

GLEBE MATTERS

Principal's Address

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy and productive week!

I want to thank you once again for your patience and understanding while we continue to manage COVID 19 in our community. I acknowledge the difficulties associated with being identified as a close contact, but I want to reiterate that we are here to assist and support in any way that we can and I encourage you to reach out if there is anything you need.

Headstart Transition to School Program

It was wonderful to have our Headstart (transition to school) program commence this week and to welcome our Kindergarten 2022 students and their families to our school. We are excited to welcome our second group next week. Although our 2021 transition program was a shorter version than in previous years due to COVID, providing our future students a positive start to school is vital and it was wonderful to see them learning about the school routines, meeting our staff, and making new friends. Thank you to Ms O'Keefe, Aunty Wendy and Anita for running and supporting the program.



School Leaders 2022 Speeches

It was an absolute privilege to attend the Student Leadership Speeches yesterday and I was incredibly proud of the high standard of the speeches and the confidence that our students displayed. Two of the things that really resonated for me was how our students took this process so seriously and clearly articulated how they would undertake the role of a school leader. After the presentations, I met with the candidates and congratulated them on the standard of their speeches and reiterated the message that regardless of whether or not they receive an official leadership position, they will be provided with opportunities to support the school in 2022. I am looking forward to working with the leaders and working together to further develop student voice at our school. Thank you to Miss Potter and Mr Wheatley for supporting our students through this process. The 2022 Student Leaders will be announced at the Presentation Assembly.

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.

Have a restful weekend and take care!

Bryce Walker
Principal
bryce.walker@det.nsw.edu.au

P&C Christmas Drinks!
Forest Lodge Hotel,
Tuesday 14 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



PBL

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

Week 9 Focus:

Toilets

PBL Update:

Next week please discuss with your child what behaviour in the "Toilets" looks like. Students will be discussing the appropriate time to toilet themselves – before school, at recess, lunchtime and after school, ensuring they are being in the right place, at the right time.

We will also discuss the expectation that they "wipe, flush, wash, leave".

At home you can discuss appropriate behaviours in the toilet, practise washing hands properly with soap and making sure the soap is washed off and hands are dry with a towel.



Be Safe: Be in the right place at the right time



Be Respectful: Use the appropriate toilet for you



Be a Learner: Wipe, flush, wash, leave

ATTENDANCE

What does the school do to encourage attendance:

- Glebe Public School creates a welcoming environment for all students to attend school and participate in learning.
- Positive relationships between students, staff and the school community is promoted. This supports a sense of belonging and engagement with learning and school activities.
- Student attendance is promoted and supported by all staff at Glebe. Attendance records are monitored; common barriers to attendance are addressed; improvements in attendance are recognised; and early interventions are actioned.



Glebe Public School
aims for a 95%
attendance rate

How can I help my school with their attendance goals?

- Bringing your children to school everyday
- Strive to be on time each day
- Teaching your child that being away is not negotiable - unless they are sick
- Let the school know why your child is absent or late
- Only be away for valid reasons
- Try to schedule appointments outside school hours

Headstart

This week our first group of Headstart students attended their program at Glebe Public School. Whilst it was a short program, we managed to pack an enormous amount of learning into it. Over the past two days the children have undertaken literacy and maths sessions. We discovered the school together, made new friends, met many new staff members, learnt new songs and most importantly they built their confidence to feel ready to make their next leap into their formal learning. It was an absolute pleasure getting to know each one of our new students and being able to spend time in their company. Each child has done their parents proud but most importantly they themselves should be proud of their behaviour and care of each other.

Please keep in mind that we will be holding a Q&A on Wednesday 8th December via zoom, where you can ask any questions you may have. Details are included in the student Graduation Pack received at Headstart.

If you have children at home, or in your neighbourhood, who are starting school next year and are not enrolled, please have their parents 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.

Our second group of students will be undertaking their Headstart program on the 1st and 2nd December, 2021. We cannot wait to meet them!



GLEBE P&C PARTY

TUES 14.12.21

All welcome!
Toxteth Hotel
7.00pm

Dinner and Drinks (or just drop by!)

For dinner please RSVP to

verity.firth@gmail.com

0419 140 261

By Fri 10/12

VIRTUAL CELEBRATION

Presentation Assembly

MORE DETAILS TO COME...



Save the Date
Friday, 10th Dec 2021

Sing • Act • Dance

Perform in a Show!



MUSEUM AFTER DARK

Summer Holiday Camps

We Give Kids Confidence

Ages 5 to 13 years



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Tuesday 4 to Friday 7 January
Marrickville Public School
Monday 17 to Friday 21 January
For full details and to BOOK online
www.kidsupfront.com.au

*We will comply with COVID restrictions

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DRAMA ACADEMY

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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.