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Term 4 Issue 2

Calendar Dates

October;

19th – 23rd – Book Week23rd – Year 6-7 Author
Visit26th – Chess State Finals28th – Junior Choir
Minifest Paringa Park
Primary

November;

3rd & 4th – Year 7
Production9th – 13th – PE Week

December;

3rd – Performing Arts
assembly4th – School closure day8th – Year 7 Graduation11th – Last day of Term 4
Early dismissal

Welcome Back to Term 4

In what seems like no time at all we are nearing the end of the school year with only 7 full weeks to go. Term 4 is traditionally a busy time involving a range of learning and celebration activities, rounding off of the years learning program and extensive preparations for 2021.

In these busy and exciting times, every effort is being made to continue as many of our student-focused activities as possible while ensuring we follow the COVID safe directions of our Department.

COVID-19 at GPS

Please understand that as a school we are trying to manoeuvre our arrangements as much as possible within our guidelines to support the students to experience as many school events as possible. We received the directions below just a few days ago:

As COVID-19 restrictions decrease across our state, it's important to remain vigilant and adhere to current restrictions for any end of year school events, concerts and celebrations, in line with COVID-19 event plans.

Anne Millard

Executive Director,

Partnerships, Schools and Preschools

We have needed to make modifications to some Term 4 school events, and we understand that some of this news may be distressing for parents but we believe it is important for these events to go ahead in a modified way rather than not happen at all.

Year 7 production – maximum of 2 audience guests per child – venue limit of 150. (Further details have been sent to families of Year 7s)

Year 7 graduation – only 1 audience guest per child – venue limit of 200. (Further details have been sent to families of Year 7s)

School concert – evening concert now cancelled. We will proceed with a large assembly for students only during school hours where each class will still perform for / watch each other. We will call it a Massaoke Assembly (Mass Karaoke Assembly).

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Writer Awards



Congratulations to Room 3 and Room 17 who did a joint writing piece on Organism Adaptations: Marine Iguanas. Both classes were acknowledged at the final Term 3 assembly and representatives from each class accepted the awards. The research that went into their writing was certainly in-depth. Reading both the articles was very interesting; although both were about the same topic, they also took a different approach. The vocabulary used was of high standard and really descriptive. Again, well done to both classes.

Shade over the playground

During the Term 3 holidays a shade structure was installed over most of the playground next to the Hall. Extra shade was originally suggested by two Reception classes (Rooms 22 and 23) towards the end of 2018. During 2019, Rae wrote a grant application and then our Federal Member for Boothby, Nicolle Flint, awarded Glenelg PS a \$20,000 grant for this purpose. In 2020 the Governing Council saw fit to add \$20,000 of school money so that we could afford to shade most of that playground.





Senior Choir



Like many events in 2020, instead of the Senior Choir attending a concert at the Festival Theatre this year, staff have been creative in how to bring purpose to student learning. Senior Choir ended term 3 with 2 mini-showcase concerts for their peers, sharing how fun singing can be. This was a nice warm-up to the wonderful opportunity of attending the Glenelg GU Film House to sing along to a specially created 1-hour movie. The next day we visited Brighton Secondary School, joining 4 other local Primary schools to sing in the 'Choirs Connect 2020' concert. This occasion also showcased 2 Brighton Senior choirs, opening the eyes of the 200+ Primary students to possible singing opportunities in Secondary School.

Term 4 will now just involve the year 5 & 6 students (due to the year 7's having many other new commitments). The Senior Choir will be involved in the 'Massaoke Assembly', but above all we'll continue to appreciate the joy of singing in helping to keep us positive and strong.

😊 Jo Brus (Performing Arts teacher)



Car parking restrictions due to Sheffield Shield games

We received the following information from the Holdfast Council:-

The Glenelg Football/Cricket Oval is hosting 2 upcoming Sheffield Shield fixtures (details below). To facilitate this, the South Australian Cricket Association are using the northern area of the carpark for use for training and match days scheduled for the Sheffield Shield. See plans below.

The car park area outlined in the aerial photograph below within the red area and will cater for players vehicles from South Australia, interstate teams and match officials buses, hire cars, vans and Cricket Australia and SACA staff.

The dates of the matches and training times are in the table below and time of use would be from 8am to 8pm for the match days and 9.30am to 3.30pm on training days.

This car park area would be bunted off and security/car park attendant to this area would be provided by SACA for these days. This should not impede the school communities ability to park in the southern section of the car park as normal.

	DATES	Times
Match 1	Friday 30 October 2020	8.00am – 8.00pm
	Saturday 31 October 2020	8.00am – 8.00pm
	Sunday 1 November 2020	8.00am – 8.00pm
	Monday 2 November 2020	8.00am – 8.00pm
Match 2	Sunday 8 November 2020	8.00am – 8.00pm
	Monday 9 November 2020	8.00am – 8.00pm
	Tuesday 10 November 2020	8.00am – 8.00pm
	Wednesday 11 November 2020	8.00am – 8.00pm
	DATES	
Training	Thursday 29 October 2020	9.30am – 12.30pm (South Australia)
	Thursday 29 October 2020	12.30pm – 3.30pm (Queensland)
Training	Saturday 7 November 2020	9.30am – 12.30pm (South Australia)
	Saturday 7 November 2020	12.30pm – 3.30pm (New South Wales)



Pastoral Care Worker

Hi Everyone! As part of Book Week we collected books for a charity “**Books for Lesotho**” based in Adelaide at the Springbank Secondary College on Daws Road. This charity collects books for the African country Lesotho which is a poor country with many schools not having established libraries.

The idea for book week was to collect from our Glenelg PS families any unwanted books that they may have at home. Because of covid and families being restricted with entrance to the school it was decided this could not be done. Fortunately the Glenelg PS library, Seacliff PS library were having a review of their books and a staff member of GPS were able to supply over **1200** books. **FANTASTIC!!** 🙌🙌

Once the charity receives these books they are sorted and packed in boxes with tennis balls to reduce movement of the books in transit. The balls are then given to students afterwards to play with. The boxes of books are placed in shipping containers and sent by boat to Lesotho with a recent shipment containing 9114 books.

Thank you for the donated books and to the local **Holdfast Tennis Club** and **Somerton Park Tennis Club** for donations of tennis balls. A great community project from all those involved.



Thankyou

Alison

Uniform Shop News

Reminder to all Parents and Caregivers – due to COVID-19 restrictions the uniform shop will be set up outside the Eastern doors on Wednesday & Friday mornings from 8.25am to 9.15am.

The process may be a little different but I can get your child to try on clothes and then they will come out to show you or I can bring items out for you to check sizing. You can pay on the QKR app or go to the money window.

Year 7 shirts are available now for next year.

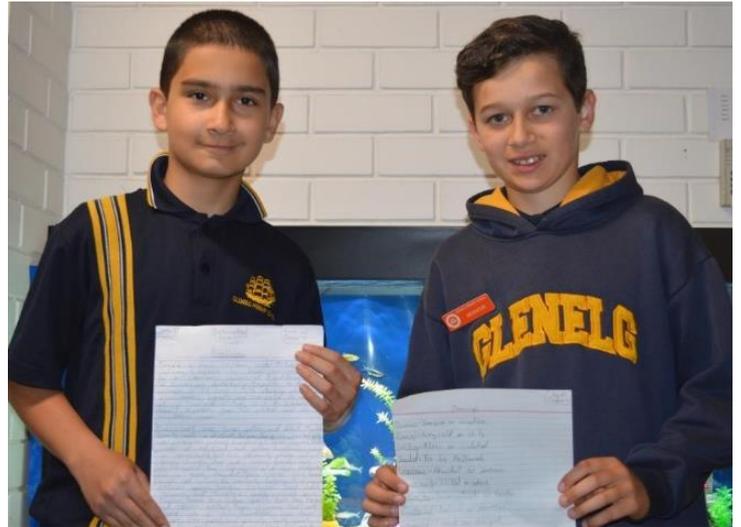
Please remember to label clothing especially jumpers, jackets and hats. The lost property cupboard is overflowing with unnamed items. Please get your child to check for any items that have been misplaced.

Thankyou

Deb

Special writing achievement

Vaadi and Cooper, both in Year 6, spent a great deal of effort writing, editing and re-writing an Information Report about bumblebees. They included some highly advanced words in their piece, and upon being quizzed about the vocabulary, Vaadi and Cooper were able to prove they knew the meanings of the words. Truly outstanding. The process took about four weeks and their full report is below.



Vaadi and Cooper's Information Report

BUMBLEBEES

Perceive a glacial, ice-storm aside Mt Everest. A solitary bumblebee has been continually trailed by a copious swarm of Giant Asian Hornets. The bumblebee dexterously expedites to the pinnacle of Mt Everest with ataraxia while the carcinogenic hornets are compelled to sojourn at a curtailed altitude, since the hornets can't manoeuvre over the altitude and the bumblebee can.

Bumblebees are large yellow and black flying insects with a distinct buzz. There is variation in coloration among bumblebees. Some species have bands of red, black and yellow. Bumblebees vary in appearance, but are generally plump and densely furry. They are larger, broader and stouter-bodied than honeybees, and their abdomen tip is more rounded. Many species have broad bands of colour, the patterns helping to distinguish different species. Whereas honeybees have short tongues and therefore mainly pollenate open flowers. Some bumblebee species have long tongues and collect nectar from flowers that are closed into a tube. Bumblebees have fewer strips (or none), and usually have part of the body covered in black fur, while honeybees have many stripes including several grey stripes on the abdomen.

Fertilized queens that survive the winter, select an underground nesting site in the spring and construct a nest in which the worker bees are raised. Queens lay eggs that hatch into larvae and develop through several stages before turning into a pupa. Male and female bees are produced later in the summer. To make a transparent, there are four major life stages: The egg stage, larval stage, pupal stage and adult stage.

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Did you know that the world's largest bumblebee is the 'Bombus Dalhbomii', which is located in South America? There are so many exotic and exquisite facts about bumblebees. Let us share some of them with you:

- Bumblebee eggs are shaped like frankfurts.
- A bumblebee flaps it's wings 200 times per second.
- Bumblebees won't die when they sting you.
- Bumblebees air condition their nests with their own wings.
- Hordes of male bumblebees congregate on hilltops.

As the sun begins to descend below the horizon, the colossal swarm of pernicious hornets excruciatingly capitulate on recklessly executing the lone bumblebee. They then begin to gently waft towards their vast nest, and as the hornets begin to evaporate from the bumblebee's vision, he begins his trek back to his disoriented, perturbed swarm.



GLOSSARY

PERCEIVE=IMAGINE OR VISUALIZE

GLACIAL=VERY COLD OR CHILLY

SOLITARY=ALONE OR ISOLATED

TRAILED=TO BE FOLLOWED

COPIOUS=ABUNDANT OR IMMENSE

DEXTEROUSLY=SKILLED OR ADROIT

EXPEDITES=TO ACCELERATE

CURTAILED=REDUCED OR DECREASED

COMPELLED=FORCED OR OBLIGED

CAPITULATE=GIVE UP

ABDOMEN=THE BELLY OF A VERTEBRATE

RECKLESSLY=WITHOUT CARE

CONGREGATE=GATHER IN A CROWD OR MASS

LONE=BY THEMSELVES

EXCRUCIATINGLY=IRRITATINGLY OR ANNOYING

ATARAXIA=WITH EASE

PERTURBED=WORRIED

DISORIENTED=CONFUSED

SOJOURN=STAY OR STOP

PINNACLE=THE CULMINATION

EXOTIC=ATTRACTIVE BECAUSE IT IS OUT OF ORDINARY

EXQUISITE=EXTREMELY BEAUTIFUL OR DELICATE

DISTINGUISH=RECOGNIZE OR POINT OUT A DIFFERENCE

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