

GLENELLA SS NEWSLETTER

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PRINCIPALS CORNER

SCHOOL PRIORITIES 2024

- **Moderation for Learning**
- **Australian Curriculum V9 'Together'**

OUR VISION: *Every Child, Every Day – Learning & Growing Together*

Leaders' Badge Ceremony

Last Monday our School Captains, House Captains and Student Council Representatives were officially inducted as leaders as part of a special Leadership Parade. Congratulations to our School Captains and House Captains for 2024:

School Captains

Eden Walker
Coben Griffin

Vice Captains

Mitanni Pitt
Bennet McMillan

House Captains

Oak

Sebastian Adamski & Ava Luzon

Pine

Summer Evans & Jaxon Turvey

Ash

Braxton Hill & Stratton Walker

Cedar

William Prior & Estelle Sheehy

Well done to those 26 students who have put their hand up to be part of our Student Council also. Great roll-up!



Special thanks to both Mr Simpkins (Junior Secondary Head of Department) and Mrs Fites (Year 7 Coordinator) from Mackay North State High School who presented our leaders with their official badges.

P&C Update

The Glenella P&C AGM was held on Tuesday night. We would like to congratulate **KIRRILEE SCARPELLI** who is our new P&C President. Most of you know Kirrilee for her amazing coordination of HOY, one of our school's major fundraisers. Thanks for taking on this role Kirrilee!

Thank you also to our other dedicated P&C Executive Members who will be continuing on in their respective roles:

Secretary - **ELLA HALLORAN**

Treasurer - **RENEE MURPHY**

Vice-President - **SAMARA MILL**

Uniform Coordinator - **ALLISON BEKKER**

We also said goodbye to **PAULA MUDGE**, our outgoing President, who has been instrumental in driving the great work of our P&C since 2020, as well as her numerous roles she has taken on in the GSS community for the last 23 years (volunteer, Teacher-Aide). Paula was recognised with an HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP for her dedication and hard work during her time at the helm. We sincerely thank you Paula for your leadership!



NAPLAN

NAPLAN kicks off next from **Wednesday 13th March to Monday 25th March**. We encourage parents to ensure students are well-rested before the testing and have had a wholesome breakfast before coming to school. Additionally, students should not feel any added pressure regarding NAPLAN, we just ask they ***try their best!***

Please note the main testing days are:

Wednesday 13th March

Thursday 14th March

Friday 15th March

Monday 18th March

If you have any questions or concerns regarding NAPLAN please see your child's teacher.

NAPLAN

NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM
Literacy and Numeracy

Twilight Disco

We will holding our first Twilight Disco for the year on Wednesday March 27th. Please see flyer below for details regarding what will be an awesome evening!



Cross Country

The Glenella State School Cross Country will be held next Tuesday 12th March. All parents, Grandparents and Glenella Friends are welcome!

A poster for the Glenella State School Cross Country event. The background is dark blue. At the top, the text "GLENELLA STATE SCHOOL" and "CROSS COUNTRY" is written in large, bold, yellow capital letters. Below this, "ALL WELCOME" is written in white capital letters. To the left, "TUES MARCH 12" is in yellow and "FROM 9 AM" is in white. To the right, there is a gold medal icon with a ribbon, containing the text "APPROX TIMES BELOW". Below the medal, a list of times and events is provided. To the left of the list is a white silhouette of a runner. At the bottom, there is a light blue wavy line representing a horizon or path.

GLENELLA STATE SCHOOL
CROSS COUNTRY
ALL WELCOME

TUES MARCH 12
FROM 9 AM

**APPROX
TIMES
BELOW**

- 9.00am War Cry
- 9.10am 11/12yr olds
- 10.00am 10yr olds
- 10.00am 9yr olds
- 10.20am Yr 2 & 3
- 10.40am Yr 1 & Prep

The Northern Suburbs Cross Country will also be held at our school on Wednesday 20th March.

Northern Suburbs Rugby League Trials

Congratulations to Carter, Stratton, Jaxon and Theo who made it through to the Mackay Rugby Leagues Trials to be held tomorrow. All the best boys!



Parking Reminder

Please be aware that the staff car park is for **staff only**. Please note we do have some students that have been granted permission for drop off in the staff car park but this has been formally discussed with the Principal. I appreciate everyone's understanding in following this directive.



Additionally, we have had some reports of parents parking in the Disability Parking space in the Prep Car Park. **Please note that this park is for those people with a Disability Parking Permit only.**



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 Weeks 3 and 4:

Week 7: ***'I stay in the correct areas during lunch and play***

Week 8: ***'I follow the rules of the game'***

Student of the Week

Each week we class will award Student of the Week. Well done to our Award Winners for Weeks 6 & 7:

Week 6



Week 7



Attendance – EVERYDAY COUNTS

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.

Congratulations to our most recent Class Attendance Award Winners!

Week 5 & 6 – Prep B!

Have a top weekend!

Brett

FROM THE OFFICE



TUCKSHOP

Orders and payment must be placed directly with the shop by parents by 9.00 am (**Strictly 8.30am on Fridays**). Orders are to be written on a paper bag with the **CHILD'S NAME, YEAR, TIME (11am or 1.15pm) AND ORDER.**

Please ensure your child knows which break they will be receiving tuckshop.

We encourage parents to spread tuckshop orders throughout the week.

FRIDAY'S HAVE BECOME EXTREMELY BUSY AND WE CANNOT PROMISE THAT LUNCHES WILL BE DELIVERED ON TIME.

CONSENT TO ADMINISTER MEDICATION

Please note, school staff **cannot** administer medication to your child (including paracetamol, eye drops, cough syrup etc) unless it has been labelled with your child's name by a pharmacist and the *Consent to Administer Medication* form has been completed. School staff are bound by these regulations and we hope that all parents will acknowledge and cooperate with these rules.

DELAY YOUR PICK-UP

Did you know that there is no line up at Stop Drop & Go area from around 3.10pm. Students are supervised until 3.20pm, so if you can delay pick up by 10-15 minutes, you will not have to wait in the queue and traffic around the school will be greatly diminished. As always, we ask that parents be respectful of our local residents and **DO NOT** park across driveways.

ABSENCE TEXT LINE

Please make contact with the school if your child is going to be absent for any reason. If we have not heard from you by 10am, you will be sent a text message. Please ensure you reply promptly to this message. If you know in advance that your child will be absent from school, we request that you either text **0426 305 129** or phone the school absence line on **49692333**. Please ensure you include your child's name, class and reason for absence.



CRAZY HAIR DAY

We have a number of students who will be "Shaving for a Cure" on Friday 22nd March. Students are encouraged to wear "CRAZY HAIR" on this day. Please send along a gold coin donation to support the Leukemia Foundation.

ICY POLES

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

BARBI/WILD WEST DISCO

We will be holding a twilight disco on Wednesday 27th March. Theme is Barbie/Wild West. Pizza/Popper combo is available for \$7. No entry fee. Flyers and order forms have been sent home today.

UPDATE YOUR DETAILS

Have you recently moved house, changed your phone number or email address? If so it is important to let us know. Feel free to send updated details to the office by email to admin@glenellass.eq.edu.au

P & C FUNDRAISING LEVY

We encourage all parents to support our P&C Fundraising levy. Rates of the levy is as follows:

One Child \$20 per term or \$80 per year. **Two or more children** \$25 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.

HOY ROSTER

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| 14/3 | Kirrilee Scarpelli
Emily Heness
Shop – Zania Auston
M/Tea – Melissa Cuthbert SW
M/Tea – Lauren McCracken SA |
| 21/3 | Kirrilee Scarpelli
Maggie Deguara
Shop – Lauren Williams
M/Tea – Jamie Wild SW
M/Tea – Kirrilee Scarpelli SA |
| 28/3 | Kirrilee Scarpelli
Laura Davis
Shop – Lisa Smith
M/Tea – Lisa Smith SW
M/Tea – Sarah Bryant SA |

HOY HELP!

Hoy is a major fundraiser for Glenella State School and is run by a wonderful bunch of volunteers from our parent body. Hoy is held every Thursday morning at Magpies Sporting Club.

WE WOULD ENCOURAGE ALL PARENTS, INCLUDING NEW AND PREP PARENTS, TO BECOME INVOLVED. IT'S SOCIAL AND FUN!

We are currently in **DESPERATE NEED** of people to help run the morning. We have various positions available. Any help offered will ease the load enormously for organisers. The morning starts at approximately 9.00am and concludes at about 11.30am. If there is just **one morning per month** that you could help out for a couple of hours, it would be much appreciated. Please contact the school office.

**PLEASE PUT YOUR
HAND UP TO HELP OUT!**



Come along and join our Playgroup session which is held each Wednesday morning from 9.00am-10.00am in the school hall. Remember to bring a healthy snack. Please spread the word!



DATES TO REMEMBER

March

- 12 GSS Cross Country
- 13-25 NAPLAN Testing
- 18 Parent/Teacher Interviews
- 20 NS Cross Country
- 22 Shave for Cure/Crazy Hair
- 27 Barbie v Wild West Disco
- 28 Easter Bonnet Parade
- 28 Term One last day
- 29 Good Friday Public Holiday

April

- 15 Term Two first day
- 22 School ANZAC Parade
- 25 ANZAC Town March

May

- 6 Labour Day Holiday
- 8 Colour Run
- 23 School Photos
- 24 Under 8's Day

June

- 5 GSS Athletics Carnival
- 20 Mackay Show Holiday
- 21 Term Two last day

July

- 8 Term Three first day
- 8 NS 1500m
- 9 NS Athletics

August

- 7-9 Yr 5 Camp - Seaforth Pines
- 30 Student Free Day
- 11 Student Council Pizza Day

September

- 2-6 Swimming Block
- 9-12 Yr 6 Camp – Airlie Beach
- 13 Term Three last day

October

- 7 King's Birthday Holiday

November

- 23 Swimming Carnival

December

- 9 Awards Ceremony
- 11 Year 6 Graduation
- 12 Sem 2 reports home
- 13 Term Four last day

