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Glapton Academy

Parent Guide



Glapton Academy
A L.E.A.D. Academy



The Journey Begins Here

We wish to warmly welcome your child to our school and also welcome you and your family to the wonderful school community at Glapton Academy.

As Head Teacher of a LEAD Academy I know that these are very special years for our pupils. We want their time with us to provide them with some of their best memories ever.

Memories of happiness, warmth, fun, care, friendship, discovery and success.

This leaflet is designed to give you the details of our aims, how we try to achieve them and to answer your questions about

the day to day organisation and routines of our school. We hope you find it helpful and feel free to contact us if you have any further queries.

We would love you to visit us and see for yourself some of the exciting learning opportunities on offer, the enthusiasm of our children and the commitment of our staff team.

Mrs C Hurst
Headteacher & National
Leader of Education



We have two classes per year group and an excellent staff-to-pupil ratio allowing us to carefully monitor every child's progress and to support them to develop as an individual.

We value and welcome all of our children and don't discriminate on the grounds of gender, ethnicity, culture, religion or ability. Some pupils receive support from outside agencies alongside the support offered by the school. Our provision map identifies all of our pupils' needs allowing us to allocate our own support staff to individuals and groups at specific times each day.

You can read our SEND Plan on the school website.

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Discovery

Take a look at our interactive, hands-on, creative curriculum on our website.

We often work with artists, authors and musicians to deliver our creative curriculum. We use a topic based approach to learning with regular challenge days, festivals, visits and visitors. Our aim is to make our learning exciting and meaningful.

A huge variety of extra-curricular activities are offered from football to Spaghetti Maths!

We provide weekly brass music lessons to Year 4 and above and also love to sing.



Success

We are very proud of the progress that our pupils make during their time with us. Progress is regularly reviewed, celebrated and shared with parents.

Each child has a positive attitude and makes a real contribution to the school. Our school council and forums include representatives from all year groups and children act as playground peacemakers, tour assistants, dining room prefects and buddies for new pupils.

Ours is a truly inclusive school where, within an environment of educational excellence, each child’s ability is recognised, valued and

developed. All of our children, parents and staff work together as part of a positive learning community and promote equal opportunity, race equality and equality of access to all that our school offers.

As we live in a multi-racial society, we inform children of the background and beliefs of all the main religions of the world. All teaching is in accordance with the National Curriculum.

The school recognises the right of parents to ask for their child to be withdrawn from collective worship or instruction.

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School Session Times

8.00am	Breakfast Club
8.50am	Registration
9.00am	Lessons start
12.00pm - 1.00pm	Lunch
3.15pm	Lessons finish

Friendship

We really enjoy working in partnership with parents and carers and building a positive relationship with our families. To support this we hold a welcome meeting at the beginning of the year as well as offering the opportunity for one-to-one consultations with the head teacher for all new families. We hold termly parents' meetings, provide an annual report and keep you up to date via our regular newsletter. We also encourage you to see what goes on in school through our regular

Come and Share drop in sessions, class assemblies and annual productions.

We hold regular Celebration assemblies where individual achievements are shared and birthdays are celebrated. Systems of rewards, certificates and spot prizes are awarded on a regular basis.

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No Need To Worry

We know how important face to face contact is too so the headteacher and staff will be out on the playground every morning before the bell and staff are also available every afternoon as they dismiss your children. Please feel free to come and talk to us about your child should you have any queries, concerns or problems no matter how small you may think they are!

We hope that parents will not have cause to complain about the education that their children receive in our school but, if you do, you are asked first of all to contact the headteacher or relevant staff member and we will do our best to deal with the problem. A copy of our complaints procedure is available on the website.



Impeccable Behaviour

We believe that every child can choose to behave well and at Glapton our pupils do so every day. We operate a positive behaviour policy to ensure that our standards remain high and to support our pupils to make the right choices.

We have six simple school rules, which apply at all times in all places throughout the school day:

- I will follow instructions the 1st time I am asked.
- I will show respect and care for my school and everyone in it.

- I will look at and listen to the person who is talking without interrupting.
- I will move around school quietly and sensibly.
- I will be where I am supposed to be at all times.
- I will only use kind, sensible and truthful words.





Admission Arrangements

The Pupil Admission number (PAN) for this school is 30 per year group . The Standard Number refers to the number of children who may be admitted to each year group. We will adhere to the admissions criteria set out by Nottingham City Council and available on our website.

All children who gain a place in our school will be admitted full-time at the beginning of the academic year to ensure

that no child is disadvantaged by their point of entry to our school.

Parents of children who are unsuccessful in gaining a place will be informed in writing on the date laid down by the LA, and will be told of their right to appeal.

Caring & Carefree Days

We have two large playgrounds, a trim trail and a fabulous field for sports and play during the summer months.

We have our own kitchen serving delicious hot, nutritious dinners daily and pride ourselves on our delightful, child centred dining room experience. All EYFS and KS1 children are entitled to a free school meal.

We have weekly Delightful Dinner Awards for our healthiest eaters and a monthly Top Table for our pupils with Golden Manners.

Children do not have sweets, chocolate bars or crisps at school apart from occasional exceptions such as Christmas parties! We also teach children the importance of a healthy lifestyle and the importance of exercise.



Daily fruit is provided for all of our pupils and children under 5 receive free milk each day until the term of their 5th birthday.

Children also have access to fresh drinking water, fresh air and natural light during their time in class.

During the school day the school is made secure and access is only available via the school office where visitors must report and sign in. We realise that from time to time this may be inconvenient but it is important as it helps us to keep our children safe.

We welcome children to scoot or cycle to school and have safe scooter and bike racks on site. Children using these facilities will be expected to follow our cycle safety code.

We have two school halls with multimedia facilities and pupils have access to laptops and iPads to enhance learning.

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