GLENORIE SCHOOL BULLETIN

Term 1, Week 6

3 March 2022

Upcoming Events		
Date	Event	
4 Mar	School Clean Up Day	
7-8 Mar	Parent/ Student Interviews	
10 Mar	Selective High School Test	
21 Mar	Harmony Day/ Band concert	
22 Mar	7:00pm P&C AGM meeting	
29 Mar	School Photos	
1 April	Silver/Gold/ Medallion assembly	
8 April	Easter Hat parade	
8 April	Last day of Term 1	
15 April	Good Friday	
18 April	Easter Monday	
25 April	ANZAC March	
26 April	School Development Day	
27 April	Students return Term 2	
28 April	10:00am ANZAC Ceremony	

COVID Updates

All visitors (parents, carers, volunteers and contractors) must use the <u>School Visitor Check-in</u> to comply with school sign-in procedures. Parent helpers must be double vaccinated to assist in classrooms and must complete a Working with Children Check if they have not already completed one. If you are picking up your child early or from sickbay you don not have to use the QR check in.

Students received 8-10 RAT tests last Friday and can use this allocation of RATs at their discretion, such as if they are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms. Beyond that, symptomatic students and staff should continue to access PCR tests and storepurchased RATs. If a student has a positive RAT followed by a negative PCR/RAT 24 hours later without symptoms or a known contact, they are not a positive case and may attend school.

Masks will no longer be mandatory for staff from Monday 7 March, but students who still wish to wear masks may still do so.

All our students will resume playing together in the same playgrounds and will go to the upper playground at 9:00 am instead of their classrooms. Lunchtime extra-curricular activities will resume next week, and assemblies will again take place on Monday mornings and Fridays at 2:40 pm in the hall.



Thanks to the 2021 P&C

On behalf of the entire Glenorie learning community, I would like to offer my sincere thanks to the 2021 P&C Executive and Committee members for a superb job throughout last year. This year the P&C, through their hard work, have paid for all our students' Mathletics and Reading Eggs and built our wonderful outdoor peaceful area next to the deck. Congratulations and thanks to Kelly Kearns (President) and the other members of the P&C for ensuring quality programs and facilities exist for our students

Lost property

To prevent your child losing their property, use a permanent laundry marker to label clothes, hats and shoes, or sew or iron on personalised labels. Remember to go through your child's bag with them each night. If something doesn't come home, ask at the office and check the lost property box.

School Photo Day

Your photo envelopes will arrive home soon. Our school photo day is Tuesday, 29th March. Captains, House Captains, SRC, Green Team, Library monitors and family photos are taken as group photos this year. House Captains will be required to wear their sports uniform to school in the morning for the House Captain's photo but will then be required to change back into their school uniform for their class photos. You will receive your photo envelop in the coming weeks. If you would like any further information, please contact the school office on 96521237.

Zone Swimming Carnival On Wednesday 2 March, Mr Gornalle, Mrs Harmon and our parent volunteers supported our 23 swimmers at the Zone swimming carnival at Sydney Olympic pool. A big thank you to all the parents that assisted Mr Gornalle with transport on the day. We were very proud of their efforts and sportsmanship.













Academic Success

Last year, many of our students from years 2-6 participated in the English and Maths University of NSW academic competitions. We would like to congratulate all the students who participated. Special congratulations to our distinction, credit and merit winners:

High Distinction
Distinction in English
Credit in English
Credit in English
Credit in English
Credit in English
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Arjen Singh	Distinction in Maths	
Kiran Law	Distinction in Maths	
Maya Desirazu	Distinction in Maths	
Fraser Duck	Distinction in Maths	
Nikhil Desirazu	Credit in Maths	
Siena Cuza	Credit in Maths	
Levi Callaghan	Credit in Maths	
Ella De Bono	Credit in Maths	
Emily Peitersen	Credit in Maths	
Eloise Tunbridge	Credit in Maths	
Trey O'Connor	Credit in Maths	
Cruz Grech	Credit in Maths	
James Waterson	Credit in Maths	
James Fraser	Credit in Maths	
Nathan Camilleri	Credit in Maths	
Mitchell Camilleri	Credit in Maths	
Caitlin Lettice	Credit in Maths	
Hannah Hughes	Merit in Maths	
Zoey Duck	Merit in Maths	
Christian Zapletal	Merit in Maths	
Christian Farrell	Merit in Maths	
Luella Mitchell	Merit in Maths	

Harmony Day

We will be celebrating in an assembly on Wednesday 21st March at 9:30 am with a Band Concert in the hall from the band students. International cuisine can be ordered for your child's lunch on the day on Flexischools. Students may wear orange on Harmony Day as mufti. Note to be sent home soon.

Easter Hat Parade

We will be hosting an Easter Hat parade on Friday 8th April. We would love for all our students to join in the fun and have a great day.

The parade will start at 12:05pm and a picnic lunch from 1:30pm. A note is coming home soon. Don't forget to donate eggs! Please also send in any Easter baskets or Easter gift bags for our raffle.

EASTER HATS TO BE MADE AT HOME.

Galston High School Scholarship

Year 4, 5 & 6 will have a visit tomorrow from the principal of Galston High School, Mrs Karen Sheppard. All the students will be given information about the scholarships, open day and High Potential classes on offer at Galston High in 2023.

Applications are now open for the Galston High School Year 7 Scholarship Program for 2023. Students enrolled at Department of Education schools are eligible to apply.

One scholarship will be awarded in each of the following areas: Academic Achievement; English Literacy; Science & Technology; Mathematics/Numeracy; PDHPE/Sport; Creative & Performing Arts, Leadership & Public Speaking.

The scholarships will provide additional support to students to develop their talents, skills, proficiency and interests in their nominated field of expertise.

Applications close 3pm, Friday 8 April 2022. Go to Galston High School website for more information and to download application. Conditional offer to join High Potential class is made late May (full details on school website). Students who wish to apply for the Year 7 High Potential class at Galston High School will be required to apply for Galston High School as their first-choice school on the High School Expression of Interest Form

Bike Safety Rules Are the Law Not a Choice

With more students riding their bikes to school, we must remember that you are required by law to wear an approved bicycle helmet securely fitted and fastened on your head. These helmets should have a sticker certifying the helmet meets Australian and New Zealand standards (AS/NZS2063) displayed on the helmet to ensure it has passed stringent safety tests. Students who ride their bikes to school without a helmet will not be allowed to ride home from school until they have a helmet.

Communication

All schools have issues. We like to resolve them as quickly as possible. Please talk to your child's classroom teacher whenever you have any questions/concerns/issues (SeeSaw or just call). Please do not take matters into your own hands and approach other students or parents in the playground or in the classroom to sort the issue out for yourself or inform students of incidents in the wider community (this can frighten some students). Parents are also not allowed to enter the classroom in the morning if the teacher is not present or to bring up lunches. As parents are coming back on site, we would like to remind you of certain protocols that should be followed. Child Protection has specific guidelines that we must adhere to for the safety of all our students. If your child's teacher cannot help, speak to a member of the school executive by making an appointment. We would also like parents to refrain from bringing their dogs on to the school grounds as many students are afraid of dogs and this can cause issues at school. Please leave the school grounds after picking up your child/ren in the afternoon, as playing on the playground equipment and in the sandpit is a Work Health and Safety issue for the school. We like to have a harmonious school. Please sign on at the office iPad before going to classrooms if you are a helper.

Parent/Student Teacher Interviews

On Monday 7 – Tuesday 8th March we will be hosting three-way interviews for parents with their students to inform you about where your child is academically and how you can assist to improve your child's learning outcomes. The three-way interviews are an important opportunity for you to find out about specific information regarding your child's education. These interviews will be run from 2:00pm – 6:00pm on one of the days and you have received preference notes to schedule your allocated time slot.

If you schedule an interview before 3:30pm, your child will be waiting at the classroom when you arrive for your interview. If your interview is after 3:30pm, could you please bring your child to the interview with you? Preferences for times will be given to parents who return their slips first. These preference slips need to be returned by tomorrow in order for the teachers to schedule all parents closest to the times they have selected. Kindergarten parents will receive their Best Start test report at their interviews to discuss with their child's teacher.

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



Attendance is important. We are trying hard to improve the attendance of our students. Unless your child is sick, they should be at school.

Inspiring News

In the past year Lani (3/4C) & Halle (1/2O) have donated their hair to Sustainable Salons for those needing hair. Lani donated over 40cm in hair and Halle donated 48cm (17 plaits). They both grew their hair for as long as they could to donate as much hair as possible. Adults and children going through cancer treatments, who have Alopecia or other health issues will all be benefiting from such wonderful donations. Their friends were inspired by their actions and donated hair too!



P & C News

Helpers Needed!

Thank you to everyone who has returned their 'Just One Thing' note. A little help from many people goes a long way. If you are yet to return your form, it is never too late, and we would love to hear from you.

We are looking to set up a committee for the organisation of this year's Country Fair. We have had a few people offer to help via their Just One Thing notes, however we would like to see more people. If you are interested in helping to make this wonderful community event possible, please email the P&C to let us know.

glenoriepandc@gmail.com

OOSH News

The OOSH is saying goodbye to our Co-Ordinator, Erin this week. We would like to thank her sincerely for her great work at the OOSH and wish her well on her next adventure.

We are expecting a new operator (Northwest Community Ministries) to take over as of the 7th of March as long as all the departments responsible for childcare can process the changeover quickly enough. We will keep existing families informed as much as possible. Please ensure you have booked in with the Northwest Community Ministries before the 7th of March to continue using the service.

Canteen News

Firstly, I would like to welcome all the new Parents to Glenorie Public School Canteen

My name is Shelley Forwood and I am the Canteen Manager.

The Canteen is a vital part of our school community. Monies raised through sales in the canteen are donated to the school to purchase Learning programs and equipment for the children.

We rely on the generous help of wonderful Volunteers to assist me in the canteen. Most of our volunteers donate just 2.5 hours a shift on a Monday or a Friday. We are always looking for extra helpers in the Canteen. I know that the children get excited to see Mum or Dad (yes, we do have a dad come into help) in the canteen

especially the younger children. I myself am a grandmother of 2 children in the school. So, if you can spare a few hours in the canteen, albeit, once a term or once a month your help would be greatly appreciated. To help with rostering we use a system called SignUp. I have included the link for those who are interested in helping.

The Flexischools App has our entire menu.

The Canteen is open Monday, Wednesday (over the counter sales and selected items can be ordered NO HOT FOOD) and Friday.

https://signup.com/go/LHigwnn

If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me directly on my mobile anytime 0421 159 149

It was bought to my attention that the other day one order was short an item. Unfortunately, this does happen occasionally, but please reassure your children, that if this does happen, **PLEASE** come to the canteen and see me (Shelley) and I will fix this. Every effort is made during service to fulfil orders correctly but mistakes do happen and if I know about them I can fix them straight away or if your child tells you in the afternoon that they had a problem with their order **PLEASE CONTACT ME** via <u>glenoriepscanteen@gmail.com</u> or on my mobile on 0421 159 149.

I look forward to meeting new parents and the children that have started this Term.

Shelley

Canteen Manager - 0421 159 149

Friday 4 March	9.30 am – 12 pm	12 – 2.30 pm
	Ines Hoogesteger	Liz de Rozario
	Stephanie Turner	Stephen Mundy
Monday 7 March	9.30 am – 12 pm	12 – 2.30 pm
	Emma Vumbaca	Samar Chaar
Friday 11 March	9.30 am – 12 pm	12 – 2.30 pm
	Samar Chaar	Brooke Denten
	HELPER NEEDED	
Monday 14 March	9.30 am – 12 pm	12 – 2.30 pm
	HELPER NEEDED	Samar Chaar
Friday 18 March	9.30 am – 12 pm	12 – 2.30 pm
	Renee Portelli	Brenda King
	HELPER NEEDED	HELPER NEEDED

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop continues to be open for walk in purchases Monday and Thursday, 9 am till 10 am. Online orders are fulfilled and delivered to classrooms on these days too.

Glenorie P&C Annual General Meeting 22 March 7 pm School Library



We would like to extend a warm invitation to all school parents, carers and community members to our annual general meeting which will be held on 22 March, 7 pm in the school library. This will be followed by the March general meeting. There will be some lovely treats at this meeting too, if that may convince you to come! At this meeting, the current committee will step down and all positions will become vacant. As mentioned before, there are a large number of members from the current committee leaving so we urgently require some new members to ensure the continuity of our P&C going forward.

Please join us for a meeting to see whether you may be able to help out. Even if you do not wish to take a committee role, we would welcome you as a new member with new insights and ideas.

Committee roles available are:

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Secretary

Fundraising Coordinator

Canteen Coordinator

Uniform Shop Coordinator

OOSH Coordinator (although this position may become redundant soon)

We hope to be able to welcome many new faces at our P&C meetings in 2022!



Cleaners Wanted!

Facilities First Australia is currently seeking passionate individuals to join our cleaning team. We have opportunities available in the below regions:

Glenorie Public School Shift: 5-9 AM Shift: 6-9 PM

The Role: General cleaning of designated areas including scrubbing surfaces, dusting, mopping, vacuuming, cleaning toilets, refilling consumables, cleaning wash basins etc.

Positions available: Full time You Will need:

- Current Police Check
- Must have or be willing to obtain a Working with Children Check (Employee)
- Must be able to work weekdays

If the opportunity is of interest to you, or you know a family member or friend who may be interested, please email a CV to <u>fmsenquiries@facilitiesfirst.com.au</u> with the subject line "School Cleaner Application"



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School student travel information for parents and students

School Travel Passes

Students who need a School Opal card or travel pass but have not yet applied need to apply or update their details as soon as possible.

In the Opal network, students should travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their <u>local</u> <u>bus operator</u> to discuss their travel needs.

New Student Opal cards (including new Term Bus Passes) will be sent to the student's nominated postal address within two weeks of their application being approved.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas will receive their travel pass from their nominated transport operator. It may be issued via their school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note**: some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

Terms of Use

Students using Opal cards must tap on and tap off in line with the Opal terms of use.

All students are required to comply with the <u>Student code of conduct</u>. The code of conduct aims to ensure the safety and well-being of school children and other passengers. It is important that parents ensure their child is aware of this, as failure to comply with the code of conduct can result in a suspension from travel.

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Welcome back to lunchtimes in the library

We are so excited to be open every lunchtime from Monday to Wednesday in the library for students to read, play games, play chess, colour in and generally have a relax. Please enjoy some of the photos from lunchtime in the library from this week! Students can also borrow books and catch up on their Premier's Reading Challenge list if they choose.



2022 Book Week artwork

The students are enjoying the new artwork in the library featuring the 2022 Book Week theme: Dreaming with eyes open. Please come into the library and see it for yourself!



New Fiction titles

The 2022 Library Monitors have been hard at work in their new roles and created this display featuring the newest additions to our Fiction Collection. We hope the students enjoy these fabulous titles.



Book covering



We have many books awaiting contacting. Small boxes of books and contact will be arranged for those parents or carers willing to help. Please phone or email the school office to organise a time for pick up.

Keep reading,

Mrs Cook