Dear Parents/Guardians, Caregivers and members of our community,

I hope everyone had a restful and safe Christmas and New Years. I would like to start by introducing myself to you all, my name is Cliff Powys and I have taken over from Rod Wood as the principal of Glenella State School. I can’t tell you how excited I am to be here. This is my first post in Mackay and so far I have been nothing but impressed by the place and the people. I will share with you a brief history but I am sure as the years progress, we will get to know each other better. I am originally from South Africa but immigrated here with my family when I was quite young. We moved to the Gold Coast which is where I went to school and lived well into adult life. I only moved away a little over 2 years ago to start at a school approximately 2 and half hours away from Mackay as their principal. I love being in school and playing an active role in developing students into our community’s future leaders. I love my sport and would love to continue to play some form here in my new home of Mackay.

My aim is to continue the great work which has started here at Glenella State School and high on my list is to ensure that our last group of graduating grade 7’s move onto high school with all of the tools they will need to forge a successful school life in whichever campus they attend. We have some amazing events and days
occurring at school and with our close partners coming up. These events will appear in our school newsletter, on our school website as well as in the Daily Mercury. If you would like any further information or clarification on any of these special events, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. We welcome back to our school community, Mrs Natalie Vella and Mr Ian Hamilton after some well-earned leave. I would also extend a warm welcome Mrs Joanne Brown, Mrs Rachel Morrow, Mrs Erin Myall and Ms Judith Dal’bo to our teaching staff. I am thrilled that these teachers have joined our excellent teaching team. I would also like to extend a warm welcome and congratulations to our new student’s joining us in 2014, Lachlan, Clea, Reece, Nakisha, Tristen, Jack, Nate, Jack, Brodie, Kaleb, Chloe, Damian, Harry, Seth, Jacques, Connor, Kaleb, Taylor, Kaylah, Jaziah, Breeana, Charlie, Samantha, Aneshia, Logan and Annabell.

This week we have seen some rough weather, can I please reiterate messages of safety at this time. Take care on the roads and be mindful during school drop off and pick up. If there are any changes to school routine we will notify the school community as soon as possible via our website and public notices. Thank you again for your warm welcome and continued support.

Principal
Cliff Powys
CLASSES FOR 2014
Our class organization for 2014 is as follows:

Prep–Joanne Brown /Rachel Morrow
Yr 1 – Davina Nelson
Yr 2 – Robyn Anderson
Yr 2/3 –Tracy Riggs/Erin Myall
Yr 3/4 – Fiona Trenaman
Yr 4/5 – Cathy Boal
Yr 6/7 – Katie Paap

ASSEMBLY
Assembly will be held each Monday (or the following morning if a public holiday) at 8.45am and we encourage all parents to attend.

AWARDS FOR 2013
Congratulations to Lauren Owen on receiving the Academic Award, Tyler Duck for the Sporting Award and Maddison Rogers for the Citizenship Award. Skye Cairns and Shaye Hubner shared the award for Most Consistent Effort. Well done to all. These awards were presented at the Year 7 Graduation Ceremony.

BIRTHDAYS:
Happy birthday to the following students for the month of January: Tristen Eckersley, Brodie Gillie, Jacques Le Coz, Lily Cashman, Jake Toonen, Matika Perkins, Savannah Ivey, Kaden Muscat, Noah Olsen, Ella Plattfuss, Jackson Harris, Ella Jackson, Tate Brodel, Julie Craig, Tayla De Wet, Carley Mercer and Luke Watts.

2014 SCHOOL CALENDAR
The Education Queensland 2014 School Calendar is available by going to the following website www.education.qld.gov.au

HONEY:
Our famous Hill Honey is now available! Cost is $3.50 per jar. Please see the office for your supplies.

Glenella SS P&C have A4 plastic book covers in a variety of designs for sale in the office at $2 each. Come in and take a look.
**CARPARK**

We would like to remind all new and continuing parents to observe the road signs in relation to our carparking facilities.

- Hill End Road (beside the BP shop) has a “NO ENTRY” sign to be observed. Entry to the school drop-off zone is gained via Kinnon Street (just past the BP shop) then right into Mooney Court. **This road facilitates PARKING ON THE RIGHT HAND SIDE and MOVING TRAFFIC for dropping and collecting children ON THE LEFT.** For the safety of our children and ourselves, please observe all road signs and travel at a slow pace in and around our school and parking areas.

- The other parking facility is the Sweeney Court carpark, outside the Prep building. This carpark is to be used by **PREP PARENTS ONLY!** In this area, there is a designated disabled carpark which is beside a concrete footpath. The concrete footpath is not an additional carpark and is for the safe passage of pedestrians. We will be encouraging the children to use the path and zebra crossing.

- Parents are **not permitted** to park within the school grounds at any time, due to safety concerns.

We appreciate your co-operation.

**SCHOOL UNIFORMS**

School uniforms are available from the office. A selection of second hand clothing is also available. Please note our office currently only accepts cash, cheque or direct deposit to the Glenella State School P & C Account

BSB: 064-707
A/C: 00900246
using your “surname” and “Stock” as the reference.

**ACTIVITY BOOKS, THRASS CHARTS, LIBRARY BAGS & CHAIR BAGS:** Books, bags and charts are available at the school office. The cost of books is $2.50 each; the library/homework bags are $8.00 and Thrass charts are $8.00 each. We also have PVC Chair Bags available at a cost of $10.00 each or fabric Chair Bags for $20.00. **We would request students have all necessary equipment at school by next Friday please.**
**MONEY COLLECTION**

- **P & C FUNDRAISING LEVY:** To support the progressiveness of our school, we need to maintain fundraising activities. A fundraising levy was introduced a number of years ago to ensure all other fundraising ventures will be kept to a minimum. We encourage all parents to support this levy. The rates of levies applicable to primary and/or prep students are as follows:-

  **1 child** only $15 per term or $60 per year

  **2 or more children** $20.00 per term or $80 per year

This levy can be paid by cash or cheque at the school office or by direct deposit to:

**Glenella State School Parents & Citizens Assoc Account**

BSB: 064-707
A/C: 00900246

using your “surname” and “Levy” as the reference.

- **BOOKCLUB** will be offered to students once per term (4 times per year). The brochures are sent home and those families who wish to be involved choose to do so. The books selected are then ordered and the money (cash/cheque) is returned with the order form to the school office. Please note: if paying by cheque, please make all cheques payable to Glenella State School. The first forms will be handed out with the next newsletter.

**SCHOOL BANKING**

The Commonwealth Bank School Banking program is underway at our school. Application forms are available from the school office.

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.

For every deposit a student makes, no matter how big or small, they will receive a Dollarmites token. These tokens can be exchanged for gifts of different values as a reward for saving.
HOY HELP!
Hoy commences on Thursday, 13th February at 9.00 am.
Hoy is a major fundraiser for our school which is run every Thursday morning at Magpies Sporting Club.
ALL CHILDREN BENEFIT FROM THE FUNDS RAISED THROUGH HOY AND THEREFORE WE WOULD ENCOURAGE ALL PARENTS, INCLUDING PREP PARENTS, TO BECOME INVOLVED. IT'S FUN!
Come along and see how the morning operates, meet other parents, and maybe have a game or two.
We are in NEED of people to help run the morning. We have various positions available including runners and shoppers. Both positions are very easy jobs and help ease the load enormously for organizers. The morning starts at approximately 9.00am and concludes at about 11.30am. If there is one morning per month that you could help out for a couple of hours, it would be much appreciated. Please complete the return at the end of this newsletter or contact the school office.
PLease put your hand up to help out!

WE NEED YOU AT OUR P&C MEETING

Our first P&C meeting (AGM) will be held on Monday 24th February at 7pm in the school library.
We will be looking at what we would like to plan for 2014 - whether this is repairing, replacing, purchasing equipment or simply what social events we would like to hold throughout the year.
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.
PERMISSION FORMS
Attached you will find a copy of our General Permission form which covers excursions, swimming lessons, bus trips such as sports carnivals etc and other school related activities. This permission form is to be completed and returned by FRIDAY 14th FEBRUARY.

Please note that students will be unable to attend sporting events/excursions etc until this permission form has been completed and returned to the school.
Families with students in Year 3-7 will also find a Student Internet Access Agreement section. Parents please note students in these years will be given an e-mail account and can access this account from school and home. (Please be aware!) As a matter of interest, any inappropriate e-mails rebound to Mr Powys’ personal e-mail account for his perusal and will be discussed with students!

MOSQUITO ALERT:
Unfortunately, the wet weather that is around at the moment has brought with it an influx of mozzies. Please apply insect repellent to your children before school for their comfort.

TENNIS:
Mr Alan Harris conducts tennis lessons at school for those students interested. Tennis lessons will be conducted on Tuesday afternoons from 3pm-4pm for students from Yr 3-7, starting 4th February. Lessons will be conducted for students Prep-Yr 2 on a Thursday afternoon from 3pm-4pm, starting 6th February. Cost is $8.00 per lesson or $60 per term (8 weeks). Application Forms are available from the office. This form needs to be completed and handed to the instructor before the lesson. 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.

THANK YOU
Iceblocks: A belated thank you to Toni and Margaret (BP Glenella) for the iceblocks which were kindly donated for our 2013 break up day. All children thoroughly enjoyed these cold delights!!
### POSITIONS VACANT

**SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISORS**

- Position Vacant - relief & rostered
- Hours up to 7.5 per f/night
- Casual rates start at $26.25 per hour
- Training provided
- Equal opportunity employer

Call Karen Cantoni on 49 518331 for an application package!

- All staff are required to undergo a medical, police and working with children Blue Card check which will be provided by Transport and Main Roads.

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**EMAIL NEWSLETTER**

We, the __________________________ family would love to receive our newsletter by email.

Our email address is below:

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(Please print clearly)

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**HOY HELP 2014**

**PLEASE RETURN BY 7/2/2014**

Name: 

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Ph:______________________________

I am / am not able to help with Hoy for 2014. I am interested in:-

- Runner
- Grocery shopper
- Wherever needed
DATES TO REMEMBER

February:
2 Yr2/3 Parent Meeting 3.10pm
14 Permission Forms Due
13 Hoy Magpies 9.30am

March:
17 Nexus Arts Show

April:
04 Last Day Term 1
22 First Day Term 2

GLENELLA STATE SCHOOL TUCKSHOP:
Glenella Cash Store (BP) supplies lunches for the school students of our school if parents so wish.

Orders and payment must be placed directly with the shop by parents by 9.30 am. Orders are to be on a paper bag with the CHILD’S NAME, YEAR, TIME (11am or 1pm) AND ORDER.

No students go to the shop to collect morning tea or lunch as it will be delivered to the school gate and collected on their behalf by two Year 7 students.

WE ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO EAT HEALTHY FOOD AND WOULD ASK PARENTS NOT ORDER LOLLIES AND/OR SWEETS FOR STUDENTS FOR LUNCHES.

Please keep the menu (over the page) handy for future reference.
# Tuckshop Menu - 2014

## Hot Food
- Corn on Cob 0.80
- Chicken Nuggets x 4 3.00
- Chicken Tenderloin 2.20
- Pizza Rounder 2.80
- Pizza Single 2.80
- Ch & Bacon; Hame Pine; Supreme Cheesios/Sauce x 5 2.60
- Good Eating Pie reg 3.60
- Good Eating S/Roll 2.60
- Beef & Cheese Cruiser Pie 3.60
- Hot Dog 3.50
- Keppel Dog 2.80
- Extras
  - Peas 0.35
  - Sauce 0.35
  - Cheese 0.60

## Cold Food
- Mervin Muffin dbl choc 2.40
- Yoghurt single tub 2.10
- Fruit Tubs 2.50
- Salami Stick 1.65
- Pepperoni Stick 1.65
- Cheese Stick 1.10
- Nutella 1.00
- 4 Sao’s Cheese & Tom 2.20
- 4 Sao’s Vegemite & Ch 2.20
- Salad - Chicken/Lettuce/ Cheese/Carrot 4.50
- Bulla Frozen Yoghurt Cups 2.10

## Sandwiches
- Ham & Salad 5.80
- Chicken & Salad 5.80
- Ham 4.50
- Chicken 4.50
- Vegemite 2.00
- Peanut butter 2.00
- Cheese 2.00
- Toasted 0.20
- Chicken Tenderloin Sub 4.50
- Tenderloin/Letti/Mayo or Sauce Wraps are also Available

## Drinks
- Bundy Juice variable
- Please bring selection to the counter
- Cooroy Water 2.00
- Popper 200ml 2.00
- Flav Milk Sm 2.50
- Flav Milk Lg 3.90
- Full Cream Milk 500ml 1.90
- Water Mt Franklin 3.30

## Other
- Dried Fruit Boxes 0.90
- Fruit Flakes 1.20

## Fruit
- Prices vary according to season
- Apples
- Oranges
- Bananas

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