Glenmore State School Newsletter

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Quality Learning in a Caring Environment

All parents are invited to attend monthly P&C Association meetings

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Welcome to our second last newsletter for Semester One. The time since Mrs Hills and I commenced duty at Glenmore State School has literally flown by, and we find ourselves preparing for Semester Two and the continuation of the Improvement Agenda journey for Glenmore.

On Thursday and Friday this week, Mrs Hills, together with Mrs Ohl, Mrs O’Farrell and Mrs Biddulph, are visiting Haileybury College in Melbourne. This visit is part of our professional development program around Explicit Instruction and the work Glenmore school is doing with John Fleming. They will be visiting classrooms and observing classroom practice at Haileybury, where John Fleming is the Deputy Principal. Our teachers have the opportunity to compare our practices with those developed by John Fleming at Haileybury. This will in turn assist us to continue the implementation of Explicit Instruction at Glenmore and ultimately improve the educational outcomes for our students. The opportunity to work with John Fleming and Haileybury is only available to ten schools in our entire region, so we are very fortunate to have access to these resources.

On Wednesday this week, Glenmore SS hosted the Readers’ Cup, an event in which students competed in teams answering questions about novels they had read. Teams of students from many schools across the region came to our library for this three-hour competition. This was a great opportunity for us to showcase our magnificent library.

As Semester One draws to a close, it is a good time to reflect on the work of our teachers and support staff. We are lucky to have such a professional staff at Glenmore, who care very much about the students with whom they work. While each teacher whom a student has during their schooling, plays an important role and brings something different to their education, most adults can relate a story about a teacher who had a significantly positive impact on their lives and education. In my case, it was Mrs Malone – Grade 5, Allenstown State School, in the 1960s. After a very mediocre Grade 4, Mrs Malone “saved my academic bacon” and I finished the last term with 97%, the highest mark in the three Grade 5 classes. Mrs Malone, always immaculately dressed, left no doubt who was in charge in the classroom; instilled in her students a sense of pride in their personal appearance and their work (bookwork in 5A was exceptional), and a sense of self-worth; accepted only a student’s best effort; and along with her strict classroom discipline, showed the kindness and compassion that is needed to build relationships with students. An important part of our work with John Fleming is about building relationships with students. I see this occurring every day in our school and hope that all our Glenmore students during their time with us experience the modern-day equivalent of Mrs Malone.

Our end-of-semester reporting process is well underway and if the plan comes together (and we are working hard to ensure it does), reports will be forwarded to parents on Tuesday 18 June. The reporting process is a very complex and time-consuming one as we compile an accurate picture of students’ progress to date. Teachers are also in the process of inviting parents and carers for interviews about their child’s progress and I encourage each and every parent or carer to take up this opportunity. A strong partnership between the school and parents or carers is a cornerstone for a student’s success at school.

Next week, we will be holding our annual Interhouse Athletics Carnival. While a few events will be held early in the week, Thursday will be the main day of action. Mrs Hills and I are looking forward to our first Glenmore carnival with much enthusiasm. I would like to thank Mr McArthur for his many hours of preparation to ensure a successful event, Mrs Michell for the compilation of the programs and House teachers for their work with practices and the selection of competitors. Mrs Hills and I look forward to parents and members of our school community joining us for our athletics carnival, where hopefully we will see Banksia House at the top of the points table!

You are always welcome at Glenmore State School.
Mark Dunlop
Acting Principal

Mr Dunlop’s Quote of the week:
“I have a conviction that it’s only when you are put at full stretch that you can realise your full potential.”
SIR EDWARD (Weary) DUNLOP 1907–1902
OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS

On Tuesday over 110 overdue notices were sent home. Please have a good look at home for any overdue books and return them to the library as soon as possible. If you cannot find the overdue book, we ask that you pay $10 to help cover the replacement cost.

ESSENTIAL ITEMS FOR TERM 2

It's that time again to check your child's stationery supplies. A number of students are either running out of essential items or have totally run out of essential items. Could all parents please check their child's stationery supplies such as glue, pencils, scissors, exercise books, and coloured pencils? If you are unsure of what your child needs, please check with your child's teacher and purchase the essential items as soon as possible.

SPORTS DAY

Sports Day is next Thursday 20 June. There will be an assembly at 8.50am after which the classes go into their room for roles to be marked. Sports Day action starts at 9.30 am. Years 8, 5 and 4 born 2003 are on the running track with the Years 4 born 2004, Year 3 and Year 2 t ball games. Prep and Year 1 are at Tableau Games on the bottom oval. Normal school break times are to be followed.

At 11.40 am Years 6, 5 and 4 born 2003 go to ball games while Prep, Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 born 2004 go to the running track.

At 1.50 pm the 200m championships are held followed by the All Star Relays. The presentation of trophies will conclude the day.

THE SHADE FOR SPORTS DAY GOES UP FROM 7.30AM ON THURSDAY 20 JUNE. ANYONE ABLE TO HELP IS MORE THAN WELCOME. DON'T FORGET TO PRE ORDER YOUR SPORTS DAY LUNCH

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to the following students who are celebrating their birthdays in the upcoming week:
Chilli Crawford, Sheanell Hall, Kyou Ross, Blanch Russell

WOOLIES EARN AND LEARN

As you know, our school has been participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn program. The program has now finished for this year, so a big thanks to everyone who supported our school.

We're now at the important stage of the program where Points Sheets are collected and lodged as our Earn and Learn claim. We will then be able to get new educational equipment for our school. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. So this week please send in your Woolworths Earn and Learn Points Sheets and any loose Earn and Learn Points Stickers you may have. Remember to check your handbag, the car glove box or they may be stuck on the fridge. Every little bit helps. Thanks again for all your support! Our count is up to 10 100.

TUCKSHOP AND UNIFORM SHOP CLOSED FRIDAY 21 JUNE

Prep: Mason Russell, Jet Constable, Andy Li
Year 1: Annalee Hermann, Rhys Coleman
Year 2: Keilcha Paia’Aua, Charlise Wyyill
Year 3: Thalia Blokker, Thuan Le, Klayne Sutton
Year 4: Sheanell Hall
Year 5: Miah James, Isaiah Body, Azariah Baira, Jack Smith
Year 6: Kyou Ross

Congratulations to the following students for their great effort this week:

RUGBY LEAGUE

Year 6B vs Gracemere Giants @ RHS Bottom Oval – 12:45pm

MIXED SOCCER

Senior A vs Berserker @ McLeod 2 – 1:35pm
Junior A vs Berserker @ McLeod 2 – 12:40pm

NETBALL

Junior D vs St Joseph’s Wandal @ – 12:30 @ Jardine Park
Junior C vs Mt Morgan @ – 1:10 @ Jardine Park

GLENMORE HOSTS REGIONAL READERS CUP!

Yesterday, Glenmore State School hosted the Capricornia Regional Readers Cup. A dedicated group of our Year Six students competed in the event which is supported by the Children’s Book Council of Australia in Association with the School Library Association of Queensland. The event involves teams of four students reading a set of six books, and then competing against other school teams across sectors to answer quiz questions from the books.

The Readers Cup competition challenges students to read widely, work collaboratively in a team and continue developing a love of reading. It allows readers to compete at a regional and state level similar to sporting competitions, and meet other students with an equal passion for books.

Our team comprising Lara Foley, Chloe Rothey, Sarah Schneider and Akanshya Prasai, competed against thirteen teams from eight other schools from North Rockhampton, Keppel Coast, Gladstone, Thangool, Emerald and Longreach. The girls represented the school with pride and demonstrated remarkable memory of details from the books to receive a certificate of participation.

The winning team, Taranganba Blue, will now represent Capricornia Region at the State Finals at Ipswich.

Regional Co-ordinator, Ms Lenore Olive, thanked Mrs Biddulph and Mrs Manley for the wonderful set-up and use of our library. Visiting students, teachers and parents raved enthusiastically about our library!