PRINCIPALS CORNER

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

Welcome back to Glenella. I hope you all had a great Christmas and fantastic New Year. The time certainly flew past quickly. I have spoken to some of our parents already and by the sounds of it, our students were well entertained. We have started this year with a few less students than we expected. Thank you to our community for your open communication towards the end of last year and the beginning of this one. It makes our planning much easier to complete with up to date information.

We will be starting with the same outstanding team that we had last year. Each and every staff member at Glenella State School is committed to ensuring every student is learning every day and we look forward to sharing that journey together. The 5 main questions I would encourage you to ask your child from time to time are:

1. What are you learning at the moment?
2. How are you doing?
3. How do you know?
4. How can you improve?
5. Where do you go for help?

We also have some new students joining us this year: Jackson, Hayden, Eva, Saavi, Reynie, Caitlin, Amelia, Izzabella, Jayde, Isabella, Taytum, Umaiza, Sophia, Elkie, Luca, Vincent, Riley, Gus, Ezekiel, Peggy, Anique, Griffin, Lilly, Kailey, Jacee, Sophie, Emerson, Dillon, Brad and Max.
I extend a special welcome to all of our new students and families. I am sure you will have a great time here at Glenella for many years to come.

We have a staff member from last year who will be re-joining our team in 2017. Mrs Porter will be working with our diverse learners and supporting students in the classroom and in the playground. We welcome her back to Glenella. We also welcome 2 student teachers, Miss Blackman in the Year 5/6 classroom and Ms Daly in Year 1. They will be with us periodically over the course of the year.

Last year I included the following table to give you an idea of what just 1 x absent day a fortnight looks like over a child’s schooling. Through our improved Responsible Behaviour Plan, we will be addressing attendance much more closely.

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<th>If your child misses...</th>
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<th>And over 13 years of schooling that’s.....</th>
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<td>1 day per fortnight</td>
<td>20 days per year</td>
<td>4 weeks per year</td>
<td>Nearly 1.5 years</td>
<td>Your child Other children Equal to finishing in Year 11</td>
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<td>1 day per week</td>
<td>40 days per year</td>
<td>8 weeks per year</td>
<td>Over 2.5 years</td>
<td>Your child Other children Equal to finishing in Year 10</td>
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<td>2 day per week</td>
<td>80 days per year</td>
<td>16 weeks per year</td>
<td>Over 5 years</td>
<td>Your child Other children Equal to finishing in Year 7</td>
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<td>3 day per week</td>
<td>120 days per year</td>
<td>24 weeks per year</td>
<td>Nearly 8 years</td>
<td>Your child Other children Equal to finishing in Year 4</td>
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The above table certainly puts things into perspective! Remember - Every Day Counts!
Regards
Cliff Powys

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**CLASSES FOR 2017**

Our class organisation for 2017 is as follows:

- Prep  Joanne Brown
- Yr 1  Tracy Riggs
- Yr 2  Jess Litzow/Robyn Anderson
- Yr 3  Davina Nelson
- Yr 4  Cathy Boal
- Yr 5  Fiona Trenaman
- Yr 5/6 Katie Paap

**WEEKLY ASSEMBLY**

Assembly will be held each Monday at 8.45am and we encourage all parents to attend.

**AWARDS FOR 2016**

Congratulations to Gabriel Vance on receiving the Academic Award for 2016. Congratulations to Ella Toonen for receiving the Sporting Award. Hayley Downie was presented with the Citizenship Award and Talia Miles received the All Rounder Award. Well done to all. These awards were presented at the Year 6 Graduation Ceremony.

**BIRTHDAYS:**

Happy birthday to the following students for the month of January: Caitlin, Ivy, Charlotte, Maddison, Jacques, Samantha, Lilly, Lily, Ashwath, Noah, Matika, Savannah and Kaden.

**2017 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

The Education Queensland 2017 School Calendar is available on the following website [www.education.qld.gov.au](http://www.education.qld.gov.au)

You will find it on the right hand side under 2017 school terms.

**COWBOYS VISIT**

The Cowboys are coming!!! Representatives from the North Queensland Cowboys will be visiting our school on Friday 10th February at 10.15am. Two players will be speaking with our students about respecting and valuing diversity and belonging to a community. Remember to be on your best behavior.

Go Cowboys!
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.

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

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.

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

REMINDER TO PREP AND NEW YEAR 1 PARENTS
If you have yet to produce your child’s birth certificate, please do so without delay. This formality is a requirement of Education Queensland.
WE NEED YOU AT OUR P&C MEETING

Our first P&C meeting (AGM) will be held on Monday 6th February at 7pm in the school library. We will be looking at what we would like to plan for 2017 - 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. Supper is provided!

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. **1 child** only $20 per term or $80 per year
  2. **2 or more children** $25.00 per term or $100 per year

This levy can be paid by cash or eftpos 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 first forms have been handed out with this newsletter. Orders are to be made by Wednesday 8th February 2017.

MEDICATION:
If you require school staff to administer medication to your child at school, please contact the school office in the first instance to discuss your child’s requirements.

Please note, school staff will only administer medication that:
- Has been prescribed by a qualified health practitioner (eg: doctor, dentist)
- Is in its original container
- Has an attached pharmacy label.

Office staff will ask you to complete and sign Section 1 of the Administration of medication at school record sheet
N.B. If your child requires more than one medication, you will need to complete a form for each medication.

Please note, school staff will not administer medication that you can buy over-the-counter at chemists and supermarkets (e.g. paracetamol, eye drops, cough syrup) unless it has been labelled with your child’s name by a pharmacist. School staff are bound by these regulations and we hope that all parents will acknowledge and cooperate with these rules.

ASTHMA MEDICATION:
If your child has asthma, it is important for you to provide the school with their Asthma Action Plan (completed by their doctor) and the required asthma medication and spacer. An Asthma Action Plan provides specific instructions for the school to administer your child’s medication.

ANAPHYLAXIS:
If your child is at risk of anaphylaxis, it is important for you to provide the school with your child’s emergency medication and their ASCIA Anaphylaxis Action Plan, completed by their doctor. This Anaphylaxis Action Plan provides the instructions for the school to administer your child’s medication in an emergency, which is specific to respond to their health condition.
HOY HELP!
Hoy commences on Thursday, 9th 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, or if you would be available to shop for prizes once a month, 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!

HOY HELP 2017
PLEASE RETURN BY 3/2/2017

Name: ___________________________
Ph: ___________________________

I am able to help with Hoy for 2017. I am interested in:
    Shopper □
    Runner □
    Morning Tea □
    Wherever needed □

I can help:
    Once a month □
    Once a fortnight □
    Once a week □

Glenella SS P&C have A4 plastic book covers in a variety of designs for sale in the office at $2.50 each. Come in and take a look.
**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.

**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 3-6, starting 31\textsuperscript{st} January. Lessons will be conducted for students Prep-Yr 2 on a Thursday afternoon from 3pm-4pm, starting 2\textsuperscript{nd} February. Application Forms will be handed out this week. Forms need 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.

**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.

Students do not go to the shop to collect morning tea or lunch as it is delivered to the school gate and collected on their behalf by two Year 6 students.

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

You will find a copy of the tuckshop list at the end of this newsletter.
GLENELLA STATE SCHOOL
is always trying to think of ways to be GREENER. 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. We have a large number of families on board who are enjoying this service.

EMAIL NEWSLETTER PLEASE

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

________________________________
________________________________
(Please print clearly)

GARDENING CLUB
Students from the Year 2 and Year 4 classrooms will be involved in a Gardening Club. To get things moving, we are looking for donations of gardening equipment eg: hand tools, spades, gloves and secateurs. We are also hoping for donations of herb seedlings, worm juice and compost. If you think you can help, please contact Mrs Boal in the Year 4 classroom.

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.

Angels Softball Sign On Day
Mackay softball grounds, Beaconsfield Rd. 28/1/17 and 5/2/17 10am-2pm. All age groups welcome. Call Chubb James on 0416432988 for more info.
SCHOOL BUS ASSISTANCE FOR LOWER INCOME FAMILIES

The Safety Net Scheme was developed by the State Government to assist students who do not receive other forms of School Transport Assistance and are members of lower income families.

Who May Be Eligible?
To be eligible for assistance under the Safety Net Scheme, students must be in one of the following categories:

- Students of families eligible for a Health Care Card;
- Students eligible for a Health Care Card;
- Students of families eligible for a Pensioner Concession Card;
- Students of families receiving Veterans Affairs Pension; or
- Students placed under a Care and Protection Order.

Application forms with further details are available by calling into the Translink Division of the Department of Transport and Main Roads in Nelson Street, Mackay or by telephoning 4951 8673.

CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE ASSISTANCE

Conveyance Allowance is an assistance provided by the Department of Transport and Main Roads to eligible parents/guardians who drive their student/s to school or to the route of a school bus.

There are several types of Conveyance Allowance available. These are determined by the type of school attended, distance driven to school or bus route and the type of school bus service (if any) provided in your area.

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# Tuckshop Menu 2017

## Hot Food
- **Corn on Cob**: 0.90
- **Chicken Nuggets x 4**: 3.00
- **Chicken Tenderloin**: 2.50
- **Pizza Single**: 3.30
- **Cheese Stick**: 1.10
- **Peanut Butter**: 2.00
- **Chips & Cheese**: 2.00
- **Good Eating S/Roll**: 2.90
- **Hot Dog**: 3.50
- **Keppel Dog**: 3.00

## Extras
- **Peas**: 0.35
- **Sauce**: 0.35
- **Cheese**: 0.60

## Cold Food
- **Mervin Muffin dbl choc**: 2.40
- **Bulla Frozen Yoghurt**: 2.30
- **Fruit Tubs**: 2.70
- **Salami Stick**: 1.65
- **Nutella**: 1.00
- **Sultana Box**: 1.20
- **4 Sao’s Cheese & Tom**: 2.90
- **4 Sao’s Vegemite & Ch**: 2.90
- **Salad - Chicken/Lettuce/Cheese/Carrot**: 4.90

## Fruit
- **Apples**
- **Oranges**
- **Bananas**

## Sandwiches
- **Ham & Salad**: 5.90
- **Chicken & Salad**: 5.90
- **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/Lett/Mayo or Sauce**

## Wraps
- Available

## Drinks
- **Bundy Juice**: variable
  - *Please bring selection to the counter*
- **Pure Water**: 2.00
- **Popper 200ml**: 2.00
- **Harvey Milk Popper**: 2.00
- **Flav Milk Sm**: 2.60
- **Flav Milk Lg**: 4.30
- **Full Cream Milk 500ml**: 1.90
- **Water Mt Franklin**: 3.50
- **Glee Straw/Bl Currant/Berry**: 2.40
- **Zing Apple Blueberry/Apple Rasp**: 2.30
- **Pop Tops Water**: 1.40

***Drink prices will be subject to change***

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