Principal’s Message

Congratulations Ms Moskwia!
A special congratulations to Ms Moskwia for receiving the prestigious lifetime membership award from the NSW Teachers Federation. This award is given to federation members for their outstanding dedication and service to unionism within the NSW Teachers Federation and Department of Education and Communities.

Payments Required
Please pay for the following, if you have not already done so:
- Term 2 Sport Program $35
- Year 6 Camp $150 (payment plan available)
- Mathletics and Reading Eggs $15

Debating
Six students from years 3-6 accompanied Ms Eves to Annandale North Public School and participated in a debating workshop. The workshop gave students the opportunity to learn about all aspects of debating; including rebuttal, arguments & examples, definition and speakers roles, as well as, the chance to practise their skills by participating in a debate.

OC Placement Test
If your child is currently in Year 4 and you would like them to participate in the Opportunity Class Placement Test, to enable them to attend a year 5 Opportunity Class in 2015, you need to apply on line at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/opplacement before Friday the 16th of May 2014. Late applications are not accepted. If you do not have access to the internet or have any questions, please speak with Mrs Drury or Mr Lee.

Science from 6B
Year 6 has been working on a science unit about products. One aspect of this unit is discussing ways to reduce the amount of rubbish we use as individuals as well as a society. This week we have been discussing Tetra Paks as a way of storing liquids and the pros and cons of having such a product. We are still compiling our ideas and look forward to sharing these in the coming weeks.

Mothers’ Day Stall
This Friday, Year 6 will be having a Mothers’ Day Stall. There will a variety of gifts ranging from $1 - $5. Proceeds from the stall will go towards the Year 6 camp.

Science Club
Science club started on Tuesday afternoon and the students that attended had the opportunity to observe and draw marine flatworms, mosquito larvae and Cherry Shrimp as part of our learning about marine animals.

Term 1 Diary

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Birthdays
Abigail – 2E
Makayla – 1C
Ryan – KM
James – KM
Juliana - KM

The assembly this week will be hosted by 4/5L.
Does your child want to learn the VIOLIN at GPS?
Monday afternoon after school if enough numbers apply

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Please email:

enquiries@stringsaliveacademy.com

indicating:

- Child’s name
- Child’s age
- Class preference

Class Parent Reps:

The first meeting of the Class Parent reps was held last Friday. We now have a representative for each class. Our next meeting will be held on Friday 16 May, 9:30am in the Library. We will provide further information after that meeting.

P&C News

Trivia Night funds for school music program

At Tuesday’s P&C meeting we voted to provide funds to the school making it possible to extend the very successful music program for another term. Our donation of $7000, made possible by the excellent result at our Trivia Night, ensures the program continues until the end of 2014 at the very least. The P&C is very excited to provide this funding and support an important part of our children’s learning.

P&C Meeting

Thank you to those who attended Tuesday night’s P&C meeting. We had good discussions about grounds works in the school, staffing, what is happening this term, organisation within the school and this year’s Headstart program. We discussed the outcomes of our Trivia night in term 1. We also talked about plans to organise a cake stall during this term, to help fundraising for the Year 6 camp, and to organise a sausage sizzle for a winter solstice event at Glebe library on Friday 20th June.

We know that it is not possible for everyone to attend these meetings, but if you want to get involved or have any feedback feel free to approach any of our committee members at school, or email us on the address below.

Mothers’ Day Silent Auction

The P&C are auctioning off a most fabulous Mothers’ Day gift which will go to the highest bidder before Mothers’ Day. The prize is a photography package worth $800 with a photographer in Balmain, Milk & Honey. The package includes a free canvas or framed photo, for your family. More information is available in the office, where there is also a bidding sheet. If you would like to bid online then you can do so at

https://www.charityauctionorganizer.com/Az/aadb3014-f081-480c-bee1-3e02f07b70f/OnlineCatalog/Item/d2731af5-f0b3-4140-864d-c7cd42898e2f

Cheers

Anna Playford

President Glebe Public School P&C Association

committee@glebeschool.org.au
Parent tips

Kids, social media and privacy
Regardless of your child’s age, the world may already know a lot more about them than you suspect. According to recent research:

- 92% of children under the age of 2 have a digital shadow (- it starts with proud parents posting newborn baby photos on Facebook or Instagram)
- a quarter of Australian children 8 - 12 years old use Facebook, but the minimum age for a user is 13 years.
- more than 20 per cent of tweens publish photos of themselves on Instagram
- young people 14 - 19 have an average of 453 fans, friends or followers on social media.

2014 Privacy Awareness Week, 4 - 10 May 2014, is a good time to review your family’s privacy settings and discuss online security. You’ll find lots of practical information and resources to share with your kids at www.ipc.nsw.gov.au

Printable planners for homework and study
School A to Z has printable monthly planners which include school holidays and the numbered weeks of each Term (for example Monday 19 May is the start of Week 4, in Term 2). Print one for each child to stick on the fridge or on their noticeboards. It’s a great way to teach them how scheduling their time means they’ll to fit in the fun activities as well as their other commitments and responsibilities.

Is your child’s backpack damaging their spine?
A recent Australian study has shown that approximately 25% of school-aged children suffer from back and/or neck pain at any one time. It’s believed to be due to a combination of factors such as poor posture, everyday load carrying and the use of computers.

The Children’s Hospital at Westmead suggests young people should:

- not carry more than 10% of their body weight
- use a backpack with the straps over both shoulders and a waist strap
- load gear so that the heavier objects are nearer to the spine, with the lighter objects towards the front of the pack
- lift a backpack properly- bend at the knees and lift the pack with both hands

More tips at http://bit.ly/1iB4OB0

English refresher from School A to Z on Homonyms
Homonyms (also known as homographs) are words that are identical in pronunciation and spelling but have different meanings.
They can be nouns, adjectives or verbs. The context gives them their meaning.

Ask your child for an example, like this one:
I prefer a fine tip on my pen.
He gave me a tip for the Melbourne Cup.
Don’t tip the water on the floor.
You gave the waiter a generous tip.

Visit to Sydney University

On Wednesday the 7th of May, students from years 3 and 4 spent the day at Sydney University introducing students to the University of Sydney and giving them the opportunity to participate in hands-on activities. Glebe Public School students enjoyed: collaborative story making, learning the basics of CPR and practising life saving compressions on a mannequin, learning about mummification in Ancient Egypt and a bus tour of the university. Some reflections from the students follow.

Today on Wednesday the 7th of May, 2014 I went to Sydney University and it was a fantastic day because we did four fun activities. In the first activity we practiced CPR on mannequins. It was hard for me push down on the mannequins chest with my little hands. After all that heaving it, it was worth it and I got my first badge. It was dark blue on the background and in white writing it said: The Future is Mine” Jacob B

My favourite part of visiting Sydney University was pretending to mummify a student and learn about Ancient Egypt. It was the best part of the day because I got was the mummified student. I also went on a bus tour where I learnt that the university is so, so big! Emilia

My favourite part of Visiting Sydney University was the bus tour. The university is very big, much bigger than I thought. When Nina told us we could live at university I jumped. I thought university was going to be boring but it was very, very fun. Danna

My favourite part of visiting Sydney University was the badges. Badges are very good and lots of fun. I like badges very much. Andy

My favourite part of visiting Sydney University was when we went and saw the wonderful fantastic mummies and there were tiny baby animals that were very cute. The people had put a lot of effort into mummifying the animals. Wesley
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www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement

Check the website for more details about applying.

NSW Department of Education & Communities
High Performing Students Unit

Thinking of applying for opportunity class placement for Year 5 entry in 2015?
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**Rates:**
*Before School Care:* $14  
*After School Care:* $18

Discounts apply for eligible families! See Kim or Linda to find out how!
## Program May – June - July

### Monday

**MY TIME GROUP**  
10am – 12pm  
Call Tina on 9566 1285

**GLEBE KIDZ CLUB**  
3:30 - 5:30pm  
St Johns Community Centre  
corner of Derwent & St Johns Rd  
Parent-run after school activities for parents and children

### Tuesday

**PLAYGROUP**  
10am - 12pm  
A friendly playgroup for parents & children aged 0-5. Meet other parents while enjoying fun activities, craft, outings, morning tea, story time, music & movement.  
Contact 9566 1285

**MINI MUSIC**  
9:30 - 10:00am  
Music and movement for children and parents  
Contact Kate 9566 1285

**FAMILY WORKER**  
Mon-Wed  
A service for parents with children aged 0-8 yrs living in the Glebe area. Help with parenting, and family matters.  
Contact 9566 1761

### Wednesday

**FamiliesNSW**  
Supporting families to raise children

### Thursday

**Facepainting Workshop**  
Free for Parents  
28th May  
10am - 1pm

**NGARA NANGA MAI Aboriginal Playgroup**  
10am - 1pm  
It's a great place to yarn, there's time to play, share stories & enjoy lunch. Ngara Nanga Mai SDN welcomes Aboriginal children & their families to playgroup  
Contact 9566 1285

**Glebe NAIDOC**  
Family Day  
13th July!!
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