gift:

**HYGIENE (must include)**

☐ bar of soap

☐ toothbrush & toothpaste

**STATIONERY (must include)**

☐ A5 notepad

☐ pens/pencils

☐ eraser & sharpener

**ACTIVE e.g.**

☐ ball (and pump) OR

☐ skipping rope OR

☐ yo yo

**FUN e.g.**

☐ UNO card game OR

☐ mini board game OR

☐ puzzle

**SOMETHING TO LOVE e.g.**

☐ plushie/cuddly animal OR

☐ toy OR

STILL HAVE ROOM IN YOUR BOX? PLEASE FILL IT UP WITH SOME EXTRA ITEMS:  
colouring pens and book, stickers, maths set, sunglasses, calculator, hairbrush, diary, cap, cans, fashion jewellery

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LOVE YOUR BOX?

We will select four of the most beautifully decorated boxes to win our box design competition

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## LEARNING LINKS

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### Learning Links

In order to provide more specific information for families about what your children are learning in class, the class teachers will share a fortnightly newsletter called 'Learning Links' which will provide information about the previous week and the coming week in each year group, and also give ideas of ways parents can support their children at home. The Learning Links are also posted on each year group page of the VLE under the "Learning Links" heading.

[Year 1 Learning Links](#)

[Year 2 Learning Links](#)

[Year 3 Learning Links](#)

[Year 4 Learning Links](#)

[Year 5 Learning Links](#)

[Year 6 Learning Links](#)

## **HOUSE TEAMS**

Congratulations to the following students, who will serve as captains and vice captains for their respective houses for the 2025-2026 academic year.

### **Bowen**

Captain - Mariya

Vice-captain - Gisele

### **Caine**

Captain - Harry K.

Vice-captain - Primrose

### **Kennedy**

Captain - Grace

Vice-captain - Sophia

### **Robinson**

Captain - Annabel

Vice-captain - Liam A.

## **STUDENT COUNCIL**

Congratulations to the following students who will serve on the Student Council, representing their class for the 2025-2026 academic year.

### **Year 1**

Mia and Matty

### **Year 2**

Scarlett and Trevor

### **Year 3**

Daniel, Rose and Millie

### **Year 4**

Jacob and Caleb

### **Year 5**

Aila and Vittoria

### **Year 6**

Isabelle, Jake and Cheryl C

## **GLENEALY SCHOOL TOUR VIDEO**

We are thrilled to share some exciting news! On Tuesday 21 October, ESF will be filming a professional video aimed at showcasing our school, highlighting our core values, and providing a glimpse into our fantastic facilities.

Throughout the day, we will be featuring students in various segments, capturing the vibrant energy of our classrooms and the joyful interactions in our playgrounds.

We will also be reaching out to parents to participate in various segments throughout the day. If you're interested in getting involved, please feel free to reach out—we'd love to have you join us!

We look forward to celebrating our wonderful school community together, and we appreciate your support in making this video a success!



## NEWS FROM THE HUB

### PTA PARENT SOCIAL - [BOOK YOUR TICKETS NOW](#)

The Parent Social is just a few weeks away! Don't miss out on this fun event—book your tickets now and join us for an unforgettable evening!

Got a hidden talent? We want to see it! If you'd like to perform in our open mic session, shoot us a message! This is your moment to shine and show off what you can do!

A vertical poster for the 'Parent Social' event. The background is dark blue with a blurred image of a microphone. The text is white and light blue. At the top, it says 'GLENEALY PTA PRESENTS' in white. Below that, 'PARENT' is in large white letters, and 'Social' is in a light blue script font. Further down, it lists 'SPECIAL LIVE PERFORMANCES • OPEN MIC • KARAOKE' in white, followed by '\$330 per ticket' in light blue and 'includes open bar & food' in white. The date 'THUR 23 OCTOBER' is in large white letters, followed by the venue 'HIGH STREET GRILL' and the address 'Shop 4&5, G/F Hang Sing Mansion, 54 & 56 High Street, Sai Ying Pun, Western District' in white. At the bottom, it says '3-min walk from Exit B2' and 'Sai Ying Pun MTR Station' in white.

**GLENEALY PTA PRESENTS**

**PARENT**  
*Social*

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Western District

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Sai Ying Pun MTR Station

## **DIWALI CELEBRATIONS**

Get ready to light up our school with joy and celebration! The PTA is organising a fun afternoon on October 16th at lunch play from 12:15-1:15pm, and we need your awesome energy to make it unforgettable!

Want to be part of the fun? [Click here](#) to join the volunteer whatsapp group.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Watch this space for details on upcoming events.

16 October - PTA Diwali Celebrations - Lunchtime

24 October - Y6 Bake Sale Fundraiser - 3.00 PM

14 November - PTA Christmas Celebrations - Arts & Crafts - Lunchtime

21 November - Glenealy Winter Fair

2 December - Hanukkah Celebrations - Arts and Crafts - Lunchtime

5 December - Y5 Bake Sale Fundraiser - 3.00 PM