FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Parents, Students, Staff and Community Members:

We are now entering the second half of Term 2 and our students in Yrs. 3, 5 & 7 have completed their NAPLAN Testing for 2013. We would like to take this opportunity to thank families for their assistance during NAPLAN by helping to ensure students had rested and eaten well and were at school to participate over the testing days. NAPLAN results will be available later this year with individual reports being issued to each participating student.

By the end of this Semester all students will receive a Report Card that reports on student achievement for each learning area/subject studied in the reporting period. Student effort and behaviour is also reported. It is timely to remind families that teachers use a variety of assessment devices to gather evidence of individual student performance and understanding in each learning area/subject. Given this, it is essential that students complete and hand in all pieces of assessment by the due date and/or are present at school for assessment tasks so that teachers can determine individual student understanding of the content/skills taught. Whilst our Music, PE and LOTE (Japanese) teachers are only at school two days a week, students have the same responsibility to complete and/or participate in assessment tasks. If students are absent from school for any reason they should ensure that they discuss with teachers of all subjects any work that they may have missed during the absence and also check on any assessment tasks that may have been handed out during this time. The front cover of the Report Card clearly outlines the Achievement Codes/ratings used on the Report Card.
Card. The front cover of the Report Card also encourages parents to participate in discussions with teachers about each child’s individual results. At Glenella SS we tend to refer to these meetings as **Goal Setting/Review Meetings** and we encourage students to join teachers and parents to participate in these discussions. Information about these meetings will be attached to the envelope sent home at the end of the semester with each family’s Report Cards.

Congratulations to our **Interschool Debating team** of Shaye Hubner, Lauren Owen, Tate Brodel and Luke Fagan on their success in round 2 of this competition recently. They will continue their participation in this competition next week as they debate against the topic “contact sport promotes violence”.

Don’t forget to put some time aside for our **Working Bee** on **Sunday 26th May** from 9am, (meeting in the staff car park at the Hall end of the school). Our next **P&C Meeting** will be held on **Monday 27th May**. As usual we will meet in the Library from 7pm onwards. We look forward to another large group of parents joining us again this month.

Please remember my door is always open and it is important that I am aware of any ‘questions, queries, hassles & hang-ups’ you might have so that I can follow-up, investigate if required and then give you the feedback you are seeking. Effective communication is an exchange between members of the school community and the school that involves information sharing and opportunities to learn about each other.

Cheers
Rod Wood
PRINCIPAL

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Dakota and Skye Cairns who competed in the CQ Regional Gymnastics Competition in Bundaberg on the weekend. Dakota placed 6th overall for her age group and Skye placed 2nd overall for her age group, earning her a place on the CQ Regional team to compete at the State Championships in Brisbane in June.

Congratulations to Tate Brodel for earning a place on the Capricornia Under11 Rugby League team. Tate will compete in Stanthorpe in July. Well done to you all!
STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week Ending 03/05/2013:

Week Ending 10/05/13:
Laura Munster, Jemma Lawn, Cooper Frost, Brianna Holmes, Kyle Ollington, Jack Marlborough, Larissa Frost, Amy Tappert, Kamya Darmanin, Jackson Harris, Matthew Wright, Courtenay Bennett, Dylan Phelan, Brodie Purdy and the entire Prep Class.

MICHAEL SALMON VISIT
We are very excited to announce that well known children’s author Michael Salmon will visit our school on Wednesday 5th June at 2pm. Students from Prep to Year 7 will enjoy a world of creativity with lightning fast sketches and caricatures and talks about practical creativity. Parents and carers are welcome to attend. A book signing session will commence immediately after the presentation, with many of Michael’s books for sale, most costing between $10 and $20. Cost for the presentation is $3.50 per student which is to be sent to the school office in a clearly marked envelope, by Friday 31st May. If your child intends to purchase a book, please send money in an envelope (clearly labelled) on the day.

BLUE POSITIVE RECOGNITION CARD
Draw Winners
Week 2 – Baylin Wade
Week 3 – Max Mitchell
Week 4 – Luke Fagan
Week 5 – Ella Plattfuss

Congratulations!
APPLE SLINKY FOR CANCER
As part of Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea, the students from the Year 6/7 classroom will be holding Apple Slinky mornings from Monday 20th May to Wednesday 22nd May. Apple slinky machines will be set up in the undercover area at Morning Tea. All students are invited to bring their own apple from home and pay 50c to have it “SLINKIED”. Please support this fantastic cause and at the same time teach healthy eating habits to our children. All funds will be donated to Cancer Council Queensland.

AUSTRALASIAN SCHOOLS COMPETITIONS: We are offering students in years 3-7 the opportunity to participate in these tests run by the University of NSW. Please take note of the dates below. These tests are not compulsory. Cost is $17.00 for the writing competition, $11.00 for the Spelling and $8.00 for each of the other competitions.

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HOY ROSTER
23rd May
Runners: Keri McNamara Annalees Jackson
Shoppers: Annalees Jackson Paula Mudge
M/Tea: Maryanne Funston Kym Mitchell

30th May
Runners: Nikkie Vorster Jenny O’Loughlin
Shoppers: Lisa Matthews Kylie Garton
M/Tea: Nat Schmidt Mandy Treloar

P & C PRATTLE
OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY 27th May AT 7.00PM
The Glenella State School Parents and Citizens Association aims to provide financial or other resources for the benefit of all students. We would love to see as many new faces as possible.
FUNDRAISERS

- Mount Pleasant Shopping Centre Run Around Australia
  This competition finishes next Friday so get your docket in fast!
  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. Get your docket in as early as you can. Get collecting today!!

- Woolworths Earn and Learn. Bring all of your Woolworths Stickers/Sticker Charts into the office. The more stickers we collect, the more points we will receive. These points can then be redeemed against a choice of school resources including books, classroom equipment, art & craft materials.

MONEY COLLECTION

- P & C FUNDRAISING LEVY: Thanks to the families who have paid the fundraising levy. Receipts will be issued. 1 child only $15 per term, 2 or more children $20 per term.
- Michael Salmon Visit
  Author Michael Salmon will visit our school and address students in Years P–7 on Wednesday 5th June. Please send $3.50 per student in a clearly marked envelope if you have not already done so.

MACKAY NORTH STATE HIGH SCHOOL
YEAR 8 IN 2014
The enrolment Management Plan has been lifted from North High. Students from all schools are able to enrol. Enrolments will be accepted from 5th June. An Information Evening will be held on Tuesday 4th June from 6pm at the Mackay North Community Hall Valley Street Mackay.
Ph: 49631666.
**MOTHERS DAY STALL**

Thank you to all families who supported our Mother’s Day Stall. We raised over $500.
The children were all very excited to be able to purchase a gift from the amazing selection on display. The look on all children’s faces was priceless!

A big thank you to all the mums that helped collect and wrap the gifts, set up and run the stall.
We hope that every Mum, Guardian and Grandmother had a wonderful Mothers Day.

Thank you again for your overwhelming support.

The P&C

**WORKING BEE**

The P&C will be holding a Working Bee on Sunday 26th May from 9am. This working bee will focus on a variety of maintenance jobs as well as gardening and general school cleanup. 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.

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**WINTER SCHOOL JACKETS**

Royal Blue zip-up jackets in sizes 6-12 are now available for $17.00 each. Please come and visit our UNIFORM SHOP near the school office each Monday and Friday morning from 8.30am.

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**NORTH MACKAY PRIMARY SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC**

As the School Dental Service is unable to access our school, treatment is being offered to all students through the North Mackay Primary Dental Clinic. Medical consent forms were handed out to students last week and need to be returned to the school office by Friday 24th May. Please phone 49514241 for more information.
## DATES TO REMEMBER

**May:**
- 20-22 Apple Slinky Days
- 24 Walk to School Day
- 26 Working Bee
- 27 P&C Meeting 7pm
- 31 Canberra Choc $ due
- 31 Michael Salmon $ due

**June:**
- 03 Pie Drive Forms out
- 05 Michael Salmon visit
- 06 Queensland Day
- 10 Queens Jubilee Holiday
- 18 Glenella Sports Day
- 20 Mackay Show Holiday
- 21 Rewards/Last Day Term 2

**July:**
- 08 First Day Term 3

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**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.

**The Annual Farleigh Palm Fete** will be held at Farleigh School. Sunday 19th May, 8am-1pm. Mackay’s largest annual garden markets. A variety of food stalls available. Phone Farleigh State School on 49598229 for more information.

**RSPCA Million Paws Walk** is to be held at the Gooseponds on Sunday 19th May. There are some fantastic prizes to be won! Your support would be greatly appreciated. For more info on how to register call 34269943 or go to [www.millionpawswalk.com.au](http://www.millionpawswalk.com.au)

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Walk Safely to School Day is an annual, national event encouraging all primary school children to walk and commute safely to school. It is a community event that seeks to promote road safety, health, public transport and the environment.