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Glen Innes Public School Newsletter

Term 3 - Tuesday 27th August 2013 (Week 7)

Thank you to all the families who supported the Book Fair last week. The Fair raised almost \$5000. A percentage of the sales will be returned to the school as more books for the school library so a positive for everyone.

Fundraising is always a vexed question for schools. Our policy for student fundraising requires the cause to be related to students themselves.

As a result the school supports Kids Cancer and Ronald McDonald House as so many of our families use their services and Stewart House where some of our students visit each year.

In addition, in Term 4, the SRC raises some funds for a school based project and the Red Cross Youth group raises funds for Red Cross, an organisation that supports the entire community in times of need.

The P&C raises funds through a variety of methods such as discos, calendars, Easter Raffles and once every two years they hold a Walk-a-thon.

As you are no doubt aware we have had a rush of fundraising events in the last half of this term. Unfortunately we do not always have control over the timing of such events but continue to support them as they are focused on helping children, both here at school and in the wider community.

Over the next few weeks the following fundraisers will be taking place

1. **Wednesday 28th August:**

A non uniform day with a gold coin donation for the "Kids for Cancer" group

2. **Tuesday, 3rd September:**

A red/yellow and black dress up day and Family Focus Day for Ronald McDonald House Bike ride with a gold coin donation. There will also be a raffle for a new pushbike launched on the day to run for two weeks.

3. **Wednesday, 4th September:**
P&C Walkathon

4. **Wednesday 18th September:**
Stage 2 Stewart House Mini-Fete

Lunch Orders

Lately we have had a number of students arriving late to school or forgetting to order their lunches on time. This makes the operation of the lunch centre very difficult. From Wednesday 28th August the following rules will apply

1. Students arriving late to school must present their purple student pass to the lunch centre to be able to order their lunch. This will only apply up to 11.10 am
2. No lunch orders will be accepted after 11.10 am

Sue Belford
Principal

Trading cards

Parents are reminded that cards, such as Pokemon cards, are not to be traded at school. It has been brought to our attention that some students have been bringing the cards to school and then trading or in fact selling them on their way home on the bus. This has led to some matters of concern when younger students do not realise the value of the cards.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday 28th August

Camp Quality Fundraiser

Out of Uniform Day

School Council Meeting

7.00pm

School Staffroom

Thursday 29th August

Kindergarten Transition

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Parent Session

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Tuesday 3rd September

Ronald McDonald
Fundraiser
and
Focus Day
10.15 am start

Wednesday 4th September

P&C Walkathon
National Health and
Physical Education Day

Thursday 5th September

Kindergarten Transition
1:30pm - 2:30pm

Friday 6th September

Regional Athletics
Tamworth

Monday 9th September

Camp Quality
Bike Ride Visit

Did you know????

Glen Innes Public School actually opened in July 1863 as a non-vested public school.

This means the classroom had to be packed up each day so the building could be used for other activities each night and over the weekend.

The school opened on the corner of Grey and Meade Streets in July with 11 girls and 5 boys and grew to 45 students by the end of that year.

Premier's Spelling Bee

Last week we conducted our school's Premier's Spelling Bee competition.

Two students had been selected from each Stage 2 and Stage 3 class to compete against each other using the same format that the state final will use in Sydney in November.

Many of these selected students have given up their lunch and afternoon playtime to practice their spelling skills and to learn the protocols of the Premier's Spelling Bee. They also took home a copy of the selected words that are used in this competition and practised their words.

On Tuesday 21st September we were fortunate to have the expertise and help of Mrs Muldoon as we conducted the spelling bee in our new hall. The students used the microphones, seating arrangements and words that will be used at the regional and state finals. 4CS were lucky to be the audience and applauded the great spelling skills of all students involved.

Four students, Clare Quilty and Liam Jennings from Stage 2 and Josie Doney and Kayleb McCleary from Stage 3, will now progress to the Regional final to be held in Armidale.

We wish them well and encourage all students to keep trying hard as spelling is a very important and necessary skill; it is also lots of fun to compete in such competitions.

Clever Climate Energy Save

Congratulations to S3RM, S3MM and S3JW for their successful projects.

The projects were judged by a regional panel and each team has been awarded some funds to further develop their ideas around saving energy both at home and at school.

We look forward to sharing their projects in more detail in the near future.

P&C News**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

Staying Private on Facebook

Do you know how to untag photos and keep your Facebook page private? Read this and share with your kids.

Find out more:

<http://www.smh.com.au/digital-life/consumer-security/how-to-stay-private-on-facebook-20130730-2qvn1.html>

Lunch Centre Roster — 2nd - 6th September

K Brewer (S)	P&C Operated	K Brewer (S)	K Brewer (S)	K Brewer (S)
K Lynn	T Walmsley	Volunteer Required	A Hartin	J Quilty
A Johnson	K Higgins	Volunteer Required	Volunteer Required	Volunteer Required

**Recess Specials
This Week**

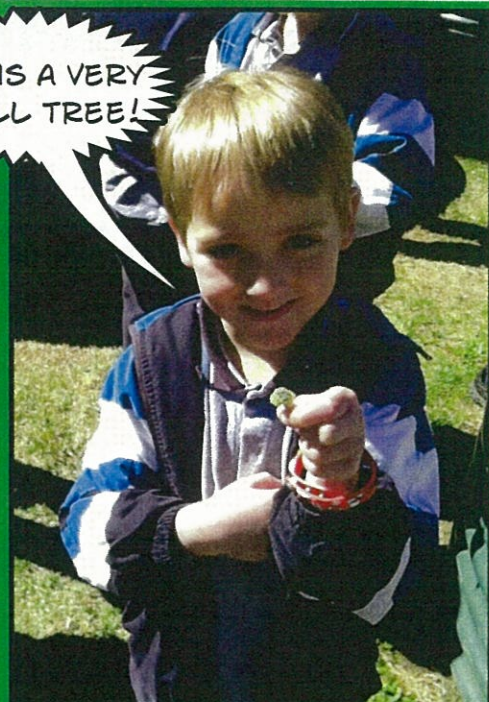
1/2 Toasted Sandwiches
\$1.50

Next Week

1/2 Chicken & Gravy rolls
\$1.50



1DG HAVE BEEN VISITING THE KITCHEN GARDEN. LET'S HAVE A LOOK AT WHAT THEY FOUND.



THIS IS A VERY SMALL TREE!

THANK YOU MRS NEWBERRY FOR TEACHING US ALL ABOUT THE GARDEN.



BROCCOLI... YUM!

I WISH SOMEONE WOULD EAT MINE!



WHAT ARE YOU PLANTING?

I'VE NEVER SEEN A PLANT LIKE THIS BEFORE! WHAT IS IT?

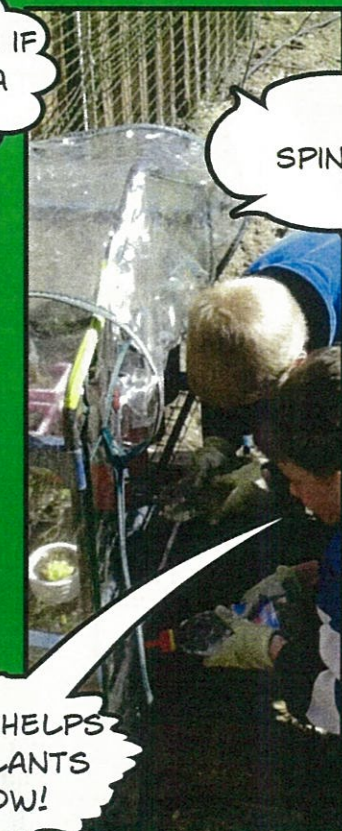
I THINK IT'S A DUSTPAN TREE!

I WONDER IF THAT IS A WORM?



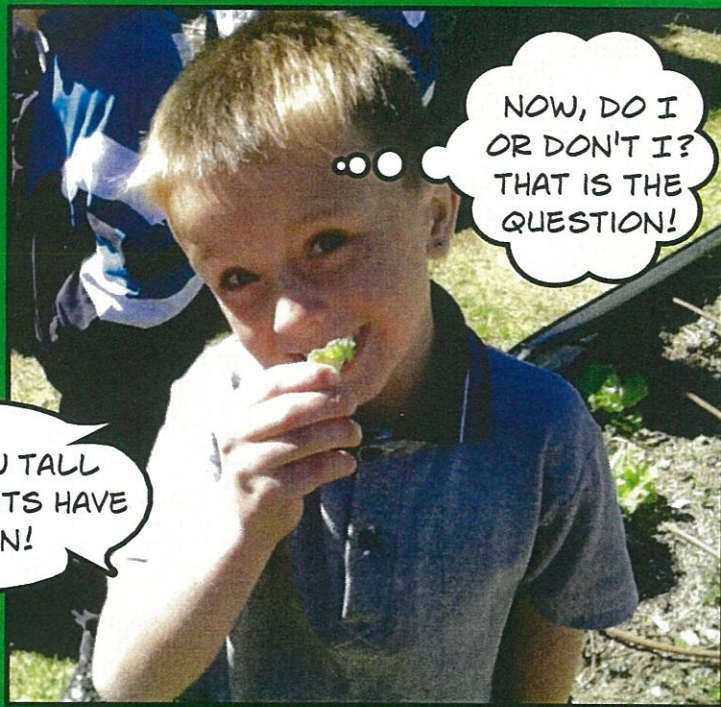
SPINACH

WATER HELPS THE PLANTS GROW!





LOOK HOW TALL
THESE PLANTS HAVE
GROWN!



NOW, DO I
OR DON'T I?
THAT IS THE
QUESTION!



I CAN'T WAIT
UNTIL THESE
STRAWBERRIES
GROW!

ME TOO!

1DG HAS LEARNT MANY NEW
THINGS ABOUT LIFE IN A GARDEN

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING
ALL OUR SEEDS GROW DURING
THE SPRING

DON'T FORGET THAT THIS MONTH
IS FRUIT AND VEG MONTH. WE
LOOK FORWARD TO MORE
HEALTHY EATING IDEAS!

