

GLEBE MATTERS

Principal's Address

Dear Glebe Community,

It has been wonderful to spend time with our students on the playground this week and to catch up with them to hear about the learning that is taking place in their classroom. Something that always impresses me about our students is their ability to articulate what they are learning, why that learning is important, and how it connects to the world around them. I am looking forward to catching up with more students next week.

Communication from the School

If you are aware of another parent or carer who is not receiving email communication from the school i.e. Glebe Matters, please ask them to contact the school office via phone or email so that we can either add or update their email details. It is vital that we have up to date contact details for all families.

COVID 19

I acknowledge the stress, frustration and angst that the COVID 19 pandemic is having on us all, and I thank you for your patience during the school closure on Wednesday due to the positive case of COVID 19 in our school community.

Please know that during a confirmed case of COVID 19, and the subsequent requirements, we do everything we can to get information out as quickly as possible and are very aware of the angst of not knowing what is happening next can cause. However, we are required to follow the directives from The Department of Education and NSW Health. This includes the time that we are allowed to send and the content of any communication; this can be a lengthy process at times. Please also note that due to confidentiality, we are unable to provide details of the identity of any confirmed cases.

I stress the importance of the following during this time:

- If your child is unwell, even with the mildest of cold/flu-like symptoms, they must remain at home and get a COVID test, even as a precautionary measure.
- If anyone in your household returns a positive test, you inform the school. This information will remain confidential.
- When dropping off or picking up your child, do not stop and chat to other parents. In addition to this, please maintain physical distancing.
- Should your child arrive late, we ask that you watch them enter the office building from the gate from which you drop them off.
- If you need to deliver recess or lunch for your child, although it is preferred that they come to school with it already in their bag, that you call through to the office and a member of staff will come and meet you.
- Should you need to purchase uniforms, please email your request and it will be made up and given to your child.

Have a safe and restful weekend

Bryce Walker
Principal



P&C Christmas Drinks!
Forest Lodge Hotel,
Thursday 9 December
7 PM. RSVP to
verity.firth@gmail.com

Next P&C Meeting

OUR NEXT P&C MEETING

- Our next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 29th November at 6.30 pm. It will be a Zoom call. A link will be provided closer to the date. We hope to see you there!

Want to help?

Whether you have a special skill (eg remote event organising) or just general enthusiasm, your involvement is welcome.

In particular, **we are looking for people to fill the positions of second Vice President and Treasurer as these positions are currently temporarily held.** We are also looking for people to help with gardening, landscaping etc, please email committee@glebeschool.org.au to offer help, share ideas or ask questions about this or anything else

Parent/Carer Survey 2022

If you have not already done so, please complete the 2021 Parent and Carer survey. The data and information collected from these surveys provides valuable information and is used to identify areas of strength and those that may require additional focus. As in previous years, the data obtained from the parent/carers survey is closely reviewed by the school leadership team and helps to clarify and strengthen the important relationship between parents and school.

To complete the 2021 parent/carers survey, please click [here](#). No user name or password are required. The survey will close on Friday 19 November. Should you have any questions, please speak to Mr Walker or Miss Potter (Deputy Principal, Instructional Leader).

closes TODAY!

PBL

Week 8 Focus:

Hat On, Play On

PBL Update:

Next week please discuss with your child what “Hat On, Play On” looks like in different areas of the school. Wearing a hat protects us from the sun. Wearing a sun-protective hat is an effective strategy for reducing ultraviolet radiation to the face, head and neck. Perhaps you could talk about where it is appropriate to wear a hat in the home environment too.

The PBL Leadership Team has been meeting regularly to continue working on our PBL direction for the lead up to the end of the school year. Our weekly focus will be displayed at our lines area and is explicitly taught during class time.

What happens if I forget my hat?

Play under the COLA if you do not have a hat.



Bring your hat to school each day.



Hat stays on your hat during play.



Wear your hat when you are outside.

Headstart

Next week our first group of Headstart students will be attending their program at Glebe Public School. This information aligns to the announcement on 2 November 2021 by the New South Wales Education Minister, that COVID-safe orientation visits can take place on school grounds. This is wonderful news for our students commencing Kindergarten in 2022! Each student will participate in a two-day orientation program. This program provides an opportunity for children to familiarise themselves with their new school and staff and help to form connections with their school community prior to starting school.

If you have children at home, or in your neighbourhood, who are starting school next year and are not enrolled, please contact our office, or jump online and complete the enrolment form, so they do not miss out on this important program. Unfortunately, any children who do not have a completed enrolment form will not be able to participate.

We are looking forward to meeting our new school community members next week!



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COME & EXPERIENCE

DRAGON BOATING

JAN. 12 - 13, 2022




IT'S FUN, IT'S FAST
ANYONE CAN DO IT
TRY SOMETHING NEW THIS SUMMER

WHEN & WHERE:
Wed 12th & Thurs 13th Jan. 2022
9:30am - 2:30pm both days.
5-7 Bank Street, Pyrmont


COST:
\$195 per child
Bring a friend & pay \$175 each.

Open to anyone 11 - 17 years of age.
All equipment provided!
BYO lunch, snacks, sun protection.
Bring a water bottle.



The program includes:
The history & culture of the sport
Fun instruction by Australian Team Coaches
Learn how to paddle and race as a team
Explore historic Blackwattle Bay
See the boats in traditional dress
Experience drumming a dragon boat
No experience necessary!

FIND OUT MORE



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VIRTUAL CELEBRATION

Presentation Assembly

MORE DETAILS TO COME...



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Friday, 10th Dec 2021

Calendar 2022



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Key dates

- Term start and end dates***
 - Term 1 (Eastern) – 28 Jan to 8 Apr 2022
 - Term 1 (Western) – 4 Feb to 8 Apr 2022
 - Term 2 – 26 Apr to 1 July 2022
 - Term 3 – 18 July to 23 Sept 2022
 - Term 4 – 10 Oct to 20 Dec 2022
- School development days**
 - Term 1 (Eastern) – 28 Jan and 31 Jan 2022
 - Term 1 (Western) – 4 Feb and 7 Feb 2022
 - Term 2, 3 and 4 – 26 April, 18 July and 20 Dec 2022
- School vacation dates 2022**
 - Summer (Eastern) – 20 Dec 2021 to 27 Jan 2022
 - Summer (Western) – 20 Dec 2021 to 3 Feb 2022
 - Autumn – 11 Apr to 22 Apr 2022
 - Winter – 4 July to 15 July 2022
 - Spring – 26 Sept to 7 Oct 2022
 - Summer (Eastern) – 21 Dec 2022 to 26 Jan 2023
 - Summer (Western) – 21 Dec 2022 to 2 Feb 2023
- Education Week**
 - 1-5 August 2022
- Exam dates**
 - Selective high school placement test – 10 Mar 2022
 - NAPLAN online test window – 10 to 20 May 2022
 - Opportunity class placement test – 28 July 2022
- Public holidays**



Scan me for practical school tips!

To help your child get the most out of their school year and to explore our resources, check out our back to school hub at education.nsw.gov.au/back-to-school

School zone speed limits apply on all school days, including school development days.



* Check with your school as starting and finishing dates may change.