# GLENORIE SCHOOL BULLETIN

Term 4, Week 2

#### 20 October 2022

Upcoming Events	
Date	Event
24 Oct	First 2023 Kindy Orientation Day
25 Oct	7:00 pm P&C Meeting
27 Oct	Kindy Orientation Day
31 Oct	11:00 Band Demonstration
4 Nov	6:30 pm Performance Night
10 Nov	1:00 pm School Disco
11 Nov	Remembrance Day Assembly
17 Nov	Kindy 2023 Parent Orientation
18 Nov	Gold & Silver Assembly
25 Nov	3:00pm Kindergarten Play
7 Dec	Party Day
8 Dec	Reports to go home
8 Dec	Presentation Night

#### **COVID Update**

Students, staff and visitors should only attend school when symptom-free. We strongly encourage all students, staff and visitors to follow the <u>guidance</u> <u>issued by NSW Health</u>. Schools should continue to send home students or staff displaying symptoms. Anyone who believes they have been exposed to COVID-19 is strongly recommended to monitor for symptoms and test if they have any concerns, as well as wear a mask.

#### 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 a new family starting at Glenorie Public School. We would like to warmly welcome you and trust that you enjoy being part of our school community.

#### **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.



#### **Canteen Glenorie Bucks**

Last week the first of our Glenorie Bucks were presented at the Monday morning assembly to students whose parents worked in the canteen that week. Every student whose parents work in the canteen will receive Glenorie Bucks worth \$2 to spend in the canteen for donating their time. A small thank you for giving something back to our school.

#### Changes Staff Development Days 2022

Students will now end term 4 on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December, with Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December being made Staff Development Days.

This increases the annual school development days for teachers to 6 per year. The additional days will be held on:

- Monday 19 December 2022 (Tuesday 20 December 2022 is also a school development day)
- Monday 18 December 2023 (Tuesday 19 December 2023 is also a school development day)

#### End of Year School Disco

This year we will be holding our school disco during the day on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November. The P&C will be organising this year's disco as a thank you to all the students and families that made this year's Country Fair such a success. After asking all our families to contribute to the Country Fair in one form or another, as a thank you the P&C will be hosting the disco for all students. For the teachers to supervise the disco this year, it will be held in the hall from 1 pm -3 pm after the lunch break. All students may wear mufti on the Thursday of the disco. There will be glow sticks for sale on the day. A note will be sent home shortly.

#### **Student Numbers**

We can only accept "in-area" enrolments for 2023. At this stage, it is looking like we will start 2023 with 11 mainstream classes. As with this year, there is a possibility that next year our school structure may involve multi-age (composite) classes. We will inform you about possible structures towards the end of this term.

### We need your input

Have you completed the survey? Have your say about the direction of the school. Thank you to the 5% of parents who have completed our survey. If you have not yet completed our survey, please log into this site:

survey: <u>http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/4cxr7</u>

More information about the survey is available at: <u>http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents</u>

#### Selective High School ~ 2024

If you would like your child to go to a selective high school in Year 7 in 2024, you will need to apply soon. All applications should be made online through an Internet connection.

Applications for selective high school placement in Year 7 in 2024 open on 16 October 2022 and close on 18 November 2022 at <a href="https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7">https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7</a>

The Selective High School Placement Test is on Thursday **4 May 2023.** The test will be paper based. No late applications will be accepted.

#### Changes???

If you are planning on moving out of the Glenorie area and, regrettably, need to leave our school, please inform the office in writing as soon as possible. I have spoken to a few parents that have indicated they are leaving. We are currently working on 2023 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 with this matter.

#### THANKS, Teachers!

Australia will celebrate and thank the teaching profession on World Teachers' Day on Friday 28 October 2022 (don't tell the teachers...) Teachers (with support from parents and carers) have ensured education continues across the country this year, despite major challenges. It's reinforced the significant role teachers play in the lives of children and students, their families, and communities. 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.

#### 2023 School travel applications are now open

Applications for student travel in 2023 opened from Monday 10 October 2022. Students who need a School Opal Card or Travel Pass for 2023 can <u>apply</u> now. A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody). Students who change address, school location, have repeated a year or receive an expiry notification from Transport NSW for their school entitlement should renew or update their details before the end of Term 4. This will ensure that schools can endorse applications, and entitlements remain valid for the start of the 2023 school year. School Opal Card holders will have the changes applied to their existing card.

#### Visitors to School

We would like to remind all visitors to the school that due to the safety and welfare of students you must register with the front office via the QR code or our electronic sign in system. Please do not go to classrooms or the playground (recess/lunch time) without signing in first. If you wish to speak to a teacher, please make an appointment. Do not stand at the classroom door after 9:30am to chat as you are intruding on all the students' learning time. Thanks for your cooperation with this matter.

#### P&C Meeting

The next P&C Meeting will be held on <u>Tuesday evening (25th October)</u> at the time of <u>7:00pm in the staffroom</u> <u>or via Zoom</u>. P&C meetings will be conducted virtually on Zoom if that is more convenient for you to join us. We hope you can join us and discuss activities in the coming weeks.

#### State Championships

Congratulations to Mitchell who competed at the State Championships earlier today and placed 10<sup>th</sup> out of 39 competitors. A fantastic achievement!



#### Year 7 Galston High Orientation Day

Year 7 Galston High School Orientation Day is to go ahead as normal. The Orientation Day activities at GHS for students attending Galston High School in 2023 will take place on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022. A note will go home in the students' orientation bags on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November with further details.

#### **Swimming Program**

As mentioned in the expression of interest, this program was limited to 60 students. Letters of offer have now gone home to the first 60 students that returned the expression of interest form. There are many students that have now been placed on the waiting list. These students will be offered a place if any positions become available due to non-payment by due date.

#### **Glenorie Performance Night - Beauty and The Beast**

Our students and teachers have worked hard all year to develop the creative arts in drama, dance, choir, singing and the band. So please hold this special date in your calendar for our students to show off their talents. Doors will open at 6:00pm and a gold coin donation will be collected at the door. No seats will be reserved before that time. Thank you.



#### **Kindergarten Orientation**

Starting Kindergarten is an exciting time for children as well as their parents. Our first day of kindergarten transition will start next week. It is a very exciting time for our new kindy students and parents alike.

Our Kindergarten information session for Parents will be held on... Thursday 17 November

We will be running the Best Start Program with our new Kindergarten students next year. This will mean that our Kindergarten students will attend school over Tuesday and Wednesday at hour 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.

We will let each 2023 kindergarten parent know after our orientation sessions are finished, the date and time that their child will attend the Best Start Assessment. All kindergarten Children will start together on Thursday 2 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.

Enjoy learning! Lyn Pearce Principal

## Stage B Canberra Camp

Students from our school have recently undertaken an educational tour of the national capital. Students had the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. Students visited a range of sites, including The Australian War Memorial, Parliament House, The National Electoral Education Centre (NEEC) at Old Parliament House, Questacon and The National Gallery.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Stage 3 camp was a very enjoyable experience. The most enjoyable part of camp was Questacon. We got to experience many different aspects of science by feeling and playing. There were rooms with man-made lightning and a giant slide. My favourite room was room seven. Inside was a giant slide and a robot that was programmed to play air-hockey. Out of everything, going back to the cabins was my favourite thing. I enjoyed talking to my friends and staying up late.

- Charlotte Kearns

My favourite part of the Stage 3 Camp was the National Canberra Museum, where we learnt about who designed our capital and the original design. There were interactive tables where we could design our own city of Canberra. There was also a fun table that had a really detailed model of the city and it projected an informative tutorial about the making of Canberra. There we also learnt about the Bogong Moth which was really interesting. I loved the experience.

- Jess Ball

We thank the Stage 3 teachers for giving up all their time and effort to organise this amazing experience for the whole of stage three. It was a truly brilliant experience!



## P & C News

#### Our next P and C meeting is on *Tuesday*, 25<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm in the staffroom.

#### Canteen News

Welcome back for Term 4. I hope you enjoyed your break.

The canteen is back up and running and we are looking forward to this term. Throughout the term we will be adding to our menu with some Specials. I will send out a notification through the Flexischools App so please turn the notifications on so your child doesn't miss out.

We started our Glenorie Bucks promotion this week. For everyone child's who mother, father, grandmother or whoever helps out in the canteen their child/children receive a voucher that they can bring to the canteen and purchase anything to the value of \$2.00. The Children that received theirs at assembly yesterday were very excited.

This term I hope that we can get more helpers in the canteen. Our school canteen only operates with the help of volunteers from the school community. So please if you can spare a few hours on a Monday or a Friday please let me know by email <u>glenoriepscanteen@gmail.com</u> or my mobile on 0421 159 149. If I cannot fill spots on the roster by the day before the canteen will have to close for that day and any orders that have already been placed will be cancelled and you will be notified by email. I really do not want to have to do this, but I cannot do a service by myself. So please put your name down for the canteen. The Children really get excited seeing you there. The canteen is a vital part of our school.

In the canteen we endeavour to make sure all orders are sent out, but sometimes things are missed, so please, if your child is missing an item from their order, please tell them to come to the canteen and we will fix it or contact me directly on my mobile so I can rectify the problem.

Shelley Forwood 0421 159 149 Canteen Manager

#### Uniform Shop

Uniform Shop will be open to our new Kindy enrolments and their families on all upcoming orientation dates; we are also offering the option to book appointments for uniform fittings and personalised help with all of your uniform needs. Don't have time to see us in store? Not a problem, send through an email and Amanda will happily assist with any enquiries you may have.

To book an appointment or simply get in touch, please email <u>GlenorieUniformShop@gmail.com</u>

#### NEW ITEM - (Girls Bottle Green Cotton Bike Shorts)

As we are now in the warmer months and changing over to Summer Uniform, uniform shop is happy to announce that we have sourced a new offering. These cotton bike shorts are available now for only \$12 a pair and come in sizes 4 - 16. Please note that this is not a compulsory uniform item, it is an optional extra. These are for wear under the summer dress only (not for wear on their own as shorts or for sport purposes).

Our Uniform Shop is open 3 days per week. Monday mornings: 9am - 10am. Wednesday afternoons: 3pm - 3:30pm. Thursday mornings: 9am - 9:30am.

Online orders are via Flexischools. Orders are packed and sent out to your child's classroom twice a week (Mondays and Thursdays).

Did you know that our Uniform Shop also runs a Clothing Pool? A variety of second-hand items are available in-store. All second-hand items are only \$3 each.

Donations to our Clothing Pool are always appreciated. Unwanted uniform items can be dropped off during all opening hours. Please ensure donations are washed and in reasonable condition.

#### Amanda Marsters







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