



August 28th 2019

Term 3 Number 16

## Calendar Dates

Month: August

26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> Science Week

Month: September

2<sup>nd</sup> Pupil Free Day

3<sup>rd</sup> Year 1 Lego Excursion

5<sup>th</sup> SACA Cricket Coaching

6<sup>th</sup> Australian Girls Choir

9<sup>th</sup> SAPSASA Soccer/Hockey

9<sup>th</sup> Year 4 Geocaching  
Incursion

10<sup>th</sup> Showcase of Learning

16<sup>th</sup> Chess #1

18<sup>th</sup> Chess #2

20<sup>th</sup> Choir- Festival Theatre

24<sup>th</sup> Sports Day

27<sup>th</sup> Last Day of Term  
2.30pm dismissal

## Showcase of learning

Showcase of Learning this year is coming up soon on **Tuesday 10th September**. This is an open evening from **5.30-7.00pm**. We invite families to come along and share your child's learning. Visit the classroom, specialist rooms, the Resource Centre and any other areas that your child would like to take you to. Have a look at the learning experiences that your child has been involved in and provide them with some feedback on how they are going. You are also welcome to have a look in other classrooms to see the range of work across the R-7 range.

This year there will be a focus on Writing, the major focus in our site plan for improvement in 2019. Students will be sharing with you their writing and their achievements over the year. They should also be able to articulate what their future goals for writing are.

Imagine a vibrant writing classroom full of ideas, laughter and energy. Students engaged and contributing, writing with passion and sharing with excitement. This is what we have been working to develop throughout this year.

We have been using a program called Seven Steps to Writing Success. This program has enthused all of us as teachers and we now have data that shows that the program has made a difference to the writing of students. What are Seven Steps? Think of them as the building blocks to great writing. Isolating writing skills into individual steps ensures students don't get 'bogged down' with writing the whole piece. They gain confidence in each building block, and then they pull it all together to become creative and engaging writers. By developing children into passionate communicators, as a community we can help to improve their lives...and the future world. This lays the foundations in creating an engaging story in any form – written, spoken or even visual



It is a fun night, a night to explore the school and an evening that can build your knowledge of your child's learning. We hope to see you at school.

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## State Rugby

Levi and Luka were a part of the SA School Sports Rugby League Under 12s team and competed in the Championships in Brisbane. The coach was extremely pleased with the boys effort over the week and their growth was outstanding, gaining much admiration from other officials and parents.



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## Hutt Street Appeal



### Walk a Mile in My Boots

Congratulations to the Glenelg school community for their contribution to the 2019 Hutt Street Appeal. We received 1391 items for the Centre, which is a fantastic effort.

Michael from the Hutt Street Centre came to assembly and spoke to the students about how the food and toiletries will help people that visit the centre.

Thank you to everyone for their donations and support in this worthy cause.

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## Classification of movies and digital games

### 2019: Does Australia's classification system suit your family's needs?

Australia's National Classification Scheme for movies, digital games and apps uses the classifications **G**, **PG**, **M**, **MA15+** and **R18+**.

The Australian Council on Children and the Media [ACCM] is seeking your help with its 2019 survey of parents' and carers' satisfaction with the Australian National Classification Scheme (NCS) for movies, digital games and apps. This survey will update information gathered in 2017, and takes between 5 and 10 minutes. Its URL is <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Y7CTFSR>

Your input will provide valuable data for ACCM's ongoing review of the usefulness of the NCS and levels of protection for children that it provides.

As ACCM is wanting to hear from as many parents and carers across Australia as possible over these next four weeks, it would be very grateful if you would circulate the survey amongst your own networks.

For more information on ACCM, visit its Movie Review service [[Know Before You Go](#)] and its App Review Service [[Know Before You Load](#)].

**Australian Council on Children and the Media**

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[www.childrenandmedia.org.au](http://www.childrenandmedia.org.au)

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## Festival Choir performance

Last Friday Jo Brus and Ruth Dillon accompanied the Festival Choir to the Stamford Grand Hotel. They were invited to perform at the Kiwanis national conference with the Governor of SA as an invited guest. Our students received a standing ovation and acclamation for their outstanding performance. They demonstrated superbly the fine Performing Arts program we have at Glenelg Primary.



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## SCIENCE ALIVE!

On Friday of week 2 this term, all of the year 7s went to Science Alive. Science Alive is a place where the Universities, Department for Education and other companies, put up booths about Technology, Biology, Robotics et cetera. It is free for kids under 14, so the students who went there didn't have to pay. There were other schools as well, high schools and primary schools (though only year 7s were there). There were booths about insects and reptiles, soil, plants, energy and biology. Students visited these booths and crammed their heads with knowledge, while having fun. People gave souvenirs after explaining about what their booths are about. All the year 7s of Glenelg Primary School enjoyed the experience. By the end of the day the year seven students had some idea of what universities do.



By Mariam  
School reporter

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## Diving achievement

Alexandria competed at the Pacific Junior Diving Championships in Wellington, New Zealand on the weekend. She won a silver medal in the girls U13 synchronised event. She also placed 5th overall in her individual events, making her the highest placed SA girl. A great effort considering she almost didn't attend, as she has been recovering from a dislocated knee and figure fracture sustained in April, and a whiplash injury only 3 weeks ago. Congratulations on your success Alexandria.



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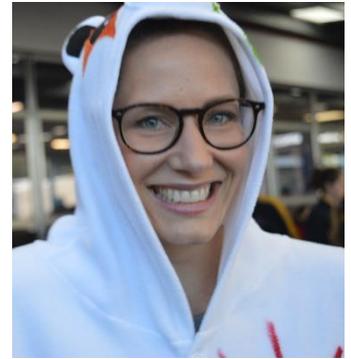
## Book week parade

On Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> of August the whole school gathered around on the COLA and formed a circle for the parade. Many students came dressed up as their favourite book characters.

The parade was started by an announcement from Mrs. Gale, the school librarian, and the library assistants introducing the parade and declaring the book awards. The receptions started going round the circle showing their excellent costumes with their teachers leading the way.

The Year 1s came next, followed by Year 2s and 3s up to Year 7s.

The parade ended with the teachers showing their interesting costumes. The parade went on well and everyone enjoyed it.



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## SSO Week

This week is SSO Appreciation Week. We would like to acknowledge the great work our School Services Officers do in every facet of the school. They are the bright and cheery team that welcome you to the school, which help you with finances, with medical issues and with information about the school. They provide programs for intervention for children, they provide support for specific learning needs, they maintain the school grounds and buildings, and they help to maintain a vibrant and interesting library. The school could not operate effectively without the huge support they provide to us as leaders and teachers in the school. We feel sure that you, as an appreciative school community, would join us in acknowledging the great work that they do.



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## NAPLAN results

There has been much media hype about NAPLAN results again this year. At this stage the results that are available are for schools that participated in the on-line testing. We are not doing that until 2020. Our results will not be out until the end of term.

Given this, the results of poor performance in writing have been acknowledged and followed by our staff and Governing Council. We analysed data from last year's NAPLAN and PAT testing before setting our Site Improvement Plan for this year. The three year plan is on the school website if you would like to look at it.

Last year we had about 35% of students in the upper bands of writing in year 3 but this dropped to just 1% in year 5 and then up slightly to 5% in year 7. These results prompted us to look at writing as the major focus for this year. The Governing Council supported this with a large input into the school budget for professional learning in writing. Teachers have all been involved in the Seven Steps program detailed on the front page. Our Pupil Free Day on the first day of next term, Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October, is further development of writing across the school.

We have also been involved in a writing assessment program called Brightpath. This program assists us to mark writing against the creative or authorial side and the formalities of writing. That is, marks are not just given for the spelling and punctuation. We used this program to scale writing in term 1 and again at the end of term 2. We wanted to gauge improvement, and in all classes there has been a significant jump in achievement. The program helps children to identify the next points that they need to focus on in their writing and to set personal learning goals for improvement.

We encourage you to come along to Showcase of Learning on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September and see what is happening across the school in writing. There are many outstanding writers in our school and every child is working hard to improve their writing.

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## Leadership term 4

We are pleased to announce that Anthony Fischer will be the Acting Principal for term 4 at Glenelg Primary. The substantive position of principal for a 5 year term will be advertised early in term 4 and a new principal to start in first term 2020 will be appointed. The Governing Council are working with the Education Director to outline the needs of the school and a member of the Council will be on the selection panel.

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## State football selection



*Brock travelled to Perth earlier this term to represent SA in the national Aussie Rules Football competition. The boys played in some very tough conditions and came home with a silver medal.*

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## Parents and Friends

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[www.facebook.com/GlenelgPandF](http://www.facebook.com/GlenelgPandF)

**The Fathers' Day** stall will be held tomorrow, **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August** this year. There will be a range of gifts to choose from and all items will be **\$3**. If you are a registered volunteer the P&F would love your help. Please let Audra know or leave your name and contact details in the front office.

We are also planning a **Quiz Night for Saturday 16th November**. Please try and keep this evening free and get together a table group to work together for a fun night and take home a prize!

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## Community News

We welcome you to Western Little Athletics Club  
(Formerly Henley Little Athletics Club)



*Welcome*  
TO OUR PRIDE

**COME AND TRY**  
*Little Athletics*

JOIN US ON **FRIDAY 13th SEP 2019 6pm-7:30pm**  
**FOR A COME AND TRY + REGO NIGHT**  
Henley Oval - Cnr White and Raymond Street Henley Beach

ATHLETICS INVOLVES THE FUNDAMENTALS OF ALL SPORTS: RUN, JUMP & THROW!

ANY NEW MEMBERS JOINING IN 2019 WILL RECEIVE:  
**FREE UNIFORM AND FREE TRAINING!**

SEASON STARTS FRIDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2019

 **FAMILY.FUN.FITNESS** Find Us: 

**MPNC Open Day**



**Morphettville Park Netball Club WANTS YOU!!**



**REGISTRATION DAY**  
Sunday 1st September 2019  
10am - 1pm  
17 Sandison Avenue, Park Holme  
U8, U9, U11, U13, U15, U17 & SENIORS  
Games played on weeknights @ Saucna Courts  
Anzac Highway (City End)  
Registrations can also be done online at  
[www.mpsroos.com.au/netball](http://www.mpsroos.com.au/netball) or contact  
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