CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR “GLENMORE GREATS” TERM 3 2013
Welcome back to the final term of school. It is hard to believe that we are on the home stretch already. I hope that you all had a relaxing holiday and are recharged ready for what promises to be a busy 10 weeks.

The term started off with a visit by Mr Dunlop, Ms McKenzie and Ms Fuary to Moranbah to participate in the last Explicit Instruction session with John Fleming, Deputy Principal of Haileybury College in Melbourne. Mr Fleming has been working with Glenmore SS for 18 months or so and we use the Fleming Model of Explicit Instruction at Glenmore SS. Mr Fleming took time out on his way back from Moranbah to also drop into Glenmore SS to visit some of our classrooms. He was particularly keen to see the Year 5 students as he had heard of their extremely high achievement on the recent NAPLAN Writing task. Our Year 3 and 5 students have shown incredible improvement since the pre-testing we did at the beginning of the year. We strongly believe that Explicit Instruction has been a part of the formula that has driven the improvement in our school this year. Glenmore SS will continue to work with Mr Fleming next year and looked forward to seeing our kids rise to meet our expectations.

We have 9 weeks of school left. Your child will be issued with a full academic report in the last week of school. This means that teachers will be working to ensure that they have enough work samples and evidence on which to make a full judgement about your child’s ability in a range of subject areas, but very importantly, in English and Maths. It is very important that children are in attendance every day of the school term. Every day that children miss adds up. Please ensure that your child attends every day. It is very difficult to fill in the gaps in children’s education down the track. Research has shown time and time again that one of the chief influences on achievement is attendance.

We are taking enrolments for Prep in 2014. Prep is the first year of schooling in Queensland and is the year of schooling where the basics: letter/sound knowledge, early numeracy (counting), emergent reading skills and socialisation skills are developed. At Glenmore SS, we have very strong benchmarks set down that ensure your child’s progress is tracked and that they have the best chance of solid literacy and numeracy development. If your child is turning 5 by June 30, they are eligible for Prep. Parents have already started enrolling their children in our Prep program for 2014. In the coming weeks, we will be developing our staffing models for next year. The allocation of students to classes will also occur by the end of the year. If you wish your child to be allocated to a Prep class, we will need their enrolment form as soon as possible. We have enclosed a brochure about our Prep program for you which outlines what your child will be learning, how you can help your child and why you should choose Glenmore SS. Our school is a school on the move. We have a very clear vision for the next 3 years at Glenmore and we are already seeing the way in which Glenmore students can be amongst the highest performing in Rockhampton. You can be assured that your child will receive a quality education in a caring, supported and well-managed environment.

You are always welcome at Glenmore State School.

Christine Hills
Principal

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to the following students who are celebrating their birthdays this week.

John Archer, Jamahl Marhaba, Cheyne Hall, Angus Fulton, Taylor Moir and Lex Spring.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

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


UPDATE DETAILS

We have found at various times when contacting parents that the details we have on our records are no longer current. It is vitally important that details are up to date and that we are able to contact parents or other designated adults, especially in emergencies or when students are ill. If circumstances have changed in relation to phone numbers, emergency contacts, address, the parent or carer with whom the student resides etc. please advise the office of changes so that we can maintain up-to-date records.

Pupil Free Day
Monday 21 October
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

Education is not an end in itself but is the first step in a progress which should continue during a lifetime.”

Caroline Pratt

Term 4 – the journey continues

Welcome back for the fourth and final term for 2013. In a few weeks, we will be in the midst of the end-of-year tasks - assessment, reports, annual presentations and farewelling our Year 6 cohort as they prepare for high school. We expect students to continue to meet the expectations we have placed upon them in relation to their work in class and behaviour. Students will continue to work towards personal goals in class. We have had much to celebrate during 2013 and as our journey continues through Term 4, we aim to end the year on a high note. Thank you to our parents for your support thus far as we work to make Glenmore an outstanding school.

JOHN FLEMING VISIT – MORANBAH

On Tuesday and Wednesday this week, I accompanied Mrs Fuary and Ms McKenzie to Moranbah State School for 2 days of professional development with John Fleming. This activity proved extremely valuable and affirmed the practices we have been putting in place at Glenmore this year. It was also an opportunity to work with staff from the other Fleming schools and to share ideas and practices. We have all brought back practices which will enhance what we do at Glenmore.

STUDENT BEHAVIOUR

We have placed a high priority on improving student behaviour this year. I need to congratulate our students on their behaviour during the last week of Term 3, when I received only 4 moderate behaviour reports (yellow slips) from the playground for the entire week. We will continue to focus on this during Term 4, but our students have clearly shown that they can meet our expectations and we will continue to “raise the bar” in this area. Thank you for reinforcing our behaviour expectations at home. On my return from Moranbah this morning, I was impressed with students I spoke with who clearly communicated that they were aiming high with their behaviour this term – going for a Gold Award. A couple of these students were ones I see fairly often, so I was impressed with their aspirations for the term and I was able to reinforce with them that there was no reason why they should not be successful.

Mark Dunlop
Deputy Principal

LOST PROPERTY

With the cooler weather gone there are a large number of unnamed jumpers and coats in lost property. Lost property is located at the high school end of the senior toilet block. Please check to see if any item belong to you child.

SWIMMING

School funded swimming begins for years 4, 5 and 6 next week. Permission notes have been sent home and need to be returned before the first lesson.

Swimming days are Tuesdays for 56GC, 5SO, and 4MO, Thursdays for 4MM, 45KC and 56MK

SPORTS DRAW

| BASKETBALL          | Glennmore White vs Rockhampton Grammar Red – 12.50pm  
|                    | Glennmore Green vs Frenchville White – 1.35pm        |
| HOCKEY             | Glenmore 1 vs Crescent Lagoon on Turf 3 – 1.00-1.15pm  
|                    | vs St Joseph’s W 2 Turf 2 – 1.40-1.55pm               |
|                    | Glenmore 2 vs St Joseph’s W 4 on Grass 1 – 1.20-1.35pm  
|                    | vs St Joseph’s PA 4 on Turf 3 – 2.00-2.15pm           |
|                    | Glenmore 3 vs RGG 1 on Turf 3 – 1.20-1.35pm           
|                    | vs St Joseph’s W 4 on Turf 2 – 2.00-2.15pm            |
| SOFTBALL           | Yr 6 Girls vs Mt Archer @ Glenmore                     |

AVA Pet PEP

AVA Pet PEP is coming to visit students in years 2 and 3. There will be representatives from a Vet Clinic, RSPCA and Wildlife carers giving students valuable information about caring for their pets. This presentation will be next Tuesday, 15 October.

Cost: GOLD COIN DONATION

COMMUNITY NEWS

INVITATION

Nasho CC sub branch will launch its
2013 Remembrance Poppy Appeal
Rockhampton Botanical Gardens.
Sunday 3rd November
8.30am - 3.30pm

Venue: Under the fig trees behind the Kiosk
Parking: Available Phyllis Street, short walk to venue.
For more information, please phone 0407965959

Free Sausage Sizzle, Tea, coffee, cordial and all day entertainment, Merchandise Stalls, Poppy sample bags.
This is a day for all the family. We would like to see plenty of support from veterans and RSL members as well as the general public.

GRANDPARENTS DAY SUNDAY 27 OCTOBER 2013

Queenslanders of all ages will celebrate Grandparents Day on Sunday 27 October 2013. Grandparents Day is an opportunity for everyone to make their grandparent’s day by thanking them for their love, guidance and support. It also recognises the vital contribution of grandparents who are full-time carers for their grandchildren.
Please support Grandparents Day by encouraging your children to say thank you to their grandparents on this very special day.

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