



GLADESMORE'S INTERNATIONAL CULTURE & DIVERSITY DAY

2025

Included, Respected, United

Rooted in Culture: Rising in Unity



On Friday 27th June 2025, Gladesmore Community School came alive with colour, music, food and storytelling for our annual **International Culture and Diversity Day**, a joyful celebration of the rich cultural backgrounds that make up our school community.

The day began with a charitable collection at the school gates, with students arriving in non-uniform and vibrant cultural dress. This year, we proudly raised money for two outstanding local causes:



Hope in Haringey ~ This charity supports young people and families across the borough with mentoring, education access, and emotional wellbeing programmes. To donate or get involved, visit hopeinharingey.com.

Tottenham Foodbank ~ Providing emergency food parcels and essentials to families in crisis across Haringey, Tottenham Foodbank continues to serve our community during a time of great need. You can support them directly by donating here, or by bringing food items to their drop-off point at Tottenham Town Hall. Again, to donate or get involved, visit <https://tottenham.foodbank.org.uk/>

For up to the minute information, logon to the GCS website where you can find out about:

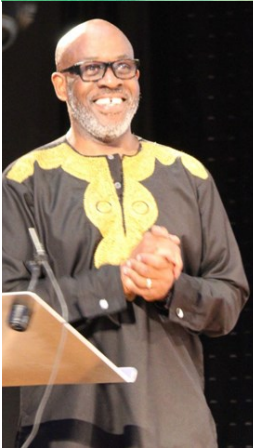


- Dates for Parents/Carers Events
- School trips
- The curriculum
- Emergency Closures (snow, power cuts etc)

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or go to the
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Thank you to everyone who donated ~ your kindness will have a real impact.

In form time, students took part in **Fun with Flags** and PSHE sessions on **The Best of British**, opening up thoughtful discussions about identity, heritage and what it means to belong. Lessons throughout the day incorporated global perspectives and personal stories from across the student body.

A central highlight of the day was our extended Cultural Assembly, themed **Roots to Rise: Our Journey, Our Future**. We were honoured to welcome several distinguished guests, including the former **Mayor of Haringey**, the **founders of Hope in Haringey**, local **community officers**, and members of our **Governing Body**. The assembly curated by **Ms Norton** and hosted by **Mr Hussain** featured a powerful and uplifting programme, showcasing the family migration journeys of staff and an array of inspiring student-led performances, including:



- **Ms Langston's** speech on the importance of migration
- **Zahra's** moving speech on **Afghanistan**
- A beautiful **piano performance** by **Elsa**
- **Petite Afro Dance** by KS3 students
- Inspiring speeches from **Mr Neilson (Ireland)**, **Mr Hassa (Turkey)**, **Ms Desai (India & Pakistan)**, **Mr Shokumbi (Nigeria)**, **Ms Tondel (Poland)**, **Ms Beale (Latin America)** and **Ms Bardouille (Jamaica)**
- **Suraia's** speech on having a dual background **Guyana & India**
- **Kadir's** passionate **Turkish** song
- **Natalia's** authentic **Romanian folk** song
- A heartfelt solo from **Jazmin** representing **Ecuador**
- A superb **Afro-Caribbean** inspired dance by **Year 10s**
- **Trinity Motion** dance by our talented **Year 7s**



The assembly ended with the popular **Cultural Catwalk**, led by Mr **Aibangbee** where students and staff walked the catwalk in their best cultural clothing and looked amazing!

The celebrations continued into an extended cultural lunch, where the **Glade Diner** served a special **Turkish menu**. Students and staff enjoyed **henna, face painting, cultural karaoke, games** and a range of **student-run cultural stalls**, turning the school grounds into a true festival of global unity. The Tree 'Ah Life stall, offering delicious **Caribbean dishes** prepared by **Mr. Thompson**, alongside the **Life is Sweet** stall run by the **Technology Department**, proved to be crowd favorites.

International Culture and Diversity Day goes beyond being an event ~ it truly reflects Gladesmore's core values of celebrating diversity and inclusion. It reflects our shared commitment to ensuring that every student and member of staff feels **Included, Respected, United**.

A huge thank you to all our students, staff, families and visitors who made this day unforgettable and to those who supported **Hope in Haringey** and **Tottenham Foodbank**.



REACH Assembly Up~Date

The ENTHUSIASM Assembly REACHes New Heights!

Gladesmore Community School truly lit up with energy and excitement during the recent ENTHUSIASM Assembly, a powerful celebration that REACHED out and inspired every single pupil in the room. The event was a shining example of Gladesmore's core values ~ Respect, Enthusiasm, Aspiration, Cooperation, and Hard Work ~ with a special spotlight on the vibrant spirit of enthusiasm.

From the very beginning, the atmosphere was electric. Pupils were greeted with surprises galore, and the assembly featured incredible guest speakers including the ever-inspiring Mr Porter, the charismatic Mr Lowe, and none other than our official Enthusiasm Ambassador, Mr Hussein, whose energy was nothing short of contagious.

The excitement continued as outstanding students were rewarded for their enthusiasm throughout the term. With prizes ranging from £10, £25, and £50 vouchers, to Hotwings Hooray chicken wing tokens, mountain bikes, BMX bikes, Alexa smart speakers, and Fitbit watches, the celebration truly lived up to the moment! Cheers and applause echoed through the hall as each prize was announced, making it a morning to remember.

One of the most touching moments came with the announcement of the Jack Petchey Staff Leader's Award, proudly presented to Mr M McNally

for his unwavering dedication and outstanding contributions to the school community. His recognition drew heartfelt appreciation from both staff and students alike.

And just when we thought the morning couldn't get any better, it ended on a high note ~ literally! The whole hall joined in a large-scale sing-along of Wonderwall by Oasis, brilliantly directed by Mr Lowe. It was a unifying, joyful moment that perfectly wrapped up a morning full of positivity and pride.

This wasn't just an assembly ~ it was a celebration of what makes Gladesmore special. A powerful reminder that when we bring our energy, joy, and REACH values together, anything is possible.

Well done to everyone involved, and here's to carrying that enthusiasm through the rest of the term!



Haringey Primary School Mathematics Competition 2024

On Wednesday 25th June 2025, the Mathematics department proudly hosted its annual Year 5 Maths Competition, welcoming students from primary schools across Haringey. This year's event saw an impressive turnout, with eleven schools each sending a team of four enthusiastic young mathematicians to take part in the challenge.






The competition was made up of five exciting and varied rounds, designed to strengthen the students' problem-solving abilities while promoting teamwork and communication. Each round tested a range of skills, from mental maths to verbal and non-verbal reasoning, encouraging pupils to think critically and work together under pressure.



It was wonderful to see the energy and engagement from all involved. Students approached each task with determination and a positive spirit, supported by the encouragement of GCS staff, visiting teachers and parents who attended the event.

Congratulations to the following schools for standing out across Haringey Primary Schools:

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
St Aiden VC	West Green	Bruce Grove
		

A special thank you to the Year 9 student judges listed below: Kawser, Bushra, Keira, Verite, Mikolaj, Sultan, Tision, Kamara, Rokšana, Natalia S and Jazmin.

We look forward to welcoming even more schools to next year's competition!

Gladesmore Reads...

It is essential that students continue to exercise their minds over the summer holidays. One way your child can achieve this is by reading regularly. The world is full engaging fiction and amazing factual books, so we ask that you encourage and support your child to read.

At GCS we have our very own online books systems where students can log in and read. They are available anywhere in the world as long your child has internet access. Using their normal GCS user name and password, students can log onto the sites by going to:

Student.gladesmore.com.



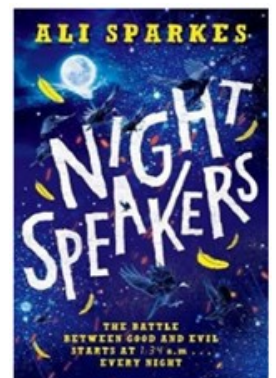
Another way your child can access books for free is by visiting the local library.

If your child is not already a member of Haringey libraries it is easy for parents/carers to sign them up simply by visiting:

<https://www.haringey.gov.uk/libraries/how-to-join-haringey-libraries>

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Coombes Croft Library, Tottenham High Road, London N17 8AG	Monday & Tuesday: 9am ~ 7pm Wednesday: 10am ~ 7pm Thursday: Closed Friday: 9am ~ 1pm Saturday: 9am ~ 5pm
Highgate Library, Shepards Hill, London N6 5QJ	Monday & Tuesday: 9am ~ 7pm Wednesday: Closed Thursday: 9am ~ 1pm Friday: 9am ~ 7pm Saturday: 9am ~ 5pm
Hornsey Library, Haringey Park, London N8 9JA	Monday & Tuesday: 9am ~ 7pm Wednesday: 10am ~ 7pm Thursday & Friday: 9am ~ 7pm Saturday: 9am ~ 5pm
Marcus Garvey Library, 1 Philip Lane, London N15 4JA	Monday & Tuesday: 9am ~ 7pm Wednesday: 10am ~ 7pm Thursday & Friday: 9am ~ 7pm Saturday: 9am ~ 5pm
St Ann's Library, Cissbury Road, London N15 5PU	Monday: 9am ~ 7pm Tuesday: 9am ~ 1pm Wednesday: 10am ~ 7pm Thursday: 9am ~ 7pm Friday: Closed Saturday: 9am ~ 5pm
Stroud Green & Haringey Library, Quernmore Road, London N4 4QR	Monday: 9am ~ 7pm Tuesday: 9am ~ 1pm Wednesday: 10am ~ 7pm Thursday: Closed Friday: 9am ~ 7pm Saturday: 9am ~ 5pm
Wood Green Library, High Road, London N22 6XD	Monday & Tuesday: 9am ~ 7pm Wednesday: 10am ~ 7pm Thursday & Friday: 9am ~ 7pm Saturday: 9am ~ 5pm

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Success at the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Expedition!

Gladesmore Community School is proud to celebrate the success of our recent Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award expedition, which took place on Wednesday 25th June 2024 at the Fairmead Scout Campsite in Epping. This exciting and challenging trip marked the final stage of the Bronze Award programme, following months of dedication from students in completing their volunteering, skills, and physical activity sections.

We are incredibly proud of all the students who took part. Their commitment, resilience, and teamwork throughout the entire programme have been outstanding. From giving back to the community through volunteering, to developing personal skills and improving their physical fitness, our students have shown tremendous growth and determination.

The expedition itself was a fantastic achievement. Students navigated woodland routes, set up camp, and cooked their own meals ~ overcoming challenges together and supporting one another throughout. Their positive attitudes and cooperation were a true reflection of the values of the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

A heartfelt thank you goes to our amazing team of teaching staff who volunteered their time and energy to lead and support the programme. Their dedication and encouragement played a crucial role in making the entire journey a success.

Students will now complete their eDofE reports, and once submitted, they will be invited to a special graduation ceremony, where they will be presented with their Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Certificate. Parents and carers will also be invited to this celebration to recognise and share in the students' achievements.

We are incredibly proud of what our young people have accomplished. The life skills they've gained ~ from independence and problem-solving to leadership and perseverance ~ will serve them well in all aspects of their futures.

Well done to all our Bronze Award participants ~ you have done Gladesmore proud!



Gladestar Assembly 2025: A Celebration of Excellence at Gladesmore!

On Wednesday 16th July 2025, Gladesmore Community School hosted its spectacular Gladestar Assembly, celebrating the outstanding efforts, achievements, and personal development of students across Years 7 to 10. The event was a joyful occasion, recognising the hard work, determination, and positivity shown by students throughout the academic year.

Students were celebrated through certificates, medals, prizes, and vouchers in a variety of prestigious categories, including:

- 100% Attendance ~ rewarding perfect attendance and commitment to learning.
- Subject Star Awards ~ for excellent progress and effort in individual subjects.
- REACH Awards ~ honouring those who have lived out the Gladesmore values of Respect, Enthusiasm, Aspiration, Cooperation, and Hard Work.
- Platinum Awards ~ for consistently high performance across all aspects of school life.
- Extra GCSE Awards ~ recognising students who took on additional academic challenges.
- Outstanding Achievement Award ~ celebrating exceptional accomplishments.
- GLADESMORE AI Awards ~ acknowledging creativity and innovation in AI and digital learning.
- Tutor Group Awards ~ for positive contributions to tutor group life.
- Sportsperson of the Year ~ highlighting sporting excellence and leadership.
- Student of the Year ~ the highest honour, awarded to those who have made an outstanding impact.



Adding to the vibrant atmosphere were special performances from some of Gladesmore's most talented students. The audience was treated to a beautiful piano performance by Rabbia (10DDL), energetic dance routines from Trinity Motion (Gladesmore Dance Group), and powerful singing performances by Kymaani (7D) and Charissa (7A). These performances showcased the incredible creative talents within the Gladesmore community.

We also awarded Mr Ojokor with an Outstanding Leader Award at the end of the assembly, to recognise his 28 amazing years at Gladesmore.

The assembly was a fantastic celebration of student success and school spirit. Congratulations to all students from Years 7 to 10 for their positive efforts and achievements ~ you are all true Gladestars!



GLADESTAR Students of the Year 2024 ~ 2025



Student of the Year

Year 7: Gabrielle Stevens 7S

Year 8: Meg Lindsell 8FPS

Year 9: Keira O'Kane 9RMM

Year 10: Ashley Haggis 10TLE

Sports Person of the Year

Eden Francis ~ 8MSE

Sharon Nunes Award:

Nehir Horkenek 8HSN &

Iiker Sebahtin 10CHE

Heseltine Reading Award:

Keiano Cheung- Duarte 7E &

Norbert Adjei 9THN

Carol Ann Williams Overall Students of the Year

Qian Lin 8RLE&

Benjamin Liverpool 10AGI



Gladesmore Hosts Prestigious Jack Petchey Awards Ceremony!

Gladesmore Community School was honoured to host this year's Jack Petchey Awards Ceremony, a prestigious event that celebrates the achievements and positive contributions of young people across the Borough of Haringey. The evening was a fantastic success, with VIP guests in attendance ~ including the Mayor of Haringey, local councillors, and representatives from the Jack Petchey Foundation.

We are incredibly proud to share that nine outstanding Gladesmore students were recognised on the night for their remarkable efforts and dedication to the school and wider community. A huge congratulations to Artem, Nevaeh, Ruth, Aiden, Zahra, Zarine, Savannah, Gulsu, and Enzo ~ each of whom have demonstrated exceptional leadership, kindness, and perseverance throughout the year.

The celebration didn't stop there! We were thrilled to see Mr. Martin McNally receive the Jack Petchey Leader Award, recognising his unwavering commitment and inspirational impact on our students. His passion and support make a real difference every day, and we couldn't be more proud of him.

Welcoming schools, families, and dignitaries from across Haringey into our assembly hall made the event even more special. It was a joyous evening full of pride, applause, and appreciation for the incredible young people shaping the future of our community.

Hosting this event was a true honour for Gladesmore. We are immensely proud of our



students and staff who continue to go above and beyond. The Jack Petchey Awards remind us just how powerful recognition can be ~ and how much our young people truly deserve it.

Congratulations once again to all award winners ~ you've done Gladesmore proud!





'Noughts and Crosses' at Regents Park Open Air Theatre

The Year 9 Chrysalis East Scholarly Reading students who attended after-school workshops in the Summer term in which they explored, analysed and debated literary writing from a range of novels written for young people, were excited to have the opportunity to watch a dramatised performance of one of the texts they had been studying ~ Malorie Blackman’s *Noughts and Crosses* ~ at Regents Park Open Air Theatre on July 1st.

Beginning our event at LAET with other students from Park View School, Dukes Academy and Mulberry Academy Woodside, we worked in small groups on a range of creative tasks linked to Blackman’s novel and ate pizza - before taking the train and tube to beautiful Regents Park in the evening sunshine.

Having taken our seats at the theatre, we were thrilled and intrigued by the set before us which was a maze of rusted ladders, separated floors and closed doors, embodying the separatist and divisive world of the novel. The Open Air Theatre, itself, where the evening light gradually faded above the stage as the show progressed, was also a moving setting for Blackman’s tragic story with its unflinching message that societies which run on racial and class injustice can never be at peace.

At the end of the play, in awe of how impressive and powerful the production was, we all got to our feet to give the performers a standing ovation!





**“Acting is behaving truthfully under imaginary circumstances.”
Sanford Meisner**

Round-up!!! - What an amazing academic year it has been for the Drama Dept. **“Don’t stop us now, we’re having such a good time!”** We have been to the theatre several times this academic year, to see a variety of styles and genres. It has been an extraordinary experience for all the students.

In **October 2024** we had ‘Odd Eyes Theatre Company’ in school for a workshop and debate. Gladesmore students in Year 10 had the opportunity to engage with the award-winning short film #HATERS.



*Odd Eyes theatre company
debate & workshop*

In **November 2024** we had a fantastic opportunity for 30 Year 10 Drama students to meet the cast of ‘Hamilton’ for a Q&A session, which supported the roles and responsibilities aspects of the course. Students also had the opportunity to work with professionals in the industry in a two hour drama workshop at school.



*Year 10 Theatre visit to see Hamilton with CAST Q&A
session on roles and responsibilities with the theatre.*

In **December 2024** it was our biggest cohort to date, sixty-eight Year 10 drama students created a fantastic Gladesmore style festive Pantomime and it was a great show. The students named it **‘The Three Sista’s’**. We had staff members as special guests to feature alongside the students on stage.



In **April 2025** a group of 30 students, visited the famous Sondheim Theatre in Shaftesbury Avenue to see ‘Les Miserables’. We had the pleasure of participating in a Q&A session with the cast and had an insight of the roles and responsibilities within theatre.



In **June 2025** we had an amazing theatre company called ChickenShed come and perform for 60 students in our drama studio. The play was thought provoking and daring, challenging taboo’s and cancelled culture.

The Drama Department have had a successful and an amazing year. We are so proud of the experiences we have been able to offer our students and we are excited and looking forward to the next academic year.



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THEATRE CHANGING LIVES

National Theatre Connections ~ 'Brain Play'



This year, we were thrilled to be selected for **National Theatre Connections**, an inspiring programme run by The National Theatre that empowers young people to perform original plays and explore the world of theatre and the creative arts.

Our chosen production was **'Brain Play'** ~ a heartfelt story about Mia, a teenager who becomes a young carer for her father after a tragic accident leaves him with hearing loss and diminished confidence. With the support of her loyal friends ~ Frankie, Nish, AJ, and Gee ~ Mia finds the strength to seek the help her father won't ask for himself.

The play was brought to life by our talented Year 9 and 10 students, with performances both in school and at the renowned **Southwark Playhouse**. Performing in a professional venue was an unforgettable experience, giving students a powerful glimpse into the world of acting and stagecraft.



Students working with professionals in the industry; learning about screen acting, developing characters, using movement and gesture, focusing on facial expressions.

One student reflected, *"I've taken part in Connections for the past two years, and it's been an amazing experience ~ not just performing and creating our own pieces, but also making new friends and connecting with people I might not normally talk to."*



Year 9's and 10's performing at the Southwark Playhouse in Elephant and Castle to the public, family and friends. 'Brain Play'

Welcome from the Headteacher designate, Paul Bernard

It is with great excitement and pride that I introduce myself as the new Headteacher of Gladesmore Community School.

I am truly honoured to be appointed Headteacher of this exceptional, diverse, and ambitious school community, where students are nurtured and supported to be the best they can be.

As the new Headteacher, I follow in the footsteps of exceptional leaders such as Tony Hartney CBE, who led the school for more than two decades, building its exceptional reputation both in the community and with Ofsted. In September, I will take over from Mr Ojokor, who has created his own legacy of excellence that defines this wonderful school.

Mr Ojokor would agree that one of his many highlights was leading the school to yet another outstanding Ofsted rating in October 2024. This success reflects the hard work and dedication of our entire school community. It is a testament to the excellence of our staff, the achievements of our students, and their ongoing commitment to the highest standards in every aspect of school life. This legacy will continue to serve as the foundation for Gladesmore's future success.



I am committed to the school's vision:

“To provide an outstanding all-round education where our pupils make impressive progress in a positive, friendly, community atmosphere.”

Our REACH values begin with our student-designed motto:

Dream it, REACH for it, Achieve it!

Where **REACH** stands for:

Respect, Enthusiasm, Aspiration, Cooperation, and Hard Work

These values are the key to our students leading successful, happy, and fulfilling lives.

My core focus will be to ensure that every child at Gladesmore Community School feels supported, challenged and inspired. I want every student to enjoy attending school because of our inclusive, engaging, and challenging curriculum. As a result, our students will achieve outstanding academic outcomes and go on to make valuable and significant contributions to society.

Strong relationships between school and home are crucial to achieving this goal. I look forward to building these relationships and working with you in the new academic year.

Thank you to the students, staff, parents, and governors for the warm welcome I have received. Thank you for entrusting us with your child. I look forward to working with you and watching your child develop and flourish at Gladesmore Community School ~ and beyond.

Warm regards,

Paul Bernard



This year our Sports week, culminating in Sports Day took place from Monday 7th July to Friday 11th July and was a tremendous success.

Throughout the week, students engaged in a variety of activities representing their tutor groups. From traditional sports to fun games, every student had the opportunity to showcase their skills and contribute to their team’s success.

The pinnacle of our week was the official Sports Day on Friday 11th July. The PE team extends a heartfelt thank you to all the students and teachers who participated or supported the event. The atmosphere was electric, with positive vibes and unmatched energy. The music set the perfect tone, and the weather couldn’t have been better. Our **REACH** values ~ Respect, Enthusiasm, Aspiration, Cooperation, and Hard Work ~ were evident in every aspect of Sports Day. It was inspiring to see our talented students shine, whether they were competing in events or creating the beautiful posters that decorated the grounds.

Special congratulations to our winning tutor groups: **7S, 8MSE & 9PEO**. You were all fantastic, and your efforts were truly commendable. We look forward to seeing if you will retain your titles next year, or if new champions will emerge.

A big thank you to the Year 10 helpers who supported the PE team throughout the week and on the big day. We also extend our gratitude to the form tutors for organising their classes and ensuring every student had a chance to participate. A special shout-out goes to the site team; without your hard work, Sports Day wouldn’t have been possible.

Looking ahead to next year, we can’t wait for Sports Day 2026 to see who will be our next champions. Will 7S and 8MSE keep their trophies, or will new champions rise?

Thank you once again to everyone who made this week an outstanding success.

The full results for the day are as follows:

Tutor Group	Position & Points
7S	1 st ~ 159pts
7E	2 nd ~ 108pts
7G	3 rd ~ 99pts
7R	4 th ~ 84 pts
7A	5 th ~ 75 pts
7D	5 th ~ 75 pts
7M	7 th ~ 68 pts
7L	8 th ~ 40 pts

Tutor Group	Position & Points
8MSE	1 st ~ 115 pts
8RLE	2 nd ~ 106 pts
8AAI	2 nd ~ 105 pts
8ABN	4 th ~ 101 pts
8FPS	5 th ~ 94 pts
8BKY	6 th ~ 90 pts
8DJL	7 th ~ 73 pts
8HSN	8 th ~ 54 pts

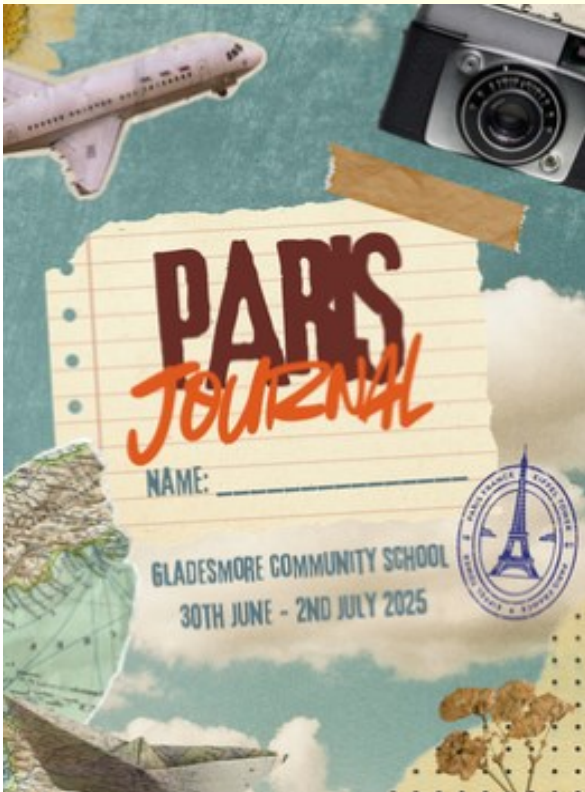
Tutor Group	Position & Points
9PEO	1 st ~ 110
9IJA	2 nd ~ 107 pts
9AHI	3 rd ~ 99 pts
9EEM	4 th ~ 77 pts
9SCS	5 th ~ 76 pts
9VMY	6 th ~ 60 pts
9THN	7 th ~ 58 pts
9RMM	8 th ~ 45pts

Gladesmore's Visit to Paris



It was an early start as everyone met at St Pancras at 4am to board the Eurostar to Paris. Upon arrival the group travelled to our Parisian host school 'Irene Joliot-Curie' where they generously hosted a brunch to welcome Gladesmore to France.

After brunch, students took part in ice-breaker activities such as dancing and playing basketball. Students were also able to practise their French and prepared for their market visit the following day. The students planned what they would buy at the market for their picnic and French students helped them to learn new words and phrases to help them communicate. In the evening, the group had dinner in a local restaurant and students took pictures and wrote food reviews using the travel journals we prepared for their trip.



On day two, Gladesmore students met with our host school at Le marché des Batignolles. Students were placed in mixed groups and given a budget to buy food and drinks in French for their picnic. Here students were able to use their French language skills and immerse themselves in French culture. Students later had a picnic together in the nearby park and reviewed the food in both English and French. Later that day, Gladesmore students visited some of the famous sites in Paris including the Eiffel Tower and the Champs Elysees. In the evening, students had dinner at the Bouillon Chartier, a typical French brasserie where they practiced ordering food in French and were able to try authentic French dishes such as snails and steak-frites.

On the final day, students returned to the host school to work on role-play situations on overcoming problems you may come across when

visiting a new country. Students then had lunch in a local bakery, followed by souvenir shopping, before heading back to London on the Eurostar

Our group had a fantastic time and feel very lucky to have had the opportunity to travel to France. Our students have said they felt the visit gave them confidence in speaking French and a real insight into French culture. Highlights include seeing the Eiffel Tower, making new friends as well as trying many different French dishes.

We would like to praise the students who attended the trip for their enthusiasm and displaying the REACH values. We would also like to thank our incredible host school for all their wonderful activities and food. A huge thanks to Ms McCallum and Ms Artimatas for giving up their time to attend this visit. We look forward to another visit very soon and hope our host school will also visit us in London.



GCS is Awarded Prestigious Learner Happiness Trailblazer Award



Gladesmore Community School has proudly been recognised with the esteemed Learner Happiness Trailblazer Award, celebrating its commitment to student wellbeing and engagement. This prestigious accolade is awarded to schools that take a proactive approach by initiating and distributing the Learner Happiness Survey to students across all year groups.

The school successfully implemented the survey, gathering valuable insights from a diverse student body. Following comprehensive data collection, Gladesmore's dedicated rewards team meticulously analysed the results to understand students' experiences, emotions, and overall happiness at school.

The findings uncovered some truly compelling trends and highlighted key areas where students feel supported and motivated, as well as opportunities for growth to enhance their school environment further. These insights will be instrumental in shaping future wellbeing initiatives, ensuring that Gladesmore continues to foster a positive and nurturing atmosphere for all learners.

This achievement reflects Gladesmore Community School's unwavering dedication to prioritising learner happiness and mental health, setting a benchmark for other schools to follow. The Trailblazer award not only recognizes past efforts but also inspires ongoing innovation in creating an enriching and holistic educational experience.



Summer Safety & Wellbeing



As we head into the summer break, we want to support you in helping your children stay safe, active, and emotionally well. The longer holidays offer great opportunities for rest, growth, and fun ~ but they can also bring challenges, especially around safety and mental health.

Keeping Your Child Safe

With increased independence during the summer, it's important to stay informed about your child's whereabouts:

- **Agree clear rules** around curfews, check-ins, and who they spend time with.
- **Know where they're going** ~ ask for details and contact information for friends or events.
- **Stay in touch** with other parents and carers to share information and concerns.

Encourage openness so your child feels comfortable coming to you if something goes wrong.

Online safety is equally important. Monitor social media use and encourage responsible sharing and privacy settings.

Mental Health Matters

The summer can feel isolating without daily school routines. It's vital to check in regularly with your child about how they're feeling.

If they're struggling, there is support available:

- **Kooth (www.kooth.com)** ~ A free, safe, and anonymous online counselling platform for young people.
- **CAMHS Crisis Line (for Hackney, Islington & Haringey)** ~ (24/7 mental health support for children and young people).
- **Young Minds Parent Helpline** ~ Call **0808 802 5544** for advice if you're concerned about your child's mental health.

Healthy Habits

Encourage:

- **Routine:** Regular sleep, meals, and screen breaks.
- **Activities:** Sports, arts, volunteering, or summer schemes.

Talk Time: Daily conversations ~ even small check-ins make a difference.

Let's work together to ensure our young people return in September safe, healthy, and ready to learn.

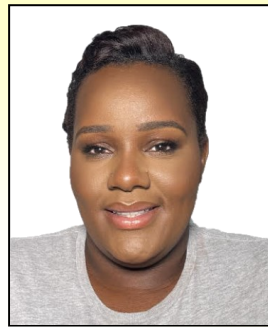
THE GCS SAFEGUARDING TEAM

All students and parent/carers are urged to make contact with the Safeguarding Team if they have a concern about the safety of any child.

Simply email or telephone the school, leaving your name and contact details and a member of the team will get in touch with you as soon as possible.



Ms T. Marshall
Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) & Designated teacher for LAC



Ms Cope
Safeguarding Officer & AEP Lead



Ms Moaka
Safeguarding Officer & Early Help Lead

: safeguarding@gladesmore.com
or,
: 0208 800 0884

Sunshine, Sea and Poetry at the University of Sussex, Brighton!

On June 11th, the Year 10 Chrysalis East 'Verse & Vibes' students who all attended weekly after-school English Literature sessions at LAET in the Spring term, set off by coach to the green downs and golden sands of Brighton.

Our day began ~ in grey skies and rain ~ at the University of Sussex, where we were greeted by a team of undergraduate students who took us on an interesting tour of the campus. We then took part in a poetry workshop taught by two of the English lecturers at the university, both of whom were greatly impressed by Gladesmore students' critical and analytical responses to a poem about the sea by Martin Carter, and the confidence with which they articulated their interpretations.

After lunch on the campus (some of which was stolen by greedy seagulls!), the sun came out just in time for our afternoon trip to the beach where we wrote poems about the sea, using a series of tasks set by the university lecturers, and dipped our toes into the water!

After chips and ice-cream on the pier, we took our newly gifted notebooks from the university, complete with our beach-written poems, and headed back to Tottenham, full of stories about our experiences of literary study, university life and seagulls!





Summer SCHOOL 2025

Wednesday 23rd July ~ Friday 8th August
8:45 am ~ 3:00 pm each day

This amazing programme will help the children familiarise themselves with the school and the amazing Gladesmore teachers.

Summer School promises to be an exciting and fun two and half weeks so make sure you register your child at the one to one meeting in June.

Remember that we would still love to see your child even if they can't attend every day.

We look forward to seeing your child soon.

Gladesmore Community School, Crowland Road, London N15 6EB.

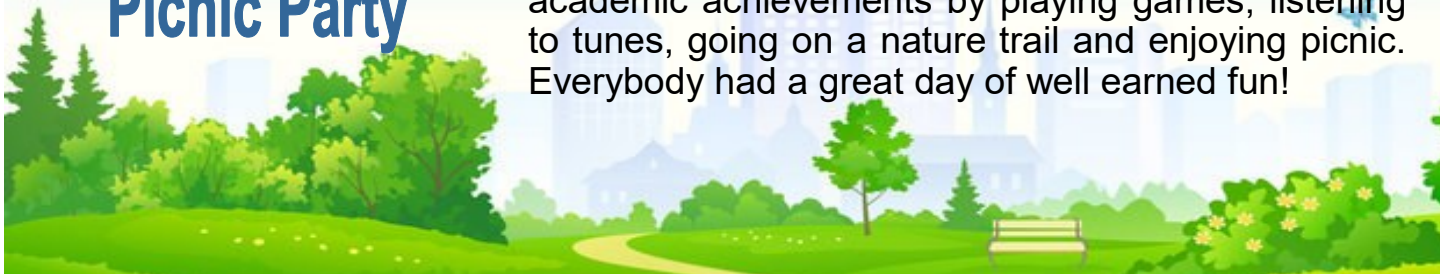
Contact: Mrs Bardouille ~ introduction@gladesmore.com

17th JULY ~ END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES

Year 7 'Vibe in the Sunshine' Picnic Party

As part of our end of year Reward Programme Year 7 students went to Springfield Park in Hackey for their **'Vibe in the Sunshine' Picnic Party**

Students and the Year 7 Team celebrated their academic achievements by playing games, listening to tunes, going on a nature trail and enjoying picnic. Everybody had a great day of well earned fun!



Year 8 goes to the movies!

Year 8 enjoyed a private screening a of the new 'Superman' movie. Any student who had worked hard this year was eligible to go on the trip as a celebration of all their amazing hard work this academic year.

In the movie, assisted by his superdog Krypto, Superman must reconcile his alien Kryptonian heritage with his human upbringing as reporter Clark Kent. As the embodiment of truth, justice and the human way he soon finds himself in a world that views these as old fashioned.

Students thoroughly enjoyed the movie ~ what a great end to the year!

Year 9 KS3 Graduation & Disco



Congratulations to the Class of 2027 on graduating from KS3! It was lovely to see so many of your parents and carers smiling with pride as you collected your certificates. The sashes looked beautiful and serve as a memento of this event.

As the sun went down the glitter ball started to sparkle and Year 9 students all returned dressed to impress for their sneaker themed disco! A great time was had by all as we partied late into the evening. What a wonderful way to end KS3.



We wish you, our Gladesmore family, a restful, peaceful & happy break.
We look forward to seeing you all again in September.

Gladesmore visit Haringey 6th Form

On Tuesday 8th July, students in Year 10 had the opportunity to visit Haringey 6th Form as part of their preparations to move onto Post 16 Education in 2026. The 6th Form laid on great day for our students as they got to experience tater sessions in some of the subjects that are available for them in Year 12. These included Criminology, Law, Psychology and Uniform services as well as Business and Health and Social Care. A BBQ lunch cooked by Haringey 6th Form’s talented kitchen staff was very much enjoyed by students and staff.



Gladesmore would like to say a big thank you to all the staff at Haringey 6th Form, particularly Principal Lisa Westray (pictured with Helin, one of our Year 10 students), Dominique Leigertwood and Lydai Koffie who organised the day. We would also like to thank outgoing CEO Russ Lawrence for his many years of support and wish him well on his retirement.



Summer Holiday Fun

Holiday Fun
Summer 2025

£1
UNDER 16 SWIM
entry for Tottenham Green and Park Road Pools & Fitness (lido excluded)

Join us for fun activities and make new friends.

Visit [haringey.gov.uk/holidayfun](https://www.haringey.gov.uk/holidayfun) to find the perfect activity for you!

Don't miss out - your adventure starts here!

Haringey LONDON

Haringey has lots of free and low cost activities for a variety of children and young people during half term.

To download a pdf of the ‘**Holiday Fun Summer 2025**’ brochure go to:

<https://www.haringey.gov.uk/leisure-parks-culture/holiday-fun>

For most of the activities, children and young people can just turn up on the day, but for some they will need to register in advance. Contact details and information about booking are shown in the pdf.

New Timings of the School Day

From September the timings of the school day will change and school will end ten minutes earlier each day.

Please ensure that your child arrives at school by 8:30am so that they are able to make their way to their tutor room in time for the beginning of the school day and registration at 8:35am.

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
8:35am	Registration	Registration	Registration
8:40am	Year 7: Assembly Year 8: Reading Year 9: Reading Year 10: English Year 11: Study Skills	Year 7: Reading Year 8: Reading or Assembly Year 9: Reading Year 10: English or Assembly Year 11: Study Skills	Year 7: Reading Year 8: Reading Year 9: Reading or Assembly Year 10: English Year 11: Study Skills or Assembly
9:00am	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1
10:00am	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2
11:00am	Break	Break	Break
11:20am	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3
12:20pm	Lesson 4	Lesson 4	Lesson 4
1:20pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
2:10pm	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5
3:10pm	Home	Home	Home

TIME	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:35am	Registration	Registration
8:40am	KS3: Assembly & Gladesmore Code of Conduct KS4: PSHE	KS3: PSHE & Reading KS4: Assembly & Gladesmore Code of Conduct
9:30am	Lesson 1	Lesson 1
10:30am	Break	Break
10:50am	Lesson 2	Lesson 2
11:50am	Lesson 3	Lesson 3
12:50pm	Lunch	Lunch
1:40pm	Lesson 4	Lesson 4
2:40pm	KS3: Home Selected KS3: Intervention	KS4: Lesson 5 Home
3:40pm	Selected KS3: Home	KS4: Home



IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please note all dates and events are subject to change

Friday 18th July ~ Friday 29th August Summer Holiday
Wednesday 23rd July ~ Friday 8th August Year 6 in to Year 7 Transition Summer School
8:45am ~ 3:00pm, lunch provided
Thursday 21st August GCSE Exam Results Day

The New Academic Year 2025 ~ 2026

Monday 1st September Teacher Training Day 1
Timetable suspended for all year groups
Tuesday 2nd September Staff Development Day
Wednesday 3rd September 8:35am: Year 7 Begin at Gladesmore
9:30am: Year 11 return
Thursday 4th September 8:35am: Years 8, 9 & 10 return
all year groups now in school
Saturday 13th September Year 7 Saturday Transition School begins
Saturday 20th September Year 7 Saturday Transition School 2
Monday 22nd ~ Friday 26th September Respect Week
Wednesday 24th September Year 6 Prospective Parents Evening
All students dismissed from school at 3:00pm
Thursday 25th September 9:30am start for students
Saturday 27th September Year 7 Saturday Transition School 3
Wednesday 1st October ~ Friday 31st October GCS Black History Month
Saturday 4th October Year 7 Saturday Transition School 4
Saturday 11th October Year 7 Saturday Transition School 5
Wednesday 15th October Teacher Training Day 2
Timetable suspended for all year groups
Thursday 16th October Year 11 Parents'/Carers' Evening 1
Friday 17th October 9:30am start for students
Saturday 18th October Year 7 Saturday Transition School 6
Friday 24th October ~ Monday 3rd November Half Term Holiday
Saturday 25th October Year 7 Saturday Transition School 7
Tuesday 4th November 8:35am ~ All year groups return to school
Saturday 8th November Year 7 Saturday Transition School 8
Monday 10th ~ Friday 14th November Anti Bullying Week
Friday 14th November Blue Day & Odd Socks Day
Saturday 15th November Year 7 Saturday Transition School 9
Thursday 20th November Year 11 Pathways Day
Key Stage 3 Activities Day 1
Timetable suspended for Years 7, 8, 9 & 10 not involved in the above events
Friday 21st November Year 7 Horror Night
Saturday 22nd November Year 7 Saturday Transition School 10
Monday 24th ~ Friday 28th November Enthusiasm Week
Saturday 29th November Year 7 Saturday Transition School 11
Monday 1st ~ Friday 5th December Year 11 Trial Exams 1: Week 1
Saturday 6th December Year 7 Saturday Transition School 12
Monday 8th ~ Friday 12th December Year 11 Trial Exams 1: Week 2
Tuesday 9th December Year 7 and 8 Review Day ~ attendance by appointment
Year 9 Activities Day 2
Year 10 School Exams
Year 11 Trial Exams
Saturday 13th December Year 7 Saturday Transition School 14
Friday 19th December Panto (non uniform day & last day of term)
Day ends at midday, lunch is available in the Glade Diner
Monday 22nd December 2025 ~ Friday 2nd January 2026 Christmas Holiday
Monday 5th January 2026 Teacher Training Day 3
Timetable suspended for all year groups
Tuesday 6th January 2026 8:35am ~ All year groups return to school

'REACH' HALL OF FAME Student of the Week 2024 ~ 2025

Congratulations to the following students:

05/06/2025 Liam Souza De Faria, 7L

06/06/2025 Matthew Asiedu, 9AHI

12/06/2025 Ibraahim Abshir, 7E

03/07/25 Tyler Rayner, 8BKY

04/07/25 Dimoneek Brooks, 10PME

10/07/25 Natalia Gryglik, 9SCS

To help you with your summer travel plans, the first days of school are as follows:

Years 7 & 11 is Wednesday 3rd September

Year's 8, 9 & 10 is Thursday 4th September

Look out for your WELCOME BACKPACK which will be emailed to all students and families during the Summer holidays.