1-6NK have been learning about the three R’s

Reducing, Reusing and Recycling.

This week we examined how much waste each of us produces in one day when we are at school. We are now looking at how we can reduce waste at an individual, school and community level.
On Monday night, I took the proposed class structures to the P&C for their consideration. Next year, we will have 18 classes. This represents an increase of 2. The decision about which teacher will be assigned to which class will be made after we have finished recruitment. At this stage, I have hired 2 of the 4 teachers we require. As always, any class structures will be dependent on Day 8 numbers, which seem to move around a lot between the end of the year and the start of school. If you know that you are moving over the holidays and withdrawing your child from Glenmore SS, please let us know so that we can make these considerations when preparing our classes. It is great to see that we have a number of children who will be joining us from other parts of Queensland in the new year. Report writing is well underway and students will be completing final pieces of assessment so that teachers can make reasoned judgements about your child’s progress. If you are aware of any difficulty around assessment completion, please contact your child’s class teacher in the first instance.

Our fantastic Chaplain – Chappy Melissa has been hard at work in recent weeks. She has been working with the Chaplain from Glenmore SHS to deliver a series of sessions about preparing for High School. This has involved looking at skills including assertive communication, working together and making a successful transition. Chappy Melissa also oversaw our collection for the victims of the recent typhoon in the Philippines. Congratulations to the staff and students of Glenmore SS who raised $320 for this worthy cause.

The Parents and Citizens committee plays a very important part in our school. They have shown very strong commitment to raising extra funds to provide extra resources for our students. This year, they have helped purchase music stands for the instrumental students, organised Mother’s and Father’s Day stalls, sport photographs and have spent a significant amount on the beautification of the Prep area. I can barely believe the difference that the P&C work has made to the Prep playground area – it is a much more pleasant environment for our students to play in. The P&C also operates the tuckshop and uniform shop – both of which are heavily relied on by parents at our school. The P&C needs your help. We are looking for a uniform shop convenor for next year. This is a part time commitment to the school. We need extra tuckshop helpers. Most of the ladies who work in the tuckshop have an enjoyable day and are even rewarded with a lunch on us! The P&C will also be operating a sausage sizzle at Bunnings on December 1. This is a great opportunity to raise extra funds for your children – even if you can only spare the man in your house for an hour that would be a great help. It would be great to see you there.

You are always welcome at Glenmore State School.

Christine Hills
Principal
Thought of the week:

Democracy cannot succeed unless those who express their choice are prepared to choose wisely. The real safeguard of democracy, therefore, is education.” — Franklin D. Roosevelt

END OF YEAR AWARDS

Mrs Allison is currently liaising with class teachers about our end-of-year awards. Our ceremony will be held on the last Wednesday of the term (11 December). Mrs Hills and I are looking forward to our first Glenmore awards presentation.

2014 SCHOOL LEADERS

Applications have been submitted for school leaders for 2014. Students will be interviewed in the coming days prior to speeches to the Year 4 and 5 cohort, and elections. School Captains and Vice Captains will be announced at the awards ceremony.

SPARE UNIFORMS

We frequently receive enquiries about second-hand uniforms. If you have uniforms that your children have grown out of and they are still serviceable, we would appreciate donations to our small supply of spare uniforms. Please see our office staff if you would like to help us in this way.

PREP INTERVIEWS

Thank you to those parents who have scheduled an enrolment interview for their children commencing Prep in 2014. If you have not yet scheduled your Prep interview, please contact our office staff as soon as possible. It is important that we have our Prep enrolments completed by the end of the school year.

SUPPORT OUR CHAPLAIN

As I outlined in the last newsletter, school Chaplaincy is being challenged again, by one person, in the High Court. If you would like to show your support for school Chaplaincy, forms are available at our school office. You can also complete this task online at www.backourchappies.com.au, where there is also a wealth of information about Chaplaincy. At our recent P & C meeting, support for our Chaplaincy program at Glenmore was ratified for the coming year.

LEAVING GLENMORE OR COMING TO GLENMORE IN 2014?

If your child / children will be leaving Glenmore in 2014, please let office staff know. This assists us in planning for the new school year. Alternatively, if you know of someone planning to come to Glenmore for 2014, please encourage them to contact the office for an enrolment package.

LIBRARY BOOKS

All student library books are due back next Friday. Please make sure all overdue books are returned as soon as possible. At the moment there are over 150 books outstanding. If you cannot find the library books, we ask that you pay $10 for each book at the school office. Overdue notices will be sent home next week. Thank you for your assistance.

ENROL FOR PREP NOW!

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SPORTS DRAW

BASKETBALL

Glenmore White vs RGS Kello – 12.50pm
Glenmore Green vs RGS Black – 1.35pm

HOCKEY

Glenmore 1 vs St Joseph’s W1 on Turf 1 – 1.00-1.15pm
Glenmore 2 vs Frenchville 1 on Turf 2 – 1.40-1.55pm
Glenmore 3 vs St Joseph’s W3 on Turf 1 – 2.00-2.15pm

SOFTBALL

Yr 6 Girls BYE (Girls to play final 29/11)

MUSIC NEWS

On Thursday 28 November, the Instrumental Music students will be showcasing their talents in a family concert, featuring performances from the Concert Band and String Orchestra, as well as some solo and duet items from some of the more advanced students. The evening will start at 6pm and it will be held in the school library. The evening should finish about 7.30pm. All welcome to attend.

TUCKSHOP SPECIALS

It is coming to the end of the term and we are starting to run low on some stock. When placing orders please choose a second choice in case we have run out of your first option.

SPECIALS OF THE WEEK

Watermelon Slices – 20cents
Spaghetti Bolognaise
Spaghetti and Meatballs
Macaroni and Cheese
ONLY WHILE STOCKS LAST!

WANTED

Our long serving Uniform Convenor, Dianne, is retiring at the end of this year. This means we are in need of a new convenor. If you think you could fill this voluntary position or would like some more details of what is involved, please see the staff in the school office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

BLUEBIRDS SOFTBALL SIGN ON DAY
BLUEBIRDS UNITED SPORTS CLUB
19 JANUARY 2014
12.00 – 2.00PM
Season runs from March to September. Men, women, girls and boys, whether you have played your whole life or would just like to join the fun, all welcome.

For further information, phone Julie on 0417639619

Tuckshop Roster

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