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LAST DAY FOR RESOURCE PACKS
WEDNESDAY 25TH FEBRUARY

SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL DISCO - THURSDAY 26TH FEBRUARY
The disco is on this Thursday, 26th February with the K-2 being from 6pm – 7.20pm and the Years 3-6 from 7.30pm – 9.00pm. The cost of the disco is $4.00. Please don’t forget to be prompt on the pick up as staff and community are donating their time so this event can occur. We are in need of additional parent and carer helpers in the canteen and on the door. If you are able to assist please return the volunteer note later in this newsletter.

PIZZA DAY
Last week a note went home for a Pizza and Drink order for Friday, 6th March. If you are interested in your child ordering this special deal please return the note and money to the Canteen by Wednesday, 4th March. There is also another order form later in this newsletter, if necessary. As per the DEC guidelines the students are allowed two “Red Food Days” per term. The disco is one of those days and the other is the Pizza Day for Term 1.

DRUM BEATS
As part of the music component of Creative and Performing Arts, Glendore students will have the opportunity to participate in Drum Beats African drumming program in Term 2. Each class will be involved in a weekly session exploring cultural rhythms in lessons targeted at their age groups, with individual drums for each student. The cost of the program will be $25 per student for a 10 week program.

2015 WALKING BUS – EVERY FRIDAY
Joining the school walking bus is a great way to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. Following the success of last year’s walking bus, our school will be starting up the 2015 walking bus on Friday 27th February. This will continue to run every Friday for the rest of this term. Students will be able to meet Mrs. O’Keeffe at the bus stop across the road from Fletcher Village between 8am and 8.15am for departure at 8.15am each Friday. Students will then walk to school under the supervision of Mrs. O’Keeffe. This is a great way to teach your child the healthy habit of walking to school.

ATTENDANCE—EXEMPTION FROM SCHOOL
The guidelines for Exemption from Attendance has now changed. We are no longer able to grant an exemption for “travel or holidays taken by students outside of school vacation periods.” They will now be included as absences. This means any exemptions that had been granted for events after the 19th February will now be withdrawn. If you have any queries please direct them to the office. It is still, however, important to let us know if your child will be away for extended periods of time so we are aware of where they are. Notes for any absences need to be submitted to the Office within 7 days from the first day of any absence. Absence notes are attached in case you are wishing to have some handy at home.
UNIFORMS - ORDERS TAKEN AT ALL TIMES
Don’t forget that you can place your order for uniforms in at any time. Sam Glover is arranging for uniforms to be distributed on a very regular basis. Skorts will be shortly added to the order form. The majority of students are now wearing black shoes, which is terrific. Attached is an order form for uniforms in case you need new items or just a reminder of what is part of Glendore’s school uniform. Please remind your child that jewellery (this does not include watches and stud earrings) are not part of our uniform and the clothing is expected to conform to our school uniform list (not tight shorty shorts).

NORTA NORTA TUTOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - DUE FRIDAY 6TH MARCH
Glendore Public School has a casual position (approximately 50 hours in total over a 15 week period, times to be negotiated) available for a NORTA NORTA tutor.

The expression of interest will need to be submitted to;
Donna Baguley
Glendore PS
295 Maryland Drive
Maryland 2297

Please submit a CV and a one page submission addressing the following criteria:

- provide support to targeted Aboriginal students to improve their literacy and/or numeracy achievements;
- assist students to develop skills and understandings that enable them to independently participate in class activities;
- work closely with the teacher to ensure the tuition provided is relevant to their learning needs;
- maintain a structured timetable in negotiation with teachers to ensure all eligible students receive tutor support;
- keep a record to communicate observations and information about each student to the class teacher;
- assist teachers as requested to communicate and provide feedback to parents, caregivers and community members; and
- attend, where possible, professional learning activities to develop effective strategies in providing tutorial support for Aboriginal students.

Priority employment
Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people have priority for employment as tutors for the Norta Norta Program.

The employment of tutors must be in accordance with NSW Department of Education and Communities policies and procedures. The Department’s risk management procedures, child protection measures and the Working with Children Check are essential for the safety and welfare of students. The Department’s policies and procedures are available on the Department’s Internet and Intranet websites.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING - WEEK 5
Wednesday after school - Work Health and Safety, whole staff
Friday morning - Proficient Teacher Accreditation - Mrs Bate-Barnier and Ms Baguley
Friday - Language, Learning and Literacy - collegial visits - Miss Doosey, Ms Provost, Mr Punshon

SATURDAY 14TH MARCH - ALL STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY
The staff will be going on a Cultural Education Field Trip on Saturday, 14th March. A huge thank you goes out to Mr Newham who has been arranging for the staff to visit the Finchley area at Yengo National Park. A big thank you also goes out to Mr Mills who has been able to arrange for the school to use the Awabakal Local Aboriginal Land Council bus free of charge. We are looking forward to a great day of learning!
LIL MIKE TACKLES EAR HEALTH

What is the Issue?
Aboriginal ear and hearing health is in crisis and affects every aspect of life. A childhood of undiagnosed hearing problems and not understanding directions from parents, carers or teachers results in:
- Poorer educational outcomes
- Poorer employment and lower income
- Lower living conditions and poorer health
- Lower social inclusion

Aboriginal people are 10 times more likely to suffer from ear disease and hearing loss than the rest of the Australian population. The World Health Organisation has indicated that a prevalence rate greater than 4% in a defined population of children is indicative of a massive public health problem requires urgent attention. As Associate professor Kelvin Kong states, “Aboriginal Ear Health is at 4th World status”. More statistics can be found here: www.creativespirits.info/aboriginalculture/health/ear-health-and-hearing-loss

What is Lil Mike and how will it address the issue?
Lil Mike is a suite of animations and other supporting materials incorporating culturally appropriate evidence based information, which will engage and motivate both young and old in understanding and promoting ear health.

Awabakal website has information on ear health. If in doubt check it out!

MULOOBINBAH LOCAL AECG MEETING DATE
19/03/2015 4.30pm Jesmond Campus
07/05/2015 9.30am Glendore Public School

If you have any news, events or services to share with our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community please either email it to glendore-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au or phone 49556644. It is important that we share what knowledge we have.

THE TELL THEM FROM ME STUDENT FEEDBACK SURVEY FOR YEAR 4, 5 AND 6 STUDENT ONLY
Our school, like many others in the state, will participate in a Department of Education and Communities initiative: the Tell Them From Me student feedback survey. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

More information about the survey is available at: http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents. The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide our school with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. The survey is confidential and school staff will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 9 March and 2 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

If you do not want your child or children to participate, please return the form later in the newsletter to school by Friday 27 February. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from the website above.

ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL
On the 19th February 40 people or more went to the zone carnival. We all had a wonderful time and over all we came 3rd in the outright award. The senior girls’ relay team were close to going to regional but were 3 seconds off the qualifying time. Congratulations to Tenaya M for getting the 11yrs medal. Also congratulations to Tenaya M, Taylen M and Victoria B for getting into regional. Tenaya got in for backstroke, breaststroke and freestyle. Taylen got in for freestyle and Victoria for breaststroke. Over all we all had a fun time and Ms Downing said it was the most successful carnival she has been to. Good luck Tenaya, Taylen and Victoria at regional.  
Tahlee J - 5/6P

**P & C NEWS**

**BUNNINGS WALLSEND FUNDRAISING BBQ**

Just a reminder that we are holding a fundraising BBQ at Bunnings Wallsend on Saturday 7th March from 9am—4pm. Please come down and purchase a sausage sandwich to support our school. Also we will need volunteers to help with serving and cooking on the day. If you can volunteer some of your time would you please fill out the attached volunteer slip and return to the office asap.

**STUDENT BANKING**

Student banking will be back on track this week.

**EASTER RAFFLE**

We are asking for Easter donations for the Easter raffle, tickets will go home shortly. A basket will be placed in the office for donations to be put in.

**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS**

We are looking for volunteers to assist with the Entertainment Book orders this year. If you can help please leave your details with the office.

**CANTEEN**

The Canteen is always looking for volunteers. If you can offer your time please contact Tania Duggan 0400 769 499.

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

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**Tell Them From Me Student Feedback Survey**

If you do not want your child to participate in the student feedback survey, please sign this form and return it to your school by Friday 27 February 2015.

I (print name) __________________________

DO NOT give consent for my child/children (print name/s):

________________________________________

of class/es ____________________________

to participate in the Tell Them From Me student feedback survey.

Signed ____________________________ Date __________________
When kids ask “the” questions...
Interrelate has the answers!

Interrelate is a specialist organisation with over 85 years’ experience teaching sexuality and relationship education in NSW schools. Interrelate educators are highly trained and skillful presenters.

The topic of sexuality is handled with sensitivity, openness and humour. The program offers an interactive approach to learning, with a variety of audio-visual materials, discussions and games.

Session 1: Where did I come from?
1-hour session: years 3-6

Session 2: Preparing for puberty
1-hour session: years 5-6
Years 3-4 can attend at parent’s discretion

Specialty books are available for purchase on the night.
Keep a look out for flyers (coming home with your child before the program) outlining session content.
UNIVERSAL
TAE KWON DO
ACADEMY

GLENDORE PUBLIC SCHOOL
Maryland Drive Maryland
Wednesdays 6pm – 7pm

FLORAVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL
76 Floraville Rd, Floraville
Mondays 5.30pm – 6.30pm

Come and have fun learning the most advanced techniques in martial arts and sport Tae Kwon Do (as seen in the Olympics). We are a STA accredited academy with completely qualified instructors.

Ph: 49695591 or 0409655842
www.universaltaekwondo.com.au

The Waratahs JRUFC

The Waratahs are a leading Rugby Club in the Newcastle area with a proud history and tradition within the Club. In 2015 we are celebrating our 75th year of Rugby. We still need players for our teams U/7s to U/10s.

Registrations: $75 includes shorts, socks, headgear, shirt, insurance.
Regos day: This Friday 27th February Try Rugby at Waratah Oval 5.30pm - 6.30pm.
Training will start Wednesday 4th March 4.30pm - 5.30pm.
If you are interested in joining our Club please forward your contact details to:
Bev McDonald: Phone 0407402411. Email: bevnmal@bigpond.com
STUDENT ABSENCE NOTICATION FORM

Name of Student: ................................................................. Class: ..............

Date(s) of Absence: ...........................................................................

Reason for Absence: ...........................................................................
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Signature: ............................................................................ Parent/Guardian Date: ..............
Glendore Public School

UNIFORM ORDER

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Payment must be received with order.

Cash or Cheque (made payable to: Glendore Public School P & C Committee)

Credit card NOT accepted.

Order may be filled within 3-21 days depending on stock.
(If parent collection box is checked, you will be sent a text when order is ready)

All garments available in Size 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14
Slouch Hat available in Small (55cm), Medium (57cm) and Large (59cm)
All socks available in Size 9-12, 13-3 or 2-8

SIZE GUIDE:

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Please return form and payment in sealed envelope with "Uniform Order" to the P&C mail box in the school office foyer (left corner near door).
GLENDORE PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Glendore Public School P & C Association will be held on Tuesday 17th March 2015. Nominations are now being called for the executive and other positions on the committee. The positions are:

- President
- Fundraising Co-ordinator
- Canteen Co-ordinator
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Uniform Shop Co-ordinator
- Fundraising Vice President 1 & Vice President 2
- Canteen Treasurer
- Canteen Secretary

The P & C meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00pm (with the exception of school holiday periods). If you are interested in any position, please complete the form below and return it to school by Monday 16th March 2015. Nominees must be financial members of the P & C and can pay their membership fee of $2.00 on the night of the AGM. For more information please contact the school office. All interested parties please complete the nomination form below and return to the school office.

GLENDORE PUBLIC SCHOOL
P&C ASSOCIATION-AGM NOMINATION FORM 2015

I, ____________________________________ nominate myself for the position of ____________________________

I, ____________________________________ nominate ____________________________ for the position of ____________________________ on the 2015 Glendore P & C committee.

Signed: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

BUNNINGS WALLSEND FUNDRAISING BBQ VOLUNTEER SLIP

I can help on Saturday 7th March

Name/names: ____________________________ Contact No.: ____________________________
Child’s name: ____________________________ Class: ____________________________

Please circle the times you are available below:

8.30am-10.30am  10.00am – 12noon  12.00-2.00pm  2.00pm-4.00pm

Please return this slip to the office ASAP

FRIDAY 6TH MARCH PIZZA DAY

1 PIZZA CAPERS PIZZA AND A DRINK ONLY $6

Name: ____________________________ Class: ____________________________

(If a parent, please nominate which classroom you would like to pick up your order from)

Please circle your selections – One pizza and One drink

BBQ Meatlovers  Hawaiian  Cheese
Bottled water  Apple orange popper  Apple blackcurrant popper  Quench mineral water

Please return order and payments to the CANTEEN by Wednesday 4th March

DISCO VOLUNTEER SLIP

I can help on Thursday 26th February

Name/names: ____________________________ Contact No.: ____________________________
Child’s name: ____________________________ Class: ____________________________

Please circle the time you are available below:

Disco times:  K-2  6pm – 7.20pm or  Yrs 3-6  7.30pm – 9pm

Please return this slip to the office ASAP