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What a great Day for Glenorie

We were very lucky with the weather on Tuesday to celebrate 125 years of public education at Glenorie. Thank you to all the past students who placed something in the capsule 25 years ago, who joined us on the morning. Mr Ian O’Toole described each item taken from the capsule and we viewed a video of the celebrations 25 years ago. The students enjoyed activities on the original site, next to the Glenorie Community Hall and finished the day with a sausage sizzle. All students received a commemorative badge to remember this occasion. What a great day.

Harmony Day

Harmony Day, celebrated on 21st March each year, is an Australian Government initiative promoting Australia’s culturally diverse and cohesive society. It’s about community participation, inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. We will be celebrating in an assembly on Thursday 21st March with special songs, written pieces from the students and other class items. Your child needs to bring orange coloured morning tea to share on the day and can come in orange mufti. We will start our day of harmony with an assembly at 9:45 that you are welcome to attend.

Swimming Success

Last Monday Ms Hugo and our parent volunteers supported our 16 swimmers at the Zone swimming carnival at Sydney Olympic pool. As expected, our students were great sportspeople and terrific ambassadors for our school. Congratulations to the four students going on to the Area carnival at Homebush.

Mobile Phones at School

Many parents have started buying mobile telephones for many of our senior students. Whilst the school has no problem with students having mobile phones, there are two points that need to be made clear:

~ The school will not assume any responsibility for mobile phones lost, damaged or stolen. No camera phones.
~ Students must have phones placed at the office in the morning and picked up at 3:30 pm. Please ensure your child is aware of both points. Thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

Reading with your Child at Home

When your kids see you reading and writing in everyday life – whether reading for pleasure, sharing a story with them or making a shopping list – it teaches them that they are useful skills. Here are some things you can do at home to help your kids with reading.


Removing Head Lice and Nits

Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits, (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they're not dangerous. Here's everything you need to know to rid your kids of head lice and nits.


Become involved in your child’s education.

Lyn Pearce
Principal

Congratulations for achieving your School Pennant award on Friday 1st March.
Congratulations Jessica
Thursday 28th February. Jessica Galea from 3/4K represented Glenorie Public School at the 2013 Interschool Equestrian State Championships. Jessica competed in the CT60 Class which is combined Training 60cm. This includes riding a dressage test and then jumping a show jumping course at a height of 60cm. Jess completed her dressage test and was placed 4th amongst older riders. She now needed a clear round to place 4th or higher. She started off well jumping clear but got to jump 4 and the horse decided she wasn’t totally committed so he put a big refusal in and Jess came off. That put an end to our competition.

It was a big competition and Jess did really well to place 4th in the dressage. Next year we are hoping we have more riders to represent the school.

Canteen News
On Wednesday the children participated in a taste testing day at the canteen! What a great success! Lots of new and yummy food was handed around for the children to try!

Canteen will be open for full service (recess and lunch) on Monday 11th March! The children will be taking home a new menu tomorrow. You will also be able to access this menu on our school app and website! You will notice a lot of changes. Please take the time to look through this and explain to your children what our new canteen has on offer!

Thanks to our wonderful volunteers! We still have some vacancies (shaded on the timetable attached to this newsletter). Can you help?? Please text Belinda on 0417 767 870 or Lisa on 0418 617 556 if you can help.

See you Monday!

Special Food Day
Monday 18th March
Hot Dog Day!!!!!

Harmony Day
Harmony Day is celebrated each year on the 21st March. It’s a day where activities and celebrations help students to understand how Australians of different backgrounds live together. It provides a great opportunity for students to learn that fairness, respect and a sense of belonging are values that we all cherish.

Our school will be celebrating Harmony Day on Thursday, 21st March. There will be an assembly in the school hall at 9:45 am. Some children will be singing for us and Year 5/6 will be singing a song they have learnt especially for the occasion. Other children have prepared special presentations.

The colour of Harmony Day is orange, so the children are asked to wear something orange on the day. We are also asking them to bring a small amount of orange morning tea to share with other class members. This could include such food as apricots, rockmelon, mangoes, nectarines, oranges, peaches, carrot sticks and maybe pumpkin scones or orange cake. If possible have the food cut up ready to eat.

We thank you in anticipation for your generosity.
Signora Lo Grasso

Easter Raffle
This year we will be holding our annual Easter Egg Raffle on Thursday, 28th March. We want to have the best raffle ever to raise much needed funds for Stewart House. Stewart House is the school’s main charity.

For our raffle to be a success, we need to collect as many Easter Eggs as possible.

We are asking for donations of Easter eggs in all shapes and sizes. We also need donations of baskets to put the eggs into.

The donations can go to the classroom or straight to the office. As we get closer to the date the SRC will sell the raffle tickets at school.
Thank you to the students who have already donated Easter eggs. We thank our parents and friends for their generous support.
Signora Lo Grasso (Charity Co-ordinator)

Calling all Year 6 Parents!
Year 6 Farewell Committee for 2013
Our first meeting will be on Tuesday, 12th March at 3:30pm in Mrs Black’s room. There are many things to discuss such as fundraising and the theme for 2013. The Year 6 Farewell is organised by Year 6 parents and overseen by Mrs Black and Mrs Bellamy. Please come and join us so that we can start the ball rolling!!!! If you cannot make this date then please let us know if you are interested so that we can include you in the committee.
Many thanks in anticipation of your support.
Mrs Black and Mrs Bellamy
Year 6 Teachers

Car Park
Could you please leave the car park promptly after dropping your child off to school? Staying for long periods of time restricts other parents from dropping their children off. Thank you for your consideration with this matter.

Parent Communication Directory
Mrs Julie Pike has kindly offered to put together our Parent Communication Directory for 2013. This contains parent’s phone numbers and addresses. Parents find this handy to keep at home.
If you are interested in being in the directory please complete the cut off slip below and return it to the school office by Friday, 22nd March 2013. Thank you.

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Parent Communication Directory 2013

Each year the school offers parents the opportunity to be in the Parents Communication Directory. Mrs Julie Pike has again kindly offered to put it together for us. This contains parent’s phone numbers and addresses. We put it together and issue it in class order under each student’s name. Parents find this handy to keep at home.
If you are interested in being in the directory please complete the following details and return it to the school office before Friday, 22nd March 2013. Thank you.

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Need Eggs?
Glenorie Public School farm have fresh free-range eggs for sale at $3 per dozen. See the office ladies.

Please Check
Please take the time to check the name in your child’s/children’s jackets as they may have accidentally taken another student’s jacket home with them. Please return any items which do not belong to your family to the school office ASAP. Thank you.

Lost Sunglasses
Have you lost a pair of Oakley sunglasses? If you have or know someone who has, please contact the school office. Thank you.

Wesley Vision Valley holiday camps are on!
- adventure day camps
- horse riding camps
- overnight camp out
- 3-5 day holiday camps
Climb a rock face, fly through the valley, ride a horse along a rugged trail, or try to stay dry in a canoe.
Our camps are packed full of fun and adventure, and are designed to

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A meeting will be held at the Glenorie RSL Club

tonight,
Thursday 7th March at 7:30 pm
to start organising the Glenorie Public School Trivia Night.

If you are unable to attend, but wish to contribute, please contact Chris Norton on 0400 037 576.

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Would you like to work from home?
Cupcake / Cake Business available
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FREE Guided Bushwalking Program through Hornsby Shire Council
Prebooking essential on 9847 6832 – its FREE...exact location provided on booking
Carrs Bush for pre schoolers (not pram friendly)
Tuesday 12 March – 10am start
Come on this special bush discovery walk tailored for preschool children (ages 3-5) to discover the magic of Carrs Bush in this large patch of endangered Turpentine Ironbark Forest. Children will engage with a guide to discover the secrets of the bush, participate in some activities and figure out who lives there. Perhaps stay at the end for an informal picnic in the lovely grounds of Fagan Park with your fellow bushwalkers and friends and make a day of it. BYO food.

Carrs Bush for primary schoolers in school holidays
Tuesday 16 April – 10am start
Come on this special bush discovery walk tailored for the primary school children (ages 6-9) to discover the magic of Carrs Bush in this large patch of endangered Turpentine Ironbark Forest. Children will engage with a guide to discover the secrets of the bush, participate in some activities and work out who lives there. Perhaps stay at the end for an informal picnic in the lovely grounds of Fagan Park with your fellow bushwalking and friends and make a day of it. BYO food.

The following activity can only be booked from one month prior and booking essential to avoid being locked in as gates close to Park in evening.

Crosslands Reserve Spotlight
Wednesday 24 April – 6pm start
A special school holidays event to showcase the night-time world of our local nocturnal animals and discover what animals get up to when the rest of us are getting to sleep. After familiarising ourselves with some local creatures of the night and their adaptive features, join us for an easy spotlight walk around the bushland interface at Crosslands Reserve. Please note the walk will be undertaken in the dark, after sunset. A small personal torch is advised however the guide will have lighting equipment for exclusive use to the success of the activity.

for further information regarding other activities on our FREE guided Bushwalks program visit

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Literacy Tutoring Program at Macquarie University

The Children and Families Research Centre is offering places in a free 10-week Literacy Tutoring Program for children aged 8-15 who are in the full-time care of their grandparents and are experiencing difficulties in reading and/or spelling. We know that these children sometimes struggle with literacy and that professional tutoring can bring a financial burden to grandparents.

University student volunteers, trained and supervised by academic staff, will deliver the tutoring individually to each child, using research-based programs. These tutors will work in pairs with each child and will have passed a Working with Children Check.

When
After school two days per week, 4pm – 5pm, either Monday and Wednesday or Tuesday and Thursday. Families attend for a 10-week program.

The program will begin with assessment of the children in June and tutoring will begin in August. The program will end in early November (with allowances made for school holidays and university breaks when the program will be suspended).

Where
Macquarie University Special Education Centre, Building X5A, Macquarie University, North Ryde. Campus Map is available at http://www.mq.edu.au/on_campus/maps/campus_map/

Cost
Tutoring and materials will be provided free of charge.

Expectations of participating families
Grandparents will transport their grandchildren. For the best results, a 20 to 30-minute daily practice is required at home three days in the week. We will provide tutoring materials for use at home and train and support grandparents in their use.

This program is part of a research project to measure the impact of a short-term intensive program on the children’s literacy skills and to evaluate any benefits and issues arising from such a program for the people involved. Families will be asked to consent to participate in this research. There will be a short interview for each grandparent and each child before and after the program. Grandparents will receive a written report on their grandchild’s initial literacy level and their progress as a result of tutoring.

To register your interest in participating
Contact Sally Thompson with the following information:
Your name and contact details,
Your grandchild’s name and date of birth
Preferred days (Monday & Wednesday OR Tuesday & Thursday)

Email sally.thompson@mq.edu.au Phone 9850 9882
(Monday, Tuesday or Thursday).

Inquiries about the program
Jennifer Bowas - jennifer.bowas@mq.edu.au Tel: 9850 9844
Coral Kamp - coral.kamp@mq.edu.au Tel: 9850 8712
Kerry Hodge - kerry.hodge@mq.edu.au Tel: 9850 9884

The ethical aspects of this study have been approved by the Macquarie University Human Research Ethics Committees.