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Zone Swimming Carnival
Next Tuesday Mrs Black, the organiser of the Beecroft Zone Swimming Carnival and our parent volunteers will be supporting our 16 swimmers at the Zone Swimming Carnival at Sydney Olympic Pool. A big thank you to all the staff and parents that have assisted Mrs Black in this huge job and we wish all of our students the best of luck.

Clean up Our Environment
Schools Clean-up Day enables our schools to take action to improve their local environments and school communities. We will be part of the school clean-up program on Friday 27th February. Students can bring gardening gloves and gardening tools and we will wear sports uniform to do our activities after lunch, before assembly.

Harmony Day Celebrations 19th March
Harmony Day, celebrated on 21st of 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 19th March with special songs and written pieces from the students. 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 am that you are welcome to attend.

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 pick up at 3:30 pm.
*Please ensure your child is aware of both points. Thanks for your cooperation in this matter.*

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. Find out more: [http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/removing-head-lice-and-nits](http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/removing-head-lice-and-nits).

Tell Them From Me Student Feedback Survey
As mentioned last week, we will be participating in a Department of Education and Communities initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices. More information about the survey is available at: [http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents](http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents)
The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide our school with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school.
I want to assure you that the survey is confidential and school staff will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be
administered during school hours between 9th March and 2nd April to Years 4-6. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you do not want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by Friday 27th February. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from the website above.

Parent Information

Evening ~ "Grammar & Writing"

Thank you to the parents who have returned their RSVP to our parent evening invitation on Wednesday 4th March. The focus for the workshop will be related to grammar & writing. We will address such issues as:

• Showing you the features of NAPLAN marking for writing.
• Strategies associated with teaching grammar
• Clauses, phrases and complete sentences.

If you would like to attend please return the slip on the bottom of the note from last week. The note is also available on our school website.

Gymnastics Program

Our Gymnastics program will now begin in Term Two. You will receive further information about the program in Week 7.

Become involved in your child’s education.

Enjoy learning!

Lyn Pearce
Principal

Easter Raffle!

This year we will be holding our annual Easter Egg Raffle on Thursday, 2nd April. We want this to be the most stupendous raffle ever. But for this we need you! We’re aiming to collect as many Easter Eggs in all different shapes and sizes. We also would love and appreciate donations of baskets and Easter bags 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 students will sell the raffle tickets at school for 50 cents each or 3 for $1 in the playground during recess and before school.

The funds raised from the raffle will go to Stewart House, the school’s main charity.

We thank our parents, friends and students for their generous support and cooperation.

Miss Phillips
SRC Coordinator

Open Day

Wednesday 4th March 2015
9.30am – 12.00 noon

Currently enrolling for Year 7 2016
Limited places still available for 2015
Scholarships available for Year 7 2016

At Galston High School our students are proudly continuing the tradition of academic excellence. Your child will benefit from learning in an outstanding academic environment that celebrates and rewards personal success and enables students to achieve their very best.

To book places for Open Day please contact the school on 02 9651 2222

ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE - INSPIRING SUCCESS

A Note from the Outgoing President

We had our first P&C meeting on Tuesday, and were so thrilled to have some new individuals attend. A very sincere welcome and thank you to those who attended – we truly appreciated your input. As a reminder, all parents and carers of students enrolled at the school are eligible to become members of the P&C Association.

There were a couple of key discussions at the meeting that I wanted to share with you. Firstly, Lyn Pearce presented us with her 2015 Wish List. That is an itemised listing of how Lyn would like the P&C to financially support the school in 2015.

I’m delighted to advise that Lyn’s wish list was unanimously approved, so this year, the P&C will fund the following:

• New curtains for the hall
• 65” eBoard interactive Touch Screen & Installation
• Gymnastics subsidy Term 2 ($7 per student)
• Mathletics subscription for all students

Over and above this, the P&C voted to purchase another eBoard, as we believe this will really be of
value to the school and specifically our students. The boards are $5,400 each, and we think this is a great investment in our school.

A further key discussion was around the positions within the P&C, and the time required undertaking these roles. The feedback from one of our great new members was that without some insight into just how much time is required, people aren’t sure whether or not to volunteer. Great feedback so I’m going to attempt to provide some idea of time commitment.

The Glenorie P&C AGM
As a reminder, our AGM is scheduled for March. And as I said last week, a great school like Glenorie doesn’t just happen without a lot of work from dedicated teaching staff and school families and the voluntary support from the parents and community, in many capacities (class helpers, volunteer fundraisers and P&C, as examples).

At the meeting, a President, two Vice Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer will be elected. Anyone is welcome to nominate for a position, so long as they are a financial P&C Member (the annual fee for P&C membership is 50 cents).

In addition, all other representative positions held by P&C members are elected at the AGM. These are the OOSH Coordinator, Fund Raising Coordinator, Uniform Shop Coordinator and Canteen Coordinator.

Below, as requested, are details around the positions and time commitments.

P & C Role Summary
President (current President stepping down)
The President leads the P&C and acts as a spokesperson for the association. They have a key role in working with the school Principal and staff. The President will represent the P&C body at official school functions throughout the year. They are responsible for chairing each of the meetings. They have a role in bringing the P&C executive together; ensuring adequate and efficient communication exists.

Time Commitment:
This person needs to attend P&C meetings. The President needs to be available to attend each meeting, draft notes for the school bulletin and over and above this liaise with the Secretary and Treasurer around any issues and review minutes. Total time commitment (including attending monthly meeting – 4 hours per month).

Treasurer (current Treasurer happy to remain in role)
The Treasurer is responsible for the financial records for the P&C. They prepare a budget each year (based on the previous year), and provide updates to the committee each meeting on income and expenditure. The Treasurer is responsible for arranging the annual audit of P&C financial records and helps on fundraising days with the distribution of floats and collection/banking of receipts.

Time Commitment:
This person needs to attend every P&C meeting. The person is required to undertake banking every week, manage the payment of P&C employees (in the OOSH), and manage the journals, make payments to the ATO and Super funds and make all other payments. Total time commitment (including attending monthly meeting – 20 hours per month)

Secretary (current Secretary stepping down)
The Secretary provides the agenda for each meeting and records minutes. The minutes need to reflect all elections and appointments of committee members, the names of members of the committee present at meetings and all proceedings at the meetings. Keep the member register up to date.

Time Commitment:
This person needs to attend P&C meetings. This person needs to draft the monthly minutes, manage all ingoing and outgoing correspondence and liaise with P&C office bearers to verify notes from minutes and ensure accuracy of the minutes. Total time commitment (including attending monthly meeting – 8 hours per month)

Vice President (2) (one current Vice President stepping down, the other happy to remain in role)
The Vice President is there to support the rest of the office bearers. They step into the other roles where those office bearers are absent for periods of time and meetings.

Time Commitment:
It is preferable for this person to attend P&C. There are no other time commitments, unless any office bearer is absent and the Vice President needs to support the office bearer.

Canteen Coordinator (current Canteen Coordinator stepping down)
This role is now being separated into several roles, to reduce the overall responsibility assigned to one individual and the time commitment.

We currently have 30 volunteers working within the Canteen, and of those, 6 are Day Coordinators, taking overall responsibility on their day for the running of the canteen.

With our current Canteen Coordinator stepping down next month, we are looking for people for the following two roles:

Canteen Coordinator
The Canteen Coordinator has overall responsibility for the Canteen, for establishing the plan for the year in terms of special food days, for ordering
food, for liaising with the P&C and ensuring compliance around WH&S.

**Time Commitment:**
This person needs to attend P&C meetings. The person is required to undertake the weekly ordering of food, liaise with Canteen Roster Coordinator and Day Coordinators regarding special food days and report back to the P&C. Total time commitment (including attending monthly meeting – 8 hours per month)

**Canteen Roster Coordinator**
This role coordinates the roster for the Canteen opening days, and does so on a termly basis. Over and above this, the Canteen Roster Coordinator is the central point of contact for volunteers who might be unable to make their shift, and works to find other volunteers to fill those shifts on the odd occasion when this happens.

**Time Commitment:**
There is no need to attend the P&C meeting. Total time commitment 2 hours per month.

**Fundraising Coordinator** (current Fundraising Coordinator happy to remain in role but has expressed a desire for new members and new ideas for fundraising)
The Fund Raising Coordinator is responsible for overseeing and supervising all fundraising events, and delegating work and asking for volunteers, from within the P&C as well as the broader school community, so that the load for fundraising is spread out and shared among many. The fundraiser is also responsible for providing a fundraising update to the P&C committee at each meeting.

**Time Commitment:**
The Fund Raising Coordinator is required to attend the P&C meeting. Total time commitment 4 hours per month.

**Uniform Shop Coordinator** (current Coordinator happy to stay in role)
The Uniform Shop Coordinator is responsible for regularly checking on stock, for ordering all new stock and organising a thorough stock take at least twice per year. In addition the post holder is responsible for organising the volunteer roster for each term. This includes checking on volunteer availability and preparing the roster accordingly.

**Time Commitment:**
The Uniform Shop Coordinator is required to attend the P&C meeting. Total time commitment 4 hours per month.

**Out of School Hours (OOSH) Coordinator** (current incumbent happy to stay in role)
The OOSH Coordinator has overall responsibility for the OOSH, and is responsible for working in partnership with the (paid) OOSH Coordinator to ensure that the OOSH is effectively managed, staffed adequately for student numbers, meet

WH&S regulations and is compliant with all regulations around the running of an OOSH.

**Time Commitment:**
The OOSH Coordinator is required to attend P&C meeting. Total time commitment 8 hours per month.

I hope the above provides some more clarity around the time required for each role. If you’ve any questions regarding any of the roles, please don’t hesitate to contact me on 0450 973 220, or Lisa Johnson or Lyn Pearce.

A further outcome from our meeting this week, and one that I’m really happy to share, is that Glenorie Public School will be introducing school banking; please look out in a forthcoming Bulletin for further information around this.

Thanks once again to all the members of the P&C, both new and old, for their ongoing commitment.

As always, should you have any queries regarding the above, please don’t hesitate to contact me on 0450 973 220.

Cheers
Lisa Dula

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### Players Wanted
**Dural Rugby Union Club**

Our under 11’s sides are short of players.

We have 2 teams

1. Development side. Great for new comers to rugby.
2. Second team is for experienced players wishing to test their skills in the highest level of junior rugby union.

Training Thursday nights Dural Park Quarry Rd.

Contact Michael Donovan on 0414 974 371 or mdplumbing@bigpond.com

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**Eggs**

Unfortunately the girls have slowed down and are not laying many eggs for us to sell. When they pick up their game we’ll let you know.
After School Art Lessons at Glenorie Public School

Local artist, Sharon Glover will run art lessons during the school holidays at her art studio in Glenorie. Children of all ages are invited to attend (Pre-schooler’s welcome)

Drop in and visit Sharon on Thursday in Miss Phillip’s wet room at school or call Sharon on 0407 225 781.

Adult and high school aged classes are also run at Watershadow Studio.

Enquire now!