



Glengarry News



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REMINDERS

Today!!	Disco
Wed. 3 rd December	Science Club finishes today
Thurs. 11 th December	After School Sports Club finishes
	Reports go home
Fri. 12 th December	5.30 pm Christmas Assembly – Rooms 5 & 6
Mon. 15 th December	Yr 7 Transition at Duncraig SHS
Wed. 17 th December	Yr 7 Graduation at 9 am
Thurs. 18 th December	Final Assembly and last day of Term 4

Yesterday we were informed that the **After School Care Centre** that was proposed for Glengarry will not be happening. The owner based his decision on it not being financially possible at this time. We apologise for any disappointments that this decision may have caused.

The amphitheatre is going to be removed during the school holidays. As it contains asbestos, we request that the community stays off the school grounds. The work will take place from Monday 12 January – Friday 16 January.

We are very grateful to all the many volunteers who assist in the school. We would like to show our appreciation by inviting you to attend a **Parent Helpers Morning Tea** at 10.00a.m on Friday 12 December. We also **request** all community members to come to the office when entering the school grounds when assisting with P&C work or classroom activities for a length of time. It is necessary to record your name in the "Visitors Book" and to pick up a "Visitors Badge". We appreciate your co-operation with this procedure.

Our next assembly is the **Christmas Assembly** performed by the students in Rooms 5 and 6. To support the P&C we are holding it at **5.30p.m on Friday the 12 December**. A permission form will come home tomorrow. As it is an official school assembly we request the students to attend in school uniform. The assembly will also include the **Official Opening of the Playground** initiated in 2006 and built with an Australian Government Investing in Our Schools Grant of \$149 260. Mr Richard Tarnowy (Principal 2006) and Mr Warren McDiarmid (P&C President 2006) will be our guests and will perform the official opening on behalf of The Hon Julia Gillard MP, Deputy Prime Minister. This will be immediately followed by a community BBQ to celebrate the opening and the festive season. We look forward to seeing you all.

As we had more than one nomination for the **School Council** it has to go to a vote conducted by secret ballot. Voting will be based on a "first past the post" system. Please find a short statement from the two nominees included in the newsletter and return the voting slip to the office by **3.00p.m Wednesday 3 December 2008**.

Congratulations to Luke Saunders for achieving his 100 tokens. He will be presented with his award at the next assembly on 12 December.



Luke Saunders – Yr 1, Rm 12, Sturt

Congratulations to Kyran Pethick for receiving the key of Persistence.

Janet Iacomella, Principal

Thank you to the Ryle family for generously donating the cubby house to the Kindergarten. Thank you also to Mr Ryle, Mr Harbers and Mr Kickett for taking time to transport the cubby to the Kindy.

Mrs Povey, Mrs Kaye & the children at Kindy



Kyran Pethick – Yr 6, Rm 3, Dampier

PLAYGROUP 2009 – EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

If you would like your child to attend Playgroup next year on Wednesday mornings from 9-11 am, please complete the Expression of Interest form below and return to the office ASAP. Thank you.

Amanda Keppel, Playgroup Coordinator

**PLAYGROUP 2009
EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM**

I am interested in my child attending the Glengarry Playgroup in 2009.

Parent/Guardian Name: Phone :

SCHOOL COUNCIL NOMINEES

Martin Ramshaw

My daughter, Frances, is in Mrs Markey's class and my son, Robert, is in Kindergarten at Glengarry. I am a high school science teacher with 10 years experience in the UK and New Zealand. I have experience of committees from my work as a teacher and also from running a Playcentre in New Zealand. Over the last two terms I have run the science club at Glengarry School. As my children will be in year 5 and Pre Primary next year I would hope to represent the interests of parents at both ends of the school.

Charmaine Hutton

Our family have been at the school for nearly six years and with another 3 boys coming through, we will be here for a further twelve. I have been involved with the P & C for the last 2 years. I have a background in childcare and currently run a Family Daycare from home. I applied for a position on the school council because I feel it's important to give back to the school where possible, and being involved is a great way to ensure things happen.

SCHOOL COUNCIL BALLOT PAPER - 2008

This ballot paper has been organised following the procedures as outlined in the School Council operational guidelines.

Please tick a box and return the form in an envelope to the office by **3 pm on 3 December, 2008.**

- Martin Ramshaw**
- Charmaine Hutton**

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH

Inter-school Basketball

Well done Year sixes and sevens. Our teams played well against Duncraig Primary School. We won an even number of games. The tournament was “a friendly”. We had lunch together as an ice-breaker. Congratulations to Chloe & Yasmine for getting together with Giselle, Brittany, Olivia and Ashlee from Duncraig to win this one! The captains: Caleb Gould, Matt Crump, Yasmine Baxter, Tegan Van De Kraats, Rebecca Satie and Laura Munro lead their teams capably - some players demonstrated excellent skills and others are just developing, however all played hard and encouraged their team, in the spirit of the game.

Active After-School Sports Club

First term 2009 will be for Year's One and Two. Please email me to save you a spot if you are sure you want to participate at:- pam.algar@det.wa.edu.au

Pre-primary Games-Making

Children have been learning how to make a game. The children are practising listening to their partner and playing safely. Thank you to the parents who helped out with these sessions.

Brain Gym

This is exercise for the brain – all thinking is exercise for the brain – but these exercises combine the physical and mental components. Years One, Two and Three have begun practising some of these exercises. One of the benefits of removing tension from looking, listening and moving is to reduce stress. We will continue building on the programme to help children learn.

Pam Algar, P E Teacher

P & C NEWS

P & C MEETING 17 NOVEMBER, 2008

Thank you to all the parents that came along to the last P&C meeting – it was great to see the numbers increasing. For those of you that couldn't make the meeting, the P&C is pleased to announce that it has approved of the cost of **two** interactive whiteboards. As each whiteboard costs \$5,000, the amount of \$10,000 will be donated from the P & C to the school for the purchase of the two additional whiteboards. This means that next year the school will have a whiteboard in three out of the four blocks as well as in the library which is obviously great news for the school. It is the P&C's aim to have a whiteboard in at least every block (with the ultimate goal being a whiteboard in every classroom) so it is hoped the P & C will raise enough money next year to enable this to happen.

In addition, it was also passed that the Athletics program again be funded by the P&C at a cost of \$2,800. This means that the children can be part of the Athletics program during school as well as enjoy the benefits from any computer outside of school hours.

Minutes of the last P&C meeting have now been emailed out. However, in the event that you did not receive a copy and wish to, please feel free to contact me at simoneboening@dodo.com.au and I shall arrange for a copy to be forwarded to you.

P & C Positions for 2009

We would like to take this opportunity to again remind everyone that the next P&C meeting will be the AGM to be held on 16th February, 2009. We are still desperately seeking people to fill the positions that will become vacant at the next AGM. In order for the P&C to continue, we need the executive positions of President, Vice President, Secretary and Social/Funding Raising Committee Co-ordinator to be filled. There are other co-ordinator roles that will also be required to be filled. Without an executive committee there is no P&C. Without a P&C there is no fundraising body to raise additional funds for the school (to purchase whiteboards, additional materials, fund programs such as Athletics, etc, etc) or even for activities such as Walk There Today, Safety House productions, etc. This year the P & C has given back to the school over \$33,000!!! The school simply cannot lose this kind of support.

Please consider what contribution you can make to ensure your child/ren's school is the best it can be and consider playing a role on the P&C. Information on what each formal role on the P&C involves was included in the last newsletter but should you require a further copy or have any further queries in relation to the P&C, please do not hesitate to contact me on 9203 5426.

For all those who are interested in having a role on the P&C, please complete the nomination form and return it to us (via the P&C box in the office). We only have two weeks when we return to school next year before the AGM so it would be great if we could have your nominations asap.

Simone Boening, P&C Secretary

CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY/PLAYGROUND OPENING – FRIDAY, 12 DECEMBER

This event will be held on Friday, 12 December at **5.30 p.m.** After the assembly, we will be celebrating the opening of our playground and the festive season. Bring your own BBQ picnic - BBQs will be available. There will be a raffle and drinks, icecreams and glow sticks can be purchased and face painting will be available. Join us for a relaxing get together.

Stephanie Garcia

NEWSPAPERS – HELP NEEDED PLEASE!!

After a year of collecting we now need to get all the recycling newspapers to the depot. Help is needed on Thursday 4 Dec from 2pm to wrap bundles and load into trailers. If you can spare some time that afternoon please come to the recycling shed, even if it is only for half an hour - the more help the better! Also if anyone has a ute/trailer and can take a load to Wangara on Friday, 5th December, please let Jane Scott know 0418 876 919.

Jane Scott, P & C Treasurer

HOPE GROUP NEWS

Apologies to anyone who has brought in recycling to find the bin has not been out. As we have not had anyone yet volunteer to do the Wednesday morning recycling, I have decided to trial a new system starting from next week. The bin will go out on a Tuesday just before school pick up (about 2.45pm) and will stay there overnight until after school drop off (9am) on Wed morning. It will be in the same spot between the library and pre-primary block and secured with a chain. So from next Tues/Wed (2/3 Dec) please bring in any newspapers, egg cartons, ice cream containers and aluminium cans for recycling. Also remember you can recycle batteries and mobile phones and accessories - boxes for each of these are in the school office.

We have now put in our application for Waste Wise Funding and hope to hear back over the school holidays. So stay tuned next year as there should hopefully be some great things happening!

Alison Leitch, HOPE Coordinator

HELP WANTED!!

If anyone has two hours to spare on Tuesday, 27 January between 8.30-10.30 am to help give out pre-ordered uniforms, I would appreciate it. If you can help please phone Sue Massey on 0400 884 254. Thank you.

FINAL P & C FUNDRAISER – HAMPER RAFFLE – 12 DECEMBER

As the final fundraiser for the year, the P & C will be running a hamper raffle. Families are asked to donate an item up to the value of \$5 to be included in the hampers or a few families can go in together to donate a larger item. Ideas for possible hampers – Christmas, chocolate, pamper, for him, for her, for kids. Tickets will be sold at our Christmas Assembly/Playground Opening Night on 12 December. Boxes will be placed in classrooms for donations.