

# **Glenwood Public School**



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## Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success. Henry Ford

Term 4, Week 6, 2014

#### **NEWSLETTER**

#### From the desk of the Principal



Today our students and staff attended a special assembly to commemorate Remembrance Day for 2014. The students' attention and polite behaviour was excellent as we paid respect to those who served our country in years past and also currently, on this day which represents an important symbol of peace throughout the world. This year will be the 96th anniversary of the

Anne Webb

ceasing of hostilities in World War I, marked by one minute's silence at the 11th hour, of the 11th day of the 11th month ... Lest We Forget.

Unbelievably, we are into Week 5 and halfway through the term! As we head to the latter part of the term there are several events and dates to be aware of. Most significantly, our annual presentation assembly will be held on Thursday 4th December Other important dates to remember are: Ball games carnival – Friday 14th November PSSA Fields Zone Presentation evening – Monday 17th November Kindergarten Orientation - Tuesday 18th & 25th November Kindergarten 2015 parent session and morning tea - Tues 25th Nov 2015 School Captain speeches – Thursday 20th November School Spectacular – Friday 28th & Saturday 29th November Thank You Morning Tea - Wednesday 3rd December Year 6 High School Orientation – Wednesday 3rd December 2014 School Captains to Parliament House - Friday 6th December Picnic Day – Monday 8th December Talent Quest - Wednesday 10th December K-2 Christmas Concert – Thursday 11th December Rewards Day - Friday 12th December Year 6 Farewell - Tuesday 16th December Last day for students – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December



Congratulations Karen on being a finalist in the Ingleburn District Public Speaking Program

#### The Giving Tree

The season of goodwill is fast approaching. Over the last few years, the Glenwood community has warmly received the concept of The Giving Tree. Our school has been able to donate many over-flowing washing baskets full of goodies for local families.

This month, our school will again be collecting food items in support of Macarthur Lifeline's Annual Christmas Hamper Appeal. The Appeal collects and donates boxed goods to community members who are in need of a little extra help these coming holidays.

We believe this is a great opportunity for Glenwood to give and share in the true meaning of the festive season.

The Glenwood Giving Trees will be located in each classroom this year where donations can be placed. Below are some ideas for the hampers –

- tinned / canned goods (fruit or veg)
- cereals

- bottled juices / drinks
- biscuits

- long life milk

- bags of pasta / rice

tea / coffee / sugar
sauces

- festive treats

\*\*All donated food items should have a "use by date" into the new year.

Macarthur Lifeline will collect our donations mid-December. If you wish to support this worthwhile community cause, please ensure all donations are received in time.

#### Applications for Year 7 Selective High School Placement 2016

Please note there have been changes to the application process for selective schools for 2016. There are now NO paper application forms – applications are online only. Applications will not be accepted after 18<sup>th</sup> November 2014.

If you have a student in year 5 this year (2014) and are considering applying for a selective school placement please remember:

- Parents must apply online at <u>www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement</u>
- Applications for entry in 2016 can be made online between 14<sup>th</sup> October 2014 and 17<sup>th</sup> November 2014.
- All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2015.

If you have any further questions or queries please contact Mrs Menne.

#### Applications for Year 7 – 2016 (Performing Arts)

Audition Applications for Year 7 Campbelltown Performing Arts High School for 2016 are now available from Mrs Menne.

These placements are suitable for year 5 students who have a strong interest in Dance, Drama, Vocal, Instrumental Music and Circus skills. The closing date for application forms is 27th February, 2015.

All students who apply are required to prepare an audition piece. The auditions for Year 6 students 2015 (Year 7, 2016) will be held at the school on 16th, 17th and 18th March 2015. If you have any questions or queries, there is a Year 7, 2016 Information Evening in the Campbelltown Performing Arts high school hall on Wednesday 18th February, 2014 at 6pm. Parents and prospective students are welcome.

Should you have any further questions about the auditions please don't hesitate to contact the Auditions Co-ordinator on 4625 1403.

#### High School Transitions - Year 7 (2015)

It has come to that time of the year when our Year 6 students ready themselves for high school. In order to help them with the transition, public high schools usually conduct a transition or orientation day. For most schools this will be on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2014. Students will need to be transported to their high school by parents on this day.

If you have not year received information about your child's orientation/transition feel free to contact the high school they are attending.

Should you need further assistance, please contact Mrs Menne.

#### Visit by Mr Laurie Ferguson MP



On the 6/11/14 Mr Laurie Ferguson MP visited our school. He talked to Stage 3 about Parliament and presented everyone who visited Parliament during camp with a certificate and a little booklet.

The school Captains and Vice-Captains then had morning tea with Mr Ferguson. We talked about lots of things like our favourite sports, books and our different cultures. It was great to talk and joke with Mr Ferguson.

It was very kind of Mr Ferguson to utilise his time just to see us! Our favourite part was shaking his hand. We felt like celebrities!

Written by Darina, Christopher, Aditi & Kevin

#### **Stage 3 Art Competition**

Stage 3 students have been working on a unit of work that is based on "The Dragonkeeper" by Carole Wilkinson. As part of this unit an art competition was held and artworks were displayed in the hall during the mini-fete. Students were asked to create an artwork of a dragon, but no other conditions set. Many Stage 3 students entered the competition and a range of different artworks were presented. After much discussion the following students were awarded prizes:



entry



- 1. Sarab- Pencil Sketch
- 2. Nathan Sculpture
- 3. Rhucha- Paper relief

Mrs Webb awarded her "Principals Choice" prize to Rithik.



Figure 2: Principal's

Figure 4: Rhucha's paper relief

These students were presented with a bag of "Art Goodies" as their prize on the morning of the mini-fete. As there were so many

Figure 3: Lego fantastic entries we also selected several as "Highly Commended".



Dragon

Students who were awarded this were: Hermoine, Jackson, Chantelle, Figure 5: Highly Jerlin, Tatiana-Jo, Caitlyn, Grace & Bryce. These students also received a prize of a mini sketchbook and pencils to keep their artistic dreams alive. Smiles

Mrs Menne

#### **Ball Games Carnival**

Glenwood will hold its annual Ball Games Carnival on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2014. The games will be held after lunch from 11:45am with most activities held under the shade of the COLA. **NB** – The current forecast for Friday is an extremely hot day. If is does turn out that we are heading towards extreme temperatures the carnival will be moved to first thing in the morning.



Students in 3-6 will participate in Captain Ball, Tunnel Ball, Over-Under and Tug-o-war. Students are encouraged to bring hats, water and rugs to sit on during spectating times.

House colours of McKay, Rosewall, Cuthbert and Bradman can be worn on the day.

#### Are you moving or coming back to school late in 2015?

We are looking at our student numbers and class composition for 2015. If your child is in K-5 and you know that you will be moving to a new school or that your child will not be back to start school on **Wednesday 28th January** due to extended holidays please fill out this form and return to the office. Student name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_Class: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Student name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_Class: \_\_\_\_\_\_ will not be returning to Glenwood PS in 2015 because: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

# Term 4, 2014

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6	10 Nov Year 4 camp Dep	Year 4 camp Kinder 2015 Transition 9-10:30am	Year 3 camp	Year 3 camp	
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7	17 Nov	Kinder 2015 Transition 9-10:30am			
				4W Assembly	
8	24 Nov	Kinder 2015 Transition and parent information 9-10:30am	School Spectacular rehearsal	School Spectacular rehearsal 2H Assembly 2:15	School Spectacular
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9	1 Dec		High School Orientation for Yr 6 Thank You	Presentation Day James than HS	
			Morning Tea		
10	8 Dec Picnic Day K-2 Mt Annan Botanical Gardens 3-6 Fun day at school		Talent Quest	K to 2 Christmas Concert	Gold awards Rewards day
11	15 Dec	Year 6 Farewell Dinner Ingleburn RSL	Last day of term!		

#### APPREHENDED VIOLENCE ORDERS

The Department is committed to ensuring that staff are afforded protection from acts, or threatened acts, of violence which relate to their employment. School staff can obtain an apprehended violence (AVO) in situations where they fear for their safety and where reasonable grounds exist to justify those fears.

Principals are often faced with decisions about whether a particular situation is best dealt with by application of the Inclosed Lands Protection Act or by obtaining an AVO.

In general, a matter which is contained strictly within the physical confines of the school and which does not involve behaviour that staff find threatening, the person involved should be handed an inclosed Lands Act.

In a situation where staff are threatened and/or the behaviour is not confined to the school premises, an AVO will be applied for as it provides protection for staff when they are away from the school.

Ingleburn RSL Sub Branch presents the

# INGLEBURN MILITARY GALA DAY

# Wood Park, Wagtail Cres, Ingleburn SATURDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> OF NOVEMBER 2014

1:00 PM START

Military vehicle displays Military armored vehicle displays Military bands (Army & Navy) Military unit displays by current Regular and Reserve troops Military Cadets Historical military displays Various food and drink stalls



Beat The Retreat by Royal Australian Engineers

RAAF Roulette aerial display

Military Helicopter display

Military Working Dogs display

Firework display to conclude the event

### **INGLEBURN RSL SUB-BRANCH WANTS YOU!**

To commemorate 100 years since the 1<sup>st</sup> Australian Imperial Force departe Albany, Western Australia, the Ingleburn RSL Sub Branch wants to welcome yc all to attend the Military Gala Day at Wood Park, Wagtail Ave, Ingleburn (ne: to Ingleburn RSL Club).

For more information please contact Ray James (President of Ingleburn RSL Sub Branch) on 0428 118 906 or John Lees (Honorary Secretary, Ingleburn RSL Sub Branch) on 0400 228 980