



Glenquarry Public School Newsletter A NSW Public School

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Upcoming Events

Term 4:

2 Nov	P&C Meeting
5 Nov	Assembly
10 Nov	G&T Workshop @ Bowral
13 Nov	Cricket Gala Day
16 Nov	Swimming commences

Welcome back to Term 4, traditionally a very busy yet rewarding time of the school year. We have many of our usual events planned for the term so please check your term calendars or the school website for important dates.

This week has seen the beginning of construction works for our new classroom under the Federal Government's BER program. Scaffolds have been erected and the site locked to ensure the safety of our students during any works that are being carried out. At this stage we are well on track for the classroom to be erected and ready for use at the beginning of Term 1, 2010.

By today all students across the school will have begun their pottery lessons this term with Mrs Gotlieb. Our long term goal is to create an installation that will beautify the new vegie garden.

Speaking of the vegie garden, our crop has exploded in recent weeks and we now have plenty of salad for the lunch wraps that are being organised each fortnight by Kerry Graham. We will also need to organise some cooking lessons to utilise our abundant crop.

Also in regard to pottery, I have had a request from Mrs Gotlieb for the children to bring in some materials for their work this term. Could you please send in any old towels or sheets that you may have so that these can be used to wrap the children's work each week. As you can imagine these will not be returned and will be kept for future pottery activities.

This week I have also received application forms from the Selective Schools Unit for parents who wish to seek placement in a Selective High School in 2011. If

your child is currently in Year 5 and you would like to apply for entry into one of these High Schools please contact me at school for an application form. Attendance at one of these schools would require travelling to either Wollongong or Campbelltown.

This week we will also be beginning lessons with all students K-6, from the Child Protection curriculum. Subjects covered this term will relate to relationship building with a focus on bullying and trust. These lessons are a mandatory part of the curriculum but if you would prefer your child not participate in them please contact the school by tomorrow so that alternate arrangements can be made during this time. Please also feel free to contact your child's teacher if you have any further questions.



Finally this week I'd like to mention the wonderful time that the 3-6 students had at their camp last week at Killalea State Park. Camp is often a special time where children can get to know each other a bit better and forge new friendships and this camp was no exception. We were fortunate to share the camp with a great group of children from Kangaloon Public School and all the children were a credit to their respective schools. Over the next week we will be publishing some reports of our time at the camp on the school's website, so please keep an eye out to find out what a wonderful time the children had. I think you can see by the photos in today's newsletter what an industrious and fun time was had by all.



I'd also like to send out a huge thank you to our two parent helpers who attended the camp at Killalea. Your contribution and efforts in making sure the children were well fed and looked after really made a huge difference with such a busy and hectic schedule each day. Thank you Kerry and Rowena.

Yours in learning,

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School Swimming Scheme

Our school's annual learn to swim program will take place from **Monday 16 November to Friday 27 November**. Lessons will take place at Bowral pool from 1.00pm to 1.45pm each day. Students will travel to the pool by bus. All children in Years K-6 will take part. Please return the attached permission note, with payment, to school by **Wednesday 11 November**.

P&C News

The next P&C meeting will be on **Monday 2nd November** at 7.30pm in the school library. Everyone welcome.

The Year 5 parents are current planning the Year 6 Farewell dinner to be held on **Friday 11 December** at Glenquarry Hall. There will be presentations to the Year 6 students and dinner provided by Maugers Meats. Cost is yet to be finalised. To assist with planning and catering, please complete the Expression of Interest attached to this newsletter if you intend to come to the farewell. Everyone is



Birthday Corner

Happy Birthday to the following students celebrating their birthdays in October:

Mikayla who celebrates her 7th birthday

and

Tully who turns 11

welcome.

Book Club

A reminder that October bookclub orders are due back at school **TOMORROW (FRIDAY 30TH)**



Community News

Mittagong Swim Club

Mittagong Swim Club meets at the beautiful Mittagong Swimming Pool on Friday nights from 6pm, commencing 23rd October. Cost is \$25 per swimmer or \$70 per family. For more information contact Steve on 0402 029 336

Sustainable Living Festival

Penrose Public School are holding their Sustainable Living Festival on **Sunday 1st November** from 9am - 4pm. Lots of interesting guest speakers, demonstrations, stalls and activities. There is also a tour of sustainable homes in Penrose. For more information visit www.sustainablelivingfestival.info

SHYAC Auditions

Auditions for the next SHYAC musical production, "Big" will be held on **Saturday 31st October** from 11am - 4pm. Auditions will take place at the Uniting Church Hall, Bendooley St, Bowral. There is a \$15 audition fee or \$10 for SHYAC members. You can join SHYAC free of charge for the remainder of 2009. For more information visit www.shyac.org.au

Mittagong Preschool Twilight Market

Mittagong Preschool (cnr Oxford St and Waverley Pde) is holding a Twilight Market on **Thursday 5th November** from 7pm. There will be lots of interesting stalls brimming with clever and creative ideas for Christmas, as well as lucky door prizes and wine and nibbles on arrival. 10% of all sales go to the preschool.

Blue Light Disco

The next Blue Light Disco will be held on **Saturday 31st October** at Mittagong RSL. Special guest will be David Jones Roberts who plays Xavier Austin in Home and Away

Moss Vale Swimming Club

Moss Vale Amateur Swim Club is a non-profit volunteer group with the aim of promoting swimming as a fun, healthy activity for youth in the area. Swim Club nights are held each Friday commencing at 6pm with the first meeting of the season on **Friday 20th November**, and the season concluding on 20th March. For more information contact Matt on 4868 2658.