



# Glenmore State School Newsletter

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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 Allison and Ms 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-kindy settings, 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, Patrea 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**

A/Principal

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

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Great state. Great opportunity.



## NEWS FROM THE DEPUTY .....

### 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 under 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 skort 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.

*Laaree 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 Pianta  
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 apologises 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 on 0437 022 380 or view details at [www.nrac.org.au](http://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**

## Choppy Chatter

# Potato Pancakes

- 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 frypan 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.

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