

# FRIDAY FOOTNOTES

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## PRINCIPALS CORNER

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

### Stop Press!!

We are very excited to confirm that Glenella SS has been successful with our infrastructure submission. The Minister has announced that we will receive \$500,000 for an upgrade of Administration. More news to follow!

### 140<sup>th</sup> Celebration

A lot of planning is happening for our 140<sup>th</sup> celebration this year. The date has been set for the 1<sup>st</sup> November. An event page has been set up on Facebook page so please feel free to share with your networks. Shortly stall holders and vendors will be asked to confirm their involvement with the event. A number of rides have also been booked. Please don't hesitate to contact the office if you have some ideas for this event.

### Priorities for 2019

The school has a number of priorities this year. Proportional Reasoning continues to be a major piece of work that we are working on. **Proportional reasoning** is, most simply, the ability to compare two things using **multiplicative thinking**, and then apply this to a new situation. So what is 'multiplicative thinking'? **Multiplicative thinking** is indicated by being able to work with the concepts, strategies and representations of **multiplication** (and division) as they occur in a wide range of contexts. See if you can solve this proportional reasoning problem.

- Eighty M&Ms will be divided between two children in the ratio 2:3. How many M&Ms will each child receive?

### **Report Card Changes (End of semester)**

At the last meeting the P & C endorsed changes to the Report Cards.

This semester the report card will look a little different - they will not include individual subject comments. For each subject students will receive an achievement level and an effort mark. Each student will also receive a behaviour comment and a brief overall comment. To support this change we will also offer Parent-Teacher interviews at the end of each semester to provide parents with an opportunity to discuss their child's progress. Interviews provide parents with an opportunity to view their child's work and discuss where their strengths and areas for improvement are. Interviews also allow a great opportunity for parents to ask questions regarding the child's academic, social and emotional development throughout the semester. Interview booking times will be sent home once report cards have been issued.

Report cards will be emailed to parents on the last day of term. It is important that the school has correct email addresses. Please contact the office if your details need to be updated. Paper copies of report cards will be available on request.

In the first week of Term 3 invitations will be sent to parents for parent/teacher interviews. Interviews will be conducted in the second week of Term 3. I encourage all parents to make a time with their children's teacher.

### **Is Your Child Eligible for Prep 2020? – Enrol Now!**

Your child is due to start school in 2020 if they are born between 01/07/14 and the 30/06/15. Children born in July 2015 are also eligible to enrol for the 2020 school year if they have had a meeting with the school principal to verify their readiness for school.

As part of our 2020 Prep enrolment process the school is encouraging parents to contact the school and collect enrolment forms. Once parents have completed the forms and details have been collected by the office parents will be kept informed of upcoming events for 2020 prep students.

Have a top week.

Sam

## **The Art of Giving**

One of the key factors in teaching our children to be resilient (to bounce back in times of hardship) comes through:

‘Developing responsibility, compassion and social awareness by providing opportunities where your child can contribute or give back to others.’

*‘Raising Resilient Children’ by R. Brooks and S. Goldstein*

We are all social beings. No matter how hard we might try to seek isolation, or how high the fences we build, our lives are shared by others – family, friends, community.

Children learn from an early age about the ‘act of giving’ through watching their parents give to them or others. Unfortunately though, our children may not learn that they have the capability of giving to others and that life isn’t just about receiving. Such thinking creates selfishness and the idea that ‘I’ am the only important person.

When you educate children regarding giving, you teach them about caring for others, compassion and responsibility for those less fortunate. You also teach that ‘everyone’ is important and we all have a responsibility to protect others in our community and world.

Most kids can readily relate to other children who are hurting. With Christmas upon us soon and while your child is preparing their lists of ‘what I need for Christmas’, now is the time to prepare a list of ‘ways we can give to others’. Here are some ideas:

Ask a child to choose an item of clothing or a toy that he or she no longer uses, to donate to children that have few clothes and perhaps no toys at all.

When you do your weekly grocery shopping, ask each of your children to pick out an item or two to donate to the local food charity, or Christmas charity.

Get your child to make gifts for friends rather than expecting mum to purchase a gift – there are many ideas at this time of year

As children get a little older, they can begin giving a small percentage of their allowance or savings to charity.

Look for a charity started by children, and share the information with your children. If you also make ‘giving’ a priority children will learn to give cheerfully.

Sponsor a child in a poor country

If you can't give financially you and your kids can still offer your time. You may even want to start a fundraiser, and donate the proceeds to a favourite local charity. There are many fundraising opportunities and your child's class might even want to participate.

No matter how large or small the effort, instilling a sense of charity will teach children to care about others and the importance of giving something back to the community.

## FROM THE OFFICE

### **Student Absences**

If your child is absent from school for any reason, you must make contact with the school by email or preferably phoning the Absence Line on 49692333 before 9.30am if possible. Choose option 1 to leave a recorded message stating reason and possible length of the absence.



### **BOOK FAIR**

We will be holding a Book Fair next week. The fair will run from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June to Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Times are listed in the Dates To Remember section. A parent or guardian must be present for all credit card purchases. The fair will be held in the school library. It's sure to be a great event!



### **SCHOOL LUNCHES:**

Please note with the cooler weather approaching, children tend to be hungrier than usual. Please pop in a few extra sandwiches to satisfy those hungry tummies.



## ***Congratulations to our Students of the Week,***

*Week Ending 7/6/19*

*Prep B: Levi & Sofia*

*Prep N: Jaxx & Kanchan*

*Year 1/2A: Nathaniel & Jensen*

*Year 1/2B: Josh & Braxton*

*Year 2/3: Kohbi & Rachael*

*Year 3/4: Charlotte & Maddison*

*Year 4: Mahli & Ebony*

*Year 5: Annabell & Dylan*

*Year 6: Lily & Rihanna*

*Week Ending 14/6/19*

*Prep B: Indiana & Maisy*

*Prep N: Lucy & Louie*

*Year 1/2A: Cruz & Isla*

*Year 1/2B: Harvey & Wulan*

*Year 2/3: Caitlyn & Cooper*

*Year 3/4: Ezekiel & Ethan*

*Year 4: Lewis & Bailey*

*Year 5: Sybylla & Samantha*

*Year 6: Sakima & Matisse*

***Keep up the good work!***

## MONEY COLLECTION

### WHITSUNDAY VOICES



On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July, students from Year 3-6 will travel by bus to Whitsunday Anglican School to attend the Whitsunday Voices Festival. The children will attend two author presentations on the day. Cost is \$10 each. Invoices will be sent out next week.

### POSSUM MAGIC

On Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July, students from Prep – Yr2 will travel by bus to the MECC to see a performance of Possum Magic. Cost is \$10 each. Invoices will be sent out next week.

Please send payments for both events to the office in a named envelope or alternatively you can Direct Deposit to:

**Glenella State School Account**

**BSB: 064-707**

**A/C: 00090677**

using your "Childs full name and Voice or Possum" as the reference.

## P&C NEWS

### HOY ROSTER

**27/6/19** Jenny O'Loughlin  
Liddell Baker  
Shoppers Zania Auston (groc)  
Za Saavas (raffles)  
M/Tea Sweet Zania Auston  
Sav Kellie Goodson



**4/7/19** Jenny O'Loughlin  
Lisa Smith  
Katie Turner  
Shoppers Anita Hyatt  
M/Tea Sweet Liddell Baker  
Sav Katie Turner

**11/7/19** Jenny O'Loughlin  
Gina Biggs  
Shoppers Kiara Rippon  
M/Tea Sweet Gina Biggs  
Sav Liz Vazquez

**18/7/19** Jenny O'Loughlin  
Kelly Badke  
Lisa Smith  
Shoppers Karlee McMillan  
Za Saavas  
M/Tea Sweet Jenny O'Loughlin  
Sav Paula Mudge

## Student Council News

### Pizza Days

The next Student Council pizza day will be held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June.

Meatlovers and Ham/Pineapple pizza are available for \$2 per slice. Poppers are also available for \$2.

We require one order form per student. Forms are available from the office. Last orders will be taken on Wednesday (morning) 26<sup>th</sup> June. No late orders can be accepted.

### Icy Poles

Quelch icy poles are sold each Thursday at 1<sup>st</sup> break for 50c each.



### GLENELLA SS PLAYGROUP

A Playgroup Session is held each Friday morning in the school hall from 9am-10.30am. Come along for a cuppa and a chat while the children play. We would love to see some new faces. Please spread the word!

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### June

- 20 Mackay Show Holiday
- 24 Bookfair 3.15 – 4pm
- 25 Bookfair 8.00 – 8.45am
- 26 Bookfair 3.15 – 4pm
- 27 Student Council Pizza Day
- 28 Last Day Term 2

### July

- 15 First Day Term 3
- 19 Whitsunday Voices 3-6
- 25 RSPCA Visit
- 30 Possum Magic P-2

### August

- 07 Prep Vision Screening
- 16 Wakakirri Performance
- 18-23 Canberra Camp

### WINTER SCHOOL JACKETS



Stocks of Royal Blue zip-up jackets in sizes 6-12 are available now. Price is \$20.00 each.

### PREP 2020

Do you know any families who have children eligible for Prep in 2020? To be eligible the child must have been born between 1 July 2014 and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

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.



### SCHOOL SUPPLIES

As this term draws to a close, we would ask that parents check children's school supplies. Many students need replacement items including: Glue, Pencils, Rubbers, Sharpeners, Scissors, Books etc.



### *SCHOOL*

*WATCH: We would ask that you keep your eyes and ears open. If you see or hear anything unusual in our school grounds over the holidays, please contact the SCHOOL WATCH number, which is 131788. Anything that you can do in this regard would be greatly appreciated!!!*

### 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 Thursdays



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