



# GLENLOLA NEWSLETTER

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

## Upcoming events

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18.03.2024

School Development  
Day

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22.03.2024

Spring Term Ends

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08.04.2024

Summer Term Starts

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06.05.2024

May Day Bank Holiday



## Charlene's Project

In the summer of this year, a team of Senior School pupils and staff from Glenlola Collegiate School will travel to work at the primary schools and secondary school we support through Charlene's Project. They will be working with the pupils of the schools, running a sports, literacy and values programme, and supporting the staff working in the schools. The staff travelling are Mr. Barr, Miss. Drennan, Mrs. Harper and Miss. Lough, and the pupils travelling are Elise Adams, Charlotte Bates, Jodie Baxter, Nicole Clegg, Savannah Coulter, Rachel Cummings, Ellie-May Irvine, Rachel Jackson, Lucy James, Emily MacFarlane, Myla Nabi, Rachel Noble and Sophie Wonnacott. Mr Shanks, who has recently retired, will also be travelling.

A summary and video of the work ongoing in Uganda can be found at the school website - <https://glenlola.collegiate.net/charlenes-project-update/>

We are looking forward to seeing the work in Uganda, and the difference Glenlola Collegiate School is making there. Thank you for all your ongoing support for Charlene's Project - the difference it makes in Uganda cannot be underestimated.





### French Trip

40 year 11 pupils left the cinema car park at 2 am on Saturday morning. We headed straight for Euro Disney before travelling to Normandy. Sunday was spent out and about experiencing the culture and history in this very interesting region. The highlight of the trip however was the day spent in Collège Saint Paul in Caen, where the pupils experienced life in a French school. They all had a good go at communicating in French and many friendships were formed, we are hoping Saint Paul will visit us very soon. On Tuesday we climbed the Eiffel Tour in the rain before heading home, happy but exhausted!





### NICMAC

Congratulations to our Junior Dance Team on an excellent performance at NICMAC where they placed 2<sup>nd</sup>!



### Netball

Congratulations to the senior netball team who won a nail-biting match 39-36 to reach the Senior Plate Final – well done girls!



Our two Y8 netball teams who travelled across the road to play Bangor Academy. The girls won all their matches and were a credit to the School.



Also, congratulations to Rachel M (Y10) who was part of the U15 Belfast Academy netball team who won their league on Sunday!



## Updates

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### The Association of Surgeons for GB & Ireland

On Monday, pupils from Bangor Grammar and Sullivan Upper joined Glenlola pupils to take part in a workshop run by the Association of Surgeons for Great Britain and Ireland - a very informative afternoon.



### The National Youth Choir

Well done to Cara Allsop, following a successful audition, she has been offered a place in the National Youth Choir.

The NYCNI represents the finest singers from across Northern Ireland with the Training Choir coming together for a summer residential choral course led by NYCNI Artistic Director Andrew Nunn.

The course is an intensive week of singing involving section and tutti rehearsals, individual singing lessons with professional vocal teachers and evening masterclasses and concludes with a concert on 19 July.



### Y11 Child Development

Thanks goes to Victoria Auld for visiting Mrs McCready's and Miss Totten's Year 11 Child Development. Baby Aksel is only 5 weeks ago. We tested his newborn reflexes, and some girls enjoyed a cuddle! Victoria also gave an insight to her job at the Maternity Department. We look forward to following his journey over the next year!



### Rotary Youth Leadership Competition

Charlotte Bates 13A recently returned from Strasbourg after her incredible success in winning the Donaghadee heat of the Rotary Youth Leadership Competition. Charlotte says:

'I am so grateful to Rotary Ireland for providing me with the chance to partake in this experience. Being given the opportunity to speak in the European Parliament and to talk with politicians from the whole island of Ireland is something I will never forget. This experience has given me friends for life and strengthened skills that will benefit my future'.

