



NEWSLETTER

Glenwood Public School



Week 9 Term 2

PBL Rule:

Be Respectful:

Sing the school song and National Anthem with pride

Week 9 Term 2

Smiling Mind Focus:

Strengths



Week 8 Term 2 Newsletter

Changes To School Report Template and Reporting Expectations

Information regarding Department of Education (DoE) changes to school reports was communicated with the community through School Bytes on Tuesday.

Reporting is a core responsibility of teachers and a key phase of the teaching and learning cycle. The reporting process is one avenue for teachers to reflect on individual and class achievement and can provide clarity on future directions.

The NSW Department of Education has developed a new format in response to feedback from parents and educators, making reports easier to read and understand. From Term Two, Glenwood Public School is introducing an updated school report template in line with the DoE's format. Teacher comments for Years 1 to 6 will appear in English, mathematics and the general comment section, in line with department policy. Additionally, for Kindergarten reports, the general comment will cover all remaining treated key learning areas, including creative arts, Human Society and Its Environment (geography or history), Personal Development, Health and Physical Education, and science and technology.

Reports will be sent home to families on Friday, 27th June.

P&C Meeting Postponement

Next Monday's P&C meeting has been cancelled. The next P&C meeting will be held early next term.

K-6 Assembly

Our next whole-school assembly will be held in the school hall next Thursday, 26th June. The main pedestrian gate will open for parents to attend at 2:05 pm. We look forward to seeing our community attend this celebration of student achievement.

Community connections and their positive Impact

Glenwood Public School has celebrated a deep and purposeful relationship with the Whiddon Easton Park Residential Care facility. Last week, some of the Glenwood Public School students who attend the facility as part of our Whiddon program were interviewed by a reporter from the Sun Herald newspaper. These students, along with some of the Whiddon residents, were questioned about the purpose and value of the program and the impact of connecting with some of our experienced senior citizens.

Our students gave an incredible account of themselves and the program, which has been circulated heavily within the Department of Education as well as in the wider media circles.

I have included a scanned copy of the article later in this newsletter.

Have a great weekend!

Mr J McInney

Principal



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Christine Wright with pupils (from left) Isaac Morrison, Tracian Ghiroclan and Jonathon Bateman at Whiddon Easton Park retirement centre in Glenfield. Photo: Sam Mooy

Want to be bright? Talk to a 90-year-old

Emily Kowal
Education reporter

Wednesday is a special day at Whiddon Easton Park Nursing Home. It's the day that children's giggles cut through the air, sticky fingers proudly show off artworks and stories are shared. It's the day the schoolkids come.

Twice a week, for the past seven years, pupils from Glenwood Public School have walked over to the nearby nursing home to visit their "grand buddies": elderly residents who have become stand-in grandparents for children at the school, which has a high number of migrant families.

"We are aware that some of our [pupils'] families are refugees and don't have that wider family connection due to the fact their grandparents are living in a different country," Glenwood Public School principal Jay McInnes said.

"There's wonderful stories of students going and visiting their buddies at Christmas and bringing their whole family. It really is something that is authentic."

He remembered two pupils who learnt their buddy had Parkinson's disease and could no longer play chess. The children researched the condition, then worked together to 3D-print chess pieces with handles

designed for people with the degenerative disease that affects motor skills.

"Our children are connecting their time here at school with the real world, that there is purpose beyond the classroom ... They share other people's experiences, they understand things have changed."

It's changed the culture of the school, says teacher Charmaine Harper, who helps run the program. The children are more empathetic and look forward to learning from the elderly.

"A classroom is so isolated from outside the gates," she said. "This gives them a real experience we often can't give them."

Eight-year-old Tracian Ghiroclan can barely contain a smile when he discusses his grand buddy, Christine Wright, whom he shares with mates Isaac Morrison and Jonathon Bateman.

The year 3 boys are working on a biography of their surrogate nanna.

"It's good to talk to her because I am a guy who really likes to talk," Tracian said. "I can talk away and have no worries about having to stop. I don't like going - I feel kind of sad because I just want to stay and talk more."

"I talk about her life, she tells us about things she has learnt."

"They are connected to history. They tell us what happened in

previous years. They tell us about what school was like for them."

Wright said the program was just as exciting for the residents.

"I have been here for just over a year, and it took me a bit of time to get into going down there, but once I started going I couldn't stop, it was like an addiction," she said.

She calls her three grand buddies "her boys".

"It fills a gap for me, too. I have a 10-year-old grandson, but I don't get to see him often," she said, adding that Wednesdays were "vibrant".

"You look forward to it. Oh, it's Wednesday! Kids will be here today. It brings an extra feeling to the place."

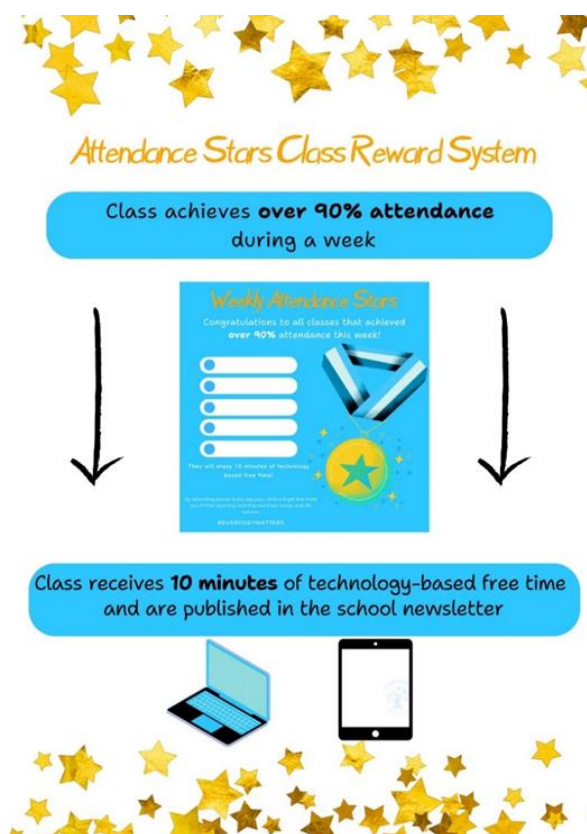
Attendance Information

As part of the Department of Education and Glenwood Public School's target of increasing student attendance, a new school reward system has been developed to celebrate students' attendance at school. Below are some infographics explaining the school's individual student attendance reward system. Our target is for students to attend school at a minimum of 90% of the time. This equates to missing, at most, 5 days of school per term.

Along with the tracking and rewarding of each student's attendance, classes will also be celebrated each week, with classes that attend at 90% or more being published weekly in the newsletter. A part of their reward will be 10 minutes of technology-based free time.

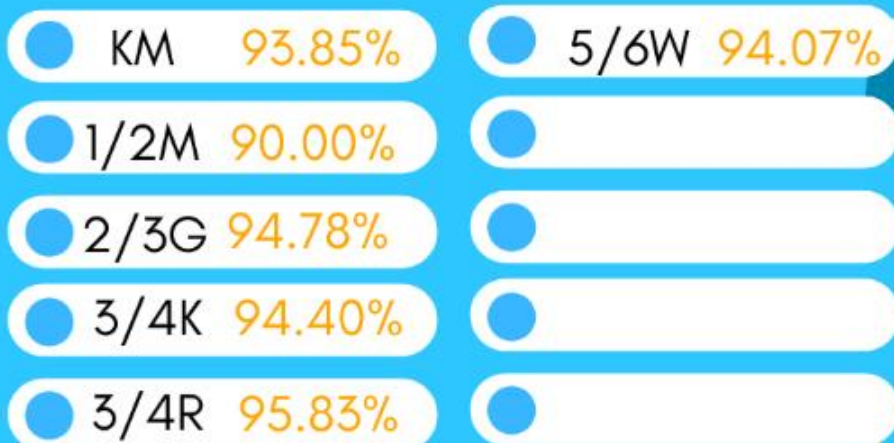
These new initiatives form part of our whole-school approach to celebrating and emphasising the importance of attending school.

Thank you to Mrs Edwards, our school attendance coordinator, for her tireless effort to devise and implement this new school strategy.



Week 8 Attendance Stars

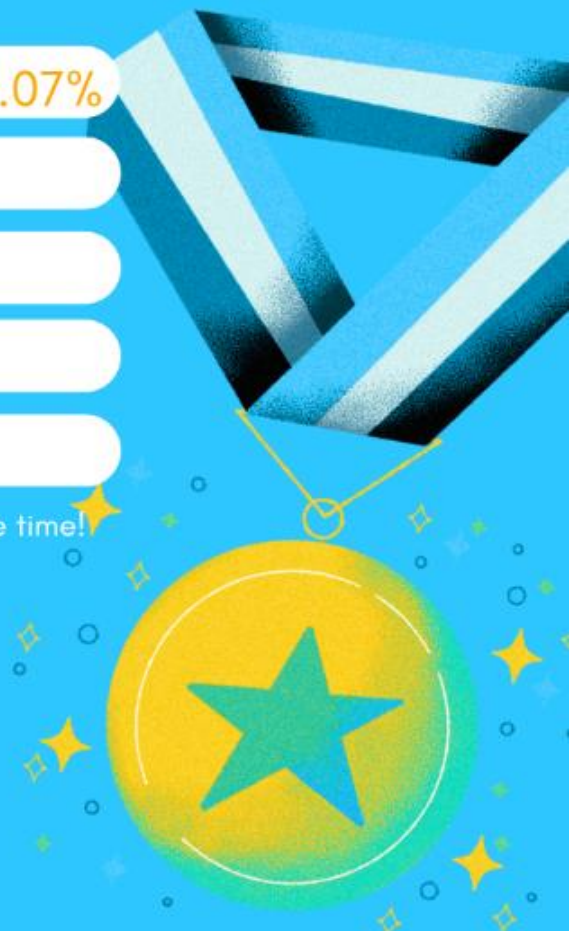
Congratulations to all classes that achieved
over 90% attendance this week!



They will enjoy 10 minutes of technology based free time!

By attending school every
day your child will get the
most out of their learning
and improve their career
and life options.

#EVERYDAYMATTERS



Home Reading Prizes



Treasure

- Bronze** - Coin and sticker
- Silver** - Bookmark or keyring
- Gold** - Wristband or slapband
- Diamond** - Flag
- Platinum** - Hat and eye patch

Collect a sticker and a certificate at each reading level, from bronze to platinum.
Collect treasure at each level!



BREAKFAST CLUB

Free

NOW OPEN

MONDAY TO THURSDAY





You're invited to
STORYTIME
For little people

Hosted by
our Library
Monitors

When: Fridays

From 2:30pm to 3:00pm

Where: In the library

An adult carer must stay
with the child.



Share a story, craft and play

From the Parents & Citizens Association (P&C)



1. The P&C has expanded the canteen menu to include some additional hot items, toasties and a wider selection of sandwich varieties. Please note that the price of sandwiches, toasties and other menu items have increased by 50 cents. The new menu and prices will commence from Monday, 16th June
2. The end-of-term lunch pack for Wednesday, 2nd July, will be a Sushi Lunch Pack. Notes have been sent home with students; however, additional notes can be collected from the canteen, if needed. Sushi lunch pack notes need to be returned to school by Friday, 27th June.



P&C MONSTER RAFFLE

ONLINE TICKET SALES - USE QR CODE

1st Prize – Nintendo Switch Bundle (value \$500)

2nd Prize – Assorted Lego Pack (value \$260)

3rd Prize - Bunnings Voucher (value \$200)

4th - 18th Prizes are valued from \$150 to \$14

**1 Ticket for \$2, 5 Tickets \$10, 8 Tickets \$15,
11 Tickets \$20, 17 Tickets \$30, 30 Tickets \$50, 70 Tickets \$100**

RAFFLE SALES CLOSE 21ST SEPTEMBER

**RAFFLE WILL BE DRAWN MONDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER,
WINNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY PHONE.**



MONSTER P&C RAFFLE

ONLINE SALES (via the attached QR code)

Cash Sales (via the School Canteen)

1 ticket for \$2, 5 tickets for \$10, 8 tickets for \$15

11 tickets for \$20, 17 tickets for \$30,

30 tickets for \$50 & 70 tickets for \$100

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MONSTER P&C RAFFLE

**18 PRIZES TO BE WON RANGING
FROM \$500 TO \$14**

CASH & ON-LINE TICKET SALES

1 ticket for \$2, 5 tickets for \$10, 8 tickets for \$15

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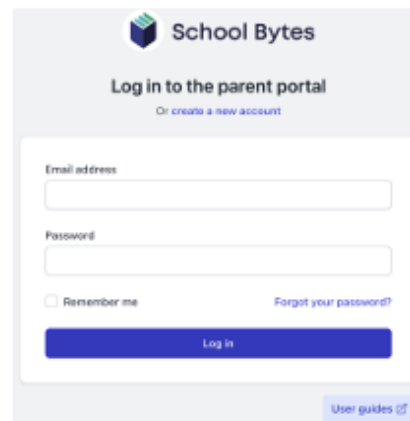
EVERYDAY SNACKS		GLENWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU	DRINKS	
E – BREAD STICKS	50c Each		E – WATER	\$3.00
E – JATZ (3pk)	50c Each		E – POPPER JUICE	\$2.00
E – AIR POPPED POPCORN	50 cents		(Apple, Apple Blackcurrant, Apple Raspberry & Tropical)	
E – CUSTARD CUP	\$2.00		E – UP & GO	\$3.00
E – SEASONAL FRUIT	\$2.00		(Strawberry, Chocolate, Vanilla & Banana)	
E – APPLE & SLINKY	\$2.00	ICE TREATS	E – NIPPY'S ICED MILK	\$3.00
E – APPLE SLINKY (BYO)	10 cents		(Chocolate & Strawberry)	
E – ORANGE WEDGES	\$2.00		E – CHILL J (Bottle)	\$3.00
E – WATERMELON CUP (Mini)	\$2.50		(Orange Passio, Watermelon, Lemonade, Grape, Apple Coola & Blueberry)	
E – FRUIT CUP (Mini)	\$2.50		E – GLEE SPARKLING FRUIT JUICE (Can)	
E – FRUIT CUP (Regular)	\$5.00		(Sour Watermelon, Tropical Treat, Bubble-gum Grape, Rockin' Raspberry)	\$3.00
E – CARROT STICKS	\$2.00		E – MIXED BERRY SMOOTHIE	\$5.00
E – CUCUMBER STICKS	\$2.00		E – BANANA OAT SMOOTHIE	\$5.00
OCCASSIONAL SNACKS			Lunch order bags 10 cents each (H) = Halal, (V) = Vegetarian, (GF) = Gluten Free E = Everyday Item O = Occasional Item	
O – JELLY CUPS (Tuesday Only)	\$2.00			
O – PRETZELS	\$2.00			
O – MAMEE NOODLE SNACKS (H)	\$2.00			
O – CHOCOLATE MUFFIN (H)	\$3.00			
O – SEA SALT CHIPS	\$2.50			

BEFORE SCHOOL		OCCASSIONAL HOT FOOD		SANDWICHES	
E – UP & GO	\$3.00	O – CHICKEN BURGER		E – JAM	\$3.00
E – NIPPY'S FLAVOURED MILK	\$3.00	(with Lettuce & Mayo) (H)	\$6.00	E – CHEESE	\$3.00
E – HOT CHOCOLATE	\$2.00	- Additions (Cheese, Tomato)	50c Each	E – HAM	\$3.00
E – FLAVOURED MILK	\$2.00	O – CHEESE PIZZA (V)	\$5.50	E – CHICKEN	\$3.00
- CHOCOLATE		O – PIZZA SLAB (H)(Meat, BBQ Chicken)	\$5.50	E – CHEESE & TOMATO	\$3.50
- STRAWBERRY		O – NOODLE CUP (Chicken, Beef)	\$5.00	E – CHEESE & HAM	\$3.50
- BANANA		O – SAUSAGE ROLL (H)	\$4.00	E – CHEESE & CHICKEN	\$3.50
- CARAMEL		O – GARLIC BREAD (H)	\$4.00	E – CHEESE, HAM & TOMATO	\$4.00
E – SEASONAL FRUIT	\$2.00	O – PARTY PIES (H)	\$2.50	E – CHEESE, CHICKEN & TOMATO	\$4.00
E – CEREAL BOWL (Milo / Cheerio's)	\$2.00	O – POTATO GEMS (H) (V)	6 for \$2.00	E – CHEESE, TOMATO & LETTUCE	\$4.00
		O – VEGETABLE SPING ROLLS (H) (V)	80c Each	E – CHEESE, HAM, TOMATO & LETTUCE	\$4.50
		O – CHICKEN NUGGETS (H)	80c Each	E – CHEESE, CHICKEN, TOMATO & LETTUCE	\$4.50
EVERYDAY HOT FOOD		TOASTIES		E – TUNA	\$3.50
E – BEEF BURGER (with Cheese) (H)	\$6.00	E – CHEESE	\$3.50	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA	\$3.50
- Additions (Tomato, Lettuce)	50c Each	E – CHEESE & HAM	\$4.00	E – TUNA & CHEESE	\$4.00
E – VEGGIE BURGER (with Cheese) (V)	\$6.00	E – CHEESE & CHICKEN	\$4.00	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA & CHEESE	\$4.00
- Additions (Tomato, Lettuce)	50c Each	E – CHEESE & TOMATO	\$4.00	E – TUNA & MAYO	\$4.00
E – TWISTA BOLOGNESE (H)	\$5.50	E – CHEESE, HAM & TOMATO	\$4.50	E – TUNA, CHEESE & MAYO	\$4.50
E – PENNE NAPOLITANA (V)	\$5.50	E – CHEESE, CHICKEN & TOMATO	\$4.50	E – TUNA, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$4.50
E – MAC & CHEESE (V)	\$5.50	E – TUNA & CHEESE	\$4.50	E – TUNA, MAYO & LETTUCE	\$4.50
E – GARDEN SALAD BOWL (V)	\$5.00	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA & CHEESE	\$4.50	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA, CHEESE & LETTUCE	\$4.50
E – CORN ON THE COB (V)	\$2.50	E – TUNA, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$5.00	E – TUNA, CHEESE, TOMATO & LETTUCE	\$5.00
E – SWEET CHILLI, TOMATO & BBQ SAUCE	50c Each	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$5.00	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA, CHEESE, TOMATO & LETTUCE	\$5.00

★ Managing Student Attendance ★

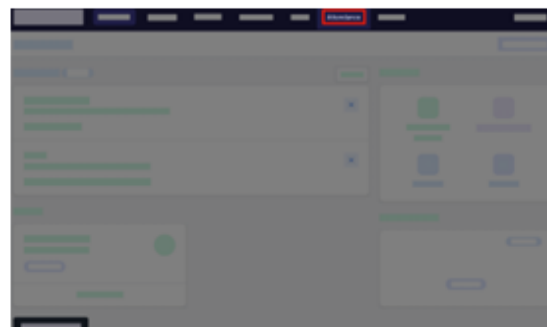
The School Bytes parent portal enables you to view all your children in one portal and provide a response for any student absences. The parent portal also allows parents to provide details of a planned absence if the absence details are known in advance, for example, a scheduled medical appointment.

Log into the parent portal



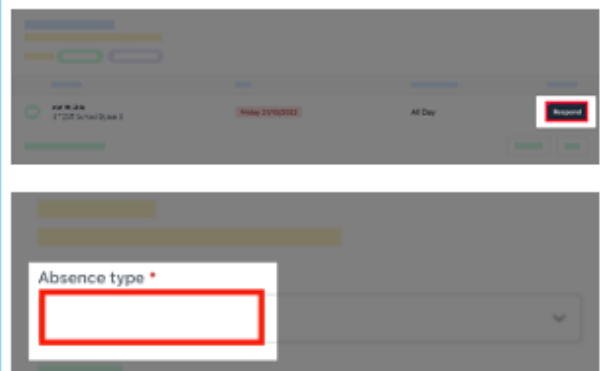
The screenshot shows the 'Log in to the parent portal' page for School Bytes. It features a login form with fields for 'Email address' and 'Password'. Below the password field is a checkbox for 'Remember me' and a link for 'Forgot your password?'. A blue 'Log in' button is at the bottom of the form. A link for 'User guides' is located at the bottom right of the page.

Select "attendance" from the navigation bar.

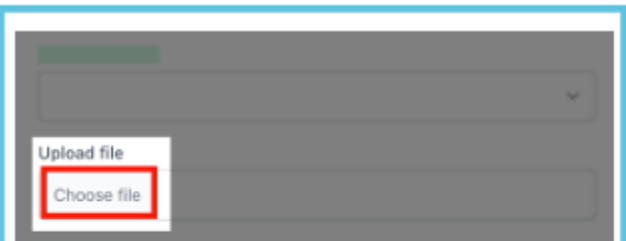

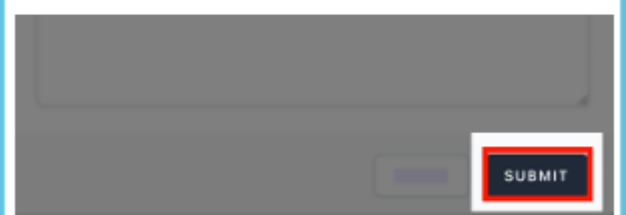


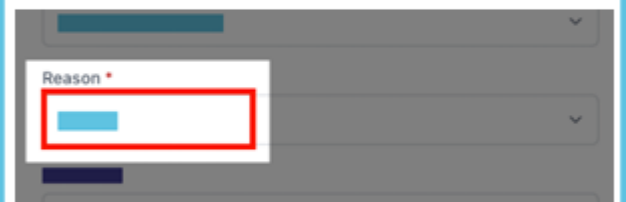



Unexplained absences

1. Select "response"
2. Select "absence type" from the available option.
3. Upload any supporting documentation
4. Enter a reason for the absence in the comment field
5. Select "submit"



The screenshot shows the 'Absence type' dropdown menu in the School Bytes parent portal. The dropdown is open, showing a list of options. The 'Absence type' label is highlighted with a red box.

	 <p>Upload file</p> <p>Choose file</p>
<p>Planned Absences</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Select "create" and a pop up will be displayed.2. Select "school"3. Select an absence "reason"4. Select "duration"5. Upload any supporting documentation6. Add a comment7. Select "submit"	 <p>Comment *</p> <p></p>  <p>SUBMIT</p>  <p>Planned absences</p> <p>Create</p>  <p>School *</p>  <p>Reason *</p>  <p>Duration *</p>