Welcome back to Term 4!

I hope you have had a restful and fun break and are ready for this term which will be filled with swimming, report cards, graduation and Christmas concerts!

We are currently planning classes and teaching staff for next year. If you have any relevant information regarding your plans for 2016, please advise the office as soon as possible. We have made so many gains over the last couple of years and hope to continue to develop and succeed together.

A big part of my role here often involves speaking to large groups of people, sometimes without a lot of time to prepare. In my youth though, any form of public speaking would have seen me running for the hills, it terrified me! Public Speaking is such a unique skill and with help, each student can develop the confidence to be an effective communicator in a public context. Below are some steps you can use at home to encourage these skills to develop.

Public speaking tips

- When your child can choose their own topic, encourage them to pick topics that are of personal interest.

- It's OK for younger kids to give a recount of a holiday or special event, but as they get older, help them develop opinions. For example, a speech on snakes may not be just facts and figures but could include comment about their importance to the environment or why people are afraid of them.
• Help your child develop interesting beginnings and endings to their speeches, but always in a way that is meaningful to them.

• Guide them to use a variety of information sources including family discussions, the library or the internet.

• Use palm cards. Cut pieces of paper small enough to fit into the palm of one hand. Young kids may have picture clues to help them remember each part of their speech. Older kids should plan their speech out on sheets of paper first, then pick out the main points and write keywords for those points on the cards.

The idea is not to read sentences but to use the cards just to jog their memory. For example: "First fleet. 1788. Mainly convicts - England. Industrial revolution, overcrowding gaols," might be an introductory card for a speech on Convicts in Australia.

• Even professional speakers rely on lots of preparation and practise to give smooth-flowing speeches.

• Suggest to your child to practise their speech in front of a mirror or video so they can watch it and evaluate their own efforts.

• While practising for a speech, remind your child to:
  - say the ends of words clearly
  - speak loudly enough for the people at the back of the room to hear
  - vary their pitch and pace when it makes sense to do so
  - look at the audience.

• Spend time listening to your child's speech. Try to avoid doing other things at the same time because they need to practise looking at faces when they talk. Give feedback on how they present and time them with a stopwatch so they can pace their speech to meet the time they have been given.
Finally, avoid putting too much pressure on a child to perform
Here are some games to play at home to encourage public speaking skills as well.

**Oink Substitution**
When you are giving a speech you must allocate one word that you have to replace with word ‘oink’. Or you can use ‘moo’ or you use ‘woof’ or whatever it is that you want.

So you can use the word ‘I’ and replace it with ‘oink’.

So you would say: “Oink went to the movies and oink bought some popcorn.” So you replace the word ‘I’ with ‘oink’.

This challenges your mind, and it makes it that little bit harder to deliver a presentation. It’s pretty funny for the audience, as well.

**Make A Commercial**
Get a bunch of things from your room or from your house, bring them together and make a commercial about these items.

Someone is given a random product. It might be a deodorant, an iphone - it could be anything. They are then required to give a 30 second to 1 minute commercial on this product and talk about why this is so awesome and why people should buy it. A really fun activity as well.

**Something In My Wallet**
You can use your own wallet or (if people are comfortable enough and happy to do it) you can ask to borrow someone’s wallet.

Take an item out of the wallet and discuss what this item is and why it’s important - obviously you are trying to elaborate and make it funny.

Regards

Cliff Powys
Reminder!

SWIMMING EVERY THURSDAY

PARENT DIRECT/ CHALK FUNDRAISER
Students from lower primary have had catalogues sent home before the holidays. 20% of all sale proceeds come to our school.

Order forms and monies are to be returned to the office by Friday 30th October.
Please note the school’s distribution of these booklets does not constitute an endorsement of the supplier by Education Qld or Glenella School.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORT
We will be running this successful program again in Term 4. The program will commence next week. We will be offering Hockey on a Monday afternoon and Lawn Bowls on a Thursday afternoon. Please contact the school office to register.
Note: Hockey – Student pick up time is 4.15pm
Bowls – Student pick up time is 4.00pm

MONEY COLLECTION

SWIMMING – If swimming fees have not been paid, please attend to this as soon possible.
FUN RUN – All Fun Run money is to be handed to classroom teacher before next Wednesday 14th October.

EFTPOS
Please be advised that EFTPOS facilities are now available in the office for both school based activities and the purchase of school uniforms.

Student Free Day
Monday 19th October is a Student Free Day.
**PLEASE NOTE**
TUCKSHOP WILL BE UNAVAILABLE ON THURSDAYS DURING OUR SWIMMING PROGRAM!

**HOY ROSTER**

15/10/15  Linley Maddy
          Jodie Lindsay
Shoppers  Jane Jones
          Kylie Garton
M/Tea     Tracey Gray
          Jenny O’Loughlin

22/10/15  Jenny O’Loughlin
          Jane Manicaro
Shoppers  Jenny O’Loughlin
          Tracey Gray
M/Tea     Jane Manicaro
          Melissa Harris

**REPRESENTATIVE SPORT**
On Thursday 17th September a number of our girls represented Glenella State School at an interschool Netball Gala Day. There were over 500 students involved. A great day was had by all.

Junior team members were: Jessica, Kala, Holly, Kirra, Jemmi, Jorji, Alemphia, Abby, Aimee and Chloe. The girls played 5 games with an outcome of 3 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss. The team tied 2nd in their division.

The senior team consisted of Reese, Talia, Page, Dakota, Jade, Ella, Claire, Olivia, Maddison, Alyeah, Larissa and Jazmyn. The team did our school proud with 3 wins and 2 losses. The team tied 3rd in their division.

A big thank you to Melissa Harris and Kristy Frost for helping with the coaching and training of the girls. Thank you also to our parents and grandparents who supported the players on the day.

Friday 18th September saw three of our students represent Glenella at the Rugby League Gala Day. Well done to Page, Max and Jackson for participating on the day.
SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS
Happy birthday to the following students for the months of September and October:
Rose, Darcy, Clea, Nakisha-Rose, Masen, Jessie, Harry, Molly, Lily, Nicholas, Jemma, Jordan, Holly, Jemmi, Seb, Lily, Connor, Caleb, Max, Kahlia, Maliki, Stephanie, Keiran, Brooke, Amber and Jonte.

MAGPIES:
Magpie season is here! We already have birds nesting in the trees near the boundary fence at the front of the school. The Department of Environment advises some steps to ensure our safety:
1. Avoid the attacking birds and their territory.
2. Students to wear a wide brimmed hat and if possible wrap around sunglasses. Umbrellas may also be used.
3. Suggestions for bike riders are to place flag on bike and get off bike until out of the bird’s territory.

PREP 2016
Do you know of any families who have children who will be eligible for Prep in 2016? To be eligible the child must have been born between 1 July 2010 and 30th June 2011. 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.

Calling all Superheroes!
It’s Glenell’s Annual Fun Run.

Held on Friday 16th October. Dress as your favourite Superhero.
Money due by 4th October.

The online fundraising capability for the fun run is currently unavailable, so could you please send the money you raised to the school room teacher.

www.glenelllass.eq.edu.au
**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**October:**
- 12 After School Hockey
- 15 After School Bowls
- 16 Adidas Fun Run
- 19 Student Free Day
- 21 Choral Speaking
- 26 Glowstix Sale
- 26 P&C Meeting 7pm
- 30 S/C Sausage Sizzle
- 30 Daniel Morcombe Day
- 30 World Teachers Day

**November:**
- 04 Prep Orientation 9.30-11am
- 11 Prep Orientation 9.30-11am

**December:**
- 07 Swimming Carnival
- 08 Year 6 Graduation
- 11 Last Day Term 4

**SCHOOL BANKING**
The Commonwealth Bank School Banking program is offered at our school. Application forms are available from the office.

Our school banking day is Monday. Books are returned to students on Wednesdays.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program.

**CRAFTY CLUB NEWS**

Crafty Club is looking for donations of the following items:
- Stickers, ribbon, sequins, cardboard, unused colouring books, glue sticks, pipe cleaners, paddle pop sticks and buttons. Thank you to all of the ladies who have volunteered to help.

**EMAIL NEWSLETTER PLEASE**

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

Our email address is below:

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