



Gladesmore KS3 Citizenship

This year, our Citizenship cohort have enjoyed a wide range of enriching experiences designed to deepen their understanding of society and encourage them to become active, informed, and responsible citizens.

Throughout the year, students explored our local community in Tottenham, reflecting on both its strengths and challenges. They celebrated the area's rich multiculturalism, vibrant community spaces, and diverse local businesses, while also considering important issues such as homelessness and littering. These discussions encouraged students to think critically about how positive change can be achieved within communities. The visit concluded with a trip to Seven Sisters Market, where students experienced the vibrant atmosphere and enjoyed learning more about the area's South American culture and cuisine.

Students also had the exciting opportunity to visit the Houses of Parliament, gaining first-hand insight into British democracy. During the visit, they entered the House of Lords and observed a live debate, helping them to better understand how laws and decisions are discussed in Parliament. They also took part in an engaging workshop on e-petitions, learning how citizens can campaign for change and make their voices heard in a democratic society.

Another highlight of the year was the visit to the Royal Courts of Justice. Here, students participated in a highly engaging mock trial, taking on roles including judges, lawyers, witnesses, jurors, victims, and the accused. Both the prosecution and defence teams presented thoughtful and convincing arguments before the jury reached a final verdict of guilty.

Staff at the Royal Courts of Justice were full of praise for our students, commenting on how knowledgeable, confident, and well-prepared they were throughout the experience. We were particularly proud of Natalia, Lara, Gift, and Abigail, who delivered outstanding performances in their roles as lawyers during the trial.

Overall, these experiences have been a tremendous success and have showcased the enthusiasm, maturity, and talent of our Citizenship students. Many demonstrated skills that would lend themselves well to future careers in law, public service and leadership.

We are incredibly proud of all that the Citizenship cohort has achieved this year and look forward to providing even more exciting opportunities in the future.

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)

www.gladesmore.com
or go to the
EduLink One App



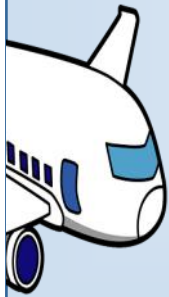
ATTENDANCE, UNAUTHORISED ABSENCES & SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

There is a very clear link between good attendance at school and good educational outcomes. Every day in school counts towards your child’s future, so excellent school attendance is very important.

Haringey Council issue penalty fines to parents/carers whose children have unauthorised absences from school. An example of an unauthorised absence may be going on holiday during term time. For more information please go to:

<https://haringey.gov.uk/schools-learning/schools/children-missing-school/fixed-penalty-notice-non-school-attendance-code-practice>

Dates for the coming terms are shown on the back page of this edition of the Gladesmore Post. When planning any travel please make sure that your trip begins during the school holiday and that your family returns to the UK in time for your child to attend school at the beginning of term.



We hope everyone has an enjoyable and safe break. We always look forward to seeing all our students refreshed and ready to learn at the beginning of next half term.

To help you with your summer travel plans, the first day of the summer holiday is ... Friday 17th July 2026

Haringey has identified Wednesday 2nd September 2026 as the start of the new academic year.

May Half Term Fun

Play, learn and enjoy
May half term 2026

£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 to find the perfect activity for you!

Don't miss out - your adventure starts here!

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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 **‘Play, learn and enjoy’** brochure go to:

<https://haringey.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2026-05/may-holiday-booklet-2026.pdf>

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.

Gladesmore Car Club Enjoys High-Speed Reward at Rye House

Students from the Gladesmore Car Club were treated to an unforgettable day out at Rye House Karting track as a reward for their dedication, enthusiasm, and hard work throughout the year. The trip was made possible thanks to the club's commitment, along with the support of Jack Petchey Leadership Award funding.

Led by Adam (Year 9), who showed fantastic leadership throughout the day, the group was accompanied by Mr McNally and the ever-supportive Rewards Lead, Mr Hussain. The students represented Gladesmore with pride, energy, and excellent teamwork.

The group took part in two exciting race events, showing great skill, determination, and sportsmanship throughout. There was plenty of friendly rivalry on track, with everyone giving it their all. Students had the opportunity to race at the same venue where Lewis Hamilton developed his karting skills as a young driver, adding an extra sense of inspiration to the day.

With glorious sunshine adding to the atmosphere, the day was a true celebration of effort and achievement. Students thoroughly enjoyed the experience, making lasting memories both on and off the track.

It was a well-deserved reward and a fantastic example of how commitment and positive contribution to school life can lead to exciting opportunities.



Kooth Safeguarding Assemblies – 7th & 8th May 2026

On the 7th and 8th May, students took part in Safeguarding assemblies delivered by Kooth.

Kooth is an excellent online mental wellbeing service that provides free, safe and anonymous support for young people. During the assemblies, Kooth spoke to students in Years 7 and 8 about resilience, positive coping strategies and emotional wellbeing. Students in Years 9 and 10 received sessions focused on exam stress, wellbeing and practical strategies to help manage pressure during assessment periods.

The assemblies were informative, engaging and extremely well received by our students. We encourage parents and carers to explore the support available through Kooth, particularly as it can provide young people with immediate access to professional advice and support outside of school hours.

You can find out more here: <https://www.kooth.com/>



Reporting Concerns to the Police and School

If parents or carers have safeguarding concerns that may be a police matter, we kindly ask that these are reported to the police first, before informing the school.

This is important because the police are able to begin gathering evidence, recording incidents and taking immediate action where necessary. In some situations, delays in reporting can affect the investigation process or reduce the ability to secure important evidence.

Once concerns have been reported to the police, please also inform the school so that we can provide appropriate safeguarding support for the young person during the school day and work alongside external agencies where required.

We appreciate that these situations can be worrying and sensitive. Our safeguarding team will always work to support students and families while ensuring the correct procedures are followed to help keep everyone safe.

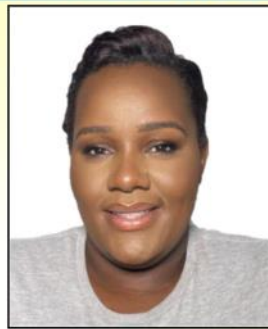
THE GCS SAFEGUARDING TEAM

The safeguarding of our children is our school's highest priority. Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is everyone's responsibility at Gladesmore Community School.

Please do reach out if you are worried or in need of support. Children, parents, carers, we know that it can be challenging to come forwards when things are difficult, but please get in touch so that we can help.



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*Designated
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*Safeguarding
Officer*



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*Safeguarding
Officer*

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GCS continues it's tradition of DofE success & opportunity for Year 9 students



This year marks our third successful year delivering the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award to our fantastic Year 9 students at Gladesmore Community School. The programme continues to grow from strength to strength, with students showing outstanding commitment, resilience, and teamwork throughout the year.

Participants have nearly completed their Skills, Volunteering, and Physical sections of the award and are now eagerly preparing for their expedition in June. As part of their preparation, students recently completed practical training sessions focused on pitching tents, organising a safe camping area, and developing essential map reading and navigation skills.

It has been wonderful to see our students develop confidence, independence, and leadership through the DofE programme. We are incredibly proud of all their hard work so far and look forward to celebrating their achievements at the end of the year.



Celebrating Our Maths Masters: UKMT Challenge Success!

We are delighted to announce that this academic year, a talented group of students from Years 7–11 proudly represented Gladesmore in the prestigious UKMT (United Kingdom Mathematics Trust) Maths Challenge.

The UKMT Maths Challenge is a nationally recognised problem-solving competition designed to stretch students' mathematical thinking, develop reasoning skills, and encourage precision and critical thinking. The competition is highly challenging, and all of our students approached it with enthusiasm, resilience, and determination.

Students were entered into two categories based on their year group.

Junior Mathematical Challenge (Years 7 & 8)

A huge congratulations to our Junior competitors, who tackled a range of demanding logic and arithmetic problems:

Alaa, Alimatou, Alvin, Anesh ~ Best in School!, Carina, Darcey, Deshanel, Hubert, Kenya, Lea, Nasser, Ravza, Victor, Xander ~ Best in School!, Yuche

Intermediate Mathematical Challenge (Years 9–11)

Our Intermediate competitors completed an advanced paper designed to test high-level mathematical fluency and problem-solving skills. Well done to:

Ahsan, Arseni ~ Best in School!, Chang~Yang, Cindy, David, Eray, Hong, Ioana, James, Keira, Phoebe, Rosa, Samuel, Tision, Yusra

A Special Shout-Out

Congratulations to Xander, Anesh, and Arseni for achieving Best in School and qualifying for the prestigious Kangaroo Round — an outstanding achievement. We are incredibly proud of all students who took part and represented the school so positively.



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TO APPLY:

<https://haringey.gov.uk/schools-learning/schools/free-school-meals-school-clothing-grant/apply-a-school-clothing-grant>

Is your child about to start their first year of secondary school?

You can apply for a one-off school clothing grant of £60 if all the following apply:

- your child was born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015 and they transferring to secondary school in September 2026
- you live in Haringey
- your child can get free school meals

You can use your grant to buy:

- school clothes
- shoes for your child

You may be asked to provide receipts as proof of what you bought.

Count on Us Maths Challenge

A huge congratulations to our Year 9 representatives for their outstanding commitment and enthusiasm throughout this year's *Count on Us Maths Challenge*.

In preparation for the competition, students attended weekly LAET training sessions, demonstrating excellent dedication, teamwork, and perseverance. Their hard work and determination certainly paid off during the heats, where they delivered an exceptional performance.

The organisers were full of praise for the team, commenting:

Their scores in the DCA and puzzles round — where they matched chart data and tackled logic puzzles — were the highest of any team that day. Furthermore, in the Algebra round, they used brilliant teamwork and logical thinking to score 54 points, significantly above the tournament average of 32.



We are incredibly proud of the students' achievements and the way they represented the school. Their teamwork, resilience, and mathematical talent were evident throughout the competition.

Well done to all involved, keep up the fantastic work!




**FREE
SCHOOL MEALS**

**Your child may be eligible for free school meals.
To qualify you MUST receive ONE of the following:**

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the [Immigration and Asylum Act 1999](#)[External link](#)
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit ~ if you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and your yearly income, before tax, is less than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit run-on ~ paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit ~ if you have a yearly income after taxes of less than £7,400 (as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)

For more information on how to apply, contact the
Gladesmore School Office

 **0208 800 0884**





IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

PLEASE NOTE THAT SOME DATES & EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

- Monday 18th ~ Friday 22nd May GCSE Exams ~ Week 3
- Monday 25th ~ Friday 29th May Half Term Holiday
- Tuesday 26th ~ Wednesday 27th May Eid al Adha (to be confirmed)
- Monday 1st June 8:35am ~ All Year Groups return to school
- Monday 1st ~ Friday 5th June GCSE Exams ~ Week 4
- Monday 8th ~ Friday 12th June GCSE Exams ~ Week 5
- Thursday 11th June Year 7 Parent/Carers Evening
- Friday 12th June 9:20am start for students
- Monday 15th ~ Friday 19th June Year 10 Trial Exams: Week 1
GCSE Exams ~ Week 6
- Friday 19th June Year 11 Graduation & Prom
Year 10 Exams
Timetable suspended for Years 7, 8 & 9 not involved in the Activities Day
- Monday 22nd ~ Friday 26th June Year 10 Trial Exams: Week 2
- Wednesday 24th June Duke of Edinburgh Expedition
- Thursday 25th June Teacher Training Day 4
Year 9 Transition Day
Year 10 Trial Exams
Year 9 attendance by appointment. Timetable suspended for Years 7 & 8
- Monday 29th June ~ Friday 3rd July Hard Work Week
- Thursday 2nd July Year 6 Induction Day 1
Year 10 Geography Field Trip 1
- Friday 3rd July Year 6 Induction Day 2
Year 10 Geography Field Trip 2
- Friday 10th July Sports Day
- Tuesday 14th July Year 9 Graduation & Disco
- Wednesday 15th July International Culture and Diversity Day
- Thursday 16th July * GladeSt«r Assembly
Day ends at midday, lunch is available in the Glade Diner
* This is the last day of school for students this academic year
- Friday 17th July Teacher Training Day 5
Timetable suspended for all year groups
- Monday 20th July ~ Tuesday 1st September Summer Holiday
- Thursday 20th August GCSE Exam Results Day

The New Academic Year 2026 ~ 2027

Wednesday 2nd September Haringey official start of term

'REACH' HALL OF FAME
Student of the Week
2025 ~ 2026

**Congratulations
to the following
students:**

26/03/26

Danelle
Emmanuel-Tackie,
11AGI

23/04/26

Isabel
Turner Hodgkins, 8E

30/04/26

Tyrell Bogle Sufran,
7M

07/05/26

Nayara
Conforme Marquez,
8D

08/05/26

Valerie
Gorbalan Lara,
10CGT

14/05/26

Wincent
Grden-Borowiec,
7R

15/05/26

Rudy Rivera, 9MSE

21/05/2026

Roland Yeboah, 8D

22/05/2026

Tyrone Fothergill,
10CGT

