Principal’s Desk
I would like to officially welcome all of our new Kindergarten students to Glenhaven Public School. I am sure that your future years here will be wonderful. I was amazed at how quickly our little ones fitted into the school routines with only the occasional tear being seen, which quickly turned into a smile.

Information Nights
The school will be holding a series of Information Sessions on Tuesday 10th February (Yrs K-4) and Thursday 12th February (Yrs 5-6). See table below for times. The purpose of these sessions are to give Assistant Principals and class teachers a chance to outline the classroom routines as well as any other class or grade events. Formal parent/teacher interviews will be later in the term.

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Before and After School Care
The site has been inspected by appropriate authorities and has been given approval to commence. There are many dance props that need to be moved from the hall seating area as well as the rear of the hall. A reminder to please enrol as soon as possible as this service is about to commence with a set date for operation being around the corner.

Working Bee
The school has enjoyed many years of wonderful dance concerts. However as a result the number of costumes and props has continued to multiply with concerns about space for other activities. The school has therefore arranged for another shipping container as storage for these items which should be here this week. On Sunday 22nd February the school will be holding a working bee to move items from the school hall and the AV room into this container. A mini skip will also be arranged for the rubbish that has accumulated in both areas over the years.

We are also hoping to do a bit of gardening and the like as our wonderful Mr Gavin works very hard, but 2 days a week isn’t a lot of time for a school with the size of our grounds. It is hoped we can tidy up a few areas, including the area around our new commemorative paving. Any amount of time family members can offer is greatly appreciated. More details will follow with exact times but please put this date in your diaries.

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TERM 1, WEEK 3

Dates for your Diary

- **Monday 9 February**
  - P & C Meeting 7pm
  - Sydney Kings

- **Tuesday 10 February**
  - School Banking

- **Wednesday 11 February**
  - PSSA Training

- **Thursday 12 February**
  - Book Club Due

- **Monday 16 February**
  - Annual Swimming Carnival Yrs 3-6

- **Tuesday 17 February**
  - Book Club Due

- **Wednesday 18 February**
  - Stage 2 Basketball School Banking

- **Thursday 19 February**
  - Friday 20 February PSSA Round 1
  - House Sports Starts

- **Monday 23 February**
  - Stage 1 Milo Cricket

- **Tuesday 24 February**
  - Stage 3 Castle Hill High Open Day

- **Wednesday 25 February**
  - Stage 2 Basketball School Banking

- **Thursday 26 February**
  - Friday 27 February PSSA Round 2

**PSSA SUMMER SPORT - Round 1**

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Kiss and Drop

A brief reminder, especially to our new families, that many times the Kiss & Drop Area is patrolled by Police with the fine for illegal parking being quite expensive. The school continues to remind students to come straight to this area as quickly as possible, as if you are at the front of the line for too long you will need to do another loop. Parents are only allowed to leave their car to help their child into the car or to assist with placing bags in the boot. The Assistant Principals and I will be on duty in this area every afternoon from 2.55pm to 3.15pm. At this time students who have not been picked up will be sent to the Office. Students catching buses will be supervised until the bus arrives.

School Banking and Book Club

Please note that in 2015 School Banking will be processed on Wednesdays instead of a Tuesday. Bank Books are to be placed into the ‘School Banking Box’ on the counter at the School Office by 9am and will be returned to the student by the class teacher.

Book Club brochures will be distributed today for the first issue 2015 and orders are due back to the School Office by Tuesday 17th February. A note explaining how Book Club operates will be sent home today.

Have a wonderful week.

Kerry Maxwell
Principal

Library News

Thank you to all students and families for a lovely welcome to Glenhaven PS, I am looking forward to working with everyone for a productive, successful year.

Your child may have told you by now that if they are in Years 1-6 they are allowed to borrow up to 4 books, from both Fiction and Non Fiction. Kindergarten will borrow 1 book for Term1, with the amount increasing as the year progresses. Library bags are encouraged to keep the books in a good condition, especially in Years K-2, however our main priority is your child reading, so they will be allowed to borrow if they have forgotten their library bag. Students may borrow and return books on any day of the week at lunchtimes and after school in addition to their library lesson.

Our focus in the Library is Literature, alongside teaching Information Skills and the ability to define, search, select and organise information through working with technology and books combined. Please encourage your child to be reading as much as possible at home, as their reading ability makes a huge difference to their abilities in other curriculum areas. Remember... “The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you’ll go” – Dr Seuss

Premiers Reading Challenge

Hopefully everyone has started reading for the Premier’s Reading Challenge for 2015. Students have until the end of August to complete their online records. Our library has a large collection of books that are on the Premier’s Reading Challenge lists, and are marked with coloured dots to assist with borrowing. All reading records for the PRC 2015 will need to be completed online at home this year. A separate note about Premier’s Reading Challenge will go home soon outlining details for logging onto the website and the reading challenge rules.

Calling all Book Coverers

The library would love to hear from you if you would like to cover books for the library. Our books are covered in contact, for the paperbacks and hard plastic for the hardbacks. We will supply the contact, plastic and tape if you are able to help us.

Please complete this form and return it to the library; or advise the office by telephone with your best contact details.

Regards,

Mrs Jane Egginton
Librarian

I would be happy to cover some books for Glenhaven PS Library

My preference is for:

- Contact
- Hard plastic
- Either

Name__________________________________ Child’s Name__________________________________ Class__________

Telephone______________________________
**Bus Zone.** You cannot stop your vehicle in a Bus Zone unless you are driving a public bus.

Council's Compliance Officers will be enforcing parking restrictions at your school! Penalty $311 & 2 demerit points. For a complete list of school zone offences refer to www.rta.nsw.gov.au

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**No Parking means No Parking**

You can stop in a No Parking zone for a maximum of 2mins to drop off or pick up passengers. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle. You cannot leave your car!

The penalty for parking in a NO Parking zone is $547 and 2 demerit points.

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**PARKING NOTICE**

Paking illegally puts children at risk!

Did you know that it is illegal to park:

- On or near the school crossing
- In the school bus bay
- Within 3 metres of the double centre line

The penalties for parking in these areas are up to $415 & 2 demerit points. Council's Compliance Officers will be enforcing parking restrictions your school!

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**PARKING UNSAFELY PUTS CHILDREN'S LIVES AT RISK!**

Please obey all the parking signs around your school!

Paking illegally, even for medical reasons, is dangerous to children at your school. If you park illegally around your school, you can be fined up to $415 and lose up to 4 demerit points if you park illegally around your school.

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**PARKING**

Park safely & legally even if it means walking a little further to the school gate.

Meet your children on the school side of the road, preferably at the school gate.

NEVER call your children across the road to meet you.

Be a good role model for your children - when crossing the road use a pedestrian crossing or traffic signals when possible.

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