Thought for the week: 
Knowledge is more powerful than privilege.

PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

To begin this week's newsletter, I wish to acknowledge Mrs Lanyon, who took charge of "the ship" on Thursday and Friday while I was at Principals’ Conference in Brisbane. Last week was a very taxing week for our staff at school, operating in far from ideal conditions. Mrs Allston and Mr Kelly capably performed the Deputy Principal roles on those days and with Mrs Lanyon, oversaw the gradual return to normal school operations. I was very happy to hear, when I phoned at morning tea on Thursday, that power had been restored to Glenmore State School.

The Principals’ Conference, held every two years, was attended by every state school Principal in Queensland – some 1300 Principals. Speakers presented on a range of topics and I have brought back some ideas and practices that will fit nicely with our work at Glenmore. The conference has made headline news this week for other reasons – with over 200 Principals falling ill shortly afterwards. I am pleased to advise that at the time of writing my column for this newsletter, I have remained fit and well – glad I didn’t eat whatever it was that caused the outbreak of illness.

Some relevant messages from the conference include:
- Queensland students are improving at a faster rate than other states
- Every child needs a champion and every child needs a caring adult
- The Minister for Education Kate Jones and the Director General Dr Jim Watterston thanked staff for the smooth transition across the state of Year 7 to high school
- Struggle = development – children need encounter some obstacles along the way while growing up; sheltering them from all adversity doesn’t help them to grow into strong and resilient young people
- Early childhood learning is vitally important – parents should have expectations of the educational outcomes of early childhood programs (research showed that in pre-kindergarten, children had no adult interaction 73% of the time)
- The quality of verbal interaction between adults and pre school age children has a significant impact on learning outcomes, vital that this talk includes concept development

On Wednesday this week, we welcomed the Deputy Director General of Education, Patricia Walton and our Acting Regional Director Bevan Brennan, to Glenmore. I extended the invitation to Ms Walton after receiving advice that she was visiting our area this week. Ms Walton and Mr Brennan spoke with our 2015 school captains and vice captains, and met informally with our staff to convey their concern for staff wellbeing and thanks after the cyclone. It was a privilege to have Mrs Walton and Mr Brennan at Glenmore.

This week, our routines are in full swing at Glenmore. We have effectively lost a week of learning due to the cyclone. After our work with John Fleming last week, teachers have already put into practice the recommendations from his workshops. We will be focussing on vocabulary development, tracking, the reading hierarchy and automatic responses in maths. John’s next visit is in early June, when he will observe lessons and provide coaching for our teachers.

On Friday we will welcome Miss Chloe Nugent to Glenmore. Miss Nugent has taught at Tara Shire State College and more recently has worked in the C2C (Curriculum) Branch in Brisbane. She will be teaching Year 2. Thank you in advance for welcoming Miss Nugent to Glenmore.

Regards

Mark Dunlop
Principal

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

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Glenmore Standards
I have already mentioned the five Glenmore Standards that apply at all times. These five Glenmore Standards are as follows:

- I follow teachers/staff instructions immediately
- I keep my hands, feet and objects to myself
- I wear my school uniform with pride
- I am well-mannered
- I respect the environment (plants, wildlife and equipment)

This week, I wish to discuss “I am well-mannered” in more detail. The way we speak to each other and the things we say to each other are fundamental to being a well-mannered person. Use of appropriate language is essential. This week I have had to deal with a number of cases of inappropriate language. Swearing, use of slurs and obscene language is not acceptable at school. Students who continue to use such language have consequences such as detention at play time, contact with parents and, if the language persists, suspension from school. Please have a conversation with your children about what is appropriate and what is inappropriate language. Teachers have explicitly explained this concept to their classes. A well-mannered person also ensures that their words or actions do not hurt others in any way. Treat others as you wish to be treated is a good mantra – if you say or do something to another person that you wouldn’t like, then don’t say or do it! This is a great conversation starter for families – have a discussion about how thoughts and actions affect others.

Remember at Glenmore, we strive to be the best person we can be in every aspect of our lives, every day!

Before School Procedures
Students who arrive at school before 8.30am must sit in the covered area near the tuckshop. They are not permitted to go and play on the oval, playground etc – these areas are unsupervised before school. Once the 8.30am bell rings, students can take their bags to the classroom – if the room is open, students stay in the room and get ready for the day. If the teacher is unavailable, they need to return to the under covered area until the 8.55am bell.

Please be aware that as soon as the 8.55am bell rings, the school day begins. Teachers begin teaching and students start learning. All students should be at school by 8.45am each day in time for the 8.55am start.

Winter Uniform
I know it doesn’t feel like it yet......but it is officially Autumn! Some children are starting to come to school wearing jumpers. With this in mind, I refer you again to a reminder about our school’s expectations. Winter clothes are starting to appear in shops so it is a good reminder about getting suitable gear for students to wear in the cooler months. The tuckshop does have a Glenmore Jacket – this can be purchased through the uniform shop. As part of our raised expectations for uniforms this year, only school colours are acceptable at school. As mentioned in last week’s newsletter, dark green sloppy joes/jumpers are readily available at many stores. If you wish your child to wear track pants on cold days, please be aware that these must be the school colours as well – dark green for girls (stockings or leggings should be dark green) and grey or dark green for boys. Please ensure your child wears shorts under the track pants or brings shorts or skirt to change. This is because Rockhampton’s winter is seldom cold enough to warrant wearing track pants all day (especially when they run around at play time). Any other coloured/branded jumpers and/or track pants will not be considered appropriate to wear to school.

Access to school
Thank you for following the restricted access last week due to cleaning up procedures after cyclone Marcia. Please remember that car parks are not for pedestrians. To ensure the safety of pedestrians, only the middle pedestrian gate at the bottom oval will be open. This guides pedestrians away from the bottom car park. Access to this car park is restricted to STAFF only – please ensure you do not allow your child to walk through this car park.

Please remember that High School students should enter and exit their school grounds via the High School gates – NOT the Primary School. This has been reinforced at the High School Junior Playground

Until the new material shade is placed on the Junior Playground, children are not allowed on this equipment. It gets very hot and is not safe for little hands and bodies. Sand toys will be provided at both breaks – children will be allowed to play in the sand. No sand toys out - no play at this playground.

Lauree Lanyon
A/Deputy Principal

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Happy birthday to the following students celebrating their birthday this week:
Trinity Jenkinson, Xander Brookman, Jessica Spencer, Hayden Sullivan, William Doan, Bella Morrell, Hope-Sherree Crawford, Alyssa Isla

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students for the great effort this week:
Prep
Shawn Cajegas
James Von Senden
Joshua Harbord
Year 1
Nate Leppien
Year 2
Hudson Alderson
Lili Planta
Keisha Jenkinson
Year 3
Shakaya Wariner
Hayley Hall

Year 4
Tony Wang
Madison Brown
Justine Villanueva

Year 5
Victoria Silva De Oliveria
Clay Dakin
Drashti Patel

Year 6
Connor McLauchlan
Jayden Price

LIBRARY
Bradley Bailey
LOTE
Breanna Cooney

CHOCOLATE DRIVE

The P&C is holding a Chocolate Drive. Chocolates will be sent home over the next couple of days. This is one of our major fundraisers for the year and your participation would be greatly appreciated. Chocolates will sell for $1 each.

MORNING BULLETIN PREP PHOTOS

Due to the widespread damage of cyclone Marcia, The Morning Bulletin will be pushing back its special publication My First Year. My First year will now appear in the Wednesday, April 15 Morning Bulletin. The Morning Bulletin apologizes for any inconvenience
P&C AGM

Parents and Citizens Committee
Notice of Annual General Meeting
Glenmore State School P&C Association
When: 9 March 2014 – 6.30pm
Where: Glenmore State School’s Staff Room
An ordinary meeting will follow the AGM.
All welcome – keen to meet our many new families.
Belonging to the P&C is a great way to keep in touch with what is happening in the school. Any questions, please contact the office 49230666.
Light refreshments will be provided

COMMUNITY NOTICES

North Rockhampton Athletics Centre Sign On Day
Sunday 8th March 2015 - 11am to 1pm
Followed by our first competition day at 2pm
Sports Oval, North Rockhampton High School
Cnr Dean and Robinson Streets
Athletes from under 5 to under 17 welcome
All new athletes can sign on for a 2 week trial ($10) to see if they like it!!!!!!!!!
For more information, please contact Paul
0437 022 380 or view details at
www.nrac.org.au or find us on Facebook
“North Rockhampton Athletics Club”

Free ‘Student Advantage’ Microsoft Office 2013 Suite
All state school students from Prep to Year 12 can now download multiple free copies of the Microsoft Office 2013 Suite to their personal home and mobile computer equipment. This suite provides students with a subscription to the full versions of Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and OneNote.
Students who want the free software will need their username and password from school. Students from Prep to Year 2 should contact Mrs Biddulph in the library to find out their username and password.
Currently, MS Office Suite 2013 is available for students’ personal equipment only – not equipment which is part of a school network.
To find out more go to The Learning Place (http://education.qld.gov.au/learningplace/), click on Student Space and log in using the student’s username and password.
Please see Mrs Biddulph in the library if you have any questions.

TUCKSHOP AND UNIFORM NEWS

TUCKSHOP ROSTER
Reminder - Tuckshop is closed Friday mornings during parade.

| Monday 09 | HELP NEEDED |
| Tuesday 10 | CARMEN DAVIDSON |
| Wednesday 11 | HELP NEEDED |
| Thursday 12 | HELP NEEDED |
| Friday 13 | MARLENE GRANSHAW |

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS
Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings 8.30am – 9.30am

Every day counts
Is your child at school today?

OUR SPECIAL RAINBOW

This poem was written by our Mayor, Margaret Strelow about our recent cyclone and the after effects.

It had a strange foreboding, the day Marcia bore down
We closed the shops, we cleared our yards and sandbagged up the town
And then she came...
Across the Range our fathers said would keep the cyclone out,
Marcia, recalcitrant, continued with her rout
She did her worst, She ripped the trees and hurled them to the ground
She scattered leaf and log and tin,
And timber all around.
And then you came...
A rainbow always follows rain –
But came a different hue.
Instead of red and indigo and violet and blue.
Our rainbow was the uniforms which came in steady stream,
So it was ‘high viz’ yellow, orange and military green.
Some joined the broken wires that the falling trees had snared.
Some tarped the roofs and cleared the roads, the towers were repaired.
Our bruised and broken parklands were cleared of fallen trees.
And council crews worked street by street on Marcia’s debris.
‘Til you healed our battered city.
And rural towns I pain,
and then so quickly afterwards
You went back home again
Know you were heroes in our eyes –
That rainbow played a part.
Its earned a place in history,
And forever in our hearts.

Margaret Strelow

SPORTS DRAW

NO FRIDAY INTERSCHOOL SPORT
THIS WEEK AS MANY OF THE SPORTING GROUNDS AND STILL UNPLAYABLE.

AFTER SCHOOL ARRANGEMENTS

Please ensure that your child is familiar with after school arrangements for pick up. Some students have been confused about how they are to go home after school. Please also ask your children to report to the office if they are ever concerned that you are running late, that they have missed the bus etc.

DATE CLAIMER

SCHOOL PHOTOS
TUESDAY 31 MARCH
2 large potatoes  
1 medium carrot  
1 small onion  
1 egg  
sprinkle of pepper  
2 teaspoons vegetable oil

1. Scrub potatoes and carrots, then peel them. Peel the onion.
2. Grate potato, carrot and onion.
3. Mix potato, carrot and onion together in a bowl.

4. Beat egg and add with pepper to potato mixture. Mix well.
5. Put oil in trypan and spoon in potato/egg mixture. Flatten to make a big pancake. Or, make several smaller pancakes using spoonfuls of the mixture.
6. Cook over low heat. 15 minutes or until underside is browned.
7. Flip the pancake over. Cook another 10 minutes or until brown.

Makes 4 serves.