# GLENORIE SCHOOL BULLETIN

Term 3, Week 10

16 September 2021

Upcoming Events	
Date	Event
17 Sep	Last Day Term 3
4 Oct	Labour Day holiday.
5 Oct	School resumes online learning
25 Oct	Kindy & Year 1 return to school
26 Oct	7:00 pm P&C Zoom meeting
1 Nov	Yr 2 & Yr 6 return to school
8 Nov	Yr 3, 4 & 5 return to school
15 Nov	First Kindy orientation
18 Nov	Kindy orientation
19 Nov	2022 Captain's Speeches
22 Nov	Kindy orientation
25 Nov	Kindy orientation
25 Nov	Kindy Parent orientation on Zoom
2 Dec	Presentation Day
15 Dec	Party Day

# **COVID-19 Update**

Our students, teachers, staff and families have shown remarkable resilience and flexibility throughout this period. In Greater Sydney and other areas currently operating under <u>Level 4 restrictions</u>, the NSW Health advice is that it is safest for students to return in stages rather than all at once. On 25 October, students in Kindergarten and Year 1 will return first given the importance of developing their foundational learning in the early years and their disrupted experience to date. 2C & 2O, 6U and 5/6G will start on the following Monday, 1 November, and 3S, 3/4W, 4G & 5K will start on Monday 8 November. After the holidays, all students are to continue with online learning from home up until their class returns to school.

When students return to face to face teaching, online lessons and zoom lessons will not be available, as teachers are at school providing these lessons to the class. It is a requirement that all students attend school at that time. Masks are strongly recommended for all students when all students have returned to school.

# **NAPLAN Results**

Our school's NAPLAN test results in Literacy and Numeracy are a testimony to the hard work by teachers and students. Some of our assessment results include:



- 53.25% of our Yr 3 & Yr 5 average NAPLAN Reading & Numeracy results were in the top two bands.
- 58% of our Yr 5 students performed in the top two bands in Reading.
- 51% of our Yr 5 students performed in the top two bands in Grammar and Punctuation, 14% above the state.
- 51% of our Yr 5 students performed in the top two bands in Numeracy.
- 70% of our Yr 3 students performed in the top two bands in Grammar and Punctuation, 14% above the state.
- 73% of our Yr 3 students performed in the top two bands in Writing.14% above the state.
- 57% of our Yr 3 students performed in the top two bands in Reading.
- 61% of our Yr 3 students performed in the top two bands in Numeracy.

Congratulations to all of our Yr 3 and Yr 5 students. Our NAPLAN assessment results are outstanding. Thanks to our parents for being committed to supporting learning at home and a special thanks to all of our staff for consistently striving for excellence for all of our students. These are outstanding results. Well done.

# Staff Changes for Term 4

Mrs Graham will be leaving us this Friday to have her baby boy. Miss Lauren Muscat will be taking 4G until the end of 2021. Miss Muscat has been working

with Mrs Graham all this term with learning from home lessons as well as face to face classes at school, which has been wonderful for her to transition onto 4G next term.

We welcome Miss Muscat to Glenorie public School and we wish Mr & Mrs Graham all the best with the birth of their little boy.



Fax: 9652 2538

Website: www.glenorie-p.schools.nsw.gov.au

# School break in over the weekend

Unfortunately, last Saturday night teenagers broke into the hall attempting to break into the canteen. In addition to smashing the glass door, they broke the security cameras, stole the school flag and burnt the artificial soccer field nets.

If you recognise this person please contact the school with any information.

#### **Holiday Security**

As always, we seek your support during the school holidays to ensure our school remains secure. If you see any suspicious person(s) in the school grounds, please contact our School Security Unit on 1300 880 021 or Hornsby Police on 96805399. Thanks for caring about your school.

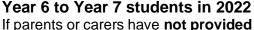
#### **GPS Showcase**

We are very excited to share our new google site "GPS Showcase". Here you can see some of the amazing work, creations, performances and achievements of our students during Home Learning. Congratulations to all of our students on their fantastic effort and determination so far this term.

Click this link: https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/gps-showcase/home

# Jersey Day 2021

Thank you to all the students who wore a jersey last Friday to support organ donation awareness.



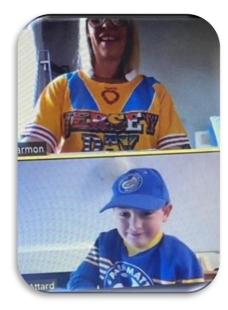
If parents or carers have **not provided Confirmation of Enrolment** for Year 6 students attending Galston High School in 2022, to accommodate **Covid-19 Safety plans** in relation to visitors on site, can you please return the enrolment forms and documentation if you have not yet done so by one of the following ways:

- 1. Scan and email to galston-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au
- 2. Post to the school Galston High School 403 Galston Road Galston 2159

3. Drop off at GHS – contact the front office – 9651-2222 to organise a mutually convenient time with SASS staff for collection at Galston High Schools bus bay.

At the moment it would appear having year 6 students on site for Year 7 Orientation day may not occur. Galston High School are currently developing plans which we will communicate with you as soon as we know more.

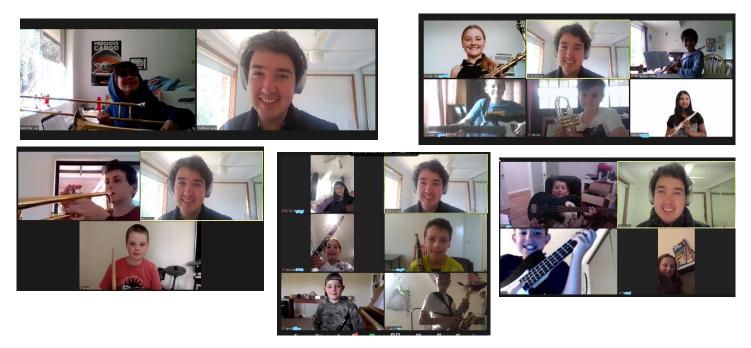






# Congratulations to the Band

What amazing work Mr King, all the band students and all the band parents have done to keep student access to co-curricular music alive this term. Well done.



## **Another Great term**

We would like to congratulate all our students for working hard at home to achieve all their learning goals. All the teachers truly appreciate the "self-drive" you have all developed throughout this term to work so hard at home. Thanks, as always, also to our parents for your ongoing support, at home and at school. Thank you for the cakes and treats dropped at school every week, we really appreciate that you appreciate us. We couldn't do this without your dedication to our online learning programs. Thank you. Thanks to the staff, teaching and support, for ensuring our core business ALWAYS revolves around teaching and learning, even in this unique circumstance. We have <u>many</u> reasons to feel proud. We look forward to getting back to face to face teaching in week 4 next term.

## The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey

The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement. We really need parents to take part in this survey. At present, only 3% of our parents have completed the survey.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey typically will take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 27 August and 29 October. Participating in the survey is voluntary; however, your responses are very much appreciated.

# http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/7fw69

## How to help your child deal with online safety issues

As parents and carers, you know your child better than anyone and have the best opportunity to support and guide them to have safer online experiences. Help your children safely navigate their digital world and educate them to avoid harmful online experiences. Explore websites, games, apps and social media together and set some rules. Your support and guidance can give your children the confidence to make sound decisions online — and ask for help when they need it. Some of our students have been accesses some websites and games that can be harmful. Parents are often unaware that their child has accessed sites through YouTube or Google that are inappropriate and then share this information at school.

For tips and advice on helping your child have safe and enjoyable experiences online go to:

https://www.esafety.gov.au/

# Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Thanks to the many parents who are constantly praising our school. Many of the enrolment enquiries that we receive are as a result of positive feedback from you. Thank you for constantly "singing the song of your school"!

Daylight saving time 2021 in New South Wales will begin at 2:00 am on Sunday 3 October

# Day One Term 4

Unlike other terms, Term 4 does not begin with a School Development Day. Online learning will start on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October due to Monday being a public holiday**.

# Have a Relaxing and Safe Holiday

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

Lyn Pearce, Principal







# Story Box Library

Reading aloud to children, in particular by diverse and engaging storytellers, greatly improves language and literacy skills, especially in the early years of a child's development. Story Box Library is committed to supporting and engaging the practice of storytelling. It is intended for use as a complementary form of delivering the precious experience of being read aloud to, in order to improve children's lives. Connecting children with literature through the complementary medium of film, providing a vibrant, interactive experience via a diverse range of storytellers sharing the best of our local children's picture books.

To access Story Box Library at home:

- 1) Visit www.storyboxlibrary.com.au
- 2) Choose Log In from the top right corner of the screen
- 3) Log in using the username and password provided below
- 4) Enjoy the library of stories on any device with internet connection.

USERNAME: GlenoriePS

PASSWORD: library

# Free online books to help explain the Pandemic

Talking with your children at home about the Pandemic can be a little daunting. Please find two publications below that might assist student comprehension of the virus and its impact.

# Birdie and the Virus

This book has been designed to support the mental health and emotional wellbeing of younger children, their parents and families during the COVID-19 pandemic.

View flipbook by clicking this link:

https://www.childrens.health.qld.gov.au/chq/our-services/mental-health-services/qcpimh/natural-disasterresources/storybooks/

# Coronavirus: A book for children

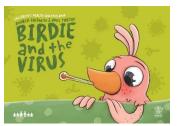
This book illustrated by Axel Scheffler (illustrator of The Gruffalo) focuses on the virus and the measures taken to control it.

To access this book, click on this link:

https://nosycrowcoronavirus.s3-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/Coronavirus\_ABookForChildren.pdf







# P & C News

# **OOSH** News

OOSH will be operating vacation care in the upcoming school holidays for the children of essential workers as per the NSW State Government directive. The operating hours for OOSH have been changed for this vacation care program, the service will be open between 8.30 am and 5.30 pm during the school holidays.

Please contact our lovely team at the OOSH on 9652 0074 or <u>glenorieoosh@bigpond.com</u> if you have any questions or concerns.

# **Canteen News**

The school canteen remains closed until further notice.

# **Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop remains closed until further notice too.

# **Colour Fun Run**

We would like to thank all our sponsors, kids and families of Glenorie Public school for contributing to our GPS Warrior Colour Run 2021.

Unfortunately, we have had to cancel the event and you may have noticed last week we were able to refund all registrations back onto your Flexischools account as a credit.

We also have had 34 students who started fundraising on our MyCause online website. If you would like to request for your donation to be refunded this is possible through the MyCause helpdesk. If you follow the link <u>https://mycause.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/requests/new</u> with your child's name, amount donated and your receipt number then they can arrange a refund.

We will be in touch with all our wonderful sponsors to offer further opportunities within our school community.

I would like to say a **BIG THANK YOU** to all the GPS Warrior Colour Run team/ P & C Committee for their enthusiastic efforts and time spent in organising this event.

Olivia Solomon

# News from the P&C

Our next P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 28 September at 7pm via Zoom. We would love to see some new faces on our P&C committee as we have quite a number of position holders vacating their positions in 2022. Please see below a list of roles that will need to be filled in 2022:

#### President

Treasurer

**Uniform Shop Coordinator** 

**Canteen Coordinator** 

#### **OOSH Coordinator** (albeit this position may no longer be required in 2022)

Contact the P&C for membership of the association or to receive the Zoom link for the meeting. We hope to welcome as many of you as possible via Zoom on this next meeting. P&C email: <u>glenoriepandc@gmail.com</u>



# STAY UP TO DATE AND FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK!

Please click on the link below if you don't already follow our P and C Committee Facebook Page – Like the page to stay up to date with information on our upcoming events, fundraisers and P and C news!

https://www.facebook.com/glenoriecountryfair/

# The Hills Shire Library Service

# Healthy Lunch and Snack Ideas for Children

Take part in a live online presentation about how to make healthy lunches and snacks for your family You will have the opportunity to ask questions and you will also receive links to online resources with healthy lunch tips and ideas.

4 Session dates to choose from: Mon, 6 September 2021 10:30 AM – 11:00 AM Tue, 14 September 2021 3:40 PM – 4:10 PM Fri, 24 September 2021 10:30 AM – 11:00 AM Thu, 30 September 2021 3:40 PM – 4:10 PM

## **Raising Resilient Children**

Building resilience is important for children's mental health. Join Stephanie O'Hare, Clinical

Neuropsychologist, as she explains the different stages in child development and how best to support these stages in your child.

Wed, 20 October 2021 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

All sessions are free however bookings are essential to receive the talk links <u>www.eventbrite.com.au/o/the-hills-shire-library-service-231647259</u>



