



# Glen Innes Public School Newsletter

Term 4 - Tuesday 27th November 2012 (Week 8)

Website: [www.gleninnes-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.gleninnes-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

Last night a number of staff had the pleasure of attending the Rotary Youth Leadership awards ceremony. It is a real pleasure to join with family, friends and members of Rotary to celebrate our youth in such a wonderfully positive manner.

This year the applicants for the award had to write an application addressing the criteria set down by Rotary. The applications are then rated by three independent reviewers who do not see the names of the applicants. This is a great process and very fair for all concerned.

In 2012 the Glen Innes Public School recipients were Amy Byrne and Brock Webster. Congratulations to both students.

## School Uniform

At this time of year we know many students are growing out of their school uniforms and wearing out their shoes. However we ask parents to make every effort to keep children in the correct uniform and this includes their shoes.

A number of students have been wearing the colourful light weight slip on shoes to school instead of school shoes or sneakers. These shoes are really not safe at school as they do not provide the protection for the children's feet in the case of sticks, stones, other sharp objects, nor do they provide enough support if they trip over.

A number of students are also wearing unusual earrings rather than the required sleepers or studs. We are asking parents to please check on these items as

the long, dangly style or the new zipper type can cause difficulties and are not safe in the school environment.

## "Nut Free" School

It appears that some children have been bringing Nutella to school and this has caused some issues over recent weeks.

Parents are asked to remember that the school promotes a "Nut Free" area as we have so many students with severe allergies

## New Projects for 2013

The school has been successful in our applications to join two terrific new projects in 2013 to help support our students and the wider community:

### 1. Climate Energy Saver Project

In today's world we are increasingly concerned with the overuse of our energy resources. Certainly across the school our energy costs are a concern.

We have recently been successful in gaining additional funding under the *Climate Energy Saver Project* to implement a project in 2013.

The Climate Clever Energy Saver program aims to enable students to develop energy saving and greenhouse gas reduction proposals and action plans, linked to syllabus-based outcomes and content and enhance student engagement.

The project will involve classroom work and become a major focus of the Student Representative Council (SRC) as well.

## Upcoming Events

### Wednesday 5th December

#### Term 4 Discos

Stage 3  
6:30pm - 8:00pm  
School Hall

### Thursday 6th December

#### Term 4 Discos

Kinder -Year 2  
4:30pm - 6:00pm  
Year 3 - Year 4  
6:30pm - 8:00pm  
School Hall

### Wednesday 12th December

#### Kindergarten - Yr2 Presentation Day

School Hall  
1:30pm

### Thursday 13th December

#### Stage 2 Presentation Day

School Hall  
1:30pm

### Friday 14th December

#### Stage 3 Presentation Day

School Hall  
1:30pm

### Thursday 20th December

**Last Day of School**  
**ALL STUDENTS**

## 2. Money Smart course

Knowing how to manage money is one of the most important and challenging features of everyday life.

We are one of a few schools in NSW which will be participating in an exciting new project to engages students with financial literacy.

Financial literacy is about understanding money and finances and being able to confidently apply that knowledge to make effective consumer choices and financial decisions.

Regardless of age, knowing how to make sound money decisions is a core life skill. The question is, whose responsibility is it to teach our young people these skills and how do we, as educators, teach it in a real and meaningful way?

MoneySmart Teaching is a comprehensive strategy to develop teacher capacity to confidently teach consumer and financial literacy within Phase 1 of the Australian Curriculum.

It involves self-contained integrated units of work linked to the Australian Curriculum across the disciplines of mathematics, science and English.

Through MoneySmart Teaching, students learn about planning, saving, spending, donating and investing by applying these principles to real-life situations. For example, in a year 6 mathematics unit called *It's raining cats, dogs ... and chickens*, students learn about equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages by

investigating the costs of pet ownership. In the year 8 unit, *How can we access money overseas?*, students explore the concepts of currency and currency conversion in the context of overseas travel.

By using real-life contexts, students have the opportunity to learn:

- how to manage their finances and plan for their needs and wants, now and into the future
- the language of money, how to navigate the ever-changing consumer and financial landscape and where to go to for assistance
- the rights and responsibilities of consumers in modern society and the wider impact of everyday consumer and financial decisions
- how to develop a range of enterprising behaviours

**Sue Belford**  
**Principal**

### Student Banking

Last day for 2012 student banking will be Wednesday 5th December.

Student banking will recommence Term 1 2013, date to be advised.

### French Knitting & Needles

If any students have knitting needles or French Knitting Bees that belong to the school at home could they please return them to the school office.

**Miss McNamara**

## P&C

### Bi-Lo Trolley Trot

Extra tickets are available from the school office.

Thank you for your support of these school fundraisers.

**Tracy Wallbridge**  
**P&C President**

### Lunch Centre News

#### Lunch Order Payments

**Please note:** Credit is not given at the Lunch Centre.

### Parent Information

#### Copying and plagiarism

Copying other people's work and presenting it as your own is plagiarism. It's an increasingly common problem in the online world where material can easily be copied and pasted from websites. Students need to acknowledge the ideas of others when they use them in projects, assignments and assessments.

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/copycats-beware>

### Help your kids enjoy reading

How do you make reading a joy and not a chore for your child? One way is to find information and interesting facts about things that intrigue or interest your child in books, magazines or on the internet. Read and talk about what you find out.

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/ten-ideas-to-help-your-child-with-reading>

### Notes Accompanying This Week's Newsletter

- End of Year Discos

## LUNCH CENTRE NEWS (6732 2893)

### Roster — 3rd December – 7th December

K Brewer (S)	K Brewer (S)	D Smith (S)	D Smith (S)	D Smith (S)
S George	T Woolfe	A McCormick	A Hartin	D Johansen
				K Higgins

### This Week's Specials

#### Recess

Savoury Muffins  
\$1.50

#### Lunch Time Only

Chocolate Mousse  
\$1.00  
or  
\$2.00 with ice cream

#### Next Week

#### Recess

Cheese Grills  
\$1.50