

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 4, 2015

NEWSLETTER

It is vital that all our children are safe when arriving and leaving our school. Please respect all parking signs and road rules.

From the desk of the Principal

On Sunday evening I joined students, parents and teachers here at school to see the production HVA600, an interpretation of Henry V by William Shakespeare as well as a performance by our drama group. Well done to our students on Mr Gough.

We have recently purchased two 3D printers and Ms Tomcyzk and Miss Weeitch are working with Datacom and Makers Empire to become confident teachers of 3D design and printing technology, engage students in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths) topics and achieve real learning outcomes.



We are excited to announce that Sean Cheong won Makers Empire's One Drop at a Time, Water Saving Competition.



They were impressed with Sean's 3D 'Droppy Character' who reminds others to use water wisely and comes complete with a ring so that he can be hung wherever a reminder is needed. His entry was chosen from designs that were entered in the competition from all over the world. A cool Makers Empire prize pack is on its way to Sean and his design will be featured

in the Hall of Fame on the Maker's Empire App. Two runners up designs were chosen, one from South Australia and one from New York ... Sean can genuinely say he has won a global competition! Well done Sean.

Kindergarten transition began this week and it was great to see how easily our incoming students settled into classes. Transition continues for another three weeks.



Last week staff attended a professional development afternoon at Hoxton Park Public School as part of our #ghhfuturelearning network. The international presenters guided them through sessions on coding, robotics and global connections. We can't wait until our Woolies Earn and Learn Robotics Kits arrive. In the meantime some classes have started learning to code. What is coding you might ask? Coding is system of symbols and rules used to represent instructions to a computer; a computer program. This picture shows our year one students learning to code.

A reminder that in lieu of our staff development day at the beginning of Term 3 we will be attending staff professional development on **Monday**, **16 November**. Please ensure that you make alternate arrangement for the day as no students will be at school on that day.

> Anne Webb Principal



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Great Aussie Bush Camp

Glenwood stage 3 students had a tremendously fun time at the Great Aussie Bush camp at Tea Gardens. Along with excellent weather they snorkelled and built rafts at Jimmy's Beach. Canoeing was fun at the creek, even for those who accidentally capsized. Fears were overcome as children flew across a 100 metre lake on the flying fox or dropped 12 metres on the giant swing. Bush craft skills were practised around a campfire and bull's eyes were aimed at in archery, muddy faces were the go in the lost world experience. A weary group returned late on Wednesday afternoon with aweinspiring and lasting memories of a fantastic camp experience.



Congratulations on the excellent behaviour of all the 68 children who attended. Glenwood Public School Newsletter Term 4, Week 4

Whopping Cough

There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting school-aged children.

Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough can spread to anyone at home, including younger brothers and sisters. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies.

Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and may be worse at night.

• Children with these symptoms should see a doctor.

• If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough in your school-aged child, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.

• Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades with time. Check that all your children are up to date with their vaccines, due at 6 weeks, 4 months, 6 months, 4 years and 12 years of age (offered to all Year 7 students through the NSW school-based vaccination program). A booster is also recommended at 18 months of age.

A booster dose of vaccine is also recommended for adults that are in contact with young children, such as school staff and parents. Pregnant women are recommended to have a booster dose during each pregnancy and this is funded by NSW Health. Those who are new parents or carers of babies should consult their general practitioner about appropriate immunisation.

Your local public health unit can provide advice about whooping cough on 1300 066 055 or visit the NSW Health website for information for childcare and schools about whooping cough.

HVA 600

Sunday, October 25, about 7:00 pm Australian time. The English and French armies clash in one of the most famous battles in history. This truth spans six hundred years - in 1415 in history, and in 2015 in Glenwood's dramatic re-enactment, **HVA 600**.



Class 45G presented their version of Shakespeare's **Henry V** on Sunday night, broadcast live on the Internet to viewers around the world. It was a solid performance in the tradition of the great Glenwood Shakespeare Company productions of the past, which included three earlier versions of Henry V.

This production has some unique features, including the use of music created by the class in GarageBand, as well as some of the music performed live on the night. The class also created their own costume accessories in the form of Keep Calm posters that supported aspect of

the play or their character. Background vision was also created by the class, including more Keep Calm posters and a collection of photos that spanned wars from medieval times to the present day. The students found some very powerful images. Students also controlled all of the behind the scenes action such as lighting and set changes. A fantastic example of a dramatic ensemble, and a worthy new generation of The Glenwood Shakespeare Company. Glenwood Public School Newsletter Term 4, Week 4



The live stream can be viewed via YouTube (https://youtu.be/7V8l41llJWI). Also, a higher resolution video of the matinee will be available soon. Links can also be found on the Glenwood website.

Also presented was the playbuilt piece **The Island Never Discovered**. This item dealt with some very important themes and was done with great sincerity by the cast. They gave up many lunchtimes to workshop



and rehearse this play and had lots of fun doing it! This item will have additional sessions at school in the next couple of week so keep an eye out for that.

All in all a great night at the theatre!

T. Gough

PIRLS assessment

Our Year Four students will complete a **Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS)** assessment task This Thursday. PIRLS is one of the largest international collections of reading literacy. PIRLS is an assessment of reading comprehension that has been monitoring trends in student achievement at five-year intervals since 2001. PIRLS represents the worldwide standard for reading comprehension at the fourth grade.

Applying for a Selective High School in 2017

Applications are now open for selective high school placements in 2017. If your child is currently in Year 5 and you would like to apply for a selective school a detailed information package is available at the school office.

• Parents must apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

• Applications for entry in 2017 can be made online between **13 October 2015 and 16 November 2015**. Applications will not be accepted after 16 November 2015.

• All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on **Thursday 10 March 2016**.

Planning for 2016

If you are planning on moving and not returning to Glenwood next year please ensure you advise the office. This will help us with planning for next year. We would also appreciate it if you let us know of anyone that may be planning on enrolling next year.

Term 4 - 2015

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4	26 October	Kindergarten Transition 56W to Sing Out Loud Together (SOLT)	Kindergarten Farm Excursion P&C Meeting 7pm	Year 4 PIRLS 3-6 Assembly 34N Year 5 – Australian Museum visit courtesy of Casula HS	Last day to return Stewart House Bags Notes due back for Year 1 excursion
5	2 November	Kindergarten Transition 56W to SOLT		K-2 Assembly 1H	
6	9 November	Kindergarten Transition 56W to SOLT	Captains to Ingleburn RSL for Remembrance Day	Year 1 excursion to Early Start Wollongong 3-6 Assembly 34C	
7	16 November PUPIL FREE DAY Online applications for Selective HS close	Kindergarten Transition 56W to SOLT		K-2 Assembly 1P	Mini Fete
8	23 November	Kindergarten Transition 56W to SOLT	Captain candidates speeches – 2pm P&C Meeting 7pm	3-6 Assembly 56H	
9	30 November	56W to SOLT Y2 to Wildlife Zoo			Thank you morning tea Reports home
10	7 December K–2 Picnic Day – At school 3-6 Picnic Day - Bowling	SOLT Concert		Presentation Day	K-2 Christmas Concert Gold Reward Day
11	14 December	Talent Quest Year 6 Farewell	Last day of term	Items in blue and bold have been added or amended.	

SCHOOL ZONE TRAFFIC OFFENCES





SPEEDING OFFENCES School Zone speeding offences attract higher fine and demerit points than other speeding offences.



CHILDREN

CROSSING

MOBILE PHONE USE Drive using a hand-held mobile phone in a School Zone.

CHILDREN'S CROSSINGS

Disobey hand-held stop sign at Children's Crossing or approach Children's Crossing too quickly to stop safely.

U-TURNS

Make a U-Turn without giving way to pedestrian or vehicle in a School Zone

Maximum Penalty \$3,702 + 7 Demerit Points

> Penalty \$415 + 4 Demerit Points

> Penalty \$519 + 4 Demerit Points

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NSW Police Force

For a full list of all new penalties and offences, please visit: www.rms.nsw.gov.au or phone the RMS on: 13 22 13

<u>Please Note</u>: fines subject to change without notice. These penalties apply to offences in schools zones only while the zone is active.

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