FRIDAY FOOTNOTES

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

Welcome to Term 2 for our new and existing families. Whilst it was lovely to have two weeks to re-charge our batteries at Easter we will be hitting the ground running with a busy Term full of activities including Cross Country, ANZAC Day and Yr 3, Yr 5 & Yr 7 NAPLAN Testing just to name a few!

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual national assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 & 9. This year testing will take place on Tuesday 15\textsuperscript{th}, Wednesday 16\textsuperscript{th} and Thursday 17\textsuperscript{th} May with any absent students completing missed tests on Friday 18\textsuperscript{th} May where possible. All students in these Year levels are expected to participate in tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

All government and non-government education authorities have contributed to the development of NAPLAN materials. Strict rules are in place around the implementation of NAPLAN and Parents/Care Givers who have any questions about their child’s participation should contact me immediately. NAPLAN assessments are undertaken by students as a normal part of their education program. Teachers will ensure students are prepared for the tests and will provide appropriate support and guidance. Should you have any questions in regards to NAPLAN please don’t hesitate to contact me as soon as possible.

Thank you to everyone who participated in and supported our ‘Crazy Hair Day’ in support of the Leukaemia Foundation at the end of last term. This was a day for us to have some fun as part of our Term 1 Behaviour Reward Day activities, whilst also helping a very serious cause.
I am very happy to announce we raised $273.90 for the Leukaemia Foundation who continue to help patients and their families from throughout our region.

Thank you for your ongoing patience and understanding with the road works on Hill End Road. Pedestrian paths are closer to completion which brings added safety for our students when coming to and leaving from school. Wherever possible we will advise of potential traffic interruptions well in advance of them actually taking place to help families plan around this. We thank you for your on-going patience and consideration.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Phillip Duncan our school Curriculum Co-ordinator who has been Acting Principal for the last three days whilst I am on leave.

I look forward to another positive and productive Term together. My ‘open door’ policy encourages communication between school and home, something that is vital in supporting your children to reach their full potential.

Rod Wood
PRINCIPAL

ANZAC DAY CEREMONIES:
Our own school ANZAC ceremony will be held at 2.30pm on Tuesday 24th April. All parents, grandparents and carers are welcome to attend.

The public ANZAC Day March will be held on Wednesday, 25th April. If you have not already done so, please advise the office if your child will be marching.

All schools will meet in the old Coles car park opposite Sydney St Markets in Sydney St at 8am ready to march at 8.45am. Our exact position in the parade will be advised shortly. The parade will proceed via Gordon and Wellington Streets to Jubilee Park, past the saluting dais near the Sir Albert Abbott Administration Building (approx 15min).

Please dress children in full school uniform, wearing their blue Glenella polo shirts, school hats and correct footwear. Students marching with family medals are asked to wear them on the left side of their uniform. Please collect children promptly after the march from Jubilee Park.
CONGRATULATIONS
Students from Year 3 to Year 7 took part in our annual cross country event on Thursday morning. Congratulations to our King of the Hill, Liam DeThomasis and our Queen of the Hill, Lacey Harding. Medallions will be presented on parade on Monday 19\textsuperscript{th} April. All students should be congratulated for putting in a great effort.

Queen of the Hill – Lacey
King of the Hill – Liam

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
Charli Johnson, Lachlan Jones, Katlyn Tappert, Mackenzie Contor, Brayden Schmidt, Florence Walsh, Lily Cross, Amber Schmidt, Jermaine Quakawoot, Terah Hope, Cory Shackleton, Natasha Bennett, Madison Rogers, Lauren Owen and Shaye Hubner.

CONTACT DETAILS
If you have changed any of your contact details recently, could you please make sure that you let the office know as soon as possible. It can be very distressing for students who are ill when we are unable to contact parents and loved ones.

WE NEED YOU AT OUR P&C MEETING
Our next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 30\textsuperscript{th} April at 7pm in the school library.
A P&C meeting is an opportunity for parents to have input into the future direction of our school. If you would like input but simply cannot make it to our meeting please see the office for the contact details of our P&C committee. They would love to hear from you!
P&C Meetings are a fun, constructive get together to benefit our school and our kids.
SEE YOU THERE!
REMINDER

WEDNESDAY 25TH APRIL IS THE ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
MONDAY 7TH MAY IS THE LABOR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS PROMOTION
We are pleased to announce that we have received our shipment of sporting goods from this promotion. Thank you to all families who participated. We collected over 40,000 points, which is nearly double the amount of last year. Our shipment consisted of: foam javelins; shot puts; discus; netballs; softball helmets and gloves; cricket balls; tennis racquets and balls; soccer balls; markers; volleyball net and balls; table tennis net, balls and bats; echidna balls; boche sets; walkie talkies and sunscreen. Well done to all for the fantastic effort!

AUSTRALASIAN SCHOOLS COMPETITIONS: We are offering students in years 3-7 the opportunity to participate in these tests run by the University of NSW. If you are interested, please take note of the dates below. These tests are not compulsory. Cost is $15.00 for the writing competition, $10.00 for the Spelling and $7.00 for each of the other competitions.

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FUNDRAISERS: Please support:-

- Aluminium Cans - Please send in any clean aluminium cans for fundraising.
- 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 Cartridge World Recycle Box.
- Battery World – Please send up expired batteries of all kinds to be placed into
the battery recycle bin near office.

MONEY COLLECTION

♦ **Theatre in Education Show**
  The performance “Excuse me, I was here first!” will be presented by Theatre in Education to students in Years P–7 on Tuesday 22\textsuperscript{nd} May. Please return $5.50 per student in a clearly marked envelope by **WEDNESDAY 16\textsuperscript{th} MAY**.

♦ **P & C FUNDRAISING LEVY:** Thanks to the families who have paid the fundraising levy. Please help the school financially by supporting the levy system. 1 child only $15 per term, 2 or more children $20 per term.

♦ **BOOK CLUB:** Book Club Order Forms have been sent out today. Orders and payment need to be returned by **Tuesday 8\textsuperscript{th} May**. If paying by cheque, please make out to “Glenella State School”.

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.

MOUNT PLEASANT SHOPPING CENTRE RUN AROUND AUSTRALIA
This fundraiser is on again. Customers simply present Mount Pleasant shopping receipts to the Customer Service Desk during the promotional period and nominate Glenella School. Quick drop boxes are also available in the centre or alternatively you can bring your docket to the school office. We have been very successful in this promotion in the past. The competition will run until 22\textsuperscript{nd} June 2012. There are fantastic prizes to be won. Get collecting today!!

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.
DATES TO REMEMBER

April:
19  King/Queen of the Hill
24  ANZAC Ceremony 2.30
25  ANZAC Day March
30  P & C Meeting 7pm

May:
7    Labor Day Public Holiday
15   NAPLAN
16   NAPLAN
17   NAPLAN
18   Trivia Night

June:
11  Queens Jubilee Holiday

HEAD LICE PREVENTION
P&C have a new headlice treatment for sale in the school office. The product is called Hit Nitz 4 6. It is a complete system of treatment and prevention. 100% natural with no poisons or chemicals. Cost is $19.95 for the Once Off Lotion and $19.95 for the Daily Control Spray.

SCHOOL BANKING
The Commonwealth Bank School Banking program is underway at our school. Please see the school office for an application form.

Don’t forget our School Banking day is **MONDAY**. Please have your child hand their Passbook and deposit $ to their classroom teacher each Monday morning. Passbooks will be returned to students each Wednesday.

PLEASE HELP
Unfortunately at the end of last term we lost a number of our Hoy helpers and are now in **DESPERATE NEED**.

It would be unfortunate if this fundraiser was to cease due to lack of support, but under the current conditions, this is a very real possibility. This would mean a **loss of nearly $7,000 per year** in profit for our school.

If you can help out in **ANY** way, please contact Joanne
Wallace as soon as possible on 49550865.

GLENELLA STATE SCHOOL is always trying to think of ways to be GREENER. Currently our newsletter is compiled, printed and sent home with students. A more economical and greener way would be for parents to receive their newsletter by email. If you would be interested in receiving your newsletter by email please complete the return below and return it to the office as soon as possible.

EMAIL NEWSLETTER PLEASE

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

____________________________
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(Please print clearly)

ANZAC DAY MARCH
25 APRIL

Student
Name/s…………………………

……………………………………

WILL / WILL NOT
be marching in the Anzac Parade.

Please return this form no later than TUESDAY 24TH APRIL.

THANK YOU
Thank you to all who baked and helped out at our Election Day Stall. It was a wonderful success raising over $400 for our P&C.
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