# GLENORIE SCHOOL BULLETIN

Term 3, Week 8

7 September 2023



### School Administrative and Support Staff Recognition Week

This week is School Administrative and Support Staff Recognition Week in NSW public schools. It's a chance to honour the contribution to children of the support staff that do administrative and support work in school offices, classrooms, libraries and school grounds.

They keep our schools ticking over, just as the theme of this year's SASS Recognition Week – Our jobs, your children, their future– suggests. Thank you Mrs Tyrrell, Miss Mills, Mrs Waltisbuhl, Mrs Newbold, Mrs Kavanagh-Hopper, Miss Meyer, Miss Thoms, Miss Thompson and Mr Daniels.





#### **Zone Athletics Carnival**

I would like to pass on my congratulations to all of our magnificent athletes who performed at the Beecroft Zone Athletics carnival. There were some very impressive results with multiple Glenorie Public School students qualifying for the Sydney North Carnival. This is a huge accomplishment for our school against such larger primary schools.

Our students showed great sportsmanship and had a wonderful day representing Glenorie.

Thanks to Mrs Varrica for attending the carnival with the children.





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#### **Cricket NSW Girls' Cricket Program**

In term 4, Girls at Glenorie Public School will have the opportunity to participate in the Cricket Blast program. This is an after-school cricket skills program run on Tuesday afternoons over four weeks from 10<sup>th</sup> October to 31<sup>st</sup> October. A QR code is attached within the bulletin in order to register your child in the program.

#### The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey

The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact student wellbeing and engagement. We really need parents to take part in this survey as it informs the goals we set for the school plan moving into 2024.

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 4<sup>th</sup> September and 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Participating in the survey is voluntary; however, your responses are very much appreciated.

Survey: http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/glenorie

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

#### **Online Guardians**

The Online Guardians are an eSafety accredited business with over 20 years of experience in social networks and adolescent development. They've presented to over 300,000 people in the past decade and have helped parents and caregivers navigate the constantly evolving online landscape.

Two student sessions will be conducted for years 3-4 and 5-6. These sessions will provide students a clear snapshot of the current online climate and the predicament for students. It will highlight trends and safety issues relevant to their online experiences and provide guidance and education on important topics to enable our students to make the best decisions at this critical time. They will provide a 'debrief' session following the presentation to assist students with account changes, privacy settings and any queries.

A parent session will follow on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November between 6-7pm in the school library. These sessions are incredibly interactive with many questions, stories, and explanations. The presenters highlight common parent requests for assistance and physically demonstrate how to set up mobile phones and WIFI with parental controls. They additionally have the experience to discuss a variety of other adolescent development issues that may be relevant to the audience.

Permission notes for students in Stage 2 (Years 3-4) and Stage 3 (Years 5-6) have been sent home, along with further information for parents via Seesaw. If you have any further questions about the program please don't hesitate to contact the office.

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

The P&C Association has been very active in achieving important goals for your children. Next Tuesday 19th September, we will host our last meeting for the term. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The school and parents working together to improve opportunities for our children.

#### GYMNASTICS STARTS THE FIRST WEEK BACK AFTER THE HOLIDAYS

Students will be participating in the SISA gymnastics program next term. A note will be sent home soon detailing payment and permission details. Our students gain a great deal from this program so we are extremely grateful for their support. The program will run from Week 1 through to Week 9 (there will be no gymnastics in week 3 due to Stage 3 Camp).

#### Australian Kart Championship

On the 25-28th August Koda Singh competed in the 5th and final round of the 2023 SP Tools Australian Kart Championship. The round saw 31 drivers competing for the top spot. After a pretty tough weekend he managed to come 3rd in the event and gained enough points to come 3rd in the overall championship (even though he missed a round!).



#### **Attendance and Absences**

Regular attendance at school is essential for students to achieve quality life outcomes. Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students.

- develop a sense of belonging
- develop and maintain friendships
- be more engaged at school
- progress with their learning
- be more aware of career and life options.

Every day counts. Missing just one day a fortnight can amount to four weeks of lost learning over a year. Over their school life, this can equal one year of missed learning.

Parents of children from Kindergarten to Year 12 must ensure their children attend school every day. On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstances e.g. attending a funeral.

Parents must provide an explanation for absences to the school within 7 days from the first day of any period of absence. Where an explanation has not been received within the 7-day timeframe, the school will record the absence as unjustified on the student's record.

#### **Enrolment Trends**

This term we have had a number of families joining our community from other suburbs. Sadly we have families moving out of the area also. If your family is planning on moving out of the area and the result will mean that your child will not be with us in 2024, would you please inform the office in writing ASAP...we are starting to plan for next year. Please encourage any new families which move into your street to contact the school for an enrolment package and/or an interview with Mr Ure. Thanks.

#### Stage 3 is Off to Camp!

On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October our Yr 5 and Yr 6 students will be off to the Great Aussie Bush Camp at Lake Macquarie with Miss Thomas, Miss Odd, Mrs Varrica and Mr Ure. The children are sure to have a fantastic time at the camp, with a huge variety of activities on offer. It is going to be a great three-day program. Deposits are due by the 26<sup>th</sup> of August and full camp payments need to be finalised by the 14<sup>th</sup> of October.

Stay Safe!
Become involved in your child's education.
Enjoy learning!
Blake Ure
Relieving Principal











#### **Great Book Swap**

The Great Book Swap is being held in Term 4, Week 2 (16th and 17th October).

Thank you so much to those families that have donated books for the swap- the books are piling up! We are still in need of books that would suit Stages 2 and 3, so please donate any books to the very worthy cause.

On the Monday and Tuesday of Week 2 next term, students who bring a gold coin donation will get the opportunity to select a book from the donated books which will be displayed in the library for the swap.

#### Where do the funds we raise in our school go?

The money we raise will help fund the Indigenous Literacy Foundation's Book Supply Program, which reaches over 400 remote communities. This year the Foundation aims to raise \$350 000 to buy 35 000 new books for the communities that need them most.

Thank you for your support and keep reading!

Please watch the following clip to witness the impact that Great Book Swap can have:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zCz6YZhOr4E

Mrs Cook







Welcome Kindergarten students to craft club. Over three weeks Kindy has dazzled us with their talents and smiles. The students used glitter, paint, more glitter, 3D butterflies and more glitter to make a beautiful artwork. We talked about halves, straight vs diagonal lines, odd and even numbers. Congratulations Kindergarten, you did a marvellous job!













Quack, quack! Little ducks are everywhere. Year 4 used the rainbow air dry clay to make colourful little ducks. Aren't they sweet?

Remember to listen carefully at Monday morning assemblies, where teachers will invite the next grade or stage to participate.

**Craft Teachers** 

# GLENORIE PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

# Are you prepared for the bushfire season?

The Rural Fire Service and the Bureau of Meteorology are predicting a severe bushfire season for the Greater Sydney area.

#### **BE PREPARED**

Come to a special meeting of the Glenorie Progress Association to hear guest speakers from The Hills Council, The Hills Rural Fire Service – Fire Control Centre and local Rural Fire Brigades discuss the coming season and how you can best be prepared.

#### **FACT**

Most residents in Glenorie and the surrounding area have not experienced bush fire.

#### **FACT**

The number of homes in Glenorie has more than doubled since our last bushfires in 2002. Several new houses have been built in the same location as a home that was lost to bushfire 2002.

#### **WHEN**

Thursday 14 September 2023

#### **WHERE**

Glenorie RSL in the downstairs meeting room – 7:15pm





#### **FUNDRAISING - THANK YOU**





#### **FATHERS DAY STALL**

A **BIG** thank you to all the volunteers and students who assisted with the lead-up preparations and on the day of the Father's Day Stall.

Brooke could not do it without you.

The children had so much fun carefully choosing their gifts.

We hope all the Dads, Granddads and special men in your life had an amazing day.



"To the world, you may be one person, but, to one person you may be the world"

#### **FAREWELL LYN PEARCE**





We extend this invite to the Glenorie Public School Community, past and present, to celebrate Lyn's retirement.

To sign the virtual card, please click <u>here</u>. - <u>https://sendwishonline.com/en/business/group-card/L8nTPUu1FA5Izjm</u>



Please join us to farewell Glenorie's longest serving Principal

#### LYN PEARCE

On

#### Friday, 22 September 2023

with a school assembly at 2.15pm followed by an afternoon tea in the school library from 3pm.

The P & C team are organising a retirement gift on behalf of the whole school community. If you would like to make a contribution, please do so via the school office or direct transfer to:

Acc Name: GLENORIE PUBLIC SCHOOL
PARENTS & CIT
BSB: 633000
Acc No: 134173376

You are also invited to sign a virtual farewell card by clicking the link above.





## TRICKY TALKS - WHERE DID I COME FROM? AND PREPARING FOR PUBERTY.

Interrelate "Tricky Talks" - Thursday 21st September 2023 - 6pm ONLINE

Back by popular demand, the P & C have organised for the Interrelate 'Tricky Talks' Program to be presented **online** again on **Thursday, 21st September 2023 from 6pm**.

Interrelate's 'Tricky Talks' program involves two one-hour live presentations designed to give an overview of issues that preteens will experience. These sessions aim to create a framework for parents and children to begin having conversations about uncomfortable topics such as the structure and functions of the reproductive system in males and females, conception, foetal development including birth, physical changes and emotional changes at puberty that children begin to start asking about at these ages.

The first session is titled 'Where Did I Come From?' and will begin the discussion on the male and female reproductive systems, as well as placing an emphasis on personal safety and protective behaviors. In the past, this session has been recommended for children in year 3 and over. This session will run between 6:00pm - 7:00pm AEDT.

The second session is titled 'Preparing For Puberty.' In this session, we discuss the physical changes of puberty, putting emphasis on the fact that it can be different for everyone. We also build on the first session in enhancing the awareness of a child's personal safety, as well as inform further on protective behaviour. We develop students' understanding of periods and sperm production, as well as the physical, emotional, social and intellectual changes associated with puberty for both boys and girls. This session is recommended for children above Year 5, however, in the past mature Year 3 and 4 students have seen this material. This session will run from 7:15pm - 8:15pm AEDT.

Cost for both sessions per family: \$41.50

<u>Register online by clicking HERE</u>. - <a href="https://events.humanitix.com/glenorie-ps-tricky-talks-21-september-2023">https://events.humanitix.com/glenorie-ps-tricky-talks-21-september-2023</a>

Please see the letter on the next page as well as the information on the website regarding the sessions.

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Dear Parents,

Thank you for your interest in Interrelate's Tricky Talks.

You will need to follow the below link to register and secure your place in the session:  $\hfill\Box$ 

https://events.humanitix.com/glenorie-ps-tricky-talks-21-september-2023

Interrelate uses an online platform called Big Blue Button to ensure the safety and security for all participants.

- The link to this platform will be available on the ticket once sign up has been completed. No download is required.
- Only one registration per family is required.
- Our Educator will be presenting via microphone and webcam. Registered families are not required to share microphone or webcam.
- · Interrelate educators have a valid Working with children check or equivalent.
- Teachers will be present for all programs.
- Our Tricky Talks program has@ontent that may be unsuitable for younger children. Parental supervision will be required.
- You are not permitted to broadcast this presentation as a live event in other platforms.
- For this program, you will require access to a computer and a stable internet connection. Our
  programs work best with Google Chrome.
- If you have installed firewalls, please check that you have the required permissions to access our programs.
- If you experience IT issues, please review the following Q&A's.
- · Frozen screen during the session
  - Please refresh your web page.
  - o Please close your window and click on the link or login or logout.
  - o Use another computer or internet connection.
- Why does my video keep repeating?
  - The most likely reason would be a slow internet connection. Try another computer or internet connection for access such as a mobile hotspot.
- Can't hear the sound.
  - o Please login and logout or click on the link that has been sent.
  - o Refresh your screen.
  - o Increase your speaker level.
  - Try another computer or internet connection for access such as a mobile hotspot.
- Please join at least 15 minutes before the session begins.

We look forward to having you join us for this event!

#### Kind regards

School Services Interrelate School Services

Interrelate acknowledges the traditional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander custodians of the Australian land on which it provides its services; celebrates their ongoing culture and contribution to society; and respects their elders, both past and present.

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#### **CANTEEN NEWS**





**THANK YOU** again to all the volunteers for Term 3.

The roster for Term 4 volunteers is now available. Let's fill it up!

Please click on the link below or use the QR Code to put your name down.

https://signup.com/go/RmSnXwf



We have added some new ice blocks to the menu. They are selling at 0.80c each and are ONLY available over the counter at lunchtime. Unfortunately, they are not available through Flexischools.

The canteen is always looking for suggestions for foods to add to the menu. If you have any ideas please email them to Shelley - <u>glenoriepscanteen@gmail.com</u>

If you have any queries or questions please send a text to Shelley 0421 159 149

#### **NEXT P&C MEETING**

Tuesday 19th September 2023 in the staff room. We would love for you to come and join us.

#### **KEEP IN TOUCH**





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Get into Woolworths Cricket Blast

Its a fun active program for girls, whether it's your first time with a bat or you're a backyard Cricket star!

FREE Glenorie Public School Girls Cricket Blast Tuesday 10th Oct to 31st Oct | Weekly Program School Oval 3:45-4:45pm | REGISTER HERE >>> Jade Boyce | jade.boyce@cricketnsw.com.au



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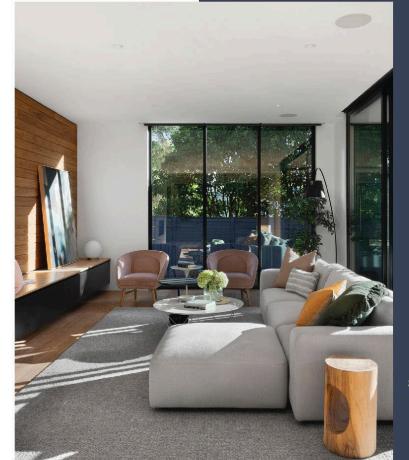
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