Only two more sleeps to go until our 125th Anniversary Fete on Saturday. Preparations are well in hand and it is shaping up to be a great day with a heap of entertainment planned. There has been a tireless band of workers preparing for the day and the results of their efforts should prove to be great entertainment for all. The $25 arm band for unlimited rides represents great value as I can assert after attending a carnival last weekend where I bled $50 dollar notes with rides ranging from $8-$10 each. The kids can certainly be entertained while the parents checkout the various stalls, displays and other items of interest. There is a great display of education today and yesterday which no doubt will take us all back to those "I had one of those at school" moments. Other highlights will be children's artwork, the multi draw raffle and chocolate toss. I hear a rumour that there is going to be a "Squirt the Teacher" booth (outrageous, I know!) with a special finale teacher to squirt! There is another rumour that if $200 is raised a certain Deputy Principal will make an appearance in the fairy photo booth. I have donated heavily to this cause and am barracking for a pink fairy shot! It is great to be a part of a school community so dedicated to celebrating 125 years of "Quality Education in a Caring Environment".

The quality learning continues at Glenmore State School. This last week, I have spent time analysing our NAPLAN results further. One of the main indicators that I look at is relative gain. This is the improvement that children have made from the time they were in Year 3 to the Year 5 results. I am very pleased to announce that Glenmore State School outperformed Australia in EVERY strand of literacy in numeracy in rate of improvement. This means that the teachers and students at Glenmore State School have shown better growth than the average Australian student — and this includes catholic and private school students. Our improvement rates were:

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Our children are proving again and again that they are the equal of any in the country. My aim for Glenmore SS students is that they have access to the same quality of education as any other Aussie kid. I am very proud of the work that our students and teachers have put in over the last 2 years since they were in Year 3. I know at times you may hear that the work is too hard, that the teacher is expecting too much but as a parent, I want my kid's teachers to expect that they do their best, because that is what life will expect of my children. **GO GLENMORE!**

Christine Hills
Principal

Quality Learning in a Caring Environment

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DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

Thought for the week:
"Every child deserves a champion — an adult who will never give up on them, who understands the power of connection, and insists that they become the best that they can possibly be." — Rita F. Piero

PREP ORIENTATION SESSIONS AND ENROLMENTS
Each year, we run Prep orientation sessions for new Prep parents and children. These sessions will provide detailed information for parents and will allow our prospective Prep students to spend time in a Prep classroom doing a range of activities. We plan to conduct these sessions in Week 4 of next term. Exact dates and times will be communicated once finalised.

We are still taking enrolments and completing enrolment interviews for 2015. Once enrolment forms have been returned to the school office, students are guaranteed a place at Glenmore for Prep. Our office staff will then arrange an appointment for an enrolment interview. Please note that it is a requirement that we sight the student’s birth certificate as part of the enrolment process. Children born from 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010 are eligible to start Prep in 2015. It helps us greatly with our forward planning for 2015, to have enrolments completed as early as possible. If you know someone who is planning to enrol their child at Glenmore for Prep next year, please encourage them to contact the office for an enrolment package.

FETES, FUNDRAISING AND FAIRIES
The 125th celebrations and fete are just two sleeps away. It promises to be a great day of celebration and fun, as well as being a significant fundraising activity for Glenmore’s P & C Association. As you know, Mrs Barram is doing a range of photos – sepia, dinosaurs and fairies – as one of the fundraising activities. I have agreed to feature in one of Mrs Barram’s fairy photos if a sum of $200 is raised for that specific purpose. ALL DONATIONS WILL BE GRAVELY RECEIVED BY MRS BARRAM!

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AT GLENMORE
Our 2014 NAPLAN data has shown the significant improvement in our student’s achievement over the last 18 months. Equally pleasing is the data that our teachers gather and analyse throughout the year and across year levels. This week, I had the opportunity to see our Year 1 reading data. This data showed that not only had the majority of children’s reading age matched their chronological age, but had noticeably exceeded it. These younger students have a bright academic future ahead with the solid foundations laid in these early years of school, and I’m sure we will see our NAPLAN outcomes going from strength to strength as these students progress through our school.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC
Our Instrumental Music lessons will return to the normal schedule next week. Our instrumental teachers have been involved in rehearsals and concerts with north and south side schools over the last fortnight. A reminder also that String recruiting for 2015 is currently in progress and Woodwind, Brass, Percussion recruiting will commence in Term 4.

EARLY YEARS – KINDERGARTEN
The Government has implemented a strong focus on the early years education. The expansion of kindergarten programs throughout the state allows a greater opportunity for children to participate in important early learning. One of the areas on which Mr Grant Webb, Director, Early Learning for the Central Queensland Region is working is on effective transitions from kindy to Prep. Details about when children are eligible to attend kindergarten are in the table below.

When can my child attend kindergarten?

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STAFFING UPDATE
This term has been a particularly busy one for both day-to-day and longer term staffing. Due to the plethora of illnesses around this term, we have had many staff absences, both in our teacher and teacher aide ranks.

Mrs Conner will conclude her work within our Special Education Program this Thursday. I would like to thank Mrs Conner sincerely for her work with these Year 4 to 6 students and especially for agreeing to extend her initial contract as our school circumstances changed. Mrs Conner will continue to teach Year 6MO each Friday. Mr Roder will be working with our Special Education Program from this Friday until the end of term. Miss Kelly will continue as Acting Head of Special Education Services until the end of term. Miss Oram will be on leave for the last 3 weeks of this term. Mrs Davies (LOT) takes extended leave. District Office staff are currently working to provide a teacher for our Japanese program.

Regards
Mark Danlop
Deputy Principal

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

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

Prep
Nyillarnie Meredith
Justice Burnell
Lili Planta

Year 1
Claire Flower
Swornim Khatiwada
Sonia Storch

Year 2
Nuatuui Mann

Year 3
Tegan Pattel
Zaria Morrell

Year 4
Lochlan Ohl
Isaac Russell
Tavida Brown

Year 5
Eli Baynton – Bone
Quy Tran
Geovana Santos-Silva

Year 6
Isabella Young
Lucas Moreira De Jesus

BIRTHDAY WISHES

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

Ameliah McRorie, Tristan New, Annaleese Hermann, Corey Bills, Beau Daley, Umanga Budathokki, Cori Hatog, Thais Sa Silva
**ONLY 2 DAYS TO FETE DAY**

The preparations for Fete day are almost complete. All that remains now is for you to come along and have fun. This is just some of the stalls we will have on the day:

- Face Painting
- Bottle Stall
- Squirt the Teacher
- Fishing Game
- Trash & Treasure
- Books
- Pre-loved clothing
- Plants
- Lucky Dip
- Pass the Footy
- Lolly Shop
- Chocolate Toss
- Pick a Stick

Reminder that for children that have pre-purchased ride tickets, your wrist band will be available on the day from 10.30am from the junior undercover area.

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**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

Reminder - Tuckshop is closed Friday mornings during parade.

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**BRISBANE HEAT VISIT GLENMORE**

Wednesday afternoon saw Brisbane Heat cricketers Cameron Gannon and Chris Lynn giving some tips to the up and coming cricket players from Glenmore. Along with some Qld Cricket coaches, they took the Glenmore cricketers through some catching and fielding drills. They were impressed by the accuracy of some of our throws.

All the students enjoyed themselves and ended up with cool autographed gear from the Brisbane Heat and their sponsor, the Commonwealth Bank.

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**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC – STRINGS**

I would like to huge thank you to all students and parents for all the work and help towards a successful evening last week. It was great to see so many students involved and also how much they enjoyed the performance. Let’s hope it has inspired everyone into lots of practice to keep up the standard they have worked so hard to reach.

Lessons are back to normal next week at the usual times, so please remind all string players to bring along their instrument and music books. Rehearsals will also be on before school for those students involved.

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC – FETE PERFORMANCES**

Students involved in the String Orchestra, Band and Choir are performing at the School Fete on Saturday 30 August. Please see the note provided for more information about performance times and arrival times. All students in these groups are expected to be there on Saturday to perform. Everyone is looking forward to hearing them play so please encourage them to arrive on time with all their equipment.

10.00 am - 10.30 am String Quartet
11.30 am - 11.45 am String Orchestra

Applications close very soon for students interested in being part of the program in 2015, so please pick up a form from the office and return it to school by early next week. Testing will take place next week and students and their families will be informed in the final week of the term as to whether or not they will be included in the program in 2015.

Thank you for your support

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**COMMUNITY NOTICE**

Is your child at school or starting next year? Would you like $500 to help pay for uniforms, books, excursions or a laptop?

To be eligible you need to:
- have a Health Care Card or a Pensioner Concession Card
- have a child at school dire or starting next year
- have some form of household income, for example, your partner or yourself may have casual, part-time, full-time or seasonal employment.

Saver Plus can match your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to $500!

To find out more, simply fill out the form below or call your nearest Saver Plus office at 1300 76 86 96. www.saverplus.com.au

Good luck to Cameron and Chris and the other Brisbane Heat players in this years T20 Big Bash competition.