Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Carers

EDUCATION WEEK

Next week is Education Week and as in previous years we will be inviting any interested parents/carers to come along for an insight in to what happens at Glenmore Park PS each and every day. Please refer to the details on the second page of this newsletter for further information.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the parents/carers who came along last week to our parent information session on Modern Teaching and The Future of Education. It was an interesting session and attendees asked many fabulous questions. We will periodically upload some information on to our Facebook page on this topic. The latest upload was made yesterday.

ATTENDANCE

By law, all children 6 years and over are mandated to attend school each day the school is open. It is also a requirement that children are at school on time. For us at GPPS, this means that our students need to be here ideally by 8.55 am for our 9 am start. If your child is sick and is unable to come to school, please ensure that you send a note explaining the absence on the day your child returns to school.

We have had an increase in the number of children arriving late to school over the past week. I ask for your cooperation in ensuring all of our students are here and ready to learn on time every day.

BUSY TERM

We have many things happening this term from excursions to performing arts festivals. Please ensure you keep the calendar on the final page of each
fortnight’s newsletter as this will have the most current information. Our Facebook page is another avenue for information.

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PRINCIPAL

EDUCATION WEEK
We are celebrating Education Week at 12.00pm on Thursday 30 July. Our school has been involved in teaching 21st century skills through Project Based Learning and displays of this will be in the Hall and Library. Parents are welcome to visit the Hall where Year 5 will be displaying their projects on The Australian Gold Rush. In the Library you will have a chance to donate books to the library and view student work. Classrooms will be open at 12.30 pm for parents and carers to visit and the day will finish with a picnic lunch at 1.00 pm.

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

Book Club
GPPS parents and carers now have access to Book Club LOOP ordering where orders can be placed and paid for online. Book club orders can still be placed in the traditional way by paying cash or cheque through the school. Book club orders are due by Tuesday 28 July.

Open Day Donations
The library will be open on Open Day, Thursday 30 July, featuring displays of the work students from Kindergarten, Year 2 and Year 6 completed in the library in Semester 1. Year 5 will be displaying their work in the hall. Students and families have the opportunity of donating books to the library on that day too. Books can be donated at a cost of $5 each or 3 for $10. Money raised will go back into purchasing further resources for your children. Your child will be the first to borrow any book that they donate!

Premier’s Reading Challenge
Please be aware that the PRC closes on Friday 21 August, Week 6 this term. Please encourage your children to complete the challenge by borrowing books from the library and entering them online through the PRC 2015 website using their DEC usernames and passwords. Happy reading!!!!
Mrs Magnier & Mrs Curran

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL REMINDER
The Primary Athletics Carnival is being held next Wednesday 29 July. Parents are reminded that the permission note with the change of date must be returned to school before Friday 24 July.

SILVER AWARD WINNERS
Lucas 4M
Alana 4M
James 5/6A
Hayden 5/6A
Paige L 6C
Niamh 6C
Latesha 6H
Tom 6M
Domanic 6M

GOLD AWARD WINNERS
James 5/6A
Niamh 6C
Aleks 6H

HONOUR AWARD WINNER
James 5/6A

“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”

Every Minute Counts....

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<td>1 hour each day</td>
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<td>8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year</td>
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Your child’s best learning time is at the beginning of the day...

Check the time school starts. DON’T BE LATE!
WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

Our school is again participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. This will give us the chance to earn new educational resources.

Simply shop at Woolworths and you will receive a sticker for every $10 spent. Place the sticker on the sheet and once the sheet is complete pop it into the collection box at school.

CANTEEN PRIZE WINNERS

The Canteen would like to congratulate all the children who won prizes in last term’s Red Spot Giveaway.


ASTRONOMY NIGHT

Saturday 25 July from 7 to 9 pm
Stars, Supernova and Our Place in the Universe.

Cost: $18 adult, $12 child/concession and $50 family.
Bookings essential: Book and pay online www.uws.edu.au/observatory, What’s On
Contact: Tel 4736 0135

BACK TO BASICS

Did you know?
We here at Back to Basics are a proud supplier of your uniform and wanted to remind all parents of the facilities we provide.

We endure to keep the process of buying your children’s uniform as easy as possible. With that in mind we provide some extra facilities for the working parents who can’t always make it during business hours.

Simply give us a call, send us an email or visit our online store to purchase uniforms that can be sent to the school within 24 hours.

4721 7422
basics@backtobaseaschoolwear.com.au
www.backtobaseaschoolwear.com.au

Local foster carers needed

Family and Community Services are seeking people in the local area to provide short term and crisis foster care for children and young people 0-18 years that are unable to live with their own families.

Individuals, couples and families from varied backgrounds and cultural groups are required. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Foster care provides children with an opportunity to develop and thrive in a safe, stable, nurturing environment.

If you are interested in making a difference and helping children reach their full potential, please call 9785 6000 or email fosterinfo@facs.nsw.gov.au
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<td>11/8 ICAS Maths exam</td>
<td>12/8 Year 5 Surf Awareness</td>
<td>13/8 K-2 Assembly PULSE Choir Dress rehearsal and evening performance</td>
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<td>19/8 District Athletics Kinder 2016 Parent Information Evening 7pm Blue Mountains Dance Festival evening performance</td>
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