



Glenquarry Public School

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‘Valuing The Future’

Principal’s Message

I hope everyone has got the message about the working bee scheduled for this Saturday 8/9/18 being postponed until the 13/10/18, due to the current weather forecast. The date I have postponed it to is the last Saturday of the holidays, so I understand if people have other commitments planned. On the day we will be: loading a trailer up with items that have become unsafe or unusable, clearing and reshelving the kitchen area for a new server to be installed, general tidy up of the outside of the buildings and a fresh oiling of the wooden seats and tables in the playground.

With the Year 5 and 6 small schools camp fast approaching I know the students going are nervous and excited. If any parents have any last minute questions then please feel free to ask Regina or myself. Otherwise I will see all parents and students going 7am on Monday morning at school. Whilst I am at camp Mrs Old will be filling in from Monday to Wednesday and then normal staffing arrangements from Thursday to Friday.

It was great to see 5 students attend Kinder Transition on Tuesday morning. Hugh, Oscar, Thomas, Emery and Travis have all happily been involved in the activities Mrs O’Connor has prepared for them. Kinder Transition continues until nearly the end of the year and the length of time will start to increase as we move into term 4.

Regards,
Jad Southwell.

3-6 News

In English students have been studying poetry and the different forms it takes as well as different structural components that form a good poem. Students will be writing their own poems about the ‘Watch it Grow’ theme they have explored this term. They will use a marking guide to mark their own poem as well as the poem of others. In Maths students have been learning about chance and data. They have collected data from a number of surveys and tasks. Currently they are looking at how to show this data in the form of graphs and will be looking at the likelihood of an event occurring next week. Students have also been keeping a seed journal that describes the growth progress of their own Broad Bean seed. The students have been amazed at how much their seed has grown. The seeds that had a large ‘radicle’(root) and ‘plumule’ (shoot) were planted in the school garden bed recently. Responsibility for the growth of the seed is still part of the students task and it will be interesting to see how long it will take the seeds to produce a bean to eat.

Upcoming Events

Week 7	Friday	7 September	K to 6 Mt Annan Botanical Gardens Excursion @ 8.45am to 3.30pm-3.45pm - Mrs Leighton-Daly, Mrs Old and Julie attending. Spring Clean Working Bee - Postponed until the 13/10/18.
	Saturday	8 September	
Week 8	Monday	10 September	Year 5 and Year 6 Small Schools Camp
	Tuesday	11 September	Year 5 and Year 6 Camp / Kinder transition.
	Wednesday	12 September	Year 5 and Year 6 Camp
	Thursday	13 September	Year 5 and Year 6 Camp
	Friday	14 September	Year 5 and Year 6 Camp
Week 9	Monday	17 September	BBLG Meeting - Mr Southwell @ Exeter - 9 to 12pm. / Kinder transition. BBLC @ Berrima 4.00pm-5.30pm - Mr Southwell and Mrs O’Connor Principal’s Network Meeting @ Mittagong - Mr Southwell PPA Gerroa Mr Southwell attending
	Tuesday	18 September	
	Wednesday	19 September	
	Thursday	20 September	
	Friday	21 September	

School Behaviour Outline

Last Fortnight Reminder	Week 6: Create and invite others to play original games at lunch and recess. Week 7: Dress with Pride.
Next Fortnight	Week 8: Walk on Concrete. Week 9: Wait quietly in line at lunch, recess and fitness.
Outline	Students earn a school behaviour reward card if they model being a respectful, resilient and safe learner. Each week the school leaders introduce a new expected behaviour during their peer support lesson. Once a combined tally of 100 reward cards has been achieved the school leaders will decide on a whole school reward.
Resilience Reminder	Resilience Reminder – If you are feeling angry in the playground please remember to ‘STEP BACK’ and then ‘BOUNCE BACK. Remind yourself to step back and take a breath, think about the situation, walk away to a quiet spot, seek assistance from a school leader and then bounce back in a positive manner.

K-2 News

What a fabulous fortnight we've had with Oz Opera, our debate against Berrima, the Great Glenquarry Bookswap and Book Fair. As always I love to see the students' levels of engagement at these events, whether it's enjoying the spectacle of the opera or listening with intent to some thought provoking arguments being put forward by children not much older than themselves.

The Queen of the Night tricks the prince into thinking that the sorcerer is evil. That's why I like the Queen of the Night. By Jessica.

On Tuesday it was book swap and we got to dress up in our favourite story. It was amazing! I dressed up into Harry Potter. By Jonte.

In literacy we have now completed our poetry unit and the students will be critically assessing and reflecting on their writing over the term. In numeracy we have been working hard on all areas of measuring time. In our Watch it Grow unit we have been comparing the lifecycles of humans and glossy black cockatoos. We are still waiting to see what our mealworms will be when they 'grow up'!

Transition has been enjoyed by all, including the older students! We have now welcomed two new students, Thomas and Travis. From Week 9 we shall be extending our transition session to lunch time (11.40am).

Mrs O'Connor

Debating News

Our final official debate was held this week with Cara, Eden, Cc and Charlie travelling to Berrima and Leavi, Ella, Alex and Billy remaining at Glenquarry. Both teams had challenging topics to work with however both teams managed to come up with some excellent arguments in two very close debates. When I think back to their first debates against Tallong at the beginning of term 2 I am amazed at how far they have come - not just in their individual speaking skills and confidence but also in the organisational and teamwork skills. I'm so very proud of all of you, well done!

In term 4 we are hoping to hold two whole school debating afternoons with Avoca to build on the magnificent start that both schools have made to their debating this year.

Mrs O'Connor



K to 2 Student of the Week



Lewis

For his boundless energy and enthusiasm for learning in all its forms.

3 to 6 Student of the Week



Leavi and Charlie

For completing classroom tasks independently and ensuring all students are listened to during peer support lessons.

Oz Opera Robertson



STEM Day Bowral High School



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