



GLEN DHU PRIMARY

Issue 5 15th March 2017

Dear Families,



School Association Nominations

In readiness for the AGM in April, parent nominations are now being called for. There are currently five parent vacancies on the SA committee. Nominations close Wednesday March 22nd and forms are to be returned to the school office. If there are more than 5 nominations, an election will then be held.

Please find more information and nomination forms within this week's newsletter.

Camp Review

A group of happy but tired students (and staff) arrived back at school on Friday afternoon. Port Sorell is a wonderful location for a school camp and I encourage you to read Kiara's camp report within today's newsletter

Parent-Teacher booking system

This year we are using an on-line booking system to improve the efficiency of this process. A letter describing the process will come home with your child today. Information has also been posted on our school Facebook site.

Toys from Home

Presently there seems to be an increased number of younger students bringing toys from home to play with at break times. Our policy is for children NOT to bring toys from home as it is fraught with potential issues and can result in students becoming upset and distracted from their learning.

Trading Cards

Currently there are a lot of cards coming to school each day including Pokemon and football cards. Issues are arising when trading or exchanging cards occurs between students. Therefore our rule is that students may bring their cards to show their friends, but no trading or "selling" of cards at school.

Athletics Carnival

I'm looking forward to my first Glen Dhu Athletics Carnival on Thursday and Friday this week. However the forecast is poor for Thursday which may mean a change in plans.

If it does rain, the Gr 3-6 carnival will move to Friday and the P-2 carnival will move to Friday next week. The reason for this is that the 3-6 carnival must be completed this week in preparation for the upcoming inter-school athletics carnival.

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CALENDAR - 2017

- 16/3 Gr 3-6 Athletic Carnival
- 17/3 Gr Prep-2 Athletic Carnival
- 19/3 Skippers – Franklin House
- 22/3 Swimming 3-4J and 3-4WM
- 23/3 Swimming 3-4H and 4W
- 28/3 Assembly – 2.10 pm

SCHOOL ASSOCIATION NEWS

Can you believe how quickly this term is progressing? Seems like we only just got started and now we are looking at preparing for another Mothers' Day Stall! The stall will be held on Friday 12 May 2017, so that gives us just six weeks to collect and wrap at least 1000 items so that your children may enjoy the excitement of buying something especially for you – an experience they really enjoy. As always, we rely on donations from parents / friends and such donations can be placed

in the plastic tub in the foyer near the office. Suggested items include tea towels, face washers, soaps, individually wrapped sweets / chocolates etc. all the things you'd like to receive on the second Sunday in May.

A reminder that the **AGM of the Glen Dhu Primary School Association Inc.** will be held on the evening of **11 April 2017 – 7.30 pm.** Nomination forms are now available and at this time we have 5 vacant positions for parents to become part of this vital committee.

For more details, please contact
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**SCHOOL ATTENDANCE – WEEK 5
CONGRATULATIONS
3-4J 100%
SCHOOL AVERAGE 96%**

LEVIES 2017

Full payment of levies was due by 28th February.

BPay is the preferred payment option for 2017.
Payments can also be made at Service Tasmania.

Additional payment options are cash, cheque or credit card (Bankcard, Mastercard or Visacard).

Please contact Colleen Newman in the office if you have any queries in relation to levy payments.

CANTEEN ENTERPRISE

Due to the Athletics Carnival on Thursday and Friday there will be no Canteen Enterprise group this week.

PLEASE CHECK OUR SCHOOL NOTICE BOARD WHICH IS SITUATED AT THE OFFICE.

THERE ARE AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES BEING ADVERTISED

BANKING

Thank you all for banking.
We look forward to banking for you every Friday.
Congratulations to all who have ordered rewards.

Please remember that orders will take at least 2-3 weeks to get to us once ordered.

We wish you all well while you bank each week to gain 10 tokens.

Have Fun Banking.

CONVERSATION GROUP - EAL

We are looking for volunteers to run and support our English Language Conversation Groups on Thursdays at 2pm for 50 minutes. No experience necessary. Please let the office know if you would like to help.

LAUNCHING INTO LEARNING PROGRAM HAS STARTED

Launching into Learning or LIL is Glen Dhu's birth to four program. We provide a quality learning environment to support children's learning prior to Kindergarten. It is an opportunity for teachers, parents and children to interact together through a variety of play-based learning experiences.

We are offering a choice of two sessions on Mondays:

11.45 am – 1.00 pm and 1.30 pm – 2.45 pm

Teacher: Joscelyn Hewitt
Class: Mrs Elizabeth Marshall's kindergarten room
Teacher Assistants: Patsy Beveridge and Michelle Kerr

You can also get information on facebook by liking us on facebook "Glen Dhu Little Learners"

2017 Glen Dhu Athletic Carnival -Thursday 16th March

Programme of Events

- 9.15-9.30 400m Grade 3 – Grade 6
9.35-10.10 100m Grade 3 – Grade 6
10.15-10.40 200m Grade 3 – Grade 6
10.40 -11.00 **Tug Of War** (If time allows)

RECESS

- 11.25-12.05 800m Grade 3-6 (Boys and girls run at same time.)
12.05-12.40 4x100m Relay Grade 3 – Grade 6



LUNCH

1.30 -2.40 (Each child will be participating in one of the following field events)

- Discus** Grade 3-6
Long Jump Grade 3-6
Vortex Grade 3-6
Javelin Grade 3-6
Shot Putt Grade 3-6

2.40 Pack up

Different day (To be confirmed) 1500m races Grade 5-6

2017
Prep to Grade 2 Tabloid Sports and Athletic Carnival
Friday March 17th

Tabloid Sports

Time: 9.20am- 10.30am

Children will participate in 6 activities on a rotational basis.

Running Races

Time: 11.30am-12.30pm

All children will compete in 3 races:

50m (in lanes), 75m (in lanes), 300m (one lap of the oval, no lanes)

All children will compete in grade not class groupings.

Nomination Form AGM
Glen Dhu Primary School Association Inc. 2017

I, do hereby nominate
Please print your name here

.....for the position of
Please print name of nominee

Committee Member of the Glen Dhu Primary School Association

I accept this nomination
Nominee to sign

I,second this nomination
Seconder

The GDPSA is made up of not more than 12 members – the Principal, 3 staff members, 1 community member and not less than 6 Parent members. All parents are welcome to attend meetings and bring forward suggestions on how to improve our school community. Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7.30 pm.

Depending on the amount of business, meetings take between 1 - 1½ hours.

There are many areas in which you can assist the school and new faces are always welcome.

Nominations are being called for 2017. Please fill out the accompanying form and return to Colleen Newman, Returning Officer at the school office by Wednesday 22nd March 2017

Glen Dhu Primary School Mother's Day Stall 2017

We will be holding the Mother's day stall on Friday the **Friday 12th May** (Wednesday 10th May for the Kindergarten children).

There are a few ways in which you can help, either by donating items, cooking, join our craft/wrapping sessions or helping with the stall on the day.

Below is a list of items we need so we can get started on making and putting together some of the items.

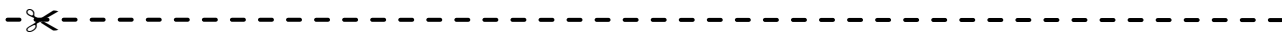
Cakes of soap	Mugs	Wrapped chocolates or lollies
Note pads	Pens	Individual coffee/tea/hot chocolate sachets,
Candles	Face washers	Sponge puff
Patterned & plain paper	Buttons	Felt
Material flowers	Ribbons	Beauty product samples

There will be a box located near the office for you to place the donated items. The last day for donations is the 10th May. However, all baked items can be dropped off at the office the day before or on the day of the stall. Thank you.

We will be having our craft/wrapping sessions in the room near the library from 1pm on the following days;

Wednesday 22 nd March	Wednesday 3 rd May
Wednesday 29 th March	Wednesday 10 th May
Wednesday 5 th April	
Wednesday 12 th April	Friday 12th May Mother's Day Stall

It is a great opportunity to meet new people, have a chat and make or wrap some lovely gifts for the Mother's day stall. You don't have to have a craft skill; there are plenty of items that need wrapping.



YES I WOULD LIKE TO HELP BY:

Please return to the office ASAP

- Baking biscuits or truffles
- Helping at the Mother's Day Stall on Friday 12th May
- Attending the Mother's Day craft/wrapping session

Name: Phone: Child/s class:



CAMP REPORT

On Wednesday the 8/3/17 the excited Grade 5/6's went to Camp Banksia. We left school to go to the Big Big House at Devonport to play games and do activities as well as eat morning tea and lunch. When we got there, we split into two groups. One played games that were connect four, table tennis, air hockey, and rock climbing as well as laser tag. On the Ferry, you could see the Spirit of Tasmania. For the rock climbing you could climb a really tall wall, climb a moving wall, or climb across a wall instead of up. At 12:00pm, we had lunch, and then we swapped, so what the groups had done before, they did vice versa. At 2:00pm, we left Devonport to finally actually get to Camp Banksia.

At Camp, we learnt all the rules of camp and which cabin area we were in as well as who we were with. Then we had afternoon tea as well as some free time until 4:00pm which was when we got ready to go to the beach for a sandcastle building competition. Mirren's won, and she had made a cat with kittens! It was so cute! We left the beach at 5:30pm to go up and have tea. There was lasagne and chips, as well as dessert which was apple pie with vanilla ice cream if you wanted some. After tea they had some more free time until trivia night which was at 8:30pm. At trivia night we had supper which was milo and biscuits. At 9:00pm we went back to our cabins, and at 10:00pm, it was lights out.

When we all woke up from our deep slumber, we climbed out of our sleeping bags to get ready for breakfast which was toast and cereal. After breakfast, some of us went fishing, and the rest of us played either the survivor game, the photo scavenger hunt or we did some bush survival skills. After lunch which was fish and chips, the groups rotated and did another activity. Then they went down to the beach to walk out to Penguin Island. We saw some dead penguins there which was really sad. After we got back, we had showers and then we had tea which was chicken and vegetables. Then we had the talent show. Everyone that performed did a wonderful job, there was singing, dancing, and even some push-ups! We then went back to our cabins and went to sleep.

Once again, we woke up, had the same breakfast (cereal and toast) and then we all had to clean up our cabins, clean up the dining hall, and clean up our cabin area as we were leaving shortly. After we had to make our own rolls for our lunch at the Rupert woods maze. We were also given a muesli bar and a juice box. After creating our rolls, we went down to the beach for a walk or to play cricket. At 1:00pm we went up to camp to get on the bus and leave for the maze. When we got there, we all ate lunch and did the maze which was in the shape of Tasmania. There was a small maze where you had to find all the animal picture sign posts and a large maze which was the actual Tasmania, and you had to find all the towns. At 2:45pm we left the maze for school and then we finally all went home.

By Kiara Eamens 14/3/17