Learn to Live-Live to Learn

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#### **Upcoming Events:**

Last day of Term Friday 22nd September

Students return Monday 9th October

Intensive Swimming: Week 1 Term 4 9th October 2023

Grandparents Day Thursday 26th October

2023 Presentation Day Thursday 7th December 10am

#### Notes Due

Intensive Swimming Permission note & payment



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

#### Term 3 Week 8

#### Le Tour de Glen William

Thank you to everyone who attended our P&C Le Tour de Glen William on Sunday 27th August. A big thank you to the Glen William Public School P&C, the Committee and all the volunteers who put in a great deal of time and effort to ensure that this community event was a wonderful success. There was a fantastic community vibe that radiated throughout the day. 85 cyclists took part in the rides, and a wonderful and diverse range of stallholders attended this event.

#### Tell Them From Me Survey Snapshot 2

The annual parent, teacher and student survey is up and running. Students and staff will complete the survey over the next couple of weeks. The link to the parent survey has been sent home via note and Compass. Results are very important and we do use them to drive our future directions.

#### **Explicit Instruction Mathematics Warm Ups**

All students have been taking part in daily Mathematics Warm Ups, in line with the Explicit Instruction Pedagogy which is a network focus. Our Stage 3 students began this at the start of the year, and have been acknowledged as trailblazers within the network. Over the last fortnight we have had a number of APCI's, teachers, Principals and even our Director came and observed our Stage 3 students. They have received high praise from all visitors in person and publicly.

#### Check In Assessments

This week Year 6 are completing Check In Assessments in Reading, Writing and Numeracy.

At the beginning of Term 4, Year 3, 4 and 5 will do Check In Assessments in Reading and Numeracy.

All are done online.

#### **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast Club has re-opened this week. It will run on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Stage 3 students are aware of which day they are rostered on to run Breakfast Club. Please ensure your child is here by 8:30am on their day.

Mr Gray and Staff

#### **Attendance**



Week 7:

88%

Week 8:

83%



#### **Hunter PSSA Athletics Carnival**

Congratulations to Jed who represented our small school with pride last Friday at the Hunter Athletics Carnival in Glendale. He placed 20th in the region in the Junior Boys Discus event. What an achievement! We are so proud of you. Well done!

#### Father's Day Breakfast

Thank you so much to our wonderful fathers, stepfathers, grandfathers, uncles, carers and father figures who joined us for a special Father's Day BBQ breakfast at our school on Monday. We absolutely loved playing soccer, golf, handball and connect 4 with you while we enjoyed our scrumptious egg and bacon sandwiches. Thanks to Darren for cooking the BBQ and Mrs Reeves for supplying coffee.



#### **Healthy Harold Life Education**

We thank Bec and Healthy Harold the Giraffe for visiting our school on Tuesday. Our students engaged with hands-on learning activities to keep themselves healthy and safe. The Infants class learned how to keep their bodies healthy and safe, and the Primary class learned how to keep safe in the digital world.

#### **Dungog Tea Party**

The Infants class have entered a school display in this year's Dungog Tea Party. The Dungog Tea Party is held 5th - 10th September at the James Theatre if you would like to go along for a cuppa. You may even see our amazing artworks on display at the Dungog IGA or Information Centre in the lead up to the event. For more information visit their website.



#### **Cycling for Sport**

Last Friday, we saw legs pedalling and wheels spinning as we began cycling for our weekly sport sessions. Our students are learning how to check our bicycles before riding, learning to ride safely, and improving their fitness. Cycling will continue until the last day of term and students are welcome to store bicycles and helmets at school.



#### PBL Assembly Week 10

Our next PBL assembly will be Monday 18th September in Week 10. We look forward to congratulating our award recipients, and watching the Infants class perform the song *Mr Clickety Cane*. We hope to see you underneath the COLA at 2:15pm. All families welcome.

#### **PBL Rewards Day**

The PBL Rewards Day for Term 3 will be on Tuesday 19th September. Our students can come in mufti with a gold coin donation which will assist with future PBL reward day expenses. They voted to do a Scavenger Hunt and will have some extra play time as a reward for PBL behaviours in Term 3. A note will be sent home next week via Compass.

#### PBL focus - Week 9 & 10

We are excellent by completing our work with pride.

<u>Smiling Mind Focus - Week 9 & 10</u> The Senses - developing sensory awareness through listening.



### An Interesting Insight into the Infants Class

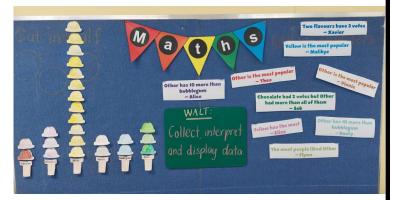
What an exciting term we have had in the Infants classroom! In PDHPE we learnt how to be healthy and safe. We designed and built safety cars from recycled materials and explained how our added features made it extra safe for its passengers. We also soaked boiled eggs in vinegar and coca-cola for hours, and brushed them with a toothbrush to prove how important it is to brush our teeth. Best of all, we are learning a very funny song to sing to you at the PBL assembly in Week 10!

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In writing, we have been learning how to become amazing authors and illustrators. We discovered a new and exciting writing device called a *simile*, and illustrated a description of a family member using similes. We loved reading the book *The Day the Crayons Quit* and created our very own crayons in our Visual Arts lesson. To celebrate book week, we planned and illustrated our very own book cover for a unique, never-told-before narrative that are on display in our classroom.



In Mathematics, we have been learning to read, interpret and display data. We surveyed the students of our school to see which favourite ice cream flavour was the most popular, and we displayed the results on our wall using a picture graph. We also connected our Math lessons with our weekly sport sessions. During week's 4-6, our students competed in the Glen William Mini World Cup where they represented a country in small-sided soccer matches. We collated the results each week and displayed them on our classroom door using a picture graph.



In Music, we are learning to maintain the beat of a song. We are exploring different types of music and what we like and dislike about songs. We learnt to sing the song *This Old Man*, and changed the lyrics to create a brand new song. We can't wait to see what other songs Miss Parr has in store for us to hear!

Our highlights this term have been:

- Dancing on stage at the Education Week Awards
- Coding dash robots in technology
- Dressing up for Book Week
- Going on a hunt for Where's Wally
- Celebrating Father's Day with a BBQ breakfast
- Riding our bicycles for Sport
- Seeing stars in the Healthy Harold Van

With only two weeks to go until the school holidays, we look forward to performing our song at the PBL assembly in Week 10 and enjoying our PBL Rewards Day. What a term!





#### **A Sneak Peek into Primary**

What a terrific term the Primary class has had! In music we have been discovering and exploring the musical concepts of beat and melody through aural activities where we echo clap or sing the sounds we can hear. So far, we have enjoyed singing, dancing and playing a wide variety of untuned percussion instruments for the folk songs A Ram Sam Sam and Taba Naba. It has been wonderful to watch how creative we are when brainstorming body percussion ideas then ordering these to make a composition.



In English, we have been beginning our lessons with Fluency Bootcamp. Over the past few weeks we have been reading a variety of texts to help us become more fluid and confident readers. Each week we get to pick a new partner and find a spot in the classroom where we take turns listening to each other read. It has been so rewarding to see our progress.



- Dancing on stage at the Education Week Awards
- Coding dash robots in technology
- Stage 3 RYSTEM excursion
- Great Aussie Bush Camp
- Science Day
- Dressing up for Book Week
- Going on a hunt for Where's Wally
- Celebrating Father's Day with a BBQ breakfast
- Riding our bicycles for Sport
- Learning about cyber safety Healthy Harold

With only two more weeks before we break up for spring holidays, we are looking forward to our PBL reward day and watching the Infants performance at our PBL assembly in Week 10!







#### **From the Office**

**Office Hours**. The school office hours are:

Mon—Tues:

8.30am—9.20am 8.30am—9.20am, 2pm—3.30pm 8.30am—3.30pm Wed:

Thurs—Friday:

Outside of these hours, please contact the school by phone (if unattended, please leave a message), or by email. Phone and email are checked by staff during classroom breaks. Thank you.

**Late arrivals**: School hours are 9.00am—3.00pm. Should your child/ren arrive after 9.00am parents/ carers MUST bring the children into the school and sign them in on the Compass kiosk in the Office. If students need to be collected before 3.00pm, please contact either the Office or the class teacher and sign them out using the Compass kiosk.

**Absences**: The NSW Department of Education requires absences from school to be explained by the parent/carer within 7 days of the absence. This can easily be done on the Compass app, or by calling or emailing the school.

**Drop offs and Pick ups:** If there is a change to your child's normal pick up routine, please inform the office. It is very important that staff are aware of who will meet students at the front gate or the bus stop.

**Spare clothing**: For various reasons students sometimes require a change of clothes during the day. As the school has limited spare clothing, we recommend a complete change of clothes be carried by all students.

#### From the P&C

**School Canteen:** School canteen continues each Friday. If any of our new families would like to volunteer for a day at canteen, we would really appreciate the help. One of our existing volunteers would be more than happy to give you a hand on the day to show you the ropes. It's a fun day with the kids and helps our great school community. Please see Sharna Kirkham or phone 0407 291 637.

#### Glen William Public School



#### Term 3 Canteen roster 2023

Date	Volunteer
28 <sup>th</sup> July	Sharna Kirkham
4 <sup>th</sup> August	Kershia Jones-Clark
11 <sup>th</sup> August	Trudy Balstad
18 <sup>th</sup> August	Phoebe Cross
25 <sup>th</sup> August	Josie Wright (tbc)
1st September	Sharna Kirkham
8 <sup>th</sup> September	Lynne Rizzo
15 <sup>th</sup> September	Rose Daphne Roberts
22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Laura Saville





Glen William P&C are now featured as a donation partner on screen at Dungog SES return and earn at 26 Clarence Town Rd

From now until 22/10/23 you can donate your refund directly to our P&C and help support our school and its students. After you've returned your bottles and cans simply select "donate" onscreen. then select Glen William P&C assoc. Its that easy how great is

that!



Spread the word and encourage your family, friends and neighbors to do their part for our Earth and help our small school in the process.