



# 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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Uganda Dander  
Sponsored Walk



## Uganda Feminine Care Packs

For the Charlene's Project heading to Uganda in July, a group of staff and students have decided to make feminine care packs to bring, as according to UNICEF 23% of girls drop out of education in Uganda when they reach adolescence. We are aiming to create around 300 packs consisting of some re-useable washable pads in a small drawstring bag.

On our Staff Development Day on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May, a number of staff worked on these for an hour, with some cutting out donated material, and others using sewing machines to create the products.

This will make a massive difference in Uganda, and it will be exciting for our Charlene's Project Team of senior girls to bring these out in the summer. We are continuing to accept any donations of fabric and towels that are no longer needed. Thank you for your continued support.

## P6 Big School Taster Day

Glenlola recently hosted 300 girls from 10 local primary schools for a P6 Big School Taster Day. Visiting pupils were treated to 5 action packed lessons throughout a school day designed to help them see what life at “big school” will be like. There were many happy little faces around the school, including the GCS staff, as a fantastic day was had by all.





## Tennis Success!

On Monday the Junior tennis team defeated Strathearn School to progress to the Ulster Schools' final which takes place towards the end of the month. This is an amazing achievement, and we are so proud of the girls. From left to right is Emily (Year 9) Lily (Year 9) Sienna (Year 9) and Connie (Year 10).



## Eco Council

On Friday 31st May, Glenlola's Eco Council were once again joined by Emma Denton from "Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful". As Hedgerow Hero competition winners, we were receiving our final workshop on how to manage our newly planted wooded area. Emma led us in an invertebrate field study and bird watching lesson and then gifted us a permanent sign to mark our "Autumn Wood" with. This event was a great way to round off a successful year for our Eco Council.



## Duke Special

It's always nerve-wracking to perform live, never mind performing your own songs as the opening act for none other than Northern Ireland's own Duke Special!

A huge congratulations to Quinn McEvelly in Year 13 for an amazing performance at Drome Park last week, raising money for Love Amy, a local charity supporting children and young people affected by cancer. The energy and talent Quinn brought to the stage was incredible, and we look forward to hearing a lot more from her in the future.



## Updates

### The Anthea Bell Prize

The Anthea Bell Prize for Young Translators competition is organized by Oxford University and students must translate texts from French, German, Spanish, Italian or Mandarin into English. These translations are judged by professional translators and undergraduates and then regional and national winners are announced.

This year at Glenlola Collegiate we had 21 participants across 3 languages and all year groups. We are delighted to announce the following successes in the Northern Ireland group.

French Level 4 - Winner Hollie Robinson  
German Level 3 - Winner Mia Grammaticas

A big congratulations to all winners and all who took part. The group of judges commented on the large number of participants and high standard of translations this year.



## Athletics

Well done to Emma (Y9) who competed at the Northern Ireland and Ulster Age Group Championships on Sunday 9 June. Emma won two gold medals, one for U15 shotput and one for U15 discus, and will now proceed to the Irish National Age Group Championships.