A WORD FROM
THE PRINCIPAL
Parents, Students, Staff and Community Members

We welcome new student Thomas Bendeich and his family to Glenella State School. We are also pleased to have Chappy Amie back with us. Chappy will be organising lunchtime activities for the students and helping in the classrooms and playground. By the time the next newsletter is issued, Mr Wood will be back with us, returning to school on 6th August. I would like to thank Mrs Leahy, who is replacing me in the Year 6/7 class, for her contribution during this time.

Thank you for your continued patience with the road works around our school. We remind drivers to not park on the pedestrian crossing in the Prep Carpark as this presents a danger to our children and causes queuing of traffic on the roundabout. At the front of the school please use the drop off/pick up lane rather than driving into the staff carpark or driving up the hill towards the library. This presents a significant danger as there are students walking through the grounds at that time.

After all the wet weather we were finally able to hold the Northern Suburbs Athletics days. Congratulations to all participants. Results are included in this newsletter. Good luck to those moving on to the Mackay & District Athletics.

Auskick started this week with a very popular trial day. If students wish to participate in the AFL program they will need to fill out an application form and pay fees. Auskick will be held during Thursday lunchtimes on the oval. We thank Dion Obst for offering this opportunity to the students.

We have had a few cases of the virus known as “Slapped Cheek” in our school. As it is spread by coughing and sneezing, we ask you to remind children of basic
hygiene habits (covering mouths, using tissues and washing hands). More information on the virus is included in this newsletter.

It has been wonderful to see so many parents and friends in our school helping in classrooms. However, if it is difficult for you to do this, there are many other ways you can become involved in the school community. The P&C always welcomes new faces to their meetings, the next one being on Monday 6th August at 7pm in the school library. If meetings are not your scene, you will be made very welcome at the Working Bee on Sunday 12th August at 9am. The library also welcomes helpers, so please feel free to ask how you can be involved.

Cheers
Leonie Wilcox
ACTING PRINCIPAL

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Happy Birthday to those students celebrating their birthday in July. Gabrielle Ogilvie, Connor Barnard, Rylan Frost, Tia Humphrey, Alixx Yankus-Higson, Larissa Frost, Brayden Schmidt, Jayden Tower, Adam Treloar, Logan Purdy, Matthew Wright, Jasmin Sehl, and Joshua Vorster.

BOOKWEEK PARADE
Our Bookweek Parade will be held on Tuesday 21st August at 9am.

Come along dressed as a character from your favourite book (fiction or non-fiction). The theme for Book Week 2012 is “Champions Read”.

All students, staff, parents, brothers and sisters are encouraged to take part in this annual event.

As always, we encourage the use of imagination more so than the outlay of dollars when creating your costume.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING
We have advertising space available on the back of our newsletter for a business card sized advertisement. Cost is $33 for 6 months including GST. Please contact Kylie Garton in the office if you are interested.
FUNDRAISERS:
Please continue to support:-

- **Coles Sports for Schools.** Collect vouchers by shopping at Coles and BiLo Supermarkets. Send vouchers to the office. The more vouchers we collect, the more sporting equipment we will receive. Program ends 14th August.

- **Woolworths Earn and Learn.** Bring all of your Woolworths Sticker Charts into the office. The program ends on 12th August when we can redeem our points against a choice of school resources including books, classroom equipment, art & craft materials.

- **Battery World.** Please send up expired batteries of all kinds to be placed into the battery recycle bin near office.

- **Pauls Collect-a-cap.** Send caps to the office. We will receive 10c for every cap collected.

- **Cartridge World** - Spend $10 instore on cartridge refills and Cartridge World will donate $1 for each refill to our school OR place reusable empty cartridges in the school’s Recycle Box and we will earn rewards.

MONEY COLLECTION

- **P & C FUNDRAISING LEVY:** Please consider helping the school financially by supporting the levy system. Rates are:- 1 child only $15 per term - 2 or more children $20 per term.

- **BOOKCLUB:** Forms have been sent home. Orders and payments are to be received by Monday 30th July. Please make all cheques payable to Glenella State School.

- **SCIENCE TIME SHOW**
  On Tuesday 14th August students from Prep to Year 7 will attend a science show “Electricity: A Shocking Experience”. The show will be presented by Dr Peter Eastwell editor of The Science Education Review. Students will be divided into two groups, Prep-3 and Yrs 4-7. This show will be highly entertaining and informative. Cost is $7.00 per student. Please forward payment to the office in a clearly marked envelope by Friday 10th August.
HEALTH INFORMATION

We have had some cases of the “Slapped Cheek” virus in the school. As it is spread by coughing and sneezing, we ask you to remind children of basic hygiene.

Slapped cheek usually affects children between the ages of 4 and 10 but can happen at any age, even in adulthood. Most infections do not have any symptoms. Six out of ten people in the population have had the virus by the time they are adults. It is not life threatening and complications are rare.

Signs and Symptoms:
- Symptoms can take between 4-14 days to appear after getting the virus
- The symptoms are usually so mild that many people don’t even know they have had the virus
- The first symptoms can include fever, headache, stomach upsets, aches and pains. This is the time when the virus can be spread to others, mainly through saliva.
- A bright red rash appears on the cheeks 3-7 days after getting the virus. The cheeks look like they have been slapped, hence the name Slapped Cheek.

We have been advised that persons who are pregnant may be vulnerable if exposed to this virus.
Most children do not need any treatment except for rest and allowing the body to fight the infection. Fever may be controlled with paracetamol. Antibiotics will not work because slapped cheek is caused by a virus. Once you can see the rash on the face, children cannot spread the infection to others. Children can keep going to school or daycare.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK:
Week Ending 13/07/12:
Maharlia Lanigan, Sebastian Stehbens, Maliki Rudolph, Kate Gibbons, Travis Fischer, Chloe Osborne, Lachlan Wallace, Terah Hope, Ronald Craig, Jayden Cali, Ethan Upton and Angela Vorster.

Week Ending 20/07/12:
Kaden Muscat, Matt Goodson, Jack Marlborough, Kala Jackson, Max Maddy, Amber Schmidt and Chloe Osborne.
HOY:
Please contact Joanne Wallace on Ph: 49550865 if you are able to help out in any way.

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**KINCHANT DAM CAMP**

Students from Years 4, 5, 6 and 7 will attend the Kinchant Dam Outdoor Education Centre for two nights (5th and 6th September) returning to school on Friday 7th September. All students are expected to attend as this is a school program. As always, the students (and staff) will have a fantastic time, with lots of activities planned. Notes have been sent home to children involved. All permission forms need to be completed and sent back to school before Friday 10th August. Monies are required to be paid no later than Friday 24th August. Thank you.

**PREP 2013**

Do you know of any families who have children who will be eligible for Prep in 2013? To be eligible the child must have been born between 1 July 2007 and 30th June 2008.

We are currently taking enrolments and would love to hear from any new families that are interested. Please contact the office for an enrolment pack.

**P&C PRATTLE**

OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD THIS MONDAY 6th AUGUST AT 7.00PM IN THE LIBRARY

We would love to see some new faces at our P&C Meetings. Do you have some ideas that you think will benefit the school? Have you noticed areas around the school that need attention? This is a fantastic way to have your say and have some input into upcoming school activities and events. Free tea/coffee and supper is provided.

Make a difference to your child’s school!
Results from Northern Suburbs Athletics Trials

10 years
Julie Craig – 1st 100m sprint, 1st 200m sprint
Lacey Harding – 4th Long Jump
Luke Fagan – 4th High Jump
Tate Brodel – 1st Shot Put, 3rd Discus

11 years
Tyler Duck – 4th 100m sprint (res), 1st 200m sprint, 1st 800m, 1st Long Jump, 3rd High Jump
Joshua Vorster – 4th Shot Put

12 years
Liam Dethomasis – 2nd 800m

13 years
Zac Plater – 2nd 100m sprint, 2nd 200m sprint, 3rd Long Jump
Will Young – 3rd 100m sprint, 3rd 200m sprint, 2nd Long Jump, 2nd High Jump, 4th Shot Put, 1st Discus

Relays 4 x 100m
10 years girls – 2nd Julie Craig, Lacey Harding, Tiffany Osborne, Courtenay Bennett
12/13 years boys – 3rd Kyle Ollington, Zac Plater, Will Young, Liam Dethomasis

Northern Suburbs Athletics Trials. It was impressive to see the good sportsmanship displayed and the cheering for their fellow team mates.

Good luck to the following students who will now compete at the Mackay & District Athletics Trials next Tuesday 31st July. They are Tate Brodel, Tyler Duck, Will Young, Zac Plater and Liam Dethomasis.

WORKING BEE

The P&C will be holding a Working Bee on Sunday 12th August at 9am. This will be our first Working Bee for the year and will be a general cleanup of the school grounds. Future target areas will be discussed on the day. We would love to see as many families as possible attend. The more help we get, the lighter the load.
DATES TO REMEMBER

July
- 30 Bookclub $ due
- 31 Mackay District Sports

August
- 06 P&C Meeting 7pm
- 12 Working Bee 9am
- 14 Science Show
- 21 Bookweek Parade

September
- 5-7 Kinchant Dam Camp
  Yrs 4-7
- 7 Teacher Aide Day
- 12 School Photos

Shakespeare Child and Family Centre will be holding a Children’s Expo. This expo is targeting families with children between the ages of 0-8yrs with the aim of raising community awareness of the services that are available to families in Mackay.

Date: Sunday 26/8/12
Time: 11am-2pm
Where: 43 Shakespeare St, East Mackay.

Information Stalls, Fun activities for the kids, Raffles, Mini Cent Sale and BBQ on the day. Call 49577222 for more information.