Learn to Live-Live to Learn

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Upcoming Events:

Thursday 14th February Afternoon Tea Meet and Greet 2:30pm

Monday 18th February P&C AGM & Meeting 2pm in Infants classroom

Friday 22nd February Zone Swimming Carnival Tomaree

Tuesday 26th February
PBL Assembly
2:20pm-2:50pm
Primary Item

Please Return:

Working with Children

Online Forms

Media

Medical Form Update
Walking Permission

Term 1 Week 2

Let's hit the ground running!

Welcome back to the 2019 school year. I was eagerly excited to see all the students smiling faces return, not to mention hearing the wonderful holiday and Christmas stories. It sounds like everyone had a busy, but fruitful break. I have attached the Term 1 calendar. I hope you will be able to use this effectively as the term progresses by adding our important dates to it as our newsletters are sent home.

We begin the year with 29 students and by welcoming Ms Bianca Parr to our teaching staff. Ms Parr will be teaching the Infants class Tuesday to Friday.

Library will be on a Thursday afternoon. Students will start their Library lessons in Week 2 with Mrs Hurney and Ms Parr will be teaching technology lessons on a Friday afternoon.

Mrs Keller & will be in the office on a Friday. The office hours are Wednesday afternoon 2pm-3pm, Thursday and Friday from 8:30–3pm. Mrs Reeves will be in the office on a Monday—Wednesday morning from 8:30-9:20am to assist with absentees.

PBL Assemblies will held in Week 5 and 10 of each term. Each class will present an item at their designated assembly. In Week 5 we will be amazed by the Primary class.

School Messages and notes will be sent home from Wednesday's. Please remember to check Facebook for any last minute updates and reminders. If your child is not at school, you will receive an SMS asking for an explanation. Please respond in a timely manner. Attendance is a vital component to your child's education.

K-6	A student misses
1 day per week	1 year of school
1 1/2 days per week	1 1/2 years of school
2 days per week	2 1/2 years of school

The staff would like to invite all of our families for a meet and greet afternoon tea on Thursday 14th February at 2:30pm.

Have a safe fortnight Mrs Bultítude § Staff

<u>Kindergarten</u>
We are very happy to welcome
Jed and Saxon. They have
settled quickly into our school
routine.





New families

Along with our Kindergarten students, we welcome Carla, Clayton and Shontane.

Small Schools Swimming Carnival

The Small Schools Swimming Carnival was held at Beresfield Pool today for students in Years 2-6 who are 8 years old and above. We look forward to hearing about their success.

Sport and PE

Unfortunately we did not obtain the Sports in Schools Funding for Term 1. Daily PE rotations will be coordinated and Sport will be on Thursday mornings. Ms Parr will be coordinating sport this term. Students will be participating in soccer and cricket across this term.

Attendance

School attendance is vital for the continuation of your child's learning. If, for any reason, your child is absent from school please inform via SMS, in writing or by verbal communication the reason for being away.

School Parliament

On Tuesday, the school elected their senior peers into their parliamentary roles for 2019. An open parliament will be arranged for late Term 1. This is where parents can come along a observe a session. Congratulations to the following;

Prime Minister: Jessica Whelan Secretary: Caitlin McDonald

Ministers: Tyson Mabbott, Michaela Doorey &

Shontane King

Permission Notes

Permission notes are distributed by our online platform Care Monkey. Please look to update your child's medical form and contact details.

All notifications will be by email for this system.

New parents who would like to volunteer at school in any capacity including canteen helper, assisting in the classroom or with other school activities are required to complete the attached Working with Children Declaration and supply their working with children's number to the school office. Any new volunteers will need to complete our school induction. Please see the ladies in the office.

Personal details extracts are being sent home. We have included any relevant information we have and ask parents if you could please update the information as necessary and return it to the office.

Library -

Remember your Library Bag on Thursday to protect the books you borrow.



If the information is correct, please sign the form and return it to the office as confirmation.

P&C News

The next meeting for the P & C is Monday, 18th Feb with the AGM at 2pm and the General Meeting to be held after. Everyone is welcome to attend the meetings. They are informal, friendly, and a great way to find out what is happening at school. No one is pressured to do anything at meetings feel free to just sit and listen. The minutes from the previous AGM, November meeting and the agenda are attached for your viewing.

Emergency Management Plan

Our schools emergency management plan will be discussed at the next P&C meeting.

<u>Canteen</u>

Our first canteen will be held on Friday, 15th February. If you would like to help out in the canteen, please fill out the canteen form that was sent home this last week, with your preferred dates and hand it into the office so that a roster can be formalised. We have some lovely seasoned canteen champions around so if you've never done a canteen before they will be more than happy to team up with you for a great canteen day!

Head Lice

Head Lice can be very active at this time of the year. I encourage all parents and carers to be very vigilant and continue to check their child's hair weekly.

News from the office

Don't forget that school payments can be made through our school website. This is a secure payment portal provided by the Westpac bank. It is user friendly and recent improvements for mobile devices have made it even more so. A full instruction booklet is available from the office.

Star Struck

We are keen to participate in Star Struck in 2019. The audition is fast approaching. Students who would like to be involved need to complete an attached slip. We have asked to participate along with Dungog PS to assist with transporting students to rehearsals and performances.

Arrivals and Departures

If at any time your child is late to school, please let the office know that you have arrived and the roll can be adjusted accordingly. If you need to collect your child early, please go to the office prior to the child's classroom. If it is outside office hours please knock on the Primary classroom door.

The next P & C meeting: Monday, 18th February at 2pm in the Infants classroom. Everyone welcome!



PBL-Positive Behaviour for Learning

The PBL program sees our students work towards being able to self regulate their own behaviour in a positive manner in school and in the wider community. Students who excel and are consistently demonstrating school values and expectations are presented with a milk carton and these cartons go into their crate. Awards are presented to students who fill their crate. The following will outline the journey to receiving our school PBL medallion.

- ◆ 1 full crate= PBL Award (Bronze)
- 10 Bronze PBL Awards= Principals Award-New level
- 1 full crate= PBL Award (Silver)
- 10 Silver PBL Awards= Principals Award- New level
- ◆ 1 full crate= PBL Award (Gold)= Principals Award
- 3 principals Awards= Medallion

Students are to keep their PBL Awards in their Blue PBL folder. Once they have 10 awards they can hand these into the teacher to signify their next award. It is your child's responsibility to keep track of their PBL awards so they can receive the correct award.

When your child receives a principals award, they will have a special lunch provided.





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... to ensure your child gets the nutrients they need at school

Simply pack something from each of the 5 food groups plus water. Try this great example lunch box.

Shaker Shaker

Wholegrain Breads & Cereals: Bread Sushi

Vegetables and salads: Corn cob

Meat & Alternatives: Baked bean muffin

Dairy: Yoghurt tub Fruit: Strawberries

Water: Always pack a bottle of water

For these recipes and more examples of healthy lunch boxes visit our <u>website</u>.

healthylunchbox.com.au

Piano Teacher

The community is lucky to have an experienced piano teacher. Ros Kirkby has had over 35 years experience teaching and has a Diploma of Teaching and Graduate Diploma of Educational Music Studies. If you would be interested in learning how to play the piano you now can. Lessons will start in February.

Ros caters for;

- Beginners-welcomes all ages
- AMEB examination preparation for practical, theory and musicianship exams; and
- HSC Performance Exam preparation.
 Please contact Ros on 0414 391 747.

Register

Port Stephens

Power

AFC

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Open for boys and girls 5-17yo

Sign up for junior footy play.afl





Monday- 8:30am-9:20am
Tuesday- 8:30am-9:20am
Wednesday- 8:30am-9:20am
& 2pm-3:30pm
Thursday- 8:30am-3:30pm
Friday- 8:30am-3:30pm

If Office unattended please leave a message on our answering machine



News From The P&C

A canteen roster was sent home last week. Thank you to those who have returned their slip. A roster will be made and placed in each newsletter.



Welcome Miss Parr to Glen William Public School.



Check out our new paved area near the infants room.

Star Struck

My child/children would like to participate in Star Stuck.

Names:

Parental Signature:

