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Glen Innes Public School Newsletter

Term 3 - Tuesday 13th August 2013 (Week 5)

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This year marks a very important point in the history of our school and that of public education in the Glen Innes community. The school was officially established as a non-vested school in 1863. This means the school celebrates 150 years of serving the community and we look forward to helping to build the community in the future.

There will be an official event to mark this historic occasion in early Term 4. More details will be coming out shortly. As this is a not a reunion but rather a celebration of the sesquicentenary itself the event will be very much focused on the students of today.

Congratulations to all the students who represented the school at the athletics carnival in Tenterfield last Friday. All reports were very positive about behaviour, dress and attitude.

A note of thanks to all the parents, grandparents, friends and relatives who made the trip north to support the students on the day. It is always worth the extra time and effort you put into supporting the students.

There will now be 29 students travelling to Tamworth for the Regional Athletics carnival on Friday 6th September. This is a great result. The work put into the Fundamental Movement Skills program from Kindergarten to Year 6 is starting to show results as more and more students qualify in a variety of sports.

Last week saw the first of our transition sessions for Kindergarten. Not the best weather to start the experience I might add. This week parents are invited to attend a session on the technologies available in our classrooms today

so they are more aware of what their children will be talking about and learning with when they start in Kindergarten in 2014.

Last week saw the start of the Challenge Program for Stage 2 and Stage 3 students. This is the third cycle for the year and produced an even wider range of options for students from cartooning, drama, singing, bush dancing, Indonesian, 3D paper craft, graphic design, orienteering (maths under another name), web design and a strategies option looking at games and how to deal with difficult situations.

Over the next few weeks we will be sharing some of the work in these groups.

Sue Belford
Principal

School News **Book Week**

Book Week will be held next week. There will be books available for purchase by children and parents from 8:40am-9:10am each morning and from 2:45pm-3:15pm each afternoon of the week. There will be an additional parents only session in the library Monday afternoon from 1:30pm.

Please note cash or cheque only

P&C News **P&C Meeting**

The next P&C meeting will take place in the school's staffroom at 6:30pm on Tuesday 20th August 2013.

If you would like to vote at the P&C meetings you would need to be a member. Membership cost is \$2.00.

All are welcome to attend the meeting so tell your friends!

Upcoming Events

Thursday 15th August

Kindergarten Transition

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Parent Session

Technology in the Classroom

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Monday 19th to Friday 23rd August

Book Week

Book Fair

Thursday 22nd August

Kindergarten Transition

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Parent Session

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Thursday 29th August

Kindergarten Transition

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Parent Session

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Wednesday 4th September

P&C Walkathon

National Health and Physical Education Day

Friday 6th September

Regional Athletics

Tamworth

Walkathon

The walkathon will be held on Wednesday 4th September. It is a very important fundraising event which is held every two years by the P&C. Please support the P&C in their efforts to raise funds for the school. Currently the funds are going toward the footpath and covered walkway from Taylor Street – a very useful addition to our playground.

Beanies, Scarves & Gloves

Beanies, scarves and gloves are still available for purchase on Wednesday mornings from the School Banking window at the Lunch Centre. Items cost \$5.00 each.

Labels

Don't forget the P&C have created an account with 'Stuck on You' to encourage parents at Glen Innes Public School to purchase labels for their children's belongings to help minimise lost property.

There is no minimum spend and parents can place orders all year round - and by nominating the school's P&C up to 20% commission from your purchase will go towards their fundraising efforts.

Orders can be placed by going to the following link:

<http://www.stuckonyou.com.au/gleninnesps>

If parents order over the phone or do not follow this link, the code they need to know is: gleninnesps (all one word, lower case).

Gigha Goldman
Secretary

Parent News

The NSW Department of Education and Communities provides a range of services for parents including a number of helpful hints which we include on a semi-regular basis in our newsletter.

Cyber bullying - prevention tips for parents

The statistics around cyber bullying are sketchy, mainly because it often goes unreported. What we do know is that the likelihood of children being bullied online or over the phone increases as they get older and use technology more frequently.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/cyberbullying/say-no-to-cyberbullying>

How much screen time?

'Screen time' used to mean how many hours you spent watching TV and playing on the computer. However, with the growing number of digital devices on offer today, the question of what screen time means now is far more complex.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/using-technology/screen-time>

When lunch comes home ... again

Almost nine out of ten Australian parents say children's resistance is a major obstacle in their efforts to provide a healthy diet, and in many cases school lunches are one of the battlegrounds. But it's a battle families can do without and there are some simple steps to help avoid it.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/food/when-lunch-comes-homeagain>

Eight ways to build your child's writing skills

Here are a few practical tips to help your child to work out the best way to express themselves through their writing.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/eight-ways-to-support-your-childs-writing-skills>

Benefits of team sports

If you want your child to grow up to be a confident and well-adjusted adult, then team sports may well be the answer. Playing a team sport provides kids with important lessons in personal values.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/fitness/benefits-of-team-sports>

Community News

Cinderella at the Disco (an interactive play for children)
A classical Cinderella story with a modern twist.

Where: Chapel Theatre

When: Thursday 22nd August

Time: 10:30am

Tickets available at Carelles

All royalties to the Daniel Morcombe Foundation.

Lunch Centre Roster — 19th - 23rd August

K Brewer (S)	P&C Operated	K Brewer (S)	K Brewer (S)	K Brewer (S)
P Young	A Eastwood	A Hartin	M Tait	K Elliott
Volunteer Required	Volunteer Required	Volunteer Required	Volunteer Required	Volunteer Required

Recess Specials This Week

1/2 Chicken Gravy Rolls
\$1.50

Next Week

Savoury Muffins
\$1.50