

# GLENORIE SCHOOL BULLETIN

Term 4, Week 6

19 November 2020



## Upcoming Events

Date	Event
24 Nov	NRL Gala Day
24-25 Nov	Great Book Swap
25 Nov	Last scripture day
26 Nov	Water Fun Day
27 Nov	12pm Captains Speeches
30 Nov	9.30am Band Christmas Concert
2 Dec	Galston High year 7 orientation day
3 Dec	Presentation awards day
7 Dec	Year 6 Farewell
10 Dec	Party Day
10 Dec	Reports go home
10 Dec	Toys n Tucker pick up
11 Dec	Talent Quest
14-16 Dec	Years 5 & 6 camp
16 Dec	Last day of school for students
17 Dec	SDD for teachers

### Just over four weeks to go!

What an unusual year we have had as a learning community. It is amazing to think about what we have all been through this year. Although we are not quite at the end (and the next four weeks are VERY busy), we are at the stage where we can start reflecting on the incredible year we have had. Perhaps the greatest success worth celebrating is the development your children have made this year through all adversities. We look forward to sharing some of the highlights of the year with you over the coming weeks.

### Thanks Volunteers!!!

We would like to thank all our volunteers for their support throughout the year. Volunteers, be it reading helpers, canteen assistants, book club coordinators, scripture teachers....., allow our teaching staff to focus on our core business: teaching students. Without your support, much of our professional time would be dedicated to "organising" rather than planning for lessons. Even though this year has not enabled our volunteers to be involved as much as they usually are, we are very thankful for all that you have contributed to our school.

### Academic Success

Last term many of our Year 2-6 students participated in the Mathematics University of NSW academic competitions. We would like to congratulate all of the students who participated.

Special congratulations to our distinction & credit winners:

Jackson B	Distinction in Maths
Kiran L	Distinction in Maths
Ella D	Distinction in Maths
Charlotte K	Credit in Maths
Sophie H	Credit in Maths
Eloise K	Credit in Maths
James W	Credit in Maths

### YEAR 7 Galston High School Orientation

Year 7 students starting at Galston High School in 2021 are reminded that orientation day is on 2 December. Information was provided to your child last Monday in their GHS pack.

Galston High School has been busy creating a new promotional campaign called "Potential Starts Here." It is a series of testimonial videos from past students that showcase what they offer as a school. They have a series of five of these individual testimonials and will be posting a new one every two weeks. If you would like to get a sneak peek at the whole series before they are released, take a look here:

<https://galston-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/potential-starts-here.html>

### Glenorie Public School's Situational Analysis

We have been working on the school's situational analysis which is a key component of the School Excellence cycle and is used to inform our school's improvement journey in learning, teaching and leading. The situational analysis enables our school to develop a context-specific Strategic Improvement Plan. We genuinely value and wish to engage with our local community. Effective in-school strategies for improving student outcomes are more widely successful when undertaken in partnership with the community. You can obtain a copy of the school's Situational Analysis at the office and we would appreciate your contributions to this process.

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Website: [www.glenorie-p.schools.nsw.gov.au](http://www.glenorie-p.schools.nsw.gov.au)

## Water Fun Day

The Stage 3 Water Fun Day will be held on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November. Stage 3 students are very excited to be planning this event. Please only complete the permission slip if your child does NOT have permission to participate. Students are to wear their **sports uniform** and it is essential that all students wear **enclosed shoes**, a **hat** and **sunscreen**. Students need to bring a **water bottle** and sunscreen and may pack spare clothes if desired.

## Respect Our Neighbours



Even-though after-school pick up has changed this year due to COVID, we still need to respect our neighbours. The council placed posts along Schwebel Lane earlier this year to make the area safer for pedestrians. Despite this, parents are still parking and turning in our neighbours' driveways. The neighbours have complained that parents are destroying their gravel drives. Please be considerate. If at all possible, park further down the lane. Do not park or drive on our neighbours' driveways. Thanks for caring.

## Kindergarten Start Date

### Monday 1st February 2021

*We will be doing the new Best Start Program with our new Kindergarten students in 2021.*

*Our Kindergarten Teachers will be administering tests to each student on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Students attend school for their assessment and return home when they have completed their half hour assessment. All Kindergarten students will begin school in their class and meet their teacher on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021 at 9:30 am at the hall.*

*Each 2021 Kindergarten parent received their date and time that their child will have their assessment in their child's pack.*

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

## Thanks to our Sensational P&C

This year the P&C has achieved many outstanding goals for our school, but more importantly, for your children. The P&C has been instrumental in determining many of the positive directions for our school and has been actively involved in promoting our school in the wider community. On top of all of that, as always, the P&C has been actively fundraising to purchase additional assets to improve opportunities for the students. This year we will be losing our P&C President of the last 5 years. Dennise Williams has worked tirelessly over that time to support the school and develop the strength that we have between parents and school. Her dedication has contributed to the well-resourced school that we have become. On behalf of the entire school learning community, I would like to thank and congratulate Dennise for the tremendous job that you have done to make our school a better place for students, staff and parents. You are sensational! We will miss you.



## School Development Day

Parents are reminded that the last day of the 2020 school year for students will be **Wednesday 16 December**. The last School Development Day for staff will be conducted on Thursday 17 December, where teachers will be completing training. Two School Development Days at the start of 2021 will allow teachers to undergo further professional training. The Talent Quest will be held on Friday 11 December at 9:30am for K-2 and 12:00pm for 3-6. Year 6 Arch will be held at 3:00pm that afternoon.

## Presentation Day

Presentation Day will be held on 3 December at **OUR SCHOOL HALL**. Unfortunately only parents of students receiving awards would have received an invitation to these assemblies. Can you return your attendance slips with the number of parents that will be attending by this week? We will also announce the Captains for 2021 at the 3-6 assembly on 3 December. Parents may now attend the 2021 captains' speeches on 27 November with social distancing measures to be followed.

Parents attending the presentation awards must sit only on the seats with COVID forms placed on them. Please fill in the forms while waiting for the assembly to begin.

We look forward to sharing the achievements of all of our students with you on Thursday 3 December starting at 9:45am for K-2 and 12pm for 3-6.

## Toys and Tucker ~ the Spirit of Christmas

Thank you for supporting the Anglicare 'Toys and Tucker' campaign. We are hoping that as many families as possible will donate a wrapped gift (new items only with suggested gender and age) or food item (for Christmas hampers- in date items only) which Anglicare will be able to pass onto some families less fortunate than ours. If you are able to help, please leave gift at the front office before 10 December. Thanks for caring about others!



## Scripture News

Next Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> November, will be the last day for scripture for 2020. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our scripture teachers for providing an outstanding service for our school community. Your goodwill and commitment of time has certainly helped our school to grow in terms of spiritual and emotional development. We look forward to working with you all again in 2021.

## The Library is closing soon

With the end of our school year approaching fast, the library needs to do a stock take. To help in this we ask that all students return their library books ASAP. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

## Stage 3 is off to camp!

On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December, our Year 5 and 6 students will be off to 'The Great Aussie Bush Camp' on their exciting adventure. It is going to be a great three-day program. We still have a few students that have not yet paid for camp. Could you please finalise payments by tomorrow? Thank you.



## Christmas P&C Meeting

We would again like to extend a warm welcome to all members of our school community to attend next week's P&C Christmas Meeting at the school (our first and last in a long time). We hope you can join us for the final P&C meeting for 2020 and to be part of the school's decision-making process.

**Tuesday 24 November, 7:00pm Library**

## Student Reports

Semester 2 reports will be sent home with students on Thursday 10 December. It is important that you take the time to read about your child's strengths and areas for development. It is also important that to ensure your child further develops a love of school and learning you celebrate his/her every effort. You should feel very proud of your child's efforts... never feel disappointed. Although this scholastic year is drawing to an end, learning doesn't stop. If there are some areas for development, your child's teacher for next year will be able to continue on with the work that this year's teacher has done ... part of life-long learning.

## School Captain Speeches

Speeches will be held on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 12:00 pm under our outdoor COLA. All nominees will prepare and present a **formal speech** to the staff and students. There will be no dancing, raps, comedy acts, slogans or chants. The process is to select School Captains, capable leaders; it is not a talent quest. Students who wish to perform a performance act on the day will be disqualified from the selection process.

## School Attendance

As was mentioned last week, attendance is important. It is apparently a growing practice to have 'Family Days'. Family days are on the weekend, not school days. Teaching your child that school is something that you don't have to attend is developing poor high school and work attendance practices.

Parents are required to explain the absences of their children from school promptly and within seven days to the school. An explanation for absence must be provided to the school within 7 days of the first day of any period of absence.



## School Photos

Group photos are now available for viewing and ordering ONLINE ONLY at <http://www.theschoolphotographer.com.au>

The online order code is: **20S1299PSB42G**

The photo prices are \$18 each, 2 for \$34, 3 for \$46, 4 for \$58 or 5 for \$70. Any additional photographs are \$10 each. This discount is only available per family order.

The group photos available for online ordering are:

- Captains
- Sports Captains
- Year 6 Fun
- SRC
- Library Monitors
- Green Team

If you have any questions, the contact details for the School Photographer are:

Ph: 9674 9824

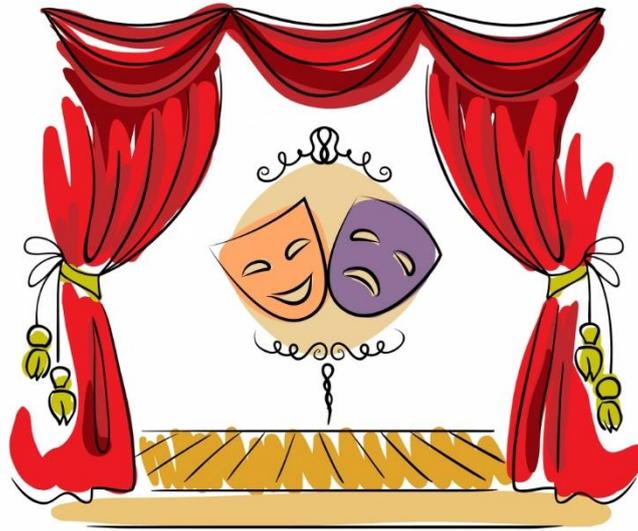
Email: [enquiries@theschoolphotographer.com.au](mailto:enquiries@theschoolphotographer.com.au)

Everyone should have received their individual/class and family photos by now if you ordered them. If you would like to order more, it is not too late. The order code is X1299PSB42G.

*Become involved in your child's education.  
Enjoy learning!*

Lyn Pearce

Principal  
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## 2020 Talent Quest

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December (Week 9)

To participate in the Talent Quest, students must attend an audition.

Auditions will be held in the hall at Wednesday lunchtimes (Yr 3-6) and Thursday lunchtimes (K-2) in Weeks 6 and 7. Students do not require costumes for auditions.

### Please Note:

1. Bring the name of song and artist (or write these down on the sign-up sheet) so the teachers will have the music ready for you.
2. You can't be part of more than 2 performances
3. Parents will not be able to attend the Talent Quest this year.

**If you have any further questions please see Mrs Roworth (Yr 3-6) or Miss Small (K-2)**

**Talent Quest Committee**

# 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.

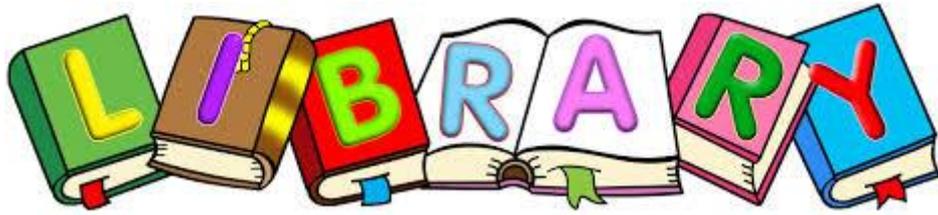
Kindest regards, your captains:  
Allegra, Myles, Maddie, Blake

## ***Week 5, Term 4:***



## ***Week 6, Term 4:***





## Great Book Swap

The Great Book Swap is being held on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November next week. The children are so excited about bringing a gold coin and taking home a book to keep.

The money we raise will help supply books for remote Indigenous communities so that all Australian kids have the opportunity to improve their literacy.

We have had incredibly generous donations of books from our fantastic school community, so thank you already!



All donated books are ready for next week!

Keep reading, and see you in the library for the Great Book Swap!

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 ***band demonstration*** 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?

1. 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>
2. 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.*



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[www.teachingservices.com.au](http://www.teachingservices.com.au)

# P & C News

## A message from Dennise Williams

*“Thank you” seems too simple to say after the farewell I experienced on Friday.*

*I was very overwhelmed to be showered by generous gifts and my virtual card which was full of beautiful words of appreciation.*

*All of which I was not expecting when I became P&C President in 2014. When I took on this role I joined a team of dedicated and committed parents of Glenorie Public School and we moved forward in making some significant changes to Glenorie Public School P&C.*

*My biggest aim was to bring the school community together, students, teachers, parents and local businesses so we could achieve amazing things for the many students that are lucky enough to attend Glenorie Public School.*

*I feel privileged to say a lot has changed and a lot has been achieved and I am so proud of how hard everyone involved worked to make it a difference over the last 6 years.*

*I leave behind my knowledge and wisdom to a more than capable team of Glenorie P&C committee members, but I take with me so much more... beautiful friendships, amazing memories and knowing I have contributed wonderful resources to my children’s primary school to be used by many in years to come.*

*Thank you from the bottom of my heart for trusting me in this role and for coming along on this journey with me.*

*Dennise Williams*



## School Banking

The Commonwealth Banking program is up and running again and we have fabulous tree tops adventure prizes and certificates to issue to our wonderful little savers.

Our window is located outside the sick bay window and is open on TUESDAY MORNINGS 9-9.30 am. We look forward to seeing you all there. Remember every time your child banks the school receives fundraising support from CBA.

We would like to thank the banking volunteers for their time and dedication to banking – Sylvia Saliba, Nerissa Anderson, Sandyha Law and Olivia Solomon.

Many thanks from the Banking Team.

## OOSH News

Bookings for 2021 enrolments for current families are now closed. If you have not yet completed the re-enrolment for your children for 2021 but require care for next year please contact the OOSH as soon as possible.

**Enrolments for new families and kindy children are now open 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](mailto:glenorieoosh@bigpond.com).

## Canteen

With the weather warming up quickly, please remember that canteen is now 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 and get themselves a frozen item, drink or snack.

## Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop remains closed for walk in orders for the rest of this term. For any new starters or Kindy children starting next year, fitting appointments can be made via the school office. For all other orders, please continue to use Flexischools and orders will be filled on Mondays and Thursdays. Any items you wish to return or need to be exchanged can be sent to the office with your child and a note, they will be picked up from there.

Please email [glenoriepandc@gmail.com](mailto:glenoriepandc@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

## P&C Meeting

Our next and last P&C meeting for the year will be held on 24 November at 7pm. For the first time since March we are allowed to hold this meeting at school. Social distancing restrictions will apply so if you are not a current financial member of the P&C Association but would like to attend this meeting could you please email us so we can ensure we have enough space allocated.

A Zoom link will also be available for all who would like to attend but are not able to do so physically. Please email us if you would like to receive the link.

With the year drawing to an end, we will be looking at P&C positions opening up in 2021. Being part of the P&C is a great way to get involved in your child's school community and allows you to make a real difference to your child's learning environment. We encourage everyone to come and join us on Tuesday and look forward to meeting you!

P&C email: [glenoriepandc@gmail.com](mailto:glenoriepandc@gmail.com)

Email: [glenoriepandc@gmail.com](mailto:glenoriepandc@gmail.com)

Facebook: Glenorie Public School P & C Events

**The 'No Parking' zone rules**

- The driver may stop in this zone for a maximum of **two (2) minutes**.  
*If your child is not there, you must drive away and come back later, so other drivers can pick up students who are waiting.*
- The driver **MUST** remain in or within **three (3) metres** of their vehicle at all times.
- The driver **MUST NOT** leave their vehicle unattended.
- If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction only applies during those times.

**How to use a 'No Parking' zone**

'No Parking' zones are provided as a space for drivers to be able to quickly drop-off and pick-up passengers.

To use a 'No Parking' zone effectively, pull into the most forward position available. Allow your passenger to alight from the vehicle, on the kerbside, then drive away.

The infographic features two 'No Parking' signs on poles. The left sign is red with a white 'P' in a circle with a slash, and a yellow 'School Drop-off Pick-up Zone' sign above it. The right sign is red with a white 'NO STOPPING' sign above it. Both signs indicate times: 8:00-9:30 and 2:30-4:00 on school days. The background shows a green car and a red car on a road, with a person walking on the sidewalk.

This is a road safety initiative of Hornsby Shire Council

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**Wendy Barnes**  
**'Nurtured Neurons' Counselling Practice**  
**Dural, 2158, Sydney, NSW**  
**0411 06 07 80**

Wendy is a trained and qualified Psychotherapist with a local home-based practice in Dural. She has a Bachelor of 'Counselling & Human Change', and experience in counselling clients through the challenges of everyday life. Wendy brings her own life experience to her practice, as a mother of four adult children.

Wendy has a passion to help her clients build resilience and overcome the difficulties of life. She has counselled individuals, married couples & families through a range of life circumstances, including: divorce, financial hardship, health & trauma, addiction, anxiety, low self-esteem, bullying, depression & navigating the changing seasons of life.

Wendy's role as counsellor is to bring her skills and experience (both professionally & personally) to work with her clients in overcoming unhelpful patterns of behaviour and stepping into new, healthy ways of relating and living.

Wendy works from a framework based on the concept of 'Neuroplasticity' which recognises that our thoughts, attitudes and behaviours are all capable of change and transformation, which is within every individual's power. She seeks to help her clients access this experience by giving them the tools to grow in self-awareness and by helping them to identify negative beliefs and habits and rebuild these areas.

To connect with Wendy and discuss having an initial session, you can contact her by phone or text on 0411 06 07 80.

## Nutrition Snippet

### BE FOOD SAFE.

Did you know that food poisoning is more common in summer?



**Bacteria love hot and humid weather.**

Always pack an ice brick or frozen water bottle in the lunch box.

Find more helpful tips at:  
[healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)



Galston Swim Club  
invites you to:

### GET READY FOR YOUR SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL AND TRY CLUB RACING!

School swimming carnivals will be here before we know it! Come and try racing in a fun, family friendly environment. Races start at 25metres.



Contact us on [fridaynightentries@galstonswimclub.com.au](mailto:fridaynightentries@galstonswimclub.com.au) for more information or to organise a free trial!



Nutrition Snippet

## The simplest way

... to pack a Christmas lunch box.

This bright and colourful Christmas themed lunch box is delicious and ticks off all 5 food groups. It includes:



- [Chicken and couscous salad](#)
- A yoghurt tub
- Diced watermelon
- Cucumber and cherry tomatoes
- [No bake cookies](#)
- Water

For more recipes, ideas and lunch box inspiration visit [healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)

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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