

# FRIDAY FOOTNOTES

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## PRINCIPALS CORNER

A big thank you to Mrs Dal'bo for stepping in as Acting Principal last week. This week I will also be away attending the Qld Association of State Schools' Principals' Conference from Wednesday through to Friday. This is the first time such an important event has been held in Mackay.

A huge thank you to all of our P-2 staff, students and family members who contributed to organising and running a highly successful Under 8s' Day. Thank you to Vegies Unlimited for their generous donation of fruit boxes for the day and our wonderful P&C for funding the sausage sizzle morning tea.

### **Staffing**

At the end of this term I will be taking up the position of Deputy Principal at Mackay West State School. This is a temporary position that finishes at the end of the year. The department are currently in the process of recruiting a replacement for Glenella. I will let you know of any further updates as they arise.

### **School Priorities - Every Day Counts**

School Priorities – Every Day Counts in your child's learning. As we move further into Term Three, students will be completing more assessments to help teachers identify the next steps in their learning and contribute to the marks they will receive in their report at the end of Semester One. Regular attendance is key to this process. Regular attendance can have academic benefits and provide a range of social opportunities for your child including engaging with others, playing games and making friends. Every Day Counts!

### **Infrastructure Projects for 2021**

- Work on the wheelchair accessible ramp/pathway from the Big Block to the old Administration building continues.

**Is Your Child Eligible for Prep 2022 – Enrol Now! Very Limited Spaces available!!**

Your child is due to start school in 2022 if they are born between 01/07/16 and the 30/06/17. Children born in July 2017 are also eligible to enrol for the 2022 school year if they have had a meeting with the school principal to verify their readiness for school.

If your child has a sibling already attending Glenella SS they are automatically eligible to be enrolled here. If you know of families that live in our catchment zone and they have a prep age child for 2022 please encourage them to contact the school.

Kind regards  
Sam

**Coping with stress, anxiety or distress**

When many things feel uncertain or out of our control, one of the most effective ways we can manage stress and anxiety is to **focus on the actions that are in our control**. Here are some ways you can take intentional steps to look after your physical and emotional wellbeing during this challenging time:

**Acknowledge your feelings**

Whatever you are feeling right now, know that it's okay to feel that way. Allow yourself time to notice and express what you're feeling. This could be through journaling, talking with others, or channeling your emotions into something creative (e.g., drawing, painting, poetry, music).

**Maintain your day-to-day activities and a routine as much as possible**

Having a healthy routine can have a positive impact on your thoughts and feelings. Go back to basics: eating healthy meals, physical exercise (e.g., walking, stretching, running, cycling), and doing things you enjoy.

**Stay connected**

Receiving support and care from others has a powerful effect on helping us cope with challenges. Spending time with supportive family and friends can bring a sense of comfort and stability. Talking through our concerns, thoughts, and feelings with others can also help us find helpful ways of thinking about or dealing with a stressful situation.

For more information or support you can visit:

- <https://headspace.org.au/>
- <https://au.reachout.com/>



**FUNDRAISE NOW!!!**  
**Count Down on for Colour**  
**Explosion Fun Run Disco**  
**ONE WEEK TO GO!**  
**Next Friday 11th June**

The countdown is on for our Colour Explosion School Fun Run Disco! Keep fundraising, there are lots of prizes up for grabs! 🎁 So if you haven't registered yet please get in and do it today! Go to [www.myprofilepage.com.au](http://www.myprofilepage.com.au) and click Register Your Child and follow the instructions.

There will be a pizza party for the class who raises the most funds. A prize for the highest individual fundraiser. Remember money raised will go towards Student Council. Don't forget to wear a white shirt for the Fun Run to make the colour extra bright.

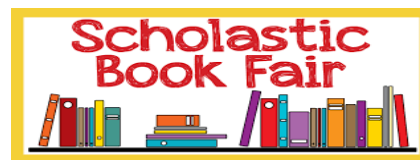
**FROM THE OFFICE**

**Public Holiday**

Please note that Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June is the Mackay Show Holiday.

**School Absences**

If your child is absent from school for any reason you must contact the school as soon as possible. The easiest way to inform us is by phoning the Absence Line on 49692333 then choose Option 1. You must contact the office each day that your child is absent or inform administration staff of length of absence.



We will be holding a Book Fair in week 10 of this term. The fair will run from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June to Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Times will be advised in the next newsletter. A parent or guardian must be present for all purchases. The fair will be held in the school library. COVID restrictions will apply. Stay tuned for further details. It's sure to be a great event!

## MONEY COLLECTION

- **WHITSUNDAY VOICES**

Students from 4/5B, 5/6T & 5/6B will travel to Whitsunday Anglican School on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July to attend two author sessions at this years Whitsunday Voices Festival. Cost is **\$8.00** per student. Invoices will be sent home next week.

- **CHARLOTTE'S WEB**

Students from Prep to 3/4S will travel to the MECC on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July to see a performance of Charlotte's Web. Cost is **\$8.00** per student. Invoices will be sent home next week.

- **JOURNALS, PLANNERS, SPELLING MASTERY & ONLINE RESOURCES**

If not already paid, please forward payment at your earliest convenience.

- **SWIMMING**

Students in Prep to Yr 6 will commence swimming from **FRIDAY 16<sup>th</sup> July** (first week back after holidays). We will swim each Friday over a seven week period.

- Swimming lessons will be provided by qualified instructors at Pat Wright's Swim School. Cost is **\$45.00**

per child (discounted due to government funding carried forward from 2020). Invoices will be sent out shortly. Preferred payment is by B Point and Direct Deposit. EFTPOS is also available. Thank you again to P&C for covering bus transport for our swim program.

Payment options for all of the above include B Point, EFTPOS or direct deposit to

**Glenella State School**

**BSB: 064-707**

**A/C: 00090677**

Student name and either "Voices", "Charlotte", "Spell" or "Swim" as reference.



Glenella State School holds a Playgroup session each Wednesday morning from 9.00am-10.00am in our school undercover area. Remember to bring a healthy snack. Please spread the word!

### PREP VISION SCREENING

Good vision is important for a child's educational, physical and social development. Vision screening checks for common eye conditions that may impact your child's ability to see and therefore impact their learning and development.

A Registered Nurse will be visiting the school **on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> July** to conduct vision screening for Prep students. If you wish to have your prep child participate in this free vision screening program, please complete a consent form which will be sent home today by **23<sup>rd</sup> June 2021**. Parents do not need to be present for screening, however if you would like to be, please contact the school to arrange this.

Participation in vision screening is not compulsory. If you do not wish for your child to participate in screening, please complete the consent form and indicate that you wish to decline screening.

If you have any questions, please contact the Primary School Nurse Health Readiness Program on 1800 687 372.

## P&C PRATTLE

### P&C FUNDRAISING LEVY

We encourage all parents to support this levy. The rates of levy are as follows:-

**1 child** \$20 per term or \$80 per year. **2 or more children** \$25.00 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 Association**

**BSB: 064-707**

**A/C: 00900246**

Surname and "Levy" as the reference.

### HOY ROSTER



**10/6/21** Lisa Smith  
Leigh Breen  
Shopper Karlee McMillan  
Julie Bishop  
M/Tea Sweet Mel Pitt  
Sav Paula Mudge

**17/6/21 - No Hoy Show Holiday**

**24/6/21** Jenny O'Loughlin  
Liddell Baker  
Shopper Kirralee Scarpelli  
M/Tea Sweet Liddell Baker  
Sav Marcia Prior

## PREP 2022

Do you know any families who have children eligible for Prep in 2022? To be eligible the child must have been born between 1 July 2016 and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

We are currently taking enrolments and would love to hear from any new families living within our catchment area. Please contact the office for an enrolment pack.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### June

- 11 Colour Fun Run Disco
- 15 Senior Sports Carnival
- 16 Junior Sports Carnival
- 17 Mackay Show Day Holiday
- 18 Ice Cream Day (\$2)
- 21-23 Bookfair
- 25 Student Council Pizza Day
- 25 Last day term 2

### July

- 12 First day term 3
- 16 Swimming Commences
- 28 Prep Vision Screening

## *Student Council News*



### Icy Poles

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

### Ice Cream Day

To be held on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June.  
Cost is \$2 per ice cream.

**Pioneer Community Kindergarten**  
Proudly affiliated with Lady Gowrie Community Kindergartens

## JOIN OUR WAITING LIST

Offering two Kindergarten programs in 2022

**FIVE DAY FORTNIGHT (30 hours/fortnight)**  
Beginning of week - Monday, Tuesday & alt Wednesday (8.30am to 2.35pm)  
End of Week - Thursday, Friday & alt Wednesday (8.30am to 2.35pm)

**FOUR DAY FORTNIGHT (30 hours/fortnight)**  
Beginning of week - Monday & Tuesday (8.00am to 3.30pm)  
End of Week - Thursday & Friday (8.00am to 3.30pm)

Before & After Kindy Club will not be offered in 2022  
19 High Street NORTH MACKAY PH: 07 4942 3340  
Email: admin@pioneerkindy.org.au Website: www.mackaypioneerkindergarten.org.au

**ADHD & Demand Avoidance**  
SEMINAR - Mackay

**What's included:**

- Expert Speakers
- Refreshments
- Exhibitors
- Slides
- Certificate of Attendance

**Tickets \$67**

**Sunday 27th June 10am - 3pm**  
Souths Leagues Club Mackay - 181 Milton Street, Mackay

**Book Today!**  
[www.myspecialchildonline.com](http://www.myspecialchildonline.com)