Principal’s Message

Thank you to our students, community and staff for a wonderful ANZAC commemoration assembly last Friday. We would like to extend a special thank you to our invited guests, Mr Rod Holtham, Ms Angela Valentine Flint, Mr Bill Sinclair, Mr Ian Cox and Mr Ted McKeown who attended the assembly.

Snap Shot Interviews

‘Snap shot’ teacher/parent interviews will take place during Week 5 (18th – 22nd May). These 15-minute interviews are designed to give parents and carers information into how their child/children are progressing. We will be using an online booking system and more information about this process, including booking procedures, will be sent home in the coming week.

Extracurricular Activities

We are in the final stages of organising extracurricular activities for this term and they will commence from the beginning of Week 4. Parents/caregivers will need to enrol their child/children by using the same online booking system as Term 1. More information about this process, including booking procedures, will be sent home next week.

Mothers’ Day

Students from class 5/6B are in the process of raising money for their end of year school camp. They would like to organise some Mother’s Day hampers and sell guessing competition tickets. So they can create these hampers, students would really appreciate any Mother’s Day items that you may be able to donate such as cooking books, vouchers or chocolates. Your help would be greatly appreciated and should you be able to assist with this request, you can drop your items at the school office. Thank you!
Mr Barthes – 5/6B

Note Reminders...

1. Term 2 Sport

Last term, all families received an orange note about the Glebe Public School Term 2 Sport Program. The cost of this program is $35 per student and it is expected that all families will pay for this program. Students who do not return a signed permission note AND payment will NOT be able to participate. This program is mandatory and covers the curriculum area of Physical Education.

2. Mathletics Payments

Thank you to the families who have returned the payment for the Mathletics program. If you still need to make the payment for this program, please do so as soon as possible. It is expected that all families will make payment for this program.

3. Zero Tolerance to Bullying and School Rules Contracts

Several students are yet to return the Zero Tolerance to Bullying and School Rules Contracts. Please return these contracts as soon as possible. Should you require a replacement note, please ask your child’s class teacher.

Cross Country notes – Years 3-6
Sydney University excursion – 4/5L and 5/6B
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The assembly this week will be hosted by 4/5L. Next week’s assembly will be hosted by 5/6B.

### April Birthdays
- Chloe – 1D
- Andrew – 1/2C
- Chloe – KR

### P and C News

**Are you interested in getting this newsletter electronically?**

Did you know that you can receive Glebe Matters in your very own inbox if you simply subscribe to our "friends of Glebe Public P&C" email list? Those who are interested, send your email address to the committee email address below, or give your details to someone on the committee in the school playground, and you too can receive an electronic version every Friday.

**P&C AGM**

A big thank you to all those who attended 2015’s P&C Annual General Meeting. We were fortunate enough to have multiple candidates for many roles; it is wonderful to see such enthusiasm and commitment to involvement in this school. After rigorous voting our positions for 2015 will be held by the following parents:

- **President** - Anna Playford
- **Vice Presidents** - Verity Firth and Lauren Whitehead
- **Secretary** - Ari Maniatis (with Rachel Low assisting)
- **Treasurer** - Alicia McQuilty

The committee wishes to thank Jo Lee for her work as Vice President over the last 18 months, and are pleased she will remain strongly involved in the P&C and particularly with the events subcommittee.

At this meeting Vicki Pogulis also addressed the parents, discussing the school plan for the next three years, as well as giving us a heads up on all the plans for the Term ahead.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 1st June, from 6:30pm in the Computer Lab, we hope to see you there.

**Cake Stall**

A further reminder that the events subcommittee are planning a cake stall for Saturday 16th May. This is a call out to get your baking on in readiness to supply goodies on the day, and also to think about whether you might have some time to help sell cakes etc outside Cincotta chemist that day. If baking isn’t your thing but you’d like to contribute somehow, we will also be holding a guessing competition on the day and any gourmet food items would be much appreciated for the prize basket - these can be given to Deb or handed to the office. Thanks in advance.

Cheers
Anna Playford
President Glebe Public School P&C

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**Have a Great Week!**

Vicki Pogulis
Principal
Parent tips

Managing depression

One in four kids over 12 has symptoms of depression. Would you know what to look for and how to help? Don't be afraid, ask your child how they are feeling and keep communicating with them.


Financial literacy

Does your child need help with business and economics? Here's info on credit cards, how to be responsible spenders and savers, and make consumer choices.


Application for opportunity class placement in Year 5 in 2016

If your child is seeking Year 5 opportunity class placement in 2016 you must submit the application online between Monday 27 April 2015 and 15 May 2015.

The application website is at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ooplacement

Spellcheck

Is your child learning to spell? Struggling with the weekly spelling lists? Here are a few strategies that will help:


Homework planner

Kids and families run more smoothly when there's a plan - so print out our 2015 homework and study calendar, which includes key dates and school holidays.


Help with ratios

Homework is full of tricky maths questions. Brush up on some of the maths terms your child uses in the classroom. This glossary gives straightforward explanations and illustrated examples.

Finding it difficult to cope but don’t know where to turn?

Call the South Eastern and Northern Sydney Family Referral Service on 1800 066 757.

- We can help you find useful services in your local area
- You can speak to us by telephone, you can visit our offices, we can meet you in your home or somewhere convenient for you
- We link young people, children and families to culturally sensitive services wherever possible
- We provide free interpreters

We can link you with services to help with:
- Domestic violence
- Migrant and Settlement
- Financial assistance
- Counselling and mediation
- Child and Parenting programs
- Youth support
- Housing and accommodation
- Mental health support and any other services you may need

For more information contact us on:
Phone: 1800 066 757
Email: sensfamilyreferral@barnardos.org.au
Special Religious Education (SRE) is education in the beliefs and practices of an approved religious persuasion. Special Education in Ethics (SEE) is a program in ethical decision making, action and reflection within a secular framework, based on a branch of philosophy.

Background
Section 32 of the Education Act 1990 requires that 'in every government school, time is to be allowed for the religious education of children of any religious persuasion.'

The Education Amendment (Ethics Classes Rerana) Bill 2011 gives parents/caregivers who have withdrawn their child from special religious education in writing, the option of SEE.

Responsibilities
Principals
Principals must allow time for SRE/SEE where representatives of approved providers are available. On average, not less than 30 minutes and not more than one hour per week should be allocated. The lesson period should be consistent with the age and attention span of the students.

Parents/caregivers have the right to general information about how SRE/SEE will be organised each year and which organisations will deliver it. This general information can be provided to the school community in a number of ways. Parents/caregivers can receive general information about SRE, for example, via the school website, during parent meetings, in school newsletters and at enrolment.

Principals should use the information provided in the enrolment form to set up classes. If a religious persuasion is written on the enrolment form and available at the school, then the student will be placed in that SRE program.

If 'no religion' is written, students participate in meaningful activities. Where there is no nominated persuasion or the persuasion is unavailable, then the principal is to send a preference letter to parents/caregivers, outlining the options available for SRE including the option to withdraw.

The Principal is to send a preference letter to all students in Kindergarten, and Year 7, as well as all subsequent new enrolments in the 2015 school year.

Parents/caregivers may at any time notify the school in writing that they wish to withdraw their child from SRE. Parents/caregivers are to then be advised of specific information about options, including SEE if established in the school.

Principals will support SRE/SEE by ensuring that no academic instruction or formal school activities occur during the time set aside for SRE/SEE.

Students not attending SRE or SEE should be in a separate space from these classes and be provided with meaningful activities such as reading, private study or completing homework.

SRE/SEE Providers
SRE/SEE is delivered by providers that have the approval of the Minister for Education for that purpose. A list of approved providers and sample letters are available at:

Only persons authorised by approved providers teach SRE/SEE.

A provider must ensure that all personnel have had a Working with Children Check or signed a Working with Children Check Declaration.

Providers must publish age-appropriate curriculum on their website.

Contact Information
Special Religious Education and Special Education in Ethics Officer
T 9244 5484
E SREcontact@det.nsw.edu.au or SEEcontact@det.nsw.edu.au
Early Learning and Primary Education
Level 3, 1 Oxford Street
Darlinghurst NSW 2010

PUBLIC SCHOOLS NSW – EARLY LEARNING AND PRIMARY EDUCATION
WWW.SCHOOLS.NSW.EDU.AU
The Glebe Society has received funding from the Anzac Centenary Program and will hold an exhibition in Glebe Town Hall from October 5th – 25th

Sacrifice, Struggle and Sorrow

Glebe’s Great War 1914 –1918

The exhibition will examine the impact of the First World War and its immediate aftermath on the Glebe community.

- Do you have memorabilia from the First World War that could be lent to the exhibition – souvenirs, diaries, photographs, letters, items of clothing, medals or badges – which recall that time, and the impact of the War on Glebe, or on your family?
- Would you like to volunteer to help with the project, including giving your time during the exhibition?

Community participation is an essential feature of this exhibition

We would love to hear from you!

Send your contact details, including your phone number, to: planning@glebesociety.org.au

or write to The Glebe Society, PO Box 100, Glebe 2037 and we’ll be in touch!
Ode to Private George Maltby
By Debrah Lombe

No cross to mark your grave,
No medal for your toil,
Just a name that someone chiseled
On a wall in foreign soil.

Did a spirit of adventure, land you in these wars?
Did the loss of a dear brother, haunt you to these shores?

There’s a listing of the fallen
In the country you called home
And a schoolboy penny memorial
Marks the roll – for boys who fought across the foam.

As the battle raged around you,
In the snow and ice and mud
The 17th battalion
Paid for land with Anzac blood.

For like so many Aussie Anzacs
The record simply shows-
“Reinforcements joined the battalion”
badly bruised by battle blows

We know your tour of duty ended
With a single random shot,
In a shell hole you defended ..a mate bore witness to the spot.

So now I’m here to tell you,
That it all turned out OK.
The wretched war was ended,
And the world went on its way.

And Australians all are grateful
for the sacrifice our diggers made,
It forged us as a nation,
We salute the part you played.

So who were you Private Maltby?
for you were just a lad-
much loved son of Susannah,
...a fisherman was your Dad-
a brother to Frank and Leonard,
to Jessie and Aida too,
We hear you labored as a farmhand
when your school boy days were through.

And as a family descendent
I am really proud to say
There’s an Anzac in my history
It’s why I’m here today.
And to honour your true service
I bring this Aussie sand,
From Frances Street, to Amiens,
We stand on Aussie land...
Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of our fundraising efforts this year, Glebe Public School’s P&C Association will be holding a Cake Stall outside Cincotta Chemist on Saturday, 16th May (Week 4, Term 2) from 9am.

To contribute to this fundraiser,

- Please bring contributions to the canteen on Friday, 15th or to us on the day,
  - Anything goes – cute cupcakes, healthy slices, naughty nut free treats, bountiful brownies, crazy cake pops, terrific truffles and more!
  - Cake boxes will be available at lines in the days leading up to the stall, and make for easy transportation of your baked goods on the day.
  - For those baking, it is useful to include a list of your ingredients.

- If you’re not a keen baker, we will also be running a ‘Gourmet Food Hamper Guessing Competition’.
  - Contributions of fancy olive oil, gourmet jams, biscuits and other delicious products are all welcome.
  - Please bring them to the school office prior or the canteen on Friday.
  - Tickets will be on sale closer to the day, and drawn in Assembly the following Friday.

Funds raised from this activity will go towards P&C projects for 2015, which include: continued funding of the school music program, the long-term goal of upgrading our school playground equipment, and ensuring that we can continue to offer valuable opportunities to our school community, such as family morning teas and other social events.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact

Glebe P&C Vice President, Jo Lee:
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Jayden_gps@hotmail.com

Kind regards
Glebe Public School - P&C Association