Principal's Message

The Australian Government Department of Communications has requested that schools notify parents of Australia’s move to digital only TV. The process will require households and enterprises to “retune channels”. Included in this week’s Broadcaster is an information sheet regarding this important transition that will occur throughout the Sydney region on Tuesday 18 March.

You are probably aware of the recent tragic death of a student in Pitt Town due to a falling tree branch. I would like to reassure the community that our school uses a qualified arborist who assesses the condition of trees. The company also removes dangerous trees and prunes dead branches. As an additional step in protecting the safety of children, students play only on concrete areas during windy weather.

The achievement of students should not be affected by discrimination, disability or inequity caused through financial hardship. Under new school finance arrangements, the government issues a source of funding to schools based on the collective parents’ level of education and employment. The funds that schools receive are used to provide school related financial assistance to families and to support the needs of students who could be at a disadvantage.

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NOTES GONE HOME:
Notes can be downloaded from this website:
www.glenfield-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

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• School Photo Envelope
• K-2 Excursion - Camden Show

This equity loading is based on a family occupation and education index (FOEI). The funding for this equity allocation comes from the information parents provide on student enrolment forms. This year our equity funds are far lower than our neighbouring schools.

Although, providing information about your occupation and education is voluntary, it does impact on the amount of additional funding the school receives to support students. The information remains confidential within school records. If your employment status has changed over the past year, we request you contact the office to amend the details on your child’s enrolment form.

At the end of last week an envelope containing money for school photos was dropped down the money chute without a name or class. Please contact the office if you think this envelope could belong to you.

Enjoy the week ahead!

T. Hagan (Principal)

On Thursday March 20, Glenfield Public School will be celebrating Harmony Day. This is a day when all Australians can celebrate our cultural diversity. It’s about respect for, and acceptance of, all the different cultures people come from, as we all call Australia home.

We ask everyone to come to school dressed in orange. Students will be involved in activities during the day.

Parents and friends are invited to bring their lunch and join us at 11am in the front playground. You might like to bring a rug to sit on. We hope the weather will be fine!

Mrs Dunajcik

School Photographs

The school photographs will be taken on Wednesday 26 March 2014. The envelopes were sent home last week with the Broadcaster. Please DO NOT LOSE these envelopes as NO SPARES are available.

If you require family photos, these envelopes can be obtained from the office. Please return ALL envelopes marked with the students NAME and CLASS even if the money is in a siblings envelope.

Mrs Taranto

Weekly Achievement Awards

Term 1 2014 Week 6

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at the assembly last week:

KC  R.Rahman, V.Thornton, P.John-Varu, C.Shi
KW  C.Anderson, R.Upadhyay, T.M.Wilkinson-Tamou, T.Abdel-Khaleq
K/1L R.Rois, E.Makakafuki, M.Karaitiana, O.Burgess
1GL A.Saif, C.Campbell, S.Ferdousi, J.Collier
1M  C.Johnston, K.Raihan, R.Anand, T.Lemusu, A.Chowdhury
2P  A.Bhullar, H.Walker, V.Silva, A.Varu, L.Hanif
2/3E P.Mishra, N.Bassi, S.Mahmud, E.Pele-Tualia, E.Fediakov
3P  R.Yousif, A.Chowdhury, A.Chowdhury, P.Nagaralli, T.Marc
4B  C.Polvoreda, B.He, C.Shaji, A.Ramos, N.Farr
5/6K T.J. Drummond Watt, M.A.Varu, P.Tan-Bautista, P.Kirti, P.Haynes
5/6M S.McClure, E.Mathew, B.Mukker, N.Allen, H.Ahmed

PSSA Gala Days

This Friday 14 March, the first of the summer gala days for 2014 will be held. Permission notes, code of conduct and money needs to be returned to the office by tomorrow. All students need to bring their lunch, recess and plenty of water. They need to be in full sports uniform including broad brim hats. Soccer players need to wear shin pads. Venues are as follows:

Softball: Milton Park, Macquarie Fields
Tee-ball: Milton Park, Macquarie Fields
Oz-tag: Kayess Park, Minto.

Miss Batros
On the 13 of February 2014, sleeping like a sloth, my brother comes running trying to wake me up. I realised it was the swimming carnival so I jumped out of bed as if I was Mario jumping on a Goomba. I got to school just in time.

H Ahmed

There I lay in bed, 12 February, 9.00pm, looking at the note my mum paid $7.00 for, again and again, making sure that I didn’t forget anything. I slept after reading the note 10 times and dreamed about having the best carnival ever.

B. Mukker

On the 13 February my day started at 5.30am. Yes I know, way too early for a girl like me but my dad had to go to work. So my sister and I jumped out of bed and got dressed excitedly for the swimming carnival.

S. Artsivourtsis

On the 12 of February I was checking my bag for the swimming carnival. “Towel, check, swimmers, check.” Then I slept. The next day I was snoring like a lazy animal on my bed when my alarm went off. It was the most annoying thing that I’d heard and it ruined my dream of being a cricket player.

V. Lomber

The whole of Glenfield 3-6 students waited in great anticipation for the bus to arrive because today, the 13th February was our 2014 swimming carnival. Everyone was really excited and the atmosphere was a bit suspenseful and delightful. We were all eager to get on the bus and race off to Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre.

A. Luong

On the night before the swimming carnival I put myself to bed, as I thought of the big event tomorrow, the swimming carnival. There was one big question in my head, “would I make it to the Fields swimming?”

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