# GLENORIE SCHOOL BULLETIN

Term 2, Week 6 2 June 2022



# **COVID/ Influenza Updates**

Flu can be spread to someone by an infected person even before their symptoms begin. Students with flu are infectious from the day before their symptoms start until 5 to 7 days later. More students are testing positive for Influenza A/B than COVID at present. We will still inform your child's class if a COVID case has been identified in their class.

Many of the COVID-safe behaviours we have been practicing for the past couple of years are also very effective at stopping the spread of the flu.

If your child is sick, they must stay at home and avoid close contact with other people to prevent them from also becoming sick. If they test positive for Influenza, please inform the school. If they are a close contact with a family member who has influenza, they may attend school if they have no symptoms and must wear a mask.

Free flu vaccinations will be available to all NSW residents over the age of 6 months from 1 June 2022 to boost immunity for the winter season. These are available from GPs and pharmacies.

With COVID, we will maintain an appropriate stock of RAT kits on site to support symptomatic testing in the event of an outbreak.



## **Celebrating Your Child's Achievements**

Your child's formal written report will be sent home Thursday, 30th June this year. The report will be a "snapshot" of some of the learning that your child/ren has completed at school this semester. We have focused on the learning that has taken place so far this year. This will include students' progress and achievements, as well as areas for development. It is important that you celebrate your child's every success (even if their successes do not match your expectations).

# **Sydney North Cross Country**

Charli Solomon, Mitchell Camilleri, Jake Madgwick, Ethan Zubrycki, and Emma Camilleri all did their best at the Sydney North Area Cross Country carnival at Gosford earlier today. Congratulations to Charli who came 23<sup>rd</sup>, Emma who came 29<sup>th</sup>, Ethan and Jake who placed in the mid-40s and Mitchell who was unfortunately unable to finish the race due to injury.



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## **Glenorie Debating Team**

Well done to the Year 6 Glenorie debating team, who competed against the students from Mount Kuring-gai Public School on Tuesday. The effort and presentation of all the students was fantastic. Ms Odd was very impressed by the high standards set by the students involved. Well done, you did a fantastic job.

#### **PSSA**

This week all students in years 3-6 preferenced their choices for PSSA sport teams for next term. They could choose from either netball or league tag this year. Priority for junior teams will be given to Year 4 students and priority to senior teams will be given to Year 6 students. All students in Years 3-6 will be placed in their sport teams ready to start on the second week back next term. A note for PSSA fees will be sent home next week for payment by the end of the term. Thank you for your cooperation.

# "What did you do at school today?"

If your child answers this question by saying "nothing", try asking a different question: "What words did you learn today?", "Who did you play with at lunch time?", "What did you enjoy most about school today?"

#### School Attendance is Vital to Your Child's Education

Education is a sequential process. Absences often mean students miss important stages in the development of topics, causing them to find 'catching up' difficult. Absenteeism contributes significantly to student failure at school. All enrolled students are required to attend school unless reasonable and valid grounds exist for them to be absent.

Illness is reasonable grounds for an absence, shopping excursions or birthday parties are not. Parents have a responsibility to ensure that their children attend school regularly and are only absent if ill or if absolutely necessary. Our students have had greatly reduced face to face teaching time this term and we need to make sure they attend school every day

If your child misses school due to illness, religious reasons or family circumstances, talk to your child's teacher and remember to send a signed note explaining the reason for their absence.

If your child arrives at school late or needs to leave early, you will need to go to the office to sign your child in or out.

If you are having difficulty getting your child to school every day and on time, talk to the teacher or myself, so we can assist you.

#### **Lost Property**

As the term draws to an end, we ask all parents to please try to collect items from the lost property bin (office). Any unclaimed items will be washed and re-sold as secondhand clothing (or donated to charity/thrown in the bin). Please claim any items before Wednesday 29 June.

#### Make the School Aware of any Special Family Circumstances

Any changes to your child's family situation can impact on their emotional and academic well-being. Inform your child's teacher and principal about any changed circumstances so that the child can be supported if necessary. Examples of special circumstances include the birth of a sibling, separation, divorce or the death of a loved one.

## **P&C Meeting Next Meeting**

This year the P&C has been very active in supporting the efforts of the school to provide extra educational opportunities for our students (your children). On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June we will be hosting another P&C Meeting to further discuss allocating P&C funds to resources. We hope you can join us in the staffroom at 7:00pm

#### **Glenorie Rural Fire Service**

Save the date: GRFS 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations will be held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

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



## Series suggestions for the confident older readers

Jackie French, the prolific writer once wrote "If you want intelligent children give them a book. If you want more intelligent children give them more books". At Glenorie Public School we are blessed with a library that hosts thousands of books. As a Teacher Librarian, I am happiest when the books find themselves out of the library and into library bags on their way home for a two-week adventure at your house! Please encourage your children to borrow every week during their class lesson, and also at lunchtime (Mon-Wed).

This week, I am offering ideas for older students who are confident readers and have completed a series of books such as the *Harry Potter* series. Often, students get so attached to characters and storylines that they find it hard to move on to a new series and end up rereading the loved series over and over. This is particularly relevant to some students who adore the seven books of *Harry Potter* and cannot seem to find anything that matches up. Suggestions from our library include:

The Rangers Apprentice Series by John Flanagan

The Percy Jackson series by Rick Riordan

The Heroes of Olympus by Rick Riordan

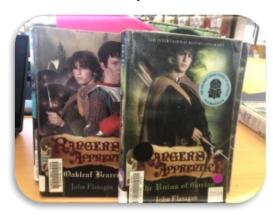
The Magnus Chase series By Rick Riordan

The Land of Stories by Chris Colfer

The Artemis Fowl series by Eoin Coller

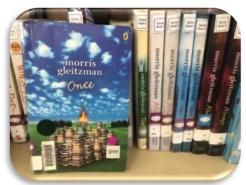
Our Australian Girl series by Penny Matthews

The Once series by Morris Gleitzman









Many of these suggested titles have their own dedicated book boxes for ease of access for students.

Next newsletter I will offer suggestions for holiday reading as well as tips for preparing costumes for Book week next term.

#### A heartfelt thank you

Thank you so much to the families that have been volunteering to cover new books in the library. You have done an amazing job this term and our students genuinely LOVE seeing the new books on our shelves. The following Mums deserve a special mention:

Mrs Tatchell, Mrs Brooks, Mrs Marsters, Mrs Johansen

Happy reading!

Mrs Cook

# Wheels Day

On Friday 24th of June it will be Wheels Day for students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2.

We would like all students in K-2 to bring something to school that has wheels. Some suggestions are bikes, scooters, toy vehicles, prams (dolls may come as well), or any toy that has wheels. Students will have the opportunity to use their wheels during a supervised session.

# Stage 2 Excursion

On Thursday 9 June, Stage 2 students had a blast at Sydney Zoo. They participated in a Bungarribee Dreaming Workshop where they discussed what life was like for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples before the arrival of the Europeans. Students also had an opportunity to explore the animal exhibits. They should be commended on their outstanding behaviour, representing GPS with pride. Thank you Miss Muscat for your wonderful organisation of the day.



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# P & C News

Our next P and C meeting is on Tuesday, 28 June at 7 pm.

# **Country Fair**

Our Country Fair is on Sunday, 18th September - make sure you save the date!



# **Canteen News**

#### YOU CAN NOW ORDER A HOT MEAL ON A WEDNESDAY FOR LUNCH.

We are offering 3 different meals throughout winter. Lasagne, Fried rice and Butter Chicken. If the response is good, we will increase the selection. Unfortunately, nuggets and tenders will not be available as this would mean we would need a volunteer to help on a Wednesday.

Due to supply issues with suppliers (as we all know from the Supermarket) some items from time to time may not be available. This is totally out of our control but as soon as items are available from the supplier they will be back on the menu. Please be patient. Thank you.

Please note that as of the beginning of term 3 there will be a price increase to our menu. Unfortunately, we can no longer absorb the increases from our Suppliers. I appreciate your understanding.

Hot chocolate is available Recess and Lunch Monday and Friday and Wednesday Lunch. They can be ordered or purchased over the counter for \$2.00.

I have set up an IOU section in the Flexischools app for families that may receive a blue note from their child. Please pay this as soon as possible.

A reminder that lunch meals are by order only. Please use Flexischools to submit your order before 9am.

Below is the Term 3 link for SignUp; keep an eye out for the email. If you would like to help out in the canteen and you aren't on the email list, please send me a text on 0421 159 149.

Come join the canteen volunteers and help our wonderful school community.

https://signup.com/go/ibyYDuY

Shelley Forwood Canteen Manager

# **Uniform Shop**

Our Uniform Shop is now open 3 days a week. Operating hours will be:

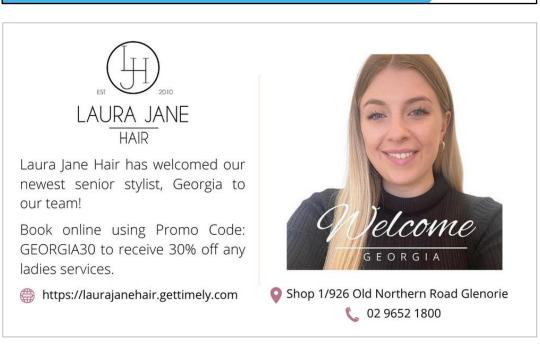
Monday: 9am-10am Wednesday: 3pm-3:30pm Thursday: 9am-10am

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

Have a Uniform enquiry? Email: GlenorieUniformShop@gmail.com. Amanda will be happy to assist you.

Did you know that our Uniform Shop 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.











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