



## To Aspire, Endeavour and Thrive Together

July 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of this academic year, I would like to thank you for your continued support. It has been a very busy and successful year and it has been wonderful to attend so many celebration events and presentation evenings for students who have been successful over the course of the year. There have been hundreds of prizes and certificates given out to so many students in year 7-10; they should all be proud of their achievements.

Developing student leadership across the school is really important to us at Glossopdale as, when given the opportunity, young people can have a profound impact on their schools. Involvement in leadership activities can improve students' learning as well as help them to develop the skills and traits needed for success outside of the classroom. We were therefore really pleased to have received so many applications for student leadership roles for next year. Today was the final selection process of interviews and I am pleased to announce the results below:

Head Student: Natasha Woodham  
Deputy Head Student: Joshua Maskell  
Student Council Leader: James Curtis  
Personal Development Leader: Jessamine Robinson  
Head Prefects: Caitlin Mason & Mae Nelthorpe  
Enrichment Leader: Zac Robins

Well done to all of them; they will all play very important roles in school over the next academic year. They are the voice of the students and will represent them at senior leadership team meetings, events, governors' meetings and much more.

We are also very pleased that a group of students selected from all year groups applied to become Mental Health Champions in school this term and were given formal training in how to best support and signpost their peers from One Goal Training. The new Champions are looking forward to leading on a range of projects in the new school year in order for us to become a flagship school in Mental Health and Wellbeing support.

As always, the end of the school year is a mixture of emotions; happiness in that we are all going to have a well-deserved break and sadness as we say farewell to staff who will be leaving us.

Mr Bertenshaw, Ms Greenwood, Ms Hodgson, Ms Casey, Mr Beal and Ms Bennett are moving on to new roles. They have all provided the Glossopdale community with many years of dedicated teaching and I know they will be missed by both staff and students, however, we wish them all the very best in their new promotions or adventures. Finally, we also say goodbye to Ms Smith, Deputy Headteacher, as she takes on a Headteacher role in another school. We wish her all the very best on this great achievement and I am sure she is going to be a brilliant Headteacher.

I would like to thank all of them for their contribution and dedication to Glossopdale School and I know that both the students and staff will miss them greatly.

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We will also be welcoming some new teachers to the school as the school continues to grow with 265 new Y7 students joining us in September. We look forward to welcoming so many new Y7 students and their families to the school and can't wait to meet them all in September. We will also of course be welcoming many of our Year 11 students back into the Sixth Form and we are delighted to be working with them again, this time as the oldest students in our school community. Our Sixth Form students act as fabulous role models for our younger students and this year has seen them work with students as mentors, classroom assistants, running extra curricular activities, supporting staff on trips and running the reward events for our Year 10 students just this week. We are very proud of their impact on our school community and are looking forward to seeing our Year 13 embark upon their future pathways at university or in the world of employment on exam results day in August.

Schools couldn't run without the vital contribution from support staff, and so we also recognise the enormous contribution of other staff who are leaving us to take up new posts. Firstly, we say farewell to Mrs McLaren, Higher Level Teaching Assistant in English, who is moving on to new pastures after 23 years of service to the school. We wish her well in her new role. We are also saying farewell to Mrs Ireland, Teaching Assistant, who has also provided 18 years' service to the students she has supported in the SEND department. We also bid farewell to Ms Beddows who has been a Year Manager at Glossopdale for the last 18 years, supporting so many students as they have passed through the school. Finally, we are saying farewell to Becki Taylor, who has worked in the family support team for the last 4 years. We wish them all the very best in their new roles.

### End of term arrangements

Friday 21st July marks our last day of the summer term and school will close to all students at 12.30pm. This will be a non-uniform day and students can bring in £1 contribution towards a charity.

### Start of Term September 2023

Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th September - INSET days. No students in school.

Wednesday 6th September - Year 7 (all day 8.40am - 3pm) & Year 12 (11.30am - 3pm) - students from these year groups only will be in school for induction.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September - Please see below the start times of each year group:

Y7 - 8.40am  
Y8 - 8.40am  
Y9 - 8.40am  
Y10 - 11.30am  
Y11 - 11.30am  
Y12 - 10.45am  
Y13 - 11.45 am

Friday 8th September - 8.40am start time for all students

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### School Uniform

We know that most parents will purchase new uniform over the summer. It is important to consult our policy before purchasing any items so that you are confident that all items adhere to our rules. A reminder of our school uniform policy is here: [Glossopdale School Uniform 2023](#)

If you have any queries, please contact your child's Year Manager.

### Ties for school year 2023-24

Ties will be available to collect on:

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September - 1:15pm to 3:30pm

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September - 1:15pm to 3:30pm

Pre-ordering through ParentPay is our preferred option (for speed when collecting and to avoid the need to take cash and find change), and I believe that we now have a portable unit which will allow us to accept card purchases (although I don't know when it will be fully functional as yet). Cash is the least desired as we aim to be a cashless school.

Thank you for your continued support throughout the year and I hope you all have a wonderful summer break.

Best wishes,

**Debbie McGloin**  
**Headteacher**

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