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GLENMORE PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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A picture says a thousand words...



Principal's Message

2018 PLANNING

As a follow up to the information I shared last newsletter, I wanted to communicate some of the changes we are needing to make to ensure that we achieve our uninterrupted 2 hour morning literacy sessions.

We are very grateful to our Special Religious Education providers as we have all worked together to be able to move the Years 3-6 lessons out of the morning session. From next year 3-6 scripture will be held straight after recess on a Thursday, with K-2 scripture remaining straight after recess on a Tuesday.

We have also made the decision that we will no longer participate in Summer PSSA. We have found over the last few years we have many cancellations during this season due to various weather conditions. We are also very cognisant of the rising cost of buses and the strain that it places on family budgets. We will certainly continue to

participate in Winter PSSA and any other sporting events as they present.

Thank you for your continued support as we aim to consider current research and provide our students with the best education possible.

LOOSE CHANGE DRIVE

Thank you to all who supported this fundraising initiative. I am pleased to share that we raised \$1655.55 which will be allocated to upgrading our aging interactive whiteboards. Congratulations to 2H and 5K for raising the most money and they enjoyed their special lunch yesterday.

OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS

Could you please ensure you pay all outstanding money as soon as possible. We are trying to finalise all accounts in order to commence our 2018 planning.

THE LAKES DRIVE

Could I please remind families that if you drive to collect your children after school and are parking on the vacant lot directly opposite our site that you need

to be mindful of the foot traffic as you vacate the lot. We had a couple of 'near misses' last week. Between 3pm and 3.10pm is when we have the highest amount of foot traffic and I would ask that if you are parked there that you wait until the foot traffic has eased before leaving. Thank you for your cooperation with this safety issue.

PCG MEETING

The next PCG meeting is being held on Wednesday 15 November from 6.30pm in the staffroom. We will be holding our 2018 elections and sharing further information about our 2018 school planning. We hope to see you there.

WINNERS!

A big thank you to the Dimech family for winning our school a new personalised marquee. The marquee will be provided by Extreme Marquees (www.extreme-marquees.com.au) and will be a welcomed addition to our collection – you can never have enough shade! Thank you on behalf of our school community.



Natalie Mansour
PRINCIPAL

GOLD AWARD WINNER PROFILES

HUNTER 3E - Hi my name is Hunter. I'm in 3E. My teacher is Mrs Evans, she is nice. I love maths and art. My friends are Oscar and Eddie. I have a dog and a lizard as my pets. My favourite things to do at home are playing with my pets and building Lego.

DANIEL 3P - My name is Daniel and I am in class 3P. My friends are Ben, Jett and Alex. I like to play Cricket and Rugby League. I am really excited to get my first Gold Award.

OLIVER 3C - I have worked really hard at school and at home to receive merit awards, and continue to work towards an Honour Award.

HONOUR AWARD WINNER PROFILE

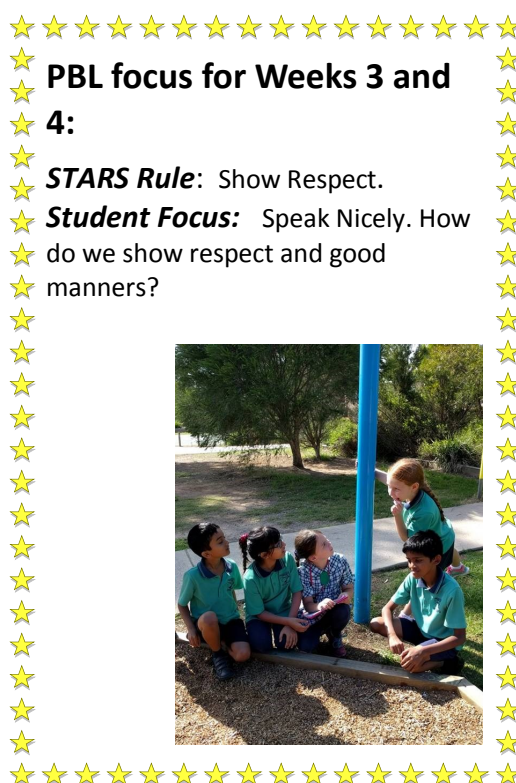
MEHAR 5K - Hi my name is Mehar and I am in 5K with Mr Kirby. I have a brother and I like turtles. My favourite subject is Math and my favourite sport is Cricket. My friends are: Jack, Dylan, Jayden, Lincoln, Thomas, Milad, Isaac and many more. I am very proud to receive my Honour Award as it took me around 6 years to get it.

DISCO WEDNESDAY 1 NOVEMBER

The PCG Belonging Working Party are running a BBQ tomorrow, Wednesday 1 November, in conjunction with the term 4 disco, from 4.30pm-7.15pm. We hope that you will take the opportunity to come along, say hello and purchase some dinner to give you the night off cooking. Sausage sandwiches and drinks will be available along with a coffee van. Come along early and have your little ones enjoy a sausage sandwich before the K-2 session. Remain with other parents in between the two sessions for dinner and a chat. Purchases will not be permitted into the school hall.

Sausage sandwiches will be \$3 each and cans of drinks \$2. We hope to see you there.

Shannan Williams
Co-ordinator



PBL focus for Weeks 3 and 4:

STARS Rule: Show Respect.

Student Focus: Speak Nicely. How do we show respect and good manners?



SILVER AWARD WINNERS

Declan 10
Helena 3C
Oliver 3C
Guransh 3E
Hunter 3E
Jade 3E
Jordyn 3/4M
Emma 3/4M
Arsjnoor 4B
Riley 4C
Ricky 5K
Patrick 5K
Mehar 5K
Lochlann K/6R
Isabella 6O
Callie 6O
Hansen KD
Abbie KD
Evan KD
Olena KK
Cohen KW
Chloe 1E
Bailey 1E
Ashlee 1E
Bohdi 1S
Krish 1/2W
Rudr 1/2W
Isabella 1/2W
Emma 1/2W
Peter 1/2W
Miranda-Chelsea 1/2W
Pawan 2D
Laura 2D
Suleman K/6O

GOLD AWARD WINNERS

Miley 3C
Hunter 3E
Daniel 3P
Lara 4C
Lachlan 5K
Mehar 5K
Harley 5K
Sera 6W
Isabella 1/2W
Miranda-Chelsea 1/2W
Laura 2D

HONOUR AWARD WINNER

Mehar 5K

DISCO SESSION TIMES

K-2 5:00pm-6:00pm
 Years 3-6 6:15pm-7:30pm

Cost will be \$5 (payable at the door on the night). Drinks (\$1), chips (\$1), glow products (\$2 to \$4) and sweets (50c a bag) will be sold on the night. *Parents are reminded that children must be picked up from the disco immediately at the end of each session.*

NSWPSSA ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Big congratulations go to Bryanna and Noah (both from 5M) for their amazing efforts competing on 18-19 September, at the New South Wales PSSA Athletics Championships. Noah managed to achieve a personal best in the 11 Year Boys 800m and Bryanna finished 5th in both the 10 Year Girls 100m and the Jnr Girls 200m.

YEAR SIX MINI FETETHURSDAY 23 NOVEMBER

The Year 6 Mini Fete will occur on Thursday 23 November from 11:00am till 1:00pm. Thank you to the Year 6 families and also local businesses that have supported the children's fundraising efforts this year.

Year 6 parents helping on stalls will be permitted to sign in through the office from 10:20am. General entry to all K-6 parents will commence at 11:00am through the interior school gates which will be opened between 11:00-11:20am. Entry after this time will then be through the office.

Parents are reminded that this is an event for the GPPS children and their families. This is not a day for high school children.

All students K-6 are to come to school in full school uniform. (Year 6 will change for the duration of the Mini Fete). Year 6 students will be required to remain at school after the conclusion of the mini fete to assist in packing away. This year we will providing our demountable toilets at the back of Playground A for adults. These will be marked as "Adult Men" and "Adult Women" on the day.

The Mini Fete will conclude with the draw of our major raffle at 12:45pm. Tickets will be on sale near the interior school gates until 12:20pm. A list of prizes is below in this newsletter.

We hope that all our school families will be able to join us for this enjoyable school event.

BACK GATES— The gates down the back of the school WILL NOT be open for the Mini Fete.

CAR PARK - Please do not park in or walk through the school car park.

MINI FETE RAFFLE

This year we are again having a Mini Fete raffle. A list of the prizes is below. Tickets will be on sale during the Mini Fete itself. One book per family has been sent home today.

Cost of tickets are \$1 each or \$10 for a book of 15.

1st Prize – GoPro Hero 5

2nd Prize – Apple iPad WiFi 32gb

3rd Prize – Flower Power \$250 Voucher

4th Prize – Signed 2017 Panthers Jersey

5th Prize – Captain Cook Cruises Voucher valued at \$78

6th Prize— Studio 1000 Photography Voucher

7th Prize—Studio 1000 Photography Voucher

8th Prize—Studio 1000 Photography Voucher

GROUP PHOTO ORDERS 2017

All sports and extra curricular photos that were taken last term are available at the school office for viewing. Order envelopes for cash or money orders can be collected

OR

online payments on The School Photographer website may be made. Online orders can be made at www.theschoolphotographer.com.au using the access code: 17S281PC37G

All orders must be received by 8 November 2017.

Option 1: Is a *A4 Sports Booklet* that contains ALL photos taken for \$30.00

Option 2: *Traditional Group Photos* presented in a plastic sleeve are 1 for \$16, 2 for \$30, 3 for \$42, 4 for \$52, 5 for \$60. Additional photos (after 5) \$10 each. These discounted rates are per family order only.

The following photos are available:

Leadership Team

House Captains

SRC

Debating Team

Boys Club

Primary Choir

Infants Drama

Drama

State Representatives

Sydney West Representatives

Technology Monitors

Games Room

Stage 1 Dance
 Stage 2 Dance
 Stage 3 Dance
 PSSA Newcombe Ball
 PSSA Junior Rugby League
 PSSA Senior Rugby League
 PSSA Senior Boys Basketball
 PSSA Senior Girls Basketball
 PSSA Junior Girls Soccer
 PSSA Senior Girls Soccer
 PSSA Junior Boys Soccer
 PSSA Senior Boys Soccer
 PSSA Junior Netball A
 PSSA Junior Netball B
 PSSA Senior Netball A
 PSSA Senior Netball B
 PSSA Junior AFL
 PSSA Senior AFL
 PSSA Girls T-Ball A
 PSSA Girls T-Ball B
 PSSA Boys T-Ball
 PSSA Girls Softball
 PSSA Boys Softball
 PSSA Super 12's Cricket
 Senior Kanga Cricket
 Junior Cricket A
 Junior Cricket B

REMINDER: SWIM SCHEME CANCELLED

Reminder to all Year 2 and Support Class parents/carers that Swim Scheme has been cancelled. Please do not make any payments. Refunds for those that have already paid are currently being processed.

SUNGLASSES ORDER

We are expecting delivery of our first sunglasses order this Friday. They will be distributed to students next week.

**"FOR YOUR
 CONVENIENCE"**
 Most notes sent
 home from
 school can be
 found on the
 Glenmore Park
 Public School
 website—either in
 "Newsletters" or
 attached to an
 event in the
 "Calendar"

Glenmore Park Public School is supporting the WestCare Christmas Appeal in 2017.

See details in the advertisement below.

*All donations are to be brought to the school office before
Tuesday 5 December please.*



WESTCARE CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The WestCare Christmas Appeal has been running for many years and this Christmas we are again preparing a range of Hampers and gift packs to be given to families and individuals doing it tough at Christmas time. We partner with a range of other community organisations to help reach and distribute hampers to people in homes and situations that we would not otherwise be aware of. In addition to WestCare's Emergency Relief Service, the 2017 Appeal will also impact many financially struggling and often socially isolated community members including:

- * Highest need families as identified by school Principals and key welfare staff in 11 local schools (3 high and 8 primary schools)
- * Domestic Violence surviving mums with children, distributed by both West Connect DV refuge and Penrith Women's Health Centre
- * Men undergoing prostate cancer treatment over Christmas, distributed to selected members by the Nepean Blue Mountains Prostate Cancer Support Group
- * Selected patients in both the Nepean Cancer Care Centre and Palliative Care ward and at the Nepean Hospital, distributed by the hospital's Social Worker team
- * All patients in the Elderly Mental Health ward (lovely older people who are often left alone over Christmas)
- * The Nepean Centre for Addictive Medicine where social workers provide to clients completing programs over Christmas period
- * Ross Hutchison Foundation / Imagine Nations Church referrals / Angels of Mercy refugee services
- * The Nulawala indigenous outreach program
- * Clothing gift packs for Cobham JJC
- * Various toy distribution and other activities

Ideas for donated items

Dry stock grocery items are particularly handy, including:

- ⇒ Fruit juice (unrefrigerated, 2 litre)
- ⇒ Soft Drinks (1.25litre and 2 litre)
- ⇒ Cordial
- ⇒ Tinned fruit and vegetables
- ⇒ Pasta and pasta sauce
- ⇒ Sweets/lollies
- ⇒ Christmas desserts (small puddings, custard)
- ⇒ Any food item (**excluding fresh/frozen**) have great value for the Christmas Appeal.

TERM 4, 2017

WEEK 4	30/10 Responsible Pet Owners Program—Kindy	31/10	1/11 Sport in Schools Yrs 3-6 School Disco	2/11 K-2 Assembly Item 2H	3/11 **Final Trade-In day for awards** PSSA
WEEK 5	6/11	7/11	8/11 Sport in Schools K-2	9/11 3-6 Assembly Item 3/4M	10/11 PSSA
WEEK 6	13/11 Prefect Elections	14/11 Cake Stall 4C, 4D, 3C and 3P	15/11 Sport in Schools Yrs 3-6 PCG Meeting 6.30pm	16/11 K-2 Assembly Item KR	17/11 PSSA
WEEK 7	20/11	21/11 Last Day for Scripture	22/11 Sport in Schools K-2	23/11 Year 6 Mini Fete	24/11 PSSA—Last week
WEEK 8	27/11	28/11 Thank You Morning Tea	29/11 Sport in Schools Yrs 3-6	30/11 Awards Assembly	1/12
WEEK 9	4/12 PBL Rewards Day	5/12 High School Transition Day Last day WestCare Christmas appeal donations Support Classes Rosehill Xmas Party	6/12 Sport in Schools K-2	7/12 Presentation Day	8/12
WEEK 10	11/12 Class Party Day Reports go home	12/12 Talent Quest—Students only Moving Day	13/12 Sport in Schools Yrs 3-6	14/12 No Assembly Yr 6 Farewell	15/12 Last day for students

TERM 1, 2018

WEEK 1	29/1 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	30/1 First day for all students	31/1	1/2	2/2
WEEK 2	5/2	6/2	7/2	8/2	9/2
WEEK 3	12/2	13/2	14/2	15/2	16/2

Please Note: Details are correct at time of publishing and are subject to change