PRINCIPALS CORNER

Unfortunately due to the weather, we had to postpone our Annual Glenella Sports Day this week. With some luck, we will be holding our Sports Day on Tuesday 23rd of June. Thanks again to Magpies Sports Club for hosting our day, marking our fields and opening up the Canteen and Toilets on their grounds. Can I urge and encourage all parents to come along and cheer your child(ren) on. Sports Day is a highlight of the year for students and it is certainly something we all remember from our primary school days.

Student Report Cards will be distributed during the last week of this term. Our students and teachers have been working very hard this semester to ensure each parent is given a clear idea of their child’s level of achievement at school as well as their effort and behaviour. There are many factors that the teachers incorporate when making decisions on the student’s grade and comment. Please take the time to read each comment carefully. We will be hosting Parent-Teacher Interviews in Term 3 so that parents can reflect on the report card as well as being provided with the updated Individual Goals and Targets for their child.

Student Report Cards are a summary and culmination of the learning each child has achieved in their academic studies over a school semester. The report cards contain the following information: an overall “academic achievement” for each learning area, an “effort achievement” for each learning area and a comment for each learning area. Additional information is included regarding behaviour and extra-curricular activities, and the report concludes with a general/overall comment.

Many parents on receiving their child’s report card for the first time are unsure of how to read it. All parents of children enrolled in a Queensland State School receive the same format of report card and over recent years, parents, students and teachers across Queensland have been gradually becoming more familiar...
with a more uniform process for reporting in all schools, including the use of a more consistent 5-point scale. In Prep, this scale is: Applying, Making Connections, Working With, Exploring, and Becoming Aware. In Years 1 and 2, this scale is: Very High, High, Sound, Developing, Support Required. In Years 3 to 6, this scale is: A, B, C, D, and E.

Our Stephanie Alexander Gardens have been progressing with a number of parents pitching in and organising our gardens. The results look fantastic! The inclement weather has actually helped us out there. The P&C recently applied and received a grant from Ergon to provide a pump and irrigation to ensure that our gardens will be watered regularly. If you would like to be involved in our gardening program, please have a look at their Facebook site – Glenella SS SAKitchen Garden. If you would like to know more, please contact the school.

The annual School Opinion Survey will be conducted between 29 June and 31 July 2015. Families, school staff and a random sample of students will be invited to participate. We encourage you to take this opportunity to have your say about what this school does well, and how this school can improve. Access details for the Parent/Caregiver Survey will been sent home with students. If you haven’t received any survey access details, please contact the school.

Earlier in the term I wrote an article in the newsletter regarding student’s attendance at school and trying to eliminate unexplained absences. I would like to say thank you to our families for the increased usage of our absentee line, keeping the office informed of any student absences and the significant reduction in unexplained absences. There are still some that slip through, so please continue to use the absentee line as well as writing notes to the classroom teacher.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the hardworking cleaners for the role they play in maintaining a safe, clean and healthy environment in our school. They do an amazing job and we sincerely appreciate their efforts.

Regards

Cliff Powys
Principal
Congratulations to our Students of the Week.

*Week Ending 5/6/15*
Prep: Mitchell and Kandyce
Prep/1: Breeana and Kaleb
Year 2: Ella and Jake
Year 3: Rylan and Holly
Year 3/4: Jewel and Savannah
Year 4/5: Lily and Kate
Year 5/6: Ella and Amber

*Week Ending 12/6/15*
Prep: Charlo and Zunairah
Prep/1: Emily, Jessie and Molly
Year 3: Aliann and Shania
Year 3/4: Jaida
Year 4/5: Madison and Connor
Year 5/6: Brooke

Keep up the good work!

PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Please note that Thursday 25th June is Mackay’s Show Holiday.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS
Happy birthday to those students celebrating in June:
Tia, Caitlyn, Rihanna, Jack, Kirra, Page, Damian and Baylin.

WAKAKIRRI TICKETS
If your child/ren are participating in Wakakirri this year, could you please order and pay for tickets BEFORE THE END OF TERM.
Cost is $34 per ticket and each family is limited to 3 tickets. If you require more tickets, please contact the school office.

P & C PRATTLE
OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY 20th JULY 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.
SPORTS DAY
Our school sports day will be held on TUESDAY 23rd JUNE. We request that students arrive at school at 8.30am for roll marking. We will be walking across to the Magpies playing fields at 8.45am for a 9am start. Parents/family/friends are most welcome to come and spend the day or part of. Magpies’ canteen facilities will be available on the day. Students are to wear a shirt the colour of their Sporting House.

| Ash - Blue | Cedar - Red |
| Pine - Yellow | Oak - Green |

All students are reminded to wear their school hat and bring a water bottle.
A program for the day is available on our school website at www.glenellass.eq.edu.au

HELP WANTED
Can you spare an hour on a Friday, once or twice a month? We are desperately seeking helpers for Friday Crafty Club. Please contact the office if you are able to help out in any way.

HOY ROSTER

NO HOY ON THURSDAY 25TH JUNE DUE TO MACKAY SHOW HOLIDAY

2/7/15  Linley Maddy
(Hols)Tracey Gray
Shoppers  Jane Jones
          Kylie Garton
M/Tea    Annalees Jackson
          Melissa Harris

9/7/15  Jane Manicaro
(Hols)Sheryl Miles
Shoppers  Nat Schmidt
          Tracey Gray
M/Tea    Jane Manicaro
          Mandy Treloar

16/7/15 Liney Maddy
Jodie Lindsay
Shoppers  Annalees Jackson
          Paula Mudge
M/Tea    Michelle Burgess
          Liddell Baker

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.
MONEY COLLECTION

• REWARDS DAY
Term 2 Rewards Day will be held on Wednesday 24th June. Eligible students from Prep to Year 2 will take part in a Sensory Circus workshop. Students from Year 3 – 6 will travel by bus to Mackay Indoor Sports Centre for an afternoon of rotational sports. Cost is $4 per student. Please send payment to the office in a clearly marked envelope or deposit into the school account.
Glenella State School
BSB: 064-707
A/C: 00090677
Use your Surname & “Reward” as the ref.

• WHITSUNDAY VOICES
Our whole school P-6 will be travelling to Whitsunday Anglican School on Friday 17th July to take part in the hugely successful Whitsunday Voices Festival. Students will be attending 2 sessions presented by well-known authors. Total cost per student is $7. Please send payment to the office in a clearly marked envelope as soon as possible. Payment can also be made into the school account as follows:
Glenella State School
BSB: 064-707
A/C: 00090677
Use your Surname & “Voice” as ref.

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.

AUSTRALASIAN SCHOOLS COMPETITIONS
We are offering students in years 2-7 the opportunity to participate in these tests run by the University of NSW. If you are interested, please take note of the dates below. Please note that Year 2 students are only eligible to enter the English and Maths competitions. These tests are not compulsory. Cost is $8.00 each.

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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.

SCHOOL LUNCHES:
Please note with the cooler weather approaching that children tend to be hungrier than usual. It is a good idea to pop in a few extra goodies or sandwiches to satisfy those hungry tummies.

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!!!

DATES TO REMEMBER

June:
24  Rewards Day $4
24  Ice Cream Stalls
25  Show Day Holiday
26  S/Council Sausage Sizzle
26  Last Day Term 2

July:
13  First Day Term 3
17  Whitsunday Voices
20  P&C Meeting 7pm

August:
06  Wakakirri Performance
16  Year 5/6 Canberra Camp
21  Camp students return

EMAIL NEWSLETTER

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

__________________________________________________________________________

(Please print clearly)
ICE CREAM STALLS

On Wednesday 24th June the Student Council will be holding 5 ice cream stalls. Ice creams will be $2 each with all proceeds going to “Give Me Five For Kids” (Fundraiser for Mackay Base Hospital). All money and orders need are to be sent to school by Friday 19th June.

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.

Farleigh CWL Cent Sale
St Bridgid’s Hall, Bruce Highway, Farleigh on Saturday 11th July at 1.30pm

Year 1 enjoyed a visit from Blazer the Koala and the Fire Truck last Wednesday.