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**The Tell Them From Me student feedback survey**

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many others in the state, will participate 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.


The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 14 March and 8 April to Years 4-6. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form 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 **Thursday 25th a2February**. Copies of the form are available from the website above.

**New Financial Program for Glenorie**

Glenorie Public School will be rolling out the new Department of Education Financial Software in June this year. We will be changing a number of our payment systems and our entire banking and budgeting programs. Due to the changeover happening on 14th June, we will be suspending all payments and money transactions on 31st May.

We hope to have any payment requests finalised and completed for all parents at that date. Thank you for your consideration and patience while we are adjusting to the new system.

**Country Fair**

Many of you will remember our very successful Country Fair in 2014. The Country Fair raised over $19,000 for the P&C… all of which went to paying for the rope climbing equipment in the top playground. We will start planning at this coming P&C meeting for this year’s Country Fair. Mrs Williams is the chairperson for the committee, but we would love more interested parents to join this team. Keep reading newsletters for details about the event of the year.

**Country Fair**

Sunday 18th September...

The most exciting day on your 2016 social calendar
Streamwatch starts tomorrow, 19th February at 8:30am in the Environmental Centre building next to the school. We will begin with an open morning for everyone to see what happens during the year. Mums and Dads are welcome to attend.

End of Year Staff Development Days
Each year the Department of Education provides schools with five Professional Learning (school development) days.
In Term 4 we are provided with two school development days, Monday 19th December and Tuesday 20th December. The students finish Term 4 on Friday 16th December. Glenorie Public School has engaged a Mathematics speaker (Anita Chin) for three after-school sessions and a Saturday workshop on Focus on Reading on 7th May 2016.
As we will be conducting these staff development days on Saturday 7th May and the three after-school sessions, teachers will have conducted the two staff development days on these dates, making the last day of term 4 for all staff members on Friday 16th December 2016 on the same day as the students.
Thank you for your understanding in this change of routine.

Thank you to our Children
It is absolutely wonderful to hear so many courteous/positive children at our school. At times it is easy, as adults, to forget to speak with courtesy and with a positive attitude (due to pressures and so on). Isn’t it refreshing to know that our children speak so positively about their friends, their school and about their life experiences? At times we should sit back and just listen to kids speaking… as adults we could learn a lot.

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.

Text Books and Contributions
Many of you would have noticed that we have issued textbooks to all students that have paid. If you have yet to pay for your child’s learning materials, please do so as soon as possible, as the teachers would like to start using these resources.

P&C Meeting
We would again like to extend a warm welcome to all members of our school community to attend next week’s first P&C Meeting for the year. We hope you can be part of the process of deciding how P&C funds will be spent in 2016 at this meeting and to be part of the school’s decision-making process. The next meeting is Tuesday 23rd February at 7:00pm in the library for the AGM. We would love to see our new Kindy parents at this meeting.

School Photo Day
Date correction: We apologise for the typo in last week’s newsletter. Our school photo day is Wednesday, 30th March. Captains, House Captains, SRC, Green Team and Library monitors and family photos will be taken as group photos this year. If you require a family photo, special envelopes can be obtained from the office. If you would like any further information, please contact the school office on 9652 1237.

Have a great year!
Become involved in your child’s education.
Enjoy learning!
Lyn Pearce
Principal

Senior Choir 2016 Update
Due to the wonderful response, I am pleased to announce that all positions have currently been filled for the 2016 Arts Alive Choral Festival Senior Choir. If your child has missed the opportunity please let me know as there is a short list should more positions become available.

Thank you for all the support in making this unique opportunity a reality for our students.

Mrs Bellamy
Choir coordinator
Walk in Her Shoes

Mia Fantini and her mum, Kirsty will be participating in CARE Australia’s “Walk in her Shoes” Fundraiser from 8-14th March to raise money and awareness for young girls living in poverty.

Mia will walk 4-5 km every morning before school to reach her goal of 25km or more in that week. Money raised will provide clean drinking water and education opportunities for young girls living in third-world countries. Mia has created her fundraising page “GIRL POWER”…..and asks for your support.

"These girls have to walk up to 6km every day just for fresh water. All we have to do is turn on the tap. If we walk that far every day without our drink bottles then we will know what it feels like" - Mia


Thank you!

Welcome to Book Club for 2016.

Scholastics mission to ‘Make it Easy’ continues. In 2016 we’re all for ONE and ONE for all! This year each student will receive ONLY one catalogue offering a wide selection of books for all age groups.

Did you know, EVERY purchase made gives OUR school rewards to be spent by your classroom teacher during the year to increase classroom resources? 20% of your purchase is credited to your classroom teacher to spend on resources to directly benefit the classroom in 2016.

Scholastic believes that every child should be able to access quality reading material that engages them. To give more students the opportunity to buy a book and experience independent reading for pleasure, Scholastic offers top-quality “Gold Coin book” valued at $1 or $2 for each age group on every book club issue.

If you have any questions in relation to Book Club please do not hesitate in contacting Tara Quayle on 0409 249 200 or taramquayle@gmail.com

Orders are to be placed in the Book Club Box in the Office no later than Monday 22nd February

Look how much fun with have at art classes with Sharon on Thursdays after school

ART CLASS CREATIVITY
Commonwealth Bank School Banking Program
It was great to see so many children bank for the first time on Tuesday.
PLEASE ensure that the Bank Slip is correctly completed and ready to hand in to be processed.
If you are yet to be allocated a student number this will be done on your first time of banking.
ALSO if you would like your child to be involved all you need to do is open a Youthsaver account at any Commonwealth Bank Branch.
Banking will continue each Tuesday morning during school terms unless advertised differently.
If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact our School Banking Coordinators Sarah Cooper-Durant or Dennise Williams – glenorieschoolbanking@gmail.com

Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop is open during school terms Monday 9-10am and Thursday 3-4pm.

Canteen
Until further notice Sushi is only available on a Friday.

Roster:
Friday 19th February
COORDINATOR Sharon O’Conner
9am-12pm Alison Weatherall
9am-12pm Sam Muscat
12pm-2pm Kate Devaney
12pm-2pm Megan Piper

Monday 22nd February
CO-ORDINATOR Amanda Truelove
9.30am-1.30pm Mel Allen
11.30-2.30pm Georgina Pollard

P & C Annual General Meeting
On Tuesday 23rd February 2016 at 7pm in the school library we will be conducting our AGM for the year ended 31/12/15. All parents are welcome to attend and take part in our P & C that benefit all the students of Glenorie Public School.

Positions Becoming Vacant at AGM
Uniform Shop Coordinator
Debbie Tschepen has done a marvellous job making the uniform shop run efficiently over the last few years and keeping the cost of purchasing school uniforms for our children at an affordable level. Over the last year she has even implemented a computerised system to run our Uniform Shop on an iPad, issuing electronic invoices to parents and maintaining stock levels. They are a wonderful group of ladies that also help assisting her with services and other uniform shop duties.
With her daughter finishing primary school at the end of this year she is looking to hand over and train someone to be the new uniform shop coordinator. If you are interested in taking on this job please have a chat to Debbie or Dennise Williams for more information or you can email your questions to glenoriepandc@gmail.com

Vice President
Ross Hann and her family have moved away from Glenorie so this makes this position vacant also. The Vice President’s role is to assist the executive committee – there are no official duties other than being willing to help when needed and attending meetings once a month.
Open Day

Wednesday 2nd March 2016
9.30am – 12.00 noon

Currently enrolling for Year 7 2017
Limited places still available for 2016
Scholarships available for Year 7 2017

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

AFL family fun day

Activity for children 4 to 13 years old.
Come and join us and learn AFL skills by
playing fun games with other families. Meet
AFL accredited coaches and have an exciting
and enjoyable family fun day.
Activities include:
- Basic AFL skills and games
- Show bags with a football and information
  about local services
- Information stalls and afternoon tea

Details
- When: Sunday 3 April, 1pm-4pm
- Where: Epping Oval, Norfolk Road, Epping
- Cost: Free
- Bookings: Essential. Email admin@cos.org.au or administration@cos.org.au
  or phone Betsie on 9870 5640 or Chris (Thurs) on 9859 1825

What to bring:
- Drinks, hats and sun protection
- Chairs or picnic blankets
- Wear suitable sports footwear

Children must be supervised by an adult for the whole duration of the event.
If raining this event will be rescheduled to the same time on Sunday 10 April at West
Epping Oval, Downing Street, Epping

For more information visit:
hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson
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See inside for terms & conditions

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BENEDICTINE MONASTERY ARCADIA
is holding their
51ST ANNUAL
COUNTRY FAIR
121 Arcadia Road, Arcadia
13th March 2016

- Plans
- Sweats
- BBQ
- Choc. Wheel
- Raffles
- White Elephant
- Hot/Cold Drinks
- Farm Produce
- Cakes
- Select Market Stalls
- Jumping Castle
- Face Painting
- Merry-go-round
- Fancy Goods
- Tours of the Monastery - 11:00am / 12:00pm / 1:00pm / 2:00pm

MAJOR RAFFLE PRIZES
1st: $800 shopping voucher
2nd: $600 weekend away
3rd: $100 dinner for 2

- COUNTRY SETTING • FAMILY DAY
- MASS TO BEGIN 10.00AM
- FETE TO BEGIN 10.30AM
RAIN OR SHINE - TELEPHONE 02 9653 1159
benedictine.org.au/go/countryfair

In aid of the Benedictine Missions

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AQUAFUN LEARN TO SWIM SCHOOL

We will be running Intensive Learn to Swim programs for children of all ages during the January school holidays 2016. The classes will be held in the mornings between 8.10am - 11.30am. Lessons run for 30 min each day.

BOOKINGS IN PERSON OR OVER THE PHONE
- TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER 2015
Please phone 9651 2393.

CLASS DATES

WEEK 1 Monday 4 January – Friday 8 January
WEEK 2 Monday 11 January – Friday 15 January
WEEK 3 Monday 18 January – Friday 22 January

Group lessons and private lessons are available.

COSTS

30 min group lesson $60.00 per week (5 days)
15 min private lesson $130.00 per week (5 days)

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