



GLENLOLA NEWSLETTER

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Your gateway to the latest news, events, and accomplishments within our vibrant school community.

Christmas Craft and Gift Fair



It is now 1 day until our Craft and Gift Fair. Lots of fun for the kids...meet Santa, get your face painted, make your own Christmas decoration and our free arts and craft table and enjoy hot chocolate! We will have a hot food van selling burgers and Christmas Chips! There will be over 40 different stalls, including our 'New to You' sale. Come enjoy the Christmas Music and lights - fun for all the family.

We hope to see you there!

Upcoming events

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02.12.23

Christmas Craft & Gift Fair

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05.12.23

Crazy Charity Christmas Bingo

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Ballot Prize Donation Request

Thank you to everyone who has generously contributed to our Charity Christmas Raffle. Your support, particularly in these economically difficult times is very much appreciated.

The ballot will be drawn on 20 December and if you would still like to donate, we would appreciate if items were left into School as follows:

- Non-perishable gifts and vouchers - Monday 18 December
- Perishable gifts - Wednesday 20 December (morning).

Ballot Prize Donation Request



All proceeds going to Charlene's Project



This Christmas, Glenlola Collegiate School are organising a ballot to raise money for the vital work of Charlene's Project; a charity whose aim is to build secondary schools and educate less fortunate children in Uganda. We would welcome prize donations of vouchers or gifts from local retailers and restaurants. If you could help in any way, please contact info@glenlola.collegiate.bangor.ni.sch.uk



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Soroptimist

On Wednesday evening, six Year 12 and 13 pupils competed in the Soroptimist Public Speaking Competition and all six pupils delivered thought-provoking and convincing speeches on their chosen topic. Congratulations in particular to Ellie, who placed second!



GCHQ National Language Competition 2023

Eight pupils from Year 10 recently participated in GCHQ's annual National Language Competition. The competition, which ran from 6th - 10th November, is an online 5-day competition open to pupils from across the UK in their third year of post-primary education, designed to give them the opportunity to show their language and puzzle-solving skills. Throughout the week, teams of four pupils solve language-based puzzles to score points, competing for the top spot on a live leaderboard in pursuit of the regional and national titles, and a chance to visit GCHQ headquarters. This year, we were delighted to enter two teams from Glenlola Collegiate to tackle a variety of fun, immersive, and challenging language-themed challenges in a range of European languages, languages less commonly taught in schools, and even made-up languages! Both teams performed well in both the regional and national standings, and we are very proud of the enthusiastic and skilled efforts they demonstrated throughout the week of online challenges. Well done to Cara Allsop, Alisha Farnan, Isla Corbridge and Emily Shaw from Team DELIGHTFUL SMART REINDEER, and to Anya Birkett, Stella Ginty, Katie Wilson and Peggy Watts from Team GLORIOUS CARING COLLIE.

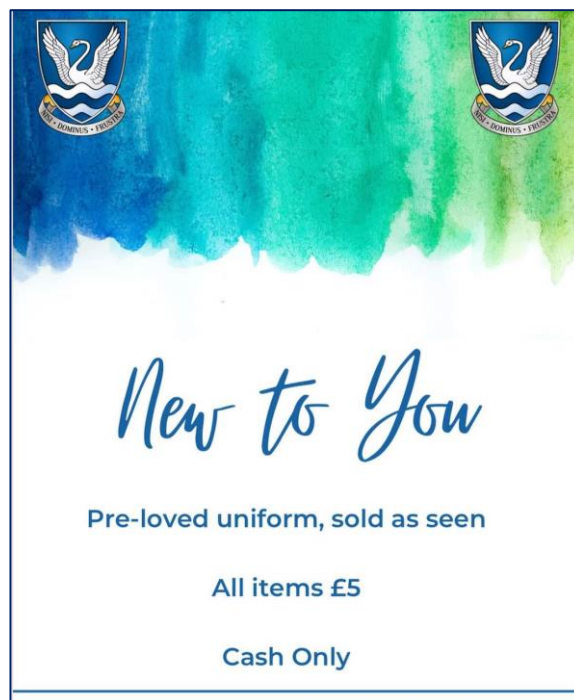
Hollywood Music Festival

A number of GCS pupils took part in the Hollywood Music Festival. Well done to Cara Allsop who got first place in her section of Musical Theatre (14 and under), Susie Noble who placed 1st in Pop Song (14 and under). Congratulations to the winners and well done to those pupils who were involved.

'New to You' Sale

The 'New to You' sale will take place at our Christmas Craft and Gift Fair on Saturday 2nd December. Thank you to everyone who donated pre-loved uniform and PE Kits.

All proceeds go to our School's charity 'Charlene's Project'.



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Eco Council

Glenlola are one of only 11 schools in Northern Ireland to be involved with the Hedgerow Heroes scheme. Our Eco council won this competition through the efforts of our Sustainability Prefect, Autumn Hawthorne, and Y10 pupil, Stella Ginty. Our prize is to receive around 100 native trees for planting a 20m hedge in our school grounds and 3 workshops on biodiversity, native trees, and birds. Here are some pictures of our Eco council from Workshop 1, run by Emma from Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful.

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