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**Glenorie Public School Award System**

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

The Discipline Policy of Glenorie Public School has a positive reinforcement side to it which involves a tiered award system that you are very familiar with.

We have made some changes to the system due to students attaining the pennant half way through their primary school years. It generally takes students about seven years to gain a pennant. Students collect the awards from Kindergarten and continue to accrue these awards over their entire primary school years.

In 2006, Ironbark awards were introduced because very few students were achieving a pennant over the seven years of primary school. This new system has been in place for three years now and has worked a little too well.

The staff has looked at all possibilities of modifying this system in order for it to serve its purpose. We have made a slight change to ensure that students are reaching a pennant level in their senior year.

As of this year, the new system will be as follows:-

1. **10 Ironbark Awards** = 1 Bronze Certificate
2. **3 Bronze Certificates** = 1 Silver Certificate
3. **3 Silver Certificates** = 1 Gold Certificate
4. **3 Gold Certificates** = 1 Pennant

All awards need to be collected by the child and brought into the School Office when they have the above numbers. The awards will then be entered into our computer system, signed, dated on the back of each redeemed award. Students who have returned their 10 Ironbark Awards will have their Bronze Award sent home via the classroom teacher. Students who are eligible for their Silver, Gold or Pennant Awards will receive those awards at the next Gold & Silver Assembly.

Ironbark Awards do not replace the house point system. House points continue to be awarded for the same reasons as in the past e.g. house points for picking up rubbish, bringing in homework books etc. If a teacher notices a child, during a lunch time, displaying good citizenship skills, or being particularly helpful, or well behaved etc then an Ironbark Award could be given.

A Maths Medallion is presented once per term at Assembly to one child in each grade from Years Three to Six. These awards are given to the students who have had the best performance with their times tables.

Positive reinforcement and success belong hand in hand so please continue to encourage your students to be the best that they can be.

Regards

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Principal