Principal’s Desk

School Concert
As is normal for this time of year the school is buzzing with concert fever. Costumes should be coming home soon and large amounts of organisation throughout the year coming to an end. The actual rehearsal day schedule is very tight with buses unable to wait for late students. I would encourage all parents to check emails regularly for last minute details and please ensure students have returned permission notes and payments for the rehearsal bus fees. Students whom have yet to pay for dance fees are required to do so immediately to ensure their participation at the concert on Friday.

125 Years Celebration
This year Glenhaven Public School is celebrating its 125th birthday. Our wonderful P&C have been organising for celebratory paving to be laid to mark this special occasion and have been selling these pavers throughout the year. We will be celebrating this wonderful occasion on Monday 15 December commencing at 2.00pm. During the formal part of this event the time capsule will be opened and then will be re sealed with relevant artefacts for the next 25 years. At the conclusion of events the pavers will be unveiled with a BBQ being provided by the P and C to enable families and friends both past and present to enjoy catching up and reminiscing. You will find in this newsletter both order forms for sausages and also an invitation to our celebrations. To truly celebrate the wonderful event it is vital that we “spread the news” to all our past community, staff and student members. Please send this invitation to anyone you may know.

Further details will be sent home over the next few weeks.

NAPLAN Presentation
Last week Mrs Reedman presented a NAPLAN analysis at our P&C meeting. This presentation highlighted the schools results in all areas and also a glimpse into the types of questions that students are asked and how they are presented to them. These questions highlighted how teaching and learning has changed over the years and also how students need to manipulate questions and apply their learning to unfamiliar scenarios. Sincere thanks to Mrs Reedman for her work in this area and for the many hours she has spent analysing this data.

Library
This week interviews will be held for our new Librarian who will permanently replace Mrs Laurie. The community will be informed of the name of the successful applicant in a few weeks after the appeal period.

OOSH
I am aware that the schools lack of Before and After School Care is causing issues for our families. I am constantly communicating with the prospective departments and often at a harassing level. Unfortunately these events are totally beyond the schools control with Department protocols and legalities taking considerable time. They are aware that my aim is to be able to give the community a commencement time and this is my major objective at the moment. Even though the tender contract includes the delivery of a portable building for this service, I have agreed to use the school hall in the interim to enable a quicker start. Once I have more details I will contact the community, even during holidays.

Enjoy the week and I look forward to celebrating the talents of our students on Friday night.

Kerry Maxwell
Principal

PSSA SUMMER SPORT  (See detailed information later in newsletter)

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Remembrance Day by 4R

Ben Thomas:
On Remembrance Day people remember the soldiers that went to war for us, to fight for our country, to risk their lives, all for the country’s peace. Just stop and think about what it would be like fighting in that war – seeing your own friends die. All you can hear are gunshots and shrieks of terror. The only thing in their mind would be great fear and home. That is why on Remembrance Day people have a minute of silence to remember the unbelievably brave soldiers that went to war and fought for our country. That is what Remembrance Day is about.

Reece Winston:
The soldiers got sick from diseases from the gun powder and gas. On Remembrance Day we pray for all the soldiers who fought for Australia. Lots of families lost uncles, sons, fathers and pops. Some women went to the war in World War 1. The Second World War started by Germany taking over Poland was from 1939 – 1945. In the war, Russia had way more men than Germany but Russia had rubbish weapons and the Germans had really good weapons. Pray for all the men and women who fought for our country when we have our 1 minute silence. We shall remember the people who fought for our country. Always pray every Remembrance Day.

Sophia Caruso:
Remembrance Day is when we remember the soldiers who fought for Australia. Imagine how it would be in the freezing cold and when it rained they were in their trenches that they built. All the water would come up to their knees and they would be soaking. That is why we remember all the people who died for us. We will remember them.

Zoe Ingersole:
Remembrance Day is about thinking of those who went out and fought in war for us and sacrificed their lives so we could keep ours. I imagine that it would have been absolutely horrifying seeing people lying on the ground dead. We commemorate not to celebrate but to remember. I have learnt so much about war and how brave the men were to go out and fight for our country.

Dominic Fedele:
On Remembrance Day we remember people who have gone to war to fight in other countries. The war started in 1914 and ended in 1918 and that was for World War 1.

Aria Rahman:
Today, on the 11th November we must try to wear a poppy flower to remember those who sacrificed themselves for us, but on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month we must be silent and not make a fuss. Feeling terrified and all the pain, who might have got shot in the vein, Those who are buried in Flanders Field, could not defend themselves with a shield. Poppies with green leaves and petals that are red Make us remember the beloved soldiers that are dead.

Paris Edwards:
Remembrance Day is a special day because we remember all of the soldiers who sacrificed their lives for us. The poppy’s are a symbol of the World War 1 because of all the fighting over the fields, but the poppies still bloomed. It would have been devastating to be in World War 1, to see all of your friends getting killed is heartbreaking. We Will Remember Them.

Robert Napoli:
The faithful ones who left us thankful lie in Flanders Fields. The people who left Australian mums, aunties and wives crying lie in Flanders Field. The people that we look up to, the kind and brave that sacrificed everything lie in Flanders Field. But they are still alive even as they lie in Flanders Field. We will remember them, for ever more, the ones who lie in Flanders Field.

Georgia Keen:
The soldiers fought for their lives Every drop of sweat counted Fighting for victory, trying their hardest Hoping to stay alive The fierce exhaustion they had in their breaths. Friends and family worried every day and night Crying for sons, brothers, dads, grandfathers Will they make it? We will remember them.

Mrs Reedman
Assistant Principal Stage 2/Classroom Teacher 4R
Application for Year 7 Selective High School Placement in 2016 Government Schools

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 10PM TODAY!

Attention Year 5 Parents

A few weeks ago, your child should have brought home a note regarding the application process for 2016 Selective High Schools. Now is the time when you need to think carefully about your child attempting to gain entry into a Selective High School. If they have shown interest in attending a Selective High School you will need to return the bottom section of the original note that went home weeks ago (to the front Office) and start the application process online.

All applications MUST be made online - no paper applications are accepted.

The site for applications is www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

Some important dates to note:

17 November 2014 - online applications close.
12 March 2015 - All applicants must sit the Selective High School Placement Test
July 2015 - Outcome of placement advice will be sent.

LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

Thank you.

Regards,

David Reid
Assistant Principal

PSSA Semi Finals Info

For PSSA games this week:

Senior Girls Touch team are playing Crestwood Public School at same venue.
Junior Girls Touch team are playing Samuel Gilbert Public School same venue as usual.

Boys Basketball team are playing at 9:30 at Fred Caterson Stadium.
Girls Basketball team TBA - WILL BE PLAYING JASPER ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL BUT THEY HAVE A CAMP SO LOOKING AT ANOTHER DATE NEXT WEEK TO PLAY, HOPEFULLY TUESDAY BUT NOT CONFIRMED YET.

Good luck to all teams!
Glenhaven Sports Update

**PSSA Boys Basketball**

The PSSA Basketball boys had a cracking winning season, winning every game except one. With a line up of great players and hard workers on the court we have won our ticket to the Semi Final as we have finished first on the table for the season.

Our best highlight was a win against Samuel Gilbert (39-32) who has not been defeated for many years until this year! As we progress to the finals and hopefully take out the PSSA Basketball Premiership, the team would like to thank Miss Sharpe for giving up her time every week to train the boys.

Go Glenhaven!!!

Ben Moul and Ben Berry

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**PSSA Girls Basketball**

The Girls Basketball Team had an amazing season. We have been undefeated throughout the season! We successfully made it to the Semi Finals and are hoping to go through to the Grand Final.

We have been training hard all season long, which has paid off from our great teamwork and Miss Sharpe’s fabulous coaching. Our determination and persistence to play basketball has shown throughout the season. Last of all, we would like to thank all of the parents and students who have been involved in this year’s season. We would also like to give a big thanks to Miss Sharpe.

Jada Matalavea and Isabella Hine

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**PSSA Girls Touch Football**

First of all we want to thank Mr Moran for helping and coaching us. We have come so far and are soon about to play in the semi-finals. The first half of the season was a bit rough, losing games but the second half of the season we have been undefeated. Our team never gives up and keeps playing to the best of our abilities.

Mondays we train hard and Fridays we play hard. We just keep pushing through and that’s just what we do. We shall say Glenhaven, Glenhaven all the way!

Estelle Fragale and Renee Sproull

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**PSSA Boys Touch Football**

This season we have been lucky to get into the semi-finals and will be playing Samuel Gilbert. We have successfully been undefeated. Mr Moran has tried very hard and has coached us very well.

The girls have been training hard to get this far and we are certain we can keep it up!

Ella Broome and Katerina Negro

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**Miss Julie Sharpe**

Glenhaven PDHPE Coordinator
P & C Update

Celebration of 125 Years of Excellence

Come and join us to celebrate 125 years of excellence at our wonderful school where there will be recollection of memories, opening of our time capsule and much more. This special event will be held in the school hall on **Monday, 15 December 2014 from 2pm** and will be followed by a free sausage sizzle provided by the P&C.

To order your free sausage sandwich, simply complete the form attached to this newsletter and place it in the P & C letterbox in the Administration Office foyer no later than **Wednesday, 10 December 2014**.

If you can spare an hour or two to help us cook the BBQ or serve the sausage sandwiches, please contact us at glenhavenpublicschoolpandc@gmail.com

P&C Christmas Party

The P & C Christmas party will be held on **Tuesday, 9 December 2014** at 7pm at Bel Fiore at Round Corner. Everyone is welcome to join us for dinner and a Kris Kringle! If you would like to join us, please RSVP to glenhavenpublicschoolpandc@gmail.com no later than **Friday, 5 December 2014**.

Kath Dalla Fontana  
President  
P&C Association

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P & C – Canteen Capers

Our Big Red Spot Special of *Ice Cream Spiders* was a show stopper last week waltzing out the door. We will be having a repeat performance in Week 10 as they were so popular in the sizzling heat.

Unfortunately the *Fruit Stacks Ice Blocks* otherwise known as *Lifesavers* have been voted off by Streets, obviously they didn’t rate a high enough score, so they’re gone! As these were only 50c and can’t be replaced with an understudy at this price, please ensure your hot and thirsty little performers have enough money to purchase other treats on offer.

I’ve heard there is a big show in town this Friday with many students side stepping, swinging and a bit of fox trotting back and forth all day, so recess and lunch orders will not be available.

It doesn’t end until the fat lady sings so with the familiar tapping of the coins on the counter the Canteen will still be open at intermission to purchase ice creams, drinks and popcorn etc. during recess and lunch.

Getting in early this week for the best seats are –

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*Please note that the school server was down this morning causing issues for orders being placed through Flexischools. This problem has now been solved. Thanking you for your understanding.*

In for the encore,  
**Big Red**
Uniform Shop Update – November 2014

1. The Uniform Shop is happy to report that we have been able to reduce the pricing of the following items;

   - Ankle socks were $7.00 now $5.00
   - School Badge was $6.00 now $5.00
   - Sport socks were $7.00 now $6.00
   - Boys ties (winter) were $20.00 now $15.00
   - Girls winter woolly tights were $11.00 now $8.00
   - Girls winter opaque tights were $7.00 now $6.00
   - Winter knee high socks were $7.00 now $5.00
   - Price reduction in hair accessories due to change of line and supplier (E.G ribbon scrunchie was $10.00 now $5.00)

2. We have received stock of our new line of jumpers ranging from size 6 to 14. Price is $35.00. These are a lighter alternative to the school jacket.

3. We have reviewed our hair accessory line, and have a great new line of accessories.

   They are:
   - Big Bi-Colour Bow Retail $4.50
   - Fancy Bow Cost Retail $3.50
   - Double Bi-Colour Bow Cost Retail $3.50
   - Plain Bow Retail $3.00
   - Organza Spider Retail $4.50
**Uniform Shop Update – November 2014 Continued**

4. The following items are no longer available
   - Recess Bags
   - Art Smock
   - Rain Poncho – *we do have limited stock of these left in size SMALL*. We will sell these at the price of $5.00 until sold out.

5. Updated order forms and pack order forms are now available at the Uniform Shop.

6. 2nd hand uniforms will now be available to purchase on Friday mornings only.

7. The Uniform Shop will not be open this Wednesday afternoon or next Wednesday afternoon due to Kindy Orientation in the morning. If you would like to purchase something on Wednesday we will be opened from 8.30am.

8. If you are able to assist the Uniform Shop with fitting the Kindy Orientation kids on either this Wednesday or next please call Nicole on 0466 506 242. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

_Nicole Balzan
Uniform Shop_
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Oakhill Drive Netball Club is now accepting 2015 Registrations for new and returning players.

Registration is open to players turning 7 Years & over in 2015 i.e. born 2008 or before. Our club has Junior and Senior teams. Everyone is welcome!

GAME VENUE: We play on Saturday at Kellyville Netball Complex, Wellgate Ave KELLYVILLE. Session commences March/April 2015 concludes August 2015 (Finals)

TRAINING: Our junior teams train once a week at Oakhill Drive Public School, Castle Hill.

COST: $215.00 per player 14 years and under in 2015
      $225.00 per player 15 years and over in 2015.

TO REGISTER: please contact Zoe Nicholls on 9894 4688/0407 226 426 or email odnc_enquiries@yahoo.com.au

Come and join us for a fun netball season in 2015!