Principal’s Message

Staffing Update

Over the last few weeks I have convened a couple of panels to fill vacant positions. Mrs Vanessa Reasbeck has successfully gained the Assistant Principal Support position. She comes to us with a wide variety of experiences and a depth of knowledge.

Additionally, I wish to congratulate Mrs Lauren Hughes who was also successful at gaining one of the permanent teaching positions at our school. Mrs Cassandra Roberts, who is currently at Barnier Public School, and Miss Ashlee Smith, a targeted graduate, also join the permanent teaching team from the beginning of next year.

I wish to also congratulate Mr Craig Bamford, who has successfully gained a permanent teaching position at Glendenning Public School. His enthusiasm, commitment and sense of humour will be missed by the whole school community.

We are also bidding farewell to some long time staff members at the end of this year. Mrs McMahon and Ms Correy will not be returning in 2016. I wish to thank them both for their dedication to the students at our school over their years of service. Both teachers will be sorely missed and on behalf of the whole school community, I wish them both well with their future endeavours.

Mr Tom Watt, our school counsellor, is retiring. He has given public education 30 years of outstanding service. He too will be sorely missed, not just by the staff in the various schools he currently works in, but the 1300 students he supports. I wish him well as he enters this new phase of his life.

Electronic Newsletter

Today’s newsletter will be the final paper edition we will have at Glenmore Park Public School. As I have been reporting for the last month, we are moving towards electronic newsletters, in an attempt to not only reduce our paper usage, but to be more effective in our communication. As most people now have smart phones it made sense to
enable families to access our newsletter on it. The app we are using is the SkoolBag app. You just need to search for our school name in your phone’s app store and download our app - it is a free download. Please refer to the information we sent home last week on how to download the app if you are unsure. The information is also up on our Facebook page. At this stage all other notes will still be sent home in paper form.

Thank you
This morning we held our annual Thank You Morning Tea. Events such as these are an important part of school life as without the help and support of the various parents/carers and community members our school would not be able to provide our students with all of the programs we do. This year we had well over 50 ‘helpers’ - and for their time and commitment to our school, I wish to publicly thank each and every one.

Presentation Day
This Thursday we will be holding our annual Presentation Day Ceremony. All parents/carers are invited to attend as we acknowledge some of the outstanding achievements attained by our students. The ceremony will commence promptly at 9.15am.

Happy Holidays
As this is the final newsletter for this year I would like to thank everyone for a fabulous year. I hope all of our families have a wonderful festive season and a relaxing break. All of the students return on Thursday 28 January, 2016.

Natalie Mansour
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PRINCIPAL

HONOUR AWARD WINNER PROFILES

QASIM 5H - Hi I’m Qasim from 5Halogen and I am getting my Honour Award. I have many friends including Incredible Isaac, Joyful Jared, Pumped Up Patty and Cool Cameron. I would like to thank all of my teachers and friends for giving me this great opportunity. In my spare time I like to play cricket and draw things. I am over the moon to get my honour award.

PAIGE 6C - Hi I’m Paige, I’m in 6C. I think its pretty cool to get your honour award especially because I only started in Year 4, 3 years getting it in that amount of time is a pretty big achievement and I’m proud to receive my honour award. Some of my friends are Jasmine, Jessica, Caitlin, Havana and Alyssa K.

GOLD AWARD WINNER PROFILES

ZOE 5K - Hi my name is Zoe. I’m in class 5K with Mr Kirby and awesome classmates. I am very proud to get my gold award and I am so lucky I did. My friends are Teanna (5K), Maddi (5K), Mikayla S (5K), Milly (5K), Larissa (5K), Brianna (5/6A) and many more. My favourite sports are netball, soccer, cricket and basketball. I live with my mum and dad and no pets or brothers and sisters. I am a proud student here at G.P.P.S. and everyone makes me happy to be at this school.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES 2016
Listed below are the general resources each student will require in each stage in 2016. A note will be sent home in Term 1 with more information but this will give parents/carers an opportunity to purchase items early.

Early Stage 1 (Kindergarten)
• 4 Glue sticks
• Box of tissues- to share with the class
• 2 whiteboard markers
• Paint Shirt (labelled)
• Hand sanitiser or liquid soap
• Paper kitchen towels
• 2 whiteboard marker pens
• New USB stick - labelled with name and class
• A4 ream of paper
• Small pencil case and set of textas (12-20 only) labelled with name and class
Stage 2 (Yrs 3 & 4)
- 128 page A4 exercise book for homework
- Scissors
- 2 Erasers
- 2 large Glue sticks
- Wooden or plastic ruler (not metal or bendable rulers)
- Dictionary (Junior)
- 6 HB lead pencils
- Textas (non permanent markers)
- Coloured pencils
- SMALL Pencil Case
- Paint Shirt (optional)
- Barrel sharpener
- Highlighters
- Whiteboard markers
- 1 ream A4 paper
- 4gb USB stick
- Tissues/roll or paper towels
- Liquid soap
- Calculator (Year 4 ONLY)
- Liquid paper, permanent markers and metal rulers are NOT allowed and should not be part of classroom equipment.

Stage 3 (Yrs 5 & 6)
- 1 pencil eraser
- 2 HB pencils
- Barrel type pencil sharpener
- Coloured pencils
- Medium point coloured textas-no permanent markers
- 2 blue biros, 2 red biros—no felt tip or pastels
- Whiteboard markers
- 1 standard wooden senior 30cm ruler—no metal or bendy plastic
- 2 Large glue sticks
- Artline pen 200 fine 0.4 black
- Homework Book-covered-A4 size
- Oxford or Macquarie Dictionary and Thesaurus
- Geometry Set
- Safety Scissors
- A4 document folder
- 2 boxes of tissues
- Roll of paper towel
- hand towel (cloth)
- ream of A4 paper
- USB/Memory Stick

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY
Overdue Books
Last week presented the final opportunity for students to borrow this year. Could you please return any books immediately. Your child received a reminder note if they had not returned their book/s. If you are unable to return the book in question, please pay the cost of the book as indicated on the slip. Then we can replace the book if it is still in print.

Books are carefully selected for the library based on children’s interests, to support learning and to promote reading. Resources need to be replaced if they have been damaged or lost. The first class to bring all their library books back and/or pay for the missing books will get a box of chocolates.

I thank you for your assistance in helping our library to look after and maintain its resources.

Mrs Elizabeth Magner

MINI FETE GUESSING COMPETITION
Congratulations to the following winners of the Year 6 Mini Fete Guessing Competition prizes.
1st prize—Kaitlyn 3L
2nd prize—Caleb KC
3rd prize—Robbie 3M
4th prize—D Patterson
5th prize—Siobhan 4NR
6th prize—Tristan 1W
7th prize—Krish KB

CANTEEN 2015
Liz, Victor and their staff would like to thank the parent community for their support of the school canteen in 2015. They wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

HONOUR AWARD
WINNERS
Paige Lownds 6C
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## TERM 1, 2016

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## BACK TO SCHOOL TRADING HOURS

BACK TO BASICS WILL BE CLOSED FROM FRIDAY 18th DECEMBER 2015 AND WILL RE-OPEN ON WEDNESDAY 6TH JANUARY 2016.

TRADING HOURS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2016
MONDAY TO FRIDAY- 8am to 5pm
SATURDAYS- JANUARY 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th- 9am to 3pm
SUNDAYS- JANUARY 17th, 24th- 10am to 1pm

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Glenmore Park Anglican Church invites you to... **Carols in Glenmore Park**

Sunday 20th Dec 2015

Blue Hills Oval, Glenmore Park

5pm: Food & fun for the whole family

7pm - 8:30pm: Christmas Carols

- Bring your friends, family & a picnic rug
- No alcohol please
- In case of wet weather join us on William Howell Dr & Princes Pl.

Sponsored by Great Aussie Dream

ONE AGENCY

You are also welcome to Celebrate Christmas

at Glenmore Park Anglican Church on William Howell Dr & Pitcheard Pl, Glenmore Park

Christmas Eve Family Carol Service 6pm

(Children can come dressed as angels, shepherds or wise men)

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 11pm

Christmas Day Celebration Services for the whole family 8am and 9.30am

ALL WELCOME!

Rev John Lavender 4733 1635

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