

GLENELLA SS NEWSLETTER

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SCHOOL PRIORITIES 2025

- Reading through the Australian Curriculum
- Systematic Approach to Moderation

OUR VISION:

Every Child, Every Day – Learning & Growing Together

Swimming Carnival

Well done GSS on another GSS successful swimming carnival! We were proud of all our swimmers for their have-a-go attitude and house spirit.



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Special congratulations to our SWIMMING CARNIVAL AWARD WINNERS!!!

AGE CHAMPIONS

9 years Girls – **Ashlyn**

10 years Girls – **Olivia**

9 years Boys – **Jeremiah**

10 years Boys - **Ryder**

11 years Girls - **Estelle**

12 years Girls - **Lucy, Madison, Amelia**

11 years Boys – **Blake**

12 years Boys – **Levi**



This year is the first year we had our ***Spirit of the Carnival*** award which recognises a senior student who shows exemplary sportsmanship, have-a-go attitude, helpfulness and house spirit. We had numerous students who displayed these qualities, although one student stood out, with many parents commenting on how calm and supportive he was when helping out our junior swimmers. – Congratulations **LUCAS!**



The House contest was also a close one with **PINE** taking out the shield!

Thanks to all the staff and leaders who made the day a success, particularly those staff who arrived early to setup, as too Mrs Kemp and Mrs Hazledine for their carnival organisation.

Lego League Robotics

Our Glenella Robotic superstars had a successful day at First Lego League Challenge last Saturday. Not only did they progress and get better with every challenge, they also had so many comments from their peers, the parents and staff about their helpful, inclusive, have a go attitude! The Digital Dinosaurs were voted by their peers as the winners of the “Peer Award”. We are so proud of our teams for committing and having a go! Again, this couldn’t have happened without the dedication from our wonderful Miss Maria! She is beyond proud of her teams and they all appreciate her coaching, time and mentoring! Well done all!



Disco

We will be holding our Term 4 Disco next Thursday 13th November with the theme being, *'When I Grow Up'*. Thanks to Mrs Trenaman, Mrs Scott and our Student Council for organising this.

Please take note of the following:

- Disco is for **GLENELLA SS STUDENTS ONLY** (not siblings in High School or friends from other schools). Please note younger siblings and Pre-Prep friends are welcome to attend the P-2 Disco.
- Students are **only to attend their year level's disco** (exception given to Student Leaders who may help out with the P-2 Disco)
- Please be **on time for your child's pickup** (P-2 Disco 5-6pm; 3-6 Disco 6:15-7:30pm)
- Students **must be collected from the school** after their disco (i.e. students are not permitted to walk home by themselves)
- Please note **pizza orders (via Qkr app) need to be finalised by next Monday 3pm at the latest.**

Looking forward to a great night!



Storm Season

Thank you to parents for your cooperation during the storms last Wednesday afternoon that came over Glenella at pickup time. As you can appreciate, student safety is our main priority, hence the decision was made to keep students indoors until the storm passed.



Day for Daniel

Well done GSS! We raised \$190 for the Daniel Morcombe Foundation. Many students turned up in red on Friday to raise awareness for this important cause. Throughout the week students engage in age-appropriate activities specifically related to the ***Recognise, React and Report*** process.



Awards Parade Time Change

Please note that this year our Awards Parade (Monday December 8th) will be held in the afternoon from 1:30pm in the hall. This parade will conclude with our traditional Year 6 Goodbye Walk.

Instrumental Recruitment – Year 3

Just a reminder that this Thursday 6th December our Instrumental Students will be carrying out a special performance for your Year 3 students who are eligible to join instrumental as Year 4 students next year. We look forward to seeing as many Year 3 students as possible put up their hand to carry out this highly rewarding extra-curricular activity!



Student Leaders 2026

As we move to the end of the year, we will start the process for electing School Leaders for 2026. The key dates for this are as follows:

By end of Week 7

- *Friday 21st Oct - Students give nomination forms to class teacher re their leadership intentions*

Week 9

- *Monday 1st Dec - School Captain 2026 candidates present speeches to Yr 2-5 students in Hall*
- *Thursday 4th Dec - School Captains announced at end of Christmas Concert*
- *Friday 5th Dec - House Captain candidates present speeches to Houses*

Week 10

- *Monday Dec 8th – House Captains announced at Awards Ceremony*

P&C News

Our next P&C Meeting will be held next **Monday November 10th** @ 5:30pm in the Library. If you are interested in joining our P&C team in 2026, we would love to see you at the next meeting. All welcome!



Behaviour Focus

Each week we will have a behaviour focus that will be presented on Parade, taught in class and positively reinforced by staff throughout the week. We will focus on the following behaviour expectations for the next 2 weeks:

Week 5: ***'I am sun safe and stay hydrated'***

Week 6: ***'I am in the correct area before school' (Before 8:30am – outside Big Block; After 8:30am – Junior Eating Area)***

Attendance – EVERYDAY COUNTS

Congratulations to our most recent weekly attendance winners, **2/3DB!**

Please ensure your child is at school everyday, unless they have an appropriate reason to be absent (i.e. illness, family emergency). Every day your child is absent presents gaps in their learning. To give them the best chance to succeed it is essential that they are at school everyday.

Have a great weekend!

Brett

Student of the Week

Each week each class will award a Student of the Week. Congratulations to our most recent Student of the Week AWARD WINNERS!!!

Week 4



Week 5



FROM THE OFFICE



QKR – PIZZA ORDERS FOR DISCO

Please note all orders for pizza for our upcoming disco are to be made via the QKR app **NO LATER THAN 3PM MONDAY**.
Unfortunately, no late orders can be accepted.

AFTER SCHOOL PICK UP

Students are supervised at the Stop Drop and Go area until 3.20pm. **There should be no students left at school after this time**, with the exception of students who catch the afternoon bus for transport home.

Please ensure you collect your children promptly from the pick-up area by 3.20pm.

As always, we ask that parents be respectful of our local residents and **DO NOT** park across driveways.

SIGN UP FOR QPARENTS

You can use QParents for payments, absences and to provide consent for school activities. If you need help with completing your QParents registration, please contact the office and we will be happy to help. Alternatively, you can click on the below link, and follow the step-by-step guide.

<https://qparents.qld.edu.au/#/landing>

TUCKSHOP

(supplied by Glenella Fuels)

Orders and payment must be placed **directly** with the store **strictly by 8.30am**. Orders are to be written on a paper bag with the **CHILD'S NAME, YEAR, TIME (11am or 1.15pm) AND ORDER.**

PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN FRONT OF FUEL BOWSERS WHEN PLACING TUCKSHOP ORDERS OR MAKING GROCERY PURCHASES.

Carparking is available on the right-hand side of road in our **STOP, DROP & GO** area.

BOOKPACKS FOR 2026 GET IN QUICK!!!!

Take the hassle out of back to school! JUMBO's can supply book packs for 2026. It is as easy as clicking on this link:

www.booklistmackay.com.au

then click on Glenella State School. Or simply use the QR code below.

All book pack orders placed before **Friday 7th November** will be delivered directly to school on Wednesday 3rd December. Orders placed after this date can be collected from JUMBO's Business Supplies, 131 Sydney Street, Mackay. Notification will be sent via SMS when the order is ready.

Ordering book packs ensures costs are kept to a minimum, consistent equipment for all students and as a bonus, our school receives a \$ percentage from every order.



PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2026

Is Your Child Eligible for Prep 2026? Limited Spaces available!

Your child is due to start school in 2026 if they are born between 01/07/20 and the 30/06/21. If your child is eligible, please contact the office so enrolment forms can be sent home.

If you know of families that live within our catchment zone and they have a prep age child for 2026 please encourage them to contact the school as soon as possible.

Uniform Orders

If you would like to place a uniform order, please complete the order form and send through to the school office. We will pack order and email you to advise when ready. Payment must be made prior to uniforms being sent home.



GSS UNIFORM ORDER FORM

CUSTOMER INFORMATION

PARENT NAME

PHONE

Item	Size	Qty	Price	Total
SHIRT			\$40	
SKORT			\$25	
SHORT			\$25	
JACKET			\$40	
HOMEWORK BAG			\$15	

PAYMENT METHOD



☐ Bank Transfer

Name: Glenella State School Parents and
Citizens Association
BSB: 064 707
Acc: 009 002 46



☐ Eftpos

Payment made when collecting
order from office

Student Council

ICY POLES

*The Student Council will sell
Quelch icy poles every Friday at 1st
break. Cost is 50c each.*

CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

*Please encourage students to use
the containers for change bins
located around the school
grounds.*

SILLY SOCK DAY

*Students are encouraged to wear
silly socks on Friday 21st
November. Please send a gold
coin donation in aid of the
Children's Hospital Foundation*

DATES TO REMEMBER

November

- 11 Safety Circus (P- 2 only)
- 13 Disco – "When I Grow Up"
- 21 Student Council Silly Sock Day

December

- 04 School Concert
- 08 End of Year Awards Ceremony
- 09 Rewards Day
- 10 Year 6 Graduation
- 12 Reports Home
- 12 Last Day Term 4

Glenella State School Council

Scheme Number C11585556

Containers for Change funds raised so far

more we raise, the closer we are to our goal. Recycle your containers in recycling bins to support our school beautification fund.

