

Government of South Australia Department for Education

Glenelg Primary School







February 19th 2020

Term 1 Number 3

Calendar Dates

Month: February

20th District Swimming trials

24th & 25th Yr 6 Aquatics

26th & 27th School Photos

27th & 28th Yr 5 Surf Safety

Month: March

4th & 5th Yr 4 Surf Safety

6th Pupil Free Day

9th Adelaide Cup Day

12th & 13th Yr 3 Surf Safety

16th AGM

16th Room 9 Zoo Snooze

11th Room 10 Zoo Snooze

Month: April

8th - school discos (TBC)

9th End of term 1 2.30pm dismissal

10th Good Friday

Tips for Delivering Feedback to Your Child

Part of being involved in your child's academic life is knowing how they are performing in school. That's why it's important to have ongoing conversations with your child about what they are learning, what parts they are enjoying most and if anything is proving to be too difficult. But they're not the only one you should discuss their performance with. It's also important to touch base with your child's educator to make sure they are actively engaging in class and performing well academically. **Delivering Feedback**

Once you receive feedback from your child's educator or find areas for improvement, try to talk to your child as soon as possible. Giving feedback can be a bit difficult because you don't want your child to feel like you're putting them down, nor do you want to risk them losing their drive to excel in school. Consider these tips to engage in a productive conversation with your child:

Allocate time at home: For finding the best time to talk to your child, plan on waiting until you are home and have your child's undivided attention. You want to make sure that what you have to say is heard and well received.

Start with the positives: When you first sit down with your child, focus on positive qualities or skills your child has displayed. Have a casual conversation before shifting gears into talking about school. Make sure your child feels like they are being respected first before addressing areas of improvement.

Provide examples: Use concrete examples so your child understands what you are describing. Be mindful not to compare your child's actions to those of others. This can increase an unwarranted level of competition and potentially discourage your child from improving.

Be sensitive to your child's needs: Make sure your conversation is a dialogue. Throughout the conversation, ask your child what they think and if they can explain anything differently from their perspective. Ultimately you want to create a progressive conversation, so allowing your child to communicate back to you is essential.

Set goals: Take time at the end of your conversation to create a roadmap for growth. If your child needs to work on multiplication for example, set weekly goals to practice the times tables to increase speed. Little

milestones are much more understandable for your child and will make improving on the specific points of feedback easier.

Schedule an appointment with your child and educator: Sometimes children can have a difficult time receiving feedback from their parents. In that case, seek the advice of a professional, like their educator. To increase your credibility and show that you care about your child's success, find time for your child to be a part of the meeting to ensure they receive constructive feedback straight from the source.

Check back in with your child: As your child works on implementing the feedback, be sure to maintain an open dialogue and monitor their level of improvement. If you have any concerns that specific goals aren't being reached on schedule, consider scheduling another appointment with your child's educator to get their advice.

The ability to accept criticism gracefully is a part of growing up. While it may be difficult for them to initially process feedback, make it known that you are there for them and willing to help in any way. Show your child that they have support in the home and the potential to succeed. (Article taken from the National Education Association website).

On Friday 6th, on the Pupil Free Day, staff will be involved with other Partnership schools working how to give effective feedback to students to move them forward in their learning.

Kind regards, Anthony, Malcolm, Corey, Bobbie and Paul

GPS Communication Policy

Our new Communication Policy can now be found on our website, in 'Policies' in the drop down 'For Parents' menu. Below is the Rationale and Purpose for this policy. You can find more information on staff and parent expectations in the full document on line.

RATIONALE

Glenelg Primary School is committed to open, honest and timely communication in a respectful and constructive way. We believe that this will strengthen relationships, build positive partnerships and enhance the wellbeing and learning opportunities for our students.

PURPOSE

The aim of this policy is to:

1. Establish clear expectations for staff and parents in the use of electronic methods of communication. This includes email, See-saw, Facebook, Sentral and so on.

2. Acknowledge the potential benefits of open and easily accessed communication via electronic methods, and to also understand the possible short comings.

3. Clearly articulate the school's commitment to the positive use of electronic communication.

4. Implement a policy which ensures a safe workplace for staff and supports them to effectively balance their work and home life.

2020 Year 7 Senior Student Leaders

Congratulations to our ten new Senior Student Leaders for 2020. These students were voted in by their peers as the most suitable for this highly regarded Leadership role. We know they will be fantastic leaders and wonderful ambassadors for the whole student body at GPS.



Jett W, Jacob K, Mia E, Erin Y, Mitch D, Isaiah Z-W, Amrita S, Chloe A, Georgia J, Levi S

Year 7s at High School in 2022

As many of you may have heard, Year 7s will be at High Schools in South Australia from 2022. This means that 2021 will be the last year we have Year 7s in Primary Schools, including Glenelg PS. At the end of 2021, Year 7s will graduate and go to High School as Year 8s in 2022, and Year 6s will also graduate and go to High School as Year 7s in 2022. This will receive careful attention from Leadership at GPS during 2020. We will certainly keep the school community informed as plans progress during the year. For more information from the Department for Education, which is constantly being updated, please click on the link below.

https://www.education.sa.gov.au/sites-and-facilities/year-7-high-school/year-7-high-school-information-parents

Casual Day from Friday 7th February

Thank you so much to all the children who took part in the Casual Day on Friday of week 2. The gold coin donations raised a fantastic total of \$1046 which was immediately donated to the RSPCA to assist their great work helping animals caught up in the recent Kangaroo Island bushfires.



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Sports Day 2020



Sports Day will be held in Term 3 on Tuesday 22nd September.

Pastoral Care Worker

Hi everyone and welcome back to a new school year. A special welcome to the new Receptions and other new students and their families to our school community.

My name is Alison and I am the Pastoral Care Worker at GPS. My role at the school is to offer social and emotional support to our students' well-being and their families. This can be running lunchtime activities, a listening ear, and working one on one with a student. I am also here for families who maybe going through rough times, emergency help and referral to support services. Brochures of my role are held in the front office if further information is needed.



My work days are Mondays and Wednesday and I can be contacted at school, by phone to the front office 8295 3943 or email me Alison.Reidy981@schools.sa.edu.au

Canteen

TERM 1 MENU: This is available on the school website or you can collect one from the Canteen or Office. We are making more of our menu items on site and also changing some of our suppliers. This means things may be a little different to what you are used to but still very tasty!

QKR: If ordering on QKR, please ensure you have the correct room number, select the correct day and complete payment. We have filled over 32000 QKR orders since its introduction at Glenelg and if the steps are followed correctly, it all works very well.

VOLUNTEERS: If you are interested in volunteering please call in to the Canteen for a chat. Any amount of time you can spare is appreciated. An hour or two here or there can make a difference.

If you have any questions about the menu, products, processes, QKR, or anything at all, please contact the Canteen directly (rather than the Office or a Teacher).

Thank you Caroline Coulter- Canteen Manager 8295 3746

2020 School photos (reprint from last newsletter - no new/extra information)

The school photos for 2020 will be taken on Wednesday 26th February and Thursday 27th February. There will be sibling photos on both days. Year 5s have Surf Safety on Thursday 27th February, so any sibling photos involving a Year 5 student will need to be taken on Wednesday 26th Feb. Please also see the next item below for information from the photo company. Barring any late changes, the schedule for the two days are (approximately):-

Wednesday 26 th February					
Time	Rm	Yr	Teacher		
9.00am	3	5	J. Rose		
9.15am	4	5	A. Mansell		
9.30am	17	5	K. Jenkins		
9.45am	11	2/3	K. Rivett		
10.00am	16	4/5	S. Bice/E. Lindegreen		
10.15am	14	6	N. Papageorgiou		
10.30am	12	2	L. Braithwaite/T. Robinson		
10.45am	22	R	A. O'Reilly/E. Tamm		
11.30am	29	1	S. Duck/S. Mezzini		
11.45am	27	1	K. Harper/L. Searle		
12.00pm	26	1	L. Baldwin		
12.15pm	6	7	R. Dillon		
12.30pm	19	3	N. Introna		
12.45pm	15	5/6	J. Veroude 15A 5/6 R. Eden/ M. Booth		
1.05pm Siblings					

Thursday 27th February

Time	Rm	Yr	<u>Teacher</u>			
9.00am	18	3	U. Pandey/J. O'Neill			
9.15am	23	R	J. Surplice			
9.30am	28	1	C. Bradley			
9.45am	25	R	S. Jamieson/E. Tamm			
10.00am	24	R	J. Eastham			
10.15am	7	6/7	J. Hughson			
10.30am	2	3	R. Milne			
10.45am	9	2	J. Henty-Smith			
11.30am	13	3	A. Schetter/S. Dunsford			
11.45am	20	4	M. Rose			
12.00pm	10	2	S. Delean			
12.15pm	5	7	C. Moir 5A 7 T. Gale			
12.45pm	8	4	N. Reed 8A 4 J. Miller			
1.05pm Siblings						

School photos - information from Advanced Life (the photo company)

Glenelg Primary School

School Photography Dates: 26/02/2020 and 27/02/2020

ONLINE ORDER CODE: MNK V8C 193

Online Order link:

https://www.advancedimage.com.au/keycode/keycodefinder.aspx?keycode=M NKV8C193

Dear Parents,

School photography day is coming up very soon. Group and portrait photographs can be purchased by following the link above or by using the envelope.

Important Information:

- School photos purchased online DO NOT require envelopes returned to school*
- Don't forget to order your sibling photos now
- Late fees/additional charges will be applied for purchases after photo days

- Photos will be returned to your school for distribution approximately six weeks after photos are taken
- Past years' photographs including sports, co-curricular and representative groups available at school's *advancedlife* & your *advancedyou* photo sites (follow the link above)
- Sibling photographs must be ordered either online or by order envelope prior to the day of photography. A photograph will not be taken without an order. Sibling photographs only apply to children enrolled at the school.

Advancedlife would like to express our appreciation to Glenelg Primary School for placing your trust in us. Please remember we offer a 100% money back guarantee on our products to ensure your peace of mind. We would also love to receive your feedback or resolve any issues you may experience as fast as possible, to ensure your satisfaction. If you have any questions, comments or feedback relating to your **advancedlife** experience please contact us at **enquiries@advancedlife.com.au**

School Concert

The School Concert this year will be held on Thursday December 3rd with the school closure day on Friday 4th December.

Governing Council and AGM

The Governing Council at Glenelg Primary School is a hard working group of parents and staff who work collaboratively to provide a quality learning environment for your children. Its members are responsive to any issues that arise and their role is to determine the views of our local community with regards to the educational needs of the school. The Governing Council advises the Principal of these views and needs. In 2020 we have 13 parent members from 2019 either continuing into their second year or intending to stand again. Meetings are for about 2 hours (7.00pm-9.00pm) twice a term on Mondays. We are now calling for nominations from members of the school community to stand for Council for a two year period. Nomination forms are available from the Office.

Nominations can be handed in at the Front Office which will then be passed to Anthony Fischer and are due by Thursday March 5th, 2020. There may need to be an election of people at the AGM on Monday March 16th, 2020.

Happy Haven - OSHC



Parents and Friends

Parentsand.Friends877@schools.sa.edu.au www.facebook.com/GlenelgPandF

Secondary School Open Days

Brighton Secondary School



Brighton Special Interest Music Information Evening for Years 6 & 7

Everything you need to know about auditioning for the Brighton's Special Interest Music Program

> Tuesday 24 March 2020, 6.30 to 7.30pm Brighton Secondary School Concert Hall

For all enquiries please call Pam Parsons 8375 8215 or email: pamela.parsons939@schools.sa.edu.au

Hamilton Secondary College

18 March 2020 Join us for our Open Day on **Wednesday, 18th March 2020**. View our \$2.5M Innovation Centre, Space School, and more. Plus, meet our students and staff.

For more information, please call 8275 8300

Seaview High School

25 Mar: OPEN DAY/NIGHT – TBC

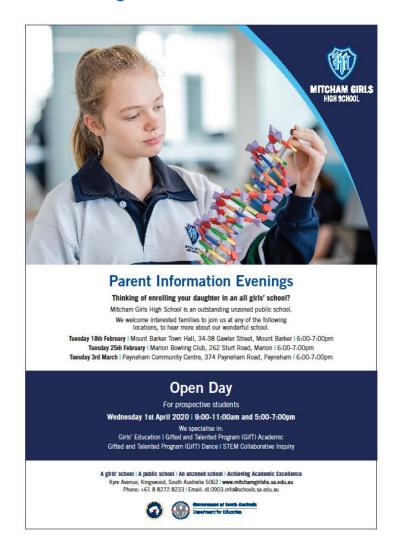
Plympton International College

Wednesday 25th March - OPEN DAY

Henley High School

Open Week 17-19 March, Sports Academy Presentation Thursday 19th

Details www.henleyhs.sa.edu.au



Community News



Want to experience fun, friendship and adventure?