FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Parents, Students, Staff and Community Members;

Welcome back for the final Term of the 2012 school year. We trust everyone had an enjoyable holiday and that students are now ready to focus on their Term 4 responsibilities.

Attached to this Newsletter is a note related to Enrolment Intentions for 2013. During Term 4 we undertake a lot of preparation for the 2013 school year and to assist with this we need to have an accurate gauge of our anticipated enrolments for next year. Please return the tear off slip at the bottom of the ‘Glenella 2013 Enrolments’ note by Friday 28th October.

We are now also aware of the Teacher Transfers that will take place at our school for the 2013 school year. Teachers departing our school include Lisa Hunt, Leonie Hiskens and Anna Hughes. We wish these teachers well in their new schools and thank them for the valuable input they have made to our school over their time here at Glenella. We look forward to welcoming teachers, Davina Nelson and Fiona Trenaman to our school in 2013. Between now and the beginning of Term 1 2013 we look forward to being able to finalise information around enrolment numbers which will determine the numbers of classes we will be able to form in 2013. We also look forward to allocating teachers to classes and organising Book Lists to share with families as soon as is practicable.

Over the next few weeks we will see school activities including Swimming (Wednesday & Thursday from Oct 17th to Nov 14th), our Fun Run (Oct 19th) and our Art Show (Oct 26th) all swing into action. We thank parents in advance for assisting their children to be ready and willing to participate in these activities.
We would also like to thank all those involved with the organisation of these events.

Friday October 26th is also the ‘Day for Daniel’ – a national day of action around keeping children safe in association with the Daniel Morcombe Foundation. As part of this day we are allowing students to wear either a red shirt (with a collar) or red pants along with their usual school uniform and they are asked to bring a gold coin which will be collected from classrooms for the Daniel Morcombe Foundation. We also encourage students to eat red on the day as well, e.g. red apples, watermelon etc.

We are also currently undertaking the required three year review of our school Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students. This document outlines our behaviour management practices at the school and we encourage members of the school community to have input into this process. Parents interested in participating in this process are encouraged to call in and see me at their earliest convenience. At our November 5th P&C Meeting I will be sharing our revised Plan for endorsement by the P&C before submitting to Regional Office for approval in preparation for the revised Plan’s introduction in 2013.

We would like to remind families that our Term 4 Working Bee will take place from 9am on Sunday 4th November. We plan on working on the bush tucker garden that P&C successfully received Grant money to implement along with general mowing, whipper snipping and garden work. We encourage families to join us and enjoy the company of each other whilst also helping out around our school.

Please note that our only Student Free Day in Term 4 falls on Monday 22nd October in alignment with all other state schools.

Cheers
Rod Wood
PRINCIPAL

FUN RUN
On Friday 19th September all students from P-Yr7 will take part in a Fun Run to raise money for IT equipment for our school. Sponsorship forms have been sent home and need to be returned to school by next Wednesday.
CARPARK
As the roadworks are nearing completion, please note that original traffic signage has been erected including NO ENTRY into Mooney Court from Hillend Road, and all previous road regulations have resumed including Mooney court being a ONE WAY road. We have noticed that a number of parents have begun using the staff carpark as a ‘pick-up’ and ‘drop-off’ location. The safety of our students is our number one priority before and after school so we request that parents resume the practice of using the “Stop, Drop, Go” lane on the left hand side of Mooney court with parking on the right. We request that parents remain on Mooney Court and DO NOT ENTER the school grounds/staff Carpark area when dropping off or picking up their children. We appreciate your cooperation with this matter.

HOY ROSTER

18 Oct
Kerry McNamara
Nikki Vorster
Shoppers Annalees Jackson
Natalie Valmadre

25 Oct
Kathy Owen
Nicole Tappert
Shoppers Lisa Matthews
Michelle Phillips

BIRTHDAYS
Happy Birthday to the following students for October:
Jemmi Miles, Seb Stehbens, Thomas Bendich, Jaida Johnson, Aysha Rouse, Jordan Russell, Lily Cross, Harry Hope, Keiran Lawn, Max Maddy, Jett Crawford, Stephanie Ivey, Courtenay Bennett, Max Mitchell, Brenden Morgan, Hannah Ryan, Skye Cairns, Teagan Hansen, Jake Masters, Dylan Phelan, Brodie Purdy and Liam Dethomasis,

MAGPIES:
Magpie season is here! We already have birds nesting in the trees near the Prep building. The Department of Environment advises some steps to ensure our safety:
1. Avoid the attacking birds and their territory.
2. Students to wear a wide brimmed hat and if possible wrap around sunglasses. Umbrellas may also be used.
3. Suggestions for bike riders are to place flag on bike and get off bike until out of the bird’s territory.
**SWIMMING:**

Please note that our swimming program for students in Prep to Yr7 will commence next **WEDNESDAY 17th OCTOBER 2012.** We will swim twice per week (Wednesdays and Thursdays) over a **five** week period.

Lessons will be given by qualified instructors at Marlins Swim School. Cost is $65.00 per child. P&C have kindly agreed to pay for bus costs. Invoices have been issued.

Please note a mistake has been printed on our invoices. Unfortunately we are unable to offer credit card payments. Direct Deposit is available and school details are as follows:
Glenella State Primary School A/c
BSB: 064-707
A/C: 00090677

Parents please note there will be **NO REFUNDS** for non-attendance of any student for the duration of the swimming program for 2012. Our school is required to pay upfront for this program and as such would appreciate full payment by all students prior to the commencement of swimming for 2012.

The Swimming Carnival will be held on Wednesday November 21st at Memorial Pool from 9am to 1pm. This carnival will include students from Prep to Year 7.

All students are required to attend our swimming program. If there is a medical reason to prevent your child from attending, please provide a medical certificate for that purpose.

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK:**

**Week Ending 07/09/12:**
Calan Bowman, Faith Penola, Jaida Johnson, Jack Marlborough, Keiran Lawn, Ella Toonen, Jackson Harris and Amber Schmidt.

**Week Ending 14/09/12:**
Matika Perkins, Gabrielle Ogilvie, Maria Biju, Jazira Grima, Brayden Schmidt, Jordyn Giles, Amil Biju, Kahlia Munster, Georgia Hansen, Paige Penola, Courtenay Bennett, Tyler Duck, Charly Milborrow and Sarah Desailly.
PARENTS / CARERS AND TEACHERS.

Thank you for your generous donations towards our Fathers Day stall.

Thanks to you we raised a grand total of $463.00.

The children were most excited to have the opportunity to purchase a Fathers Day gift all on their own.

Well done and thank you for your support.

The P&C Committee

SCHOOL BANKING
The Commonwealth Bank School Banking program continues to run at our school. Application forms are available from the office. Our school banking day is Monday. Books are returned to students on Wednesdays.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES
Each term we remind all parents to check your child/ren’s school supplies: exercise books, pencils, rulers, pencil sharpeners, scissors, rubbers, colours, glue etc. which may need replacing for the new term.

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.

WORKING BEE
The P&C will be holding a Working Bee on Sunday 4th November at 9am. This will be our last Working Bee for the year and will be a general cleanup of the school grounds. We would love to see as many families as possible attend. The more help we get, the lighter the load.
LOTE Speech Competition
This year the Mackay Regional LOTE Speech Competition will be held at the Central Queensland University on the 26 October. As there are a limited number of available places for the eligible students (one from year 6 and one from year 7), a mini speech competition was held at the school to select the group of students to represent Glenella State School in the Mackay Regional competition. Despite a battle from all contenders the following students will represent Glenella at the Mackay Regional Competition: Year 6: Lauren Owen and Year 7: Orannia Ninness. Congratulations to our two competitors and all the best for the Mackay Regional Competition.

We, the __________________________ family would love to receive our newsletter by email. Our email address is below:

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(Please print clearly)

MONEY COLLECTION

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

• BOOKCLUB:
  Forms have been sent home today. Orders and payments are to be received by Monday 29th October. Please make all cheques payable to Glenella State School.

TENNIS
Mr Alan Harris conducts tennis lessons at school for those students interested. Tennis lessons will now be conducted on Tuesday afternoons from 3pm-4pm for Beginners and Thursday 3pm-4pm for the Intermediate class. Cost is $8.00 per lesson or $60 per term (8 weeks). Application Forms are available from the office. Students from Years 1 – 7 are eligible to attend. Mr Harris also conducts lessons for ALL ages at his tennis court at 14 Schapers Road, Glenella. Please contact him on 49421060 for further information.
TUCKSHOP NEWS
Please note that the price of flavoured milk has increased as follows: Small $2.20 or Large $3.20.

DATES TO REMEMBER:
October:
17 Swimming Commences
19 School Fun Run
22 Pupil Free Day
26 World Teachers Day
26 Day for Daniel
26 Lote Speech Competition
26 Glenella SS Art Show
28 2013 Intentions note due

November:
4 Working Bee
5 P&C Meeting 7pm
21 Swimming Carnival

December:
11 Year 7 Graduation
14 Last Day Term 4

PLEASE NOTE:
MONDAY 22nd OCTOBER IS A PUPIL FREE DAY.

GLENELLA STATE SCHOOL ART SHOW
We will be holding our first Art Show on Friday 26th October from 3.30pm – 6.00pm. The afternoon will showcase our students’ artworks, which will be for sale on the day. We will be auctioning a major artwork at 5.30pm. Drinks and nibbles will be provided. Cost of entry is a gold coin donation. Please come along and support our students.

COMMUNITY NOTICES
Please note that all notices in this section are provided purely as a service to the community and that Glenella State School does not necessarily endorse the contents therein.

FITNESS CLASSES
Mackay PCYC is running a 10 week circuit program. It starts Tuesday the 9th of October and will run every Tuesday and Friday between the hours of 6.30-7.30am. The classes are $10 a session or you can buy 10 sessions for $90; there is also a $30 PCYC annual membership fee for insurance purposes. All fitness levels are catered for and there is a qualified personal trainer at every class. For more information call Kayla on 49423296.