



Glen Innes Public School Newsletter

Term 2 - Tuesday, 1st May 2012 (Week 2)

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Welcome back to Term 2. A special welcome to those families new to our school.

As usual we have a busy term ahead with athletics, various team sport competitions, NAPLAN for Year 3 and Year 5 and of course our commitment to the Celtic Festival this week.

Rehearsals are in full swing and the performances look and sound terrific.

All students at the school are involved in the performances on Wednesday and Thursday and the street dancing on Friday afternoon.

If you wish to attend one of the concerts you will need to purchase your tickets – please see note below.

All students will assemble in the Bruxner Hall for the performances and return to the Bruxner Hall afterwards.

If you are not attending the concerts in the evening then we ask that you drop your child at the Bruxner Hall 15 minutes before the performance time and collect them from the Bruxner Hall at the end of the performance.

- Wednesday: 8:30pm
- Thursday: 7:30pm

We appreciate the work, time and effort that goes into parents supporting their children in these types of activities. To make the management of family life a little easier we have set the evening concerts at different times to allow working parents to select the most suitable time to attend around meal times etc.

We have also organised for Wednesday to be non-uniform day

(see separate note accompanying this newsletter) so uniforms can remain clean for the Wednesday evening and Thursday performances.

Normal school uniform to be worn for Wednesday evening and Thursday performances
Grey shirt, navy trousers, black shoes

All students are asked to wear their **green sport shirts** for the town dancing on Friday

In addition the school has been selected to host the Mayoral Morning Tea on Friday morning at 10.00 am in the new hall. This will mean one extra performance for one of the groups but does not require any additional support from parents other than the separate request in the newsletter from the P&C.

We are also hosting the Celtic Schools Art Competition. The entries are quite stunning and have been judged by an independent judge. The results will be announced on Friday at the morning tea.

Celtic Festival Concerts

Wednesday 2nd May: 7:30pm

Thursday 3rd May: 1:30pm
6:30pm

Tickets only available from the Glen Innes Tourist Office and will not be available at the door.

Entry to the new hall is via Cameron Lane.

Sue Belford
Principal

School News Homework Centre

The Homework Centre will resume on Monday 14th May.

Upcoming Events

Thursday 3rd May

Celtic Visit
K - Yr 2
School Hall

Monday 7th May

Touch Football Trials
Glen Innes

Thursday 10th May

PSSA
Netball Knockout
Tenterfield

Monday 14th May

P&C Meeting
7.00pm
Staffroom

Tuesday 15th May to

Thursday 17th May
NAPLAN

Friday 18th May

Touch Football Trials
Boys - Armidale
Girls - Tamworth

Friday 25th May

Zone Cross Country
Tenterfield

Monday 28th May to

Friday 1st June
Education Week

School Council

School Council Vacancies

Two vacancies exist on the current School Council for parent representatives.

The Council meets 4 times per year (once per term). The term of office for School Council members is 2 years.

The Council contributes in various ways in the school community ie.

1. Assisting in setting clear goals for the school
2. Ratifying school policies
3. Establishing and maintaining interaction between members of the school community
4. Providing positive support to enhance the educational, welfare and managerial policies of the school
5. Providing equality of representation for all students
6. Promoting the school's profile in its community
7. Providing positive and active support of the school's mission.

If you are interested and would like to nominate for one of the vacant positions, please collect a nomination form from the school office.

Nominations close 4:00pm, Friday 11th May 2012.

P&C News

Celtic Festival Mayoral Morning Tea

The 2012 Celtic Festival's Mayoral Morning Tea is being hosted by Glen Innes Public School at 10:00am this Friday 4th May.

The P&C is catering this event and is seeking donations of cakes and slices. Items can be delivered to the school Lunch Centre on the morning before

9:10am. The P&C also require assistance with setting up and serving. If you are able to assist in any way, please contact the school office.

Gigha Goldman Secretary

Lunch Centre New Menu Item

Term 2 and Term 3

- Spaghetti Bolognese - \$4.50

***Please note hamburgers are
no longer available***

Parent Information

Privacy Awareness Week 27th April – 5th May 2012

Privacy Awareness Week is a chance to remind your children to protect their personal details and information, especially online.

As a parent, you can help your child behave in safe and smart ways to minimise the risks of their online activity.

To ensure that your kids are protected from cyberbullying, unwanted attention or privacy breaches, you can:

- remind them not to share their usernames and passwords with anyone
- go through the privacy settings of social networking sites with them to make sure they are only sharing their personal information with their friends
- talk to them about the danger of identity theft and the permanence of online sharing.

For more information on how to educate your children about protecting their privacy online and how to avoid being a victim of identity theft or even how to stop junk mail, go to:

<http://www.privacyawarenessweek.org/youth.html>

World Asthma Day

World Asthma Day is on 3rd May. If you or someone in your family is one of the 10 per cent of people in Australia with asthma, you can find lots of resources to understand and manage this condition at:

www.asthmafoundation.org.au

If your child suffers asthma, we recommend the school be given an up to date asthma management plan available from your child's GP or specialist. If they require an inhaler, please ensure there is one in their bag at all times.

Community Information

Celtic Hospitality Night

The Seventh Day Adventist Church will be offering a free meal:

Friday 5th May

6:00pm - 9:00pm

Seventh Day Adventist Church,
60 Oliver Street
Entertainment provided

Saturday 6th May

The church will also run the Children's Corner at the festival with craft activities including a puppet show, clock and candle making along with a jumping castle - family focused festival activities

Notes Accompanying This Week's Newsletter

- Coffs Harbour Excursion (Stage 3)
- NEW Lunch Centre Price List
- Uniform for Celtic Concerts
- School Photos
- Zone Cross Country (selected students)

LUNCH CENTRE NEWS (6732 2893)

Roster — 30th April - 4th May

D Smith (S)	D Smith (S)	K Brewer (S)	K Brewer (S)	K Brewer (S)
C Grob	B Stone	D Johansen	C Marchant	I Higgins
				A Hartin

Recess Special

Savoury Muffins

\$1.50

What's News from 3DG

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Special points of interest:

- Mrs Bower teaches 3DG Science and Technology
- Mr Brumby has 3DG for Library and Research Skills
- 3DG students have now completed 53 days of learning this year! (As of today)
- Mr G is in his 20th year of teaching!
- There are only 238 sleeps until Christmas from today. (We think!!)

'What makes School Cool?' by 3DG Class Members

As we are now entering Term 2, all the students in Class 3DG have had some time to reflect on what made Term 1 so good for them.

One positive aspect that all students agreed with was that each student enjoys a laugh and are happy to have 'nick names' which portray them in a positive light

Here then are some of their replies to 'What was the best thing about Term 1 in 3DG?'

Really Cool Roy says that he has made some new friends. Delightful Dawn enjoys learning from her teacher. Having a Blast Blake loves playing handball with his friends. Awesome Annaleese, Cheerful

Caroline and Sensational Savannah all enjoy the class Art and Craft lessons. Likewise Gracious Gemma loves to draw.

Always Attentive Abbey enjoys Science and Technology while Bright and Bubbly Brittany is learning how to use full stops and capital letters correctly.

Mr Gillett is also very happy with the progress that is being made by all the class students. He is reported as saying, "This class is really trying hard to do their best and I very much enjoy teaching them!"

Mathematics also rated with Learning a Lot Laura and Doing my Best Buckley, who also says he really enjoys the



Numeracy Groups!

Ha Ha Ha! Are the funny friends that Always Friendly Alexia has made.

The final word comes from Kind Keisha who stated, "The best thing about school is having the best teacher Mr Gillett". What more can be said!

'Grow It, Cook It, Eat It' by 3DG Master Chefs

During last Term, 3DG had cooking lessons with Mrs Taylor. Each student had the opportunity to work with their friends in small groups to create culinary delights. Crepes from Brittany, Mini Cheese Cakes, Sweet Corn,

Zucchini ("Yuk!" From Mr. G) and Ricotta Fritters and San Choy Bau. We were very lucky to also cook using vegetables that had been grown from the school's Kitchen Garden. Many thanks Mrs Taylor and Mrs Goldman.



Can we Persuade You??



3DG have been learning all about 'Persuasive Texts'. Below are some extracts from Blake, Keisha, Annaleese and Dawn's persuasive arguments that 'All Students should wear Broad Brimmed Hats'. Do you agree???

'Hats can also help because then you don't have to always put sunscreen on and believe me that can get annoying!' (Blake)

'Do you want children to get burnt? Children should wear hats in case of skin cancer and for head protection.' (Keisha)

'Children should wear hats at school because they might get sick and never be able to play in the sun again.' (Annaleese)

Hats should be worn... 'So your shoulders aren't burnt when you're carrying your school bags. You should also wear hats so you don't bother the teacher by saying "Ow, Ow Owl".' (Dawn)

What's happening in 3DG's

This Term, 3DG will be starting new topics in HSIE and Science & Technology. In HSIE we will be studying: 'Australia—You're Standing In It', exploring natural and built landmarks and features around Australia. In Science & Technology Mrs Bower will be teaching 'Light Fantastic', a study about light and its properties. Mr Gillett will be working on Computer Technology Skills.

For Sport, all students will be undertaking athletic training and being

shown the correct ways to 'shot' a shot put, throw a discuss, jump in long jump and leap in high jump.

3DG will continue to do a variety of differing Art & Craft activities which allow each child to use different mediums to create individual art pieces.

We are preparing ourselves and becoming focused for the NAPLAN assessment which we sit for in Week 4.

In all, we aim to learn lots and have fun while achieving this!

3DG have been reading from 'The Gizmo' book series by Paul Jennings



Direach Mar Ata—2012 Celtic Festival

Mar at-taw mar at-taw Mar
taw too coe aw-ling deer-
uck mar at-taw CON-
FUSED??? Well these are
some of the words that
we have been learning to
sing as part of the Celtic Festival. To
hear us sing, come and watch us per-
form at the School Celtic Concert.



This article was presented by Class 3DG.

Brooke, Claudia, Alexia, Indiab, Brittany, Keisha, Savannah, Bowen, Charlotte, Laura, Leah, David, Annaleese, Jesse, Dawn, Abbey, Kytasha, Haglee, Mitchell, Blake, Gemma, Caroline, Hannah, Kyara, Aabani, Rog, Buckley, Harry and Mr. G.