



Glengarry News

7th February, 2008

No. 1



Web site: <http://www.glengarry.wa.edu.au>

Ph: (08) 9448 4866

Fax: (08) 9447 5678

REMINDERS

Mon. 18 th Feb.	P & C Annual General Meeting	Fri., 21 st Mar.)
	Start of parent/teacher meetings	Mon. 24 th Mar.) Easter Public Holidays
Fri. 22 nd Feb.	First Assembly	Tue. 25 th Mar.)
	New parents' morning tea	Fri. 11 th Apr. Anzac Service
Mon. 10 th Mar.	School Council Meeting	

Welcome back and I hope you all had a good start to 2008.

We welcome the new students and parents to Glengarry and invite new parents to a morning tea on Friday 22nd February after the assembly. The P & C President, Mrs Sharryn Chapman, some staff members and I will be present to welcome you and answer any questions. It is also an opportunity to meet other parents.

The teachers have made an enthusiastic start and are looking forward to working with you in continuing the education of your child. We welcome Mrs Jenny Bonny, Ms Maree Longman and Miss Catherine Kerr to the staff. We are also pleased to have Mrs Sue Green and Mrs Jan Ruscoe back for 2008.

As you are aware teachers are in negotiation with the Minister and the Director General to improve the offer that has been made in regard to teacher conditions and salary. This will affect activities that are not directly related to teaching and learning or take place outside normal school hours.

The Year Seven camp has been postponed until August in the hope that the new offer is accepted by then. Glengarry will not be participating in the Interschool Swimming Carnival but teachers have agreed to continue with the House Carnival.

Last year we notified you that we will be an "Allergy Aware School". Please keep an eye out for information in the newsletter regarding suggestions/alternatives of foods not containing nuts.

Our new federally funded playground is all but complete. All we need is the grass and garden to be done. The official opening will take place once dates have been finalised with the Federal Minister.

New medical forms and computer contract forms have gone out today. Could you please send these back to the class teacher within 5 days.

"Deli West" which owns the Burragah Way deli on the corner of Burragah Way and Marmion Ave, Duncraig, have offered to provide school lunches to Davallia, Carine and Glengarry Primary School. They are fully aware of the Healthy Food Policy and all schools involved are Allergy Aware Schools. The contract is between you, the parent, and "Deli West". Any issues regarding monies or unavailable food items are not the responsibility of the school or the P & C. Please read through the terms and conditions carefully. All information concerning arrangements and menus have also been sent home today.

The House Captain elections will take place on Friday 15th February. Students standing for election will be elected at a house meeting by children from yr 4 – 7. Children from these levels will vote for both boy and girl House Captains. On the election day candidates will have the opportunity to make a brief statement to voters.

There are times when your child comes to school and then needs to leave for part of the day, for example to attend an appointment. The Department of Education and Training has provided a Standardised Leave Pass for Government School Students.

When you come to pick up your child, please:

- Come to the office **first** to sign and collect the leave pass.
- Take the leave pass to the classroom where you pick up your child so that the teacher can sight it.
- The leave pass is carried by the student when they are away from the school.

This system will be the same for when they go to high school.

This leave pass doesn't replace the notification that you give the teacher stating when your child will be away and why.

Janet Iacomella, Acting Principal

Dear Parents,

As you may have heard already I will be back at work for three days per fortnight this term. Mrs Iacomella will continue as acting principal and my role will be to support the admin team and the staff.

I am still undergoing quite intensive treatment which involves fortnightly chemotherapy. However, I am tolerating it quite well and feeling good a lot of the time.

It's great to be back at Glengarry and I'm looking forward to 'getting back into the saddle' even if it is in a part time capacity.

I hope you and your children have a great 2008! Best wishes.

Geoff Wood, Principal

NEW STAFF

Mrs Jenny Bonny - Pre-Primary Teacher in Room 14

- Previous schools: Coolbinia, Glen Forest, Clarkson, Dryandra, Hampton Park and a few more.
- Career Highlights: Completing my Graduate Certificate in Early Childhood and watching the children's development each year.
- Interests/Hobbies: Card making, reading, tennis, knitting/crocheting, lawn bowls.
- What I love about teaching: Working with the children – their enthusiasm and thirst for learning.
- Preferred presents: A Porsche – no only joking! Just best wishes and a happy holiday!



Miss Catherine Kerr - Year 1/2 teacher in Room 12

- Previous schools: A new graduate! Came from Kalgoorlie where I completed my degree.
- Career Highlights: Relieving at Glengarry last year!
- Interest/Hobbies: Eating, painting, going for coffee, laughing.
- What I love about teaching: Children's imagination. Keeps me on my toes!!
- Preferred Presents: Chocolate

Ms Maree Longman – Yr 6/7 teacher in Room 3

Previous schools: Wembley, Hillcrest, Ballajura, Bunbury, Kununurra
 Career Highlights: Carnarvon, 1992-1993 - School of the Air.
 Interests/Hobbies: Walking, reading, orchestral concerts, cooking.
 What I love about teaching: Seeing the growth of each student after the year.
 Preferred Presents: Gold Class movie tickets



2008 GLENGARRY PRIMARY SCHOOL – AN ALLERGY AWARE SCHOOL
Parents and children are requested to check all foods sent to school for nut traces.

Anaphylaxis is the most severe form of an allergic reaction and is life threatening.

- A reaction can develop within minutes of exposure
- Difficulty in breathing, swelling of the tongue and loss of consciousness can occur.

PARENT MEETING DATES

You are invited to attend parent/teacher meetings on the following days.

Teacher	Year	Room	Date	Time
Mrs Bonny, Mrs Buckenara, Ms Algar, Ms Cribb	PP	14 & 16	Monday, 18 th February	5.30-6.00 pm
Mrs Povey	K	17	“ “ “	5.30-6.00 pm
Mrs Costello	1	11	Tuesday, 19 th February	7.00-7.30 pm
Mrs Markey	4	6	“ “ “	5.30-6.00 pm
Mrs Saunders & Miss Kerr	1/2	12	“ “ “	6.00-6.30 pm
Mr Hatton	7	4	“ “ “	6.30-7.00 pm
Mr Theedom	4/5	7	“ “ “	6.00-6.30 pm
Ms Longman	6/7	3	“ “ “	6.00-6.30 pm
Miss Pack	3/4	5	“ “ “	5.30-6.00 pm
Miss Wiseman	2	9	Wednesday, 20 th February	6.00-6.30 pm
Mr Bolgia	3	8	“ “ “	6.00-6.30 pm
Mrs Kaye	K	18	Wednesday, 27 th February	5.30-6.00 pm

LIBRARY ROSTER

Parents, if you can spare ½ - 1 hour to assist us in the library to shelve and repair/cover books, it would be greatly appreciated. Please fill in the slip below and return to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Donna Smith, Library Assistant

LIBRARY ROSTER

Name: Child’s Name Rm :

I am available on the following day/s and times.

MON am pm	TUES am pm	WED am pm	THURS am pm	FRI am pm
WEEKLY		FORNIGHTLY (Please circle)	MONTHLY	

HELP NEEDED PLEASE!!!

Help is needed to move some heavy items in the sports shed. Also parent helpers are needed for Phys. Ed. sessions. If you can be of assistance for either of these please see Ms Algar. Thank you.

Ms Algar, P.E. Teacher

P & C NEWS

Hello to all new and returning families. The P&C have another busy year planned and your continued help & support is appreciated in the Glengarry school & community.

The AGM is just around the corner – Monday 18th February, 7.30pm in the school library. We are looking for new committee members to fill positions, as we are losing a number of our members due to other commitments, so it is vital that positions are filled as unfortunately these will not continue without help.

A very big thank you goes to both Nicole Emmott and Nicole Fern who have run the Book Club very successfully for 7 yrs & 3 yrs respectively & due to other commitments are moving on. Also many thanks to Gail Stimpson (HOPE Group, amongst many other things) who has now left Glengarry after her many years of support and more thanks go to Steph Garcia (Fab Food) and Kathy Crawford (Safety House) for the past year in their roles on the P & C.

A social/fundraising meeting will be held this Monday, 11th February 2008, 7.30 p.m. at Steph Garcia's house – 37 Edna Way, Duncraig for anyone who is interested in helping out on the social/fundraising aspects at Glengarry. We would love to see some new faces!!

Cycle to School Day – Glengarry will again be holding our Cycle to School Day which coincides with the National Ride2School Day on Wednesday 12th March 2008. We will have certificates, give-aways & fresh fruit upon arrival at school. It would be great to see as many students & parents participating in this day.

Sharryn Chapman, President, P&C

CALL FOR 2008 CLASS REPRESENTATIVES!

It's that time of year again and each class needs two class representatives to act as a liaison between your child's teacher and the class parents and the P&C. It's a fun position that really doesn't require too much work and is a great way to get to know other parents in the school.

In a nutshell, it is the class rep's job to:

- seek out and welcome new families to our school.
- attend a few social committee meetings and promote P&C fundraising events to your class.
- ensure that two parents are available to assist the Fab Food Coordinator in disseminating lunches a couple of Fridays a year.
- organise some social get-togethers for your class through the year. (Regularity of these events are totally up to you and/or your parent body.)
- organise a playmates list with names, addresses and phone numbers to be distributed to class members at the beginning of the year.

If you haven't been a part of the P & C before, becoming a class rep is an easy way to become more involved with our fabulous school. If you are interested, please call Kerry Pannell (Class Rep Coordinator) on 0417 940 960, or email me on mikeandkerry@yahoo.com.au ASAP.

Kerry Pannell, Class Rep. Coordinator

GLENGARRY NETBALL CLUB

Our club needs a new coordinator!! The AGM for the winter competition is on Monday 11th February, in the evening and it is compulsory for our club to attend.

This is my last year at Glengarry and I am unable to run the netball, but am willing to help the new coordinator this year. Unfortunately if nobody comes forward there will be no netball for our girls and I will donate all the netball equipment to the school.

If you are interested in taking on this role, please call me on 0438 016 489. Thank you.

Tricia Van De Kraats