Dear Parents,

Welcome back to term 2. It will be an exciting term as there is a lot planned for this term already. We have a number of tests including NAPLAN and the majority of the ICAS tests. Public speaking is also on the agenda with a round to be held at Bowral Public School later in the term. The annual athletics carnival is also occurring in the middle of this term. The students performing at the Opera House have various rehearsals and of course the performance at the end of this term. All students will be involved in 4 African drumming workshops in the middle of the term. The new school canteen will continue on a weekly basis after such a successful start last term. Bowral High School is also hosting a taster day for all year 5 and 6 students towards the end of the term. The school assemblies will be held in week 5 and 9 this term. School reports will be sent home week 8. Sport will continue on Friday afternoon with Mr Payne continuing with his coaching services. Then of course there is the day to day teaching and with the theme being Botswana this term there will be some exciting learning opportunities for the students.

All installations were completed successfully over the holidays. The roof on the administration building has been guaranteed not to leak, so that is promising. The marine carpet has been laid leading into the infants classroom and it certainly will not be as slippery in the wet. The safety fencing around the administration building should be removed this week.

Kind regards

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Principal
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Student of the Week

Miss Smith and I are introducing a student of the week prize each week from now on. The prize will include a photo in the newsletter, a student of the week certificate and free canteen for the next canteen. My student of the week for week 1 is Abby Palmer. Congratulations Abby!

Abby gets this award because of her positive attitude to all aspects of school and her willingness to keep the school as tidy as possible.

Abby Palmer

Student of the Week
Premiers Reading Challenge
The Premiers Reading Challenge has now started for those students that were interested in participating. All participating students need to go to the Premiers Reading Challenge website and then logon using their school username and password. Once logged in students can follow the instructions to complete the challenge. It runs until the 22/8/14 so students have plenty of time to upload the books they have read onto the online student reading record. The school will also try to ensure students are reading books they want to read, but please use all other available resources to guarantee your book supply. Once the challenge is finished I will verify all students submissions. The school as a whole will also be doing activities at certain times based on the challenge. If anyone would like more information about the Premiers Reading Challenge then please contact the school.

ANZAC Day March and Remembrance Service
Glenquarry Public School was proudly represented by Samuel and Tristen Beattie at the Anzac Day march and ceremony at Bowral. Both students displayed exceptional behaviour as they showed their respect for service people, past and present. Instead of a wreath, Tristen presented an Anzac Day storybook on behalf of our school. This book will form part of a collection of books which are donated to different schools within our area. The march and ceremony was an excellent and moving experience for all generations.

Opera House Recorder Concert
The Festival of Instrumental Music Recorder Concert will take place on Thursday 28th June at 7.00pm at the Sydney Opera House. The Year 3-6 students who are taking part in the performance are required to attend a rehearsal at the Opera House on the day of the concert. They will travel to Sydney on the train with supervising staff and remain under the supervision of teachers for the entire day, until the end of the concert at 9.30pm. Parents will then be required to transport their own children home from Sydney at the conclusion of the concert. A detailed note outlining the days organisation will be forwarded home in the coming weeks. Please note that only children in Years 3-6 will be attending the Opera House during the day. Children in Years K-2 will attend school as normal.

Bookclub orders are due back at school by Thursday 15th May