GLENORIE SCHOOL BULLETIN

Term 4, Week 2 22 October 2020



Welcome Back

We hope you all had a terrific holiday and enjoyed two weeks of family fun. We have a very exciting and busy term ahead. Although we will be busy, our core business is, as always, teaching children. Together with you, we look forward to sharing in the excitement of watching your children learn throughout the term.

Welcome to our New Families

This term we had two new families starting at Glenorie Public School. We would like to warmly welcome all of you and trust that you enjoy being part of our school community.

THANKS, Teachers!

Friday 30 October is World Teachers' Day (don't tell the teachers...). Although the staff do their jobs because they love teaching, not because they're after votes of thanks, it is nice to know that their work is appreciated by you and your kids.



Please take the time to write a card/note...it will mean a lot for your child's teacher. Thanks



 School camps are now permitted, so our Year 5 & 6 students will be heading off to The Great Aussie Bush Camp on Monday 14th December for 3 days.

KNOWLEDGE WISDOM UNDER

- Primary schools can plan for Year 6 formals or farewells and graduations provided they occur in a COVID-safe way. The Year 6 farewell will proceed on Monday 7th December with some restrictions. Unfortunately, no parents will be permitted.
- Reading parents can resume reading groups but must complete all COVID forms and follow our COVID plan.
- Party Day this year will be held on Thursday 10th December.
- The Year 6 arch will be held on Friday 11th December with the Talent Quest. Unfortunately no parents will be permitted.
- Unfortunately the presentation night cannot go ahead but we are working on alternatives to fit around the COVID restrictions. The Department's rules are that parents cannot attend. We are looking at videoing the presentation and uploading it for parents. We will keep you informed of these arrangements.
- Please note, parents are still not permitted on school grounds unless permission has been given. Please phone the school office on 9652 1237 if your child is arriving late, getting picked up early or if you need to drop off something for your child.

Have Your Say - 1 day to go!

Have you completed the survey? Have your say about the direction of the school. Thank you to the 70% of parents who have completed our survey. If you have not yet completed our survey, please log into this site:

http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/k4ys8

More information about the survey is available at: http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-forparents

Parents who complete the survey may claim an ironbark for their child by emailing the office.

Ph: 9652 1237 Fax: 9652 2538

Email: glenorie-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au Website: www.glenorie-p.schools.nsw.gov.au

Selective High School ~ 2022

Applications for placement in 2022 opened on 13 October 2020 and close on 16 November 2020. The test is expected to be held on 11 March 2021.

The Selective High School Placement Test will change in 2021 for placement in 2022. It will be paper based with new types of questions and a different scoring system. The test will be transitioning to a new test framework and computer-based format by 2022 (for placement in 2023).

Assessments for the school assessment scores will be based on achievement on the school curriculum in Year 5 after 25 May 2020.

https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7

Kindergarten Orientation

Starting Kindergarten is an exciting time for children as well as their parents. Our first day of Kindergarten transition started this week, with a difference. It was a very exciting time for our new Kindy students entering school without their Mums & Dads. The COVID restrictions meant that our new Kindies for 2021 had to be dropped at the gate. They were just amazing. All walking into school like they had been here all year. Well done. Sadly we are unable to hold our Kindy parent orientation due to the COVID restrictions.











We will be running the Best Start Program with our new Kindergarten students on Thursday 28th January and Friday 29th January 2021. It will be held at intervals to be assessed, returning home after the completion of the assessment. This allows our Kindergarten teachers to administer the assessment to each student and assess their abilities before they begin Kindy next year.

Each 2021 kindergarten parent will receive the date and time that their child will attend the Best Start Assessment in their packs that they will receive on their child's last orientation session. All kindergarten children will start together on Monday 1 Feb, when they will be placed in their classes for the year

If you have any questions or concerns about next year's enrolment, please contact Mrs Perry.

Road work on Old Northern Road

Between 21 October and 13 November, The NSW Government is carrying out road works between Cairnes Road and Whites Road, Glenorie. If you have any questions, please contact DM Roads on 1800 332 660 or nsw_projects@dmroads.com.au.

Please allow extra travel time to school in case there are delays.

Changes???

We know that many families have had a challenging year. This may have led you to decide to move from the Glenorie area or make other changes for 2021.

Of course we do not want to see you go, but if you know, of if there is even a possibility, that your child will not be attending our school next year, please inform the office as soon as possible. I have spoken to a few parents that have indicated they are leaving. We are currently working on 2021 staffing arrangements and early notification is essential as we are growing in numbers, many families are seeking placements and we also need to set class sizes. Thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

Staff Development Days in 2021

To support a smooth start to the 2021 school year and to ensure that we are able to give time to high impact professional learning for the staff, the following amendments to Staff Development Days (SDDs) will take effect from the beginning of the 2021 school year. The amendments will impact the number of SDDs occurring in Terms 1 and 4, while SDDs occurring in Terms 2 and 3 will remain the same.

At the start of 2021, the SDDs are scheduled for the following dates:

~ 27 and 28 January, students return 29 January 2021.

In summary, in 2021 there will be an increase from one to two SDDs in Term 1, there will be no changes to SDDs occurring at the commencement of Terms 2 and 3 and there will be a decrease from two to one SDDs at the end of Term 4.

Student Resources

Hopefully you used the holidays to replace any worn/broken stationery items. If you have not already done so, please ensure your child has new pens, pencils, erasers, etc. by the end of this week.

Student Numbers

We can only accept "in-area" enrolments for 2021. At this stage it is looking like we will start 2021 with 11 mainstream classes. As with this year, there is a possibility that next year our school structure may involve multiage (composite) classes. We will inform you about possible structures towards the end of this term.

We Are a Bushfire School

Our school is in a bushfire prone area and identified as Category 2 on the Department's bushfire register.

It is important that we are all aware of and implement appropriate emergency planning and monitor bushfire conditions during the bushfire season so we can be ready to act where required.

The Glenorie Public School App will be used to give you alerts of bushfire procedures put in place if we are ever to need them. Please make sure you have the GPS App and have your notifications turned on, as this will be the way we will be notifying you.

Our school's Bushfire Emergency Response Plan is on the following page.

2021 school travel applications now open

Students who require a School Opal card or travel pass for 2021 can now <u>apply</u> online. A new application should be submitted if a student is applying for a school travel pass for the first time or requesting an additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody). Further information can be found on page 5 of this bulletin.

Become involved in your child's education.

Enjoy learning!

Lyn Pearce Principal



BUSHFIRE EMERGENCY RESPONSE GUIDE

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- Notification received from **Secured Comms** or **Known risk** of nearby bushfire
- Decision to take action and activate Bushfire Emergency Response Guide & Procedures and become non-operational

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• Take advice whether to evacuate off-site or to shelter in place from Emergency Services 000 and/or Education Liaison Officer (at SEOC) and/or Local Fire Control Centre: 02 9522017. Monitor Secured Comms App

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- Sound alarm Bushfire siren/announcement.
- Move to hall and follow direction issued by Chief Warden to await buses.
- Check live traffic app for road closures emergency evacuation location

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 Contact Hills Buses Ph: 88897069 and request X buses for transport to Dural Public School. If assistance required with buses - advise Incident report hotline 1800 811 523 or via Secured Comms

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- **SAM/SAO:** First Aid Kits (epipens asthma relievers), medications, class rolls, contact numbers, to enable contact with parents/carers
- · All staff follow Bush Fire procedures.

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• Follow advice from RFS and/or Emergency Services, and Secured Comms App and await transport to evacuation location - child pick up point

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• Make contact - Incident Report Hotline 1800 811 523 (opt. 1); Director Christina Bennet Ph 0414692805

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- Alert parents via GPS App message to notify of evacuation/shelter in place and pick up point. **Monitor** Secured Comms App.
- Parents collect & sign out children CRT to maintain rolls

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- Maintain contact Incident Report Hotline 1800 811 523 Director; Monitor Secured Comms App.
- · Recovery: Do not return to site until a clearance certificate has been issued by AMU.

School Travel for 2021



2021 school travel applications are now open

Applications for student travel in 2021 opened from Monday 12 October 2020. Students who require a School Opal card or travel pass for 2021 can now apply online. A new application should be submitted if a student is applying for a school travel pass for the first time or requesting an additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

Students who have changed school/campus, changed address, repeated a year or received an expiry notification from Transport for NSW for their school travel entitlement should <u>re-apply or update their details</u>.

*Applications must be completed by the student's parent or legal guardian if the student is aged under 16 years. Students 16 years and over must complete the application form themselves.

Where there is a change of distance eligibility based on a student's grade, the system will automatically update a student's entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new eligibility criteria, they will receive an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition which is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

Term Bus Pass holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

If a student needs to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails

Applications need to be submitted before **31 December 2020** to ensure that current student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card remains valid. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2020, the system will automatically cancel an entitlement/card and a new one will need to be issued.

Students in the Opal network applying for a SSTS or Term Bus Pass entitlement for the first time will receive their card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2021.

Enquiries regarding school student travel can be submitted to Transport for NSW at: https://transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/passes-concessions-feedback

CAPTAINS AWARDS

The Glenorie Public School 2020 captains have been handing out captains' awards for each stage group at Monday morning assemblies. To achieve these captains' awards, you need to be on your best behavior throughout the week, be kind to others, follow the school rules and follow the teachers' instructions at all times in the playground and in the classroom.

Kindest regards, your captains: Allegra, Myles, Maddie, Blake

Week 1, Term 4:



Week 2, Term 4:





Our author is a Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) winner for 2020!

Congratulations to Jasmine Seymour, author/illustrator of *Baby Business*, *Cooee Mittigar* and *Family*. Glenorie Public School played host to Jasmine in Term 3, and we are delighted to announce that Jasmine Seymour WON the category for 'New Illustrator'. It is hard to believe the author that came to spend time with us this year, has had the honour of winning a Children's Book Council of Australia award. We congratulate Jasmine and we are so proud to have a connection to an award-winning author!





Great Book Swap

The Great Book Swap is being held on Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th November (Week 7) of Term 4.

Thank you so much to those families that have donated books for the swap- the books are piling up! We are still in need of books that would suit Stages 2 and 3, so please donate any books to the very worthy cause.

Don't forget that on Tuesday and Wednesday of Week 7, students who bring a gold coin donation will get the opportunity to select a book from the donated books which will be displayed in the library for the swap.



Keep reading,

Mrs Cook

GLENORIE PS SCHOOL BAND

JOIN THE BAND!

Is your child interested in joining the school band?

The school band is now taking enrolments for 2021 and is open to all students currently in years 2-5.

No prior experience needed!

During Term 4 students will see a <u>band demonstration</u> at school that highlights the different instruments available for tuition. After this demonstration they will receive a green *Expression of Interest* note providing introductory information.

What do you need to do?

- Carefully read the green Expression of Interest and then register your child's interest in joining the band online at https://www.teachingservices.com.au/eoi
- Once you register online a TSA tutor will meet your child to help them assess which instrument they are most suited to**
- 3. The results of this instrument trial will be sent home with enrolment information

Learning an instrument in an ensemble is a great way to experience the social, educational and personal benefits that music and the arts have to offer! TSA provides a variety of tuition options as well as instrument hire and sales to help parents give the gift of music to their children.

TSA is a registered COVID-safe provider and delivers instrumental programs with a focus on inclusion, student engagement and well-being.

**Instrument trials will take place within strict COVID-safe guidelines and will include a basic aural and rhythm assessment among several other activities which measure your child's suitability for each instrument.







(02) 9651 7333 enrolments@teachingservices.com.au www.teachingservices.com.au

P & C News

OOSH News

Bookings for 2021 enrolments will open for current families on Monday 26th October and close on Monday 9th November.

Places will be confirmed by Tuesday 10thNovember for current families.

Enrolments for **new families and kindy children** open Wednesday 11th November and close on Wednesday 25th November. Places will be confirmed by Thursday 26th November.

If you have any questions or are interested in care, please contact the OOSH on 9652 0074 or glenorieoosh@bigpond.com.

Canteen

There are still some canteen shifts which we need to fill for term 4. If you can spare a couple of hours on a Monday or Friday this term, please either email us (glenoriepscanteen@gmail.com) or sign up for a shift following the below link.

Unfortunately if shifts don't get filled we will be forced to close the canteen on those days.

https://signup.com/go/AEysXdk

From this week the canteen is open on Wednesdays at lunch for over the counter items only. No hot food or Flexischools orders, but your child can bring cash and come up to canteen during lunch time.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is now only open by appointment only. Online orders will continue to be filled on both Mondays and Thursdays.

Please email <u>glenoriepandc@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions.

P&C Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on 27 October at 7pm. For the time being we will continue to hold our meetings via Zoom but encourage all parents and caregivers to join us - it is a great way to get involved and find out more about your child's school. Everyone is welcome and if you would like the Zoom link, or have some questions you would like addressed please contact the P&C via the email address glenoriepandc@gmail.com

Email: glenoriepandc@gmail.com

Facebook: Glenorie Public School P & C Events



Harry & Leo's Lawns

Nice tidy lawns and Whipper snipping for a good price!



Working hours to mow and do edges

Monday - 4:30 - 6:30pm Tuesday - 4:30 - 6:30pm Wednesday - 4:30 - 6:30pm Thursday - 4:30 - 6:30pm Saturday - All day Sunday - All day

Contact us on...

Harry: 0428602410 Leo: 0499554996

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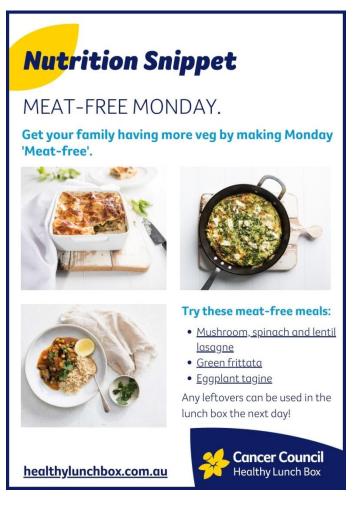
PRICES

Starting from \$40 per lawn Extra for whipper snipping











Keeping safe around school crossings

For your child's safety, it's very important to ensure they use the school crossing.

At all crossings you must wait on the footpath, at least one step back from the edge of the road.

If there's a School Crossing Supervisor, wait until they have stopped the traffic and called you to cross.



If you are driving, you must not proceed until the School Crossing Supervisor's hand-held sign is no longer displayed, or until the crossing supervisor indicates that you may proceed through the crossing.

Children's crossings

Children's crossings are usually part-time crossings that operate before and after school hours. They can also operate at other times when children use the crossing for excursions or during break times. When 'Children Crossing' flags are displayed, you must stop at the white line if pedestrians are waiting to cross. Divisers must remain stationary until the crossing is clear of pedestrians.

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on safetytown.com.au



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Our goal is zero.





Keeping your children safe when dropping off and picking up at school

Here are a few things you can do to help keep your children and others safer during drop-off and pick-up times during the school week:

- Make sure your children are fastened in the correct child car seat for their age and size and that it is fitted correctly.
- Stick to the 40km/h speed limit in a school zone and look out for children who may be about.
- Watch for flashing lights on buses. They let you know that there may be children crossing or about to cross the road. A 40km/h limit applies when school bus lights flash.
- Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.
- Always park and turn legally around schools. Manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns are dangerous during busy school drop-off and pick-up times.
- Drop your children off and pick them up on the school side of the road in your school's designated drop-off and pick-up area. Never call out to them from across the road – they may run to you without checking for traffic.
- It's safest for children to get out of the car through the Safety Door, away from passing traffic. This is the rear footpath side door of the car.

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YEAR 6 FUNDRAISING

Phone Cases \$5
iPad and Laptop cases \$10
Car chargers and car holders \$10
Sports armband and car holder for iPhone \$20

All proceeds go towards the Yr 6 Farewell

To purchase, contact the office, Mr Ure or Mr Gornalle

Take a moment for you! Take a photo that represents your strength, resilience or happy place! #TAKEAMOMENT4U Take, tag and post your photo on Instagram! Spread the word! Health Sydney Local Health District