Every student succeeding every day

Last week I went on a Principal Professional Learning Experience. As a group of Principals from the Warwick Cluster, we visited a number of schools in the North Coast region of NSW. This was a valuable learning experience as I was able to see many of the programs that are offered by other schools. These are always valuable learning experiences that allow me to see ways we can continue to improve and grow at Glen Aplin.

Year 5 and 6 Camp

The excitement is building for the Year 5 and 6 class as we count down the sleeps until we head to North Keppel Environmental Education Centre. A note will be sent home with final details and some contact numbers, for families tomorrow.

End of Year

With the end of year fast approaching, there are many events that begin to occur. This is a busy time of year for everyone. To help you stay informed of the events coming up, please continue to read the newsletter as dates will be published. Below are some dates and events that you may wish to put onto your calendars.

Thursday 10th November to Friday 11th November – Year 6 Extended Learning
Tuesday 29th November - Whole School end of year excursion
Monday 5th December – Granite Belt Small Schools Swimming Carnival 9-12 year olds.
Tuesday 6 December - Year 6 Orientation Day SSHS
Wednesday 7th December-School presentation night at Glen Aplin Hall
Thursday 8th Fun day. Report cards sent home.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent teacher interviews are continuing. Please ensure that you contact the school to make an appointment with your child’s class teacher to discuss their progress.
Swimming
The catch-up swimming lesson for Prep-Year 3 is on Friday (28 Oct). Years 4-6 will begin 7th November. Times and dates were included in last week’s newsletter. Five swimming lessons are organised for every child at the Stanthorpe pool during this term. Parents are reminded that swimming is a curricula activity and, as such, children are expected to attend. They are taught by qualified instructors. All children are required to wear a “rashie” or swim top over their swimmers for sun smart rules.

School Photographs
Photographs that were ordered online were handed out to students this week. Please contact Cory Rossiter directly if you have any queries on your orders.

Chess
The Round 2 Chess Player of the Week was Haley H. Haley always plays in a serious manner and is good tempered whatever the end result. She has come away with some excellent wins and developed some determination against tricky players.

Tennis

Glen Aplin 1
Friday, October 21, Glen Aplin 1 tennis team played Ballandean at Ballandean. We were all impressed by the way Bailey played his first game. He was brilliant at his fast cross-court returns. Overall, the rallies were so good we thought the professionals would have been impressed. Thank you to Miss Lawder for taking us to Ballandean. The end result was 14/14 - so that is a draw! (Note - we need to practise our footwork!) This week we have a bye.

Ethan A

Glen Aplin 2
Wallangarra came here last Friday for our tennis match. Jess served really well, but we all need to work on our return of serve. We had an enjoyable match and unfortunately lost 8 - 14. This week we travel to Ballandean.

Olivia

School Accounts
Statements were sent home today.
- Swimming: $5 per lesson, that is $25 per child. 1/2 price if you have a Stanthorpe pool season ticket. Please quote ticket number on your payment envelope. You do not need to pay for lessons that your child does not undertake.
- ELP Yr 6 activity is $15, due by 28th October.
Payments can be made by cash, cheque, bpoint (details on statement) or direct deposit into account.

Awards
The following students have received awards for following our school expectations of being Safe, Respectful, Responsible and a Learner: Tyson, Hannah, Tori, Riley W, Zane D, Joshua L, Nick S, Tristen F, Telisha, Emmanuel, Nalannah and Max.

Lunch Day Orders Request
Can parents please ensure:
- Each individual child’s name is clearly and neatly written against each part of the order
- Each menu item selection is clear.

Thank you.

Glen Aplin Hall Games Night
Despite the rather rainy weather, a group of students, ex-students, parents and other Glen Aplin community members had a lot of fun at the Glen Aplin Memorial Hall on Saturday night. We enjoyed some very competitive games of handball, chess, improving our table tennis skills and having a go at Dutch shuffleboard - or sjoelbak. This game involves sliding timber rounds down a board into four different slots and scoring from your success after three rounds. There were plenty of burgers to go around from the sizzling BBQ. Thank you to Mrs Low for organising a great evening.

Prep/Year 1 News
The children have been busy learning how to classify animals. They need to be able to do this for their introduction to their information report. The children are becoming very descriptive with their sentences.
This week, the Prep students do not have a sheet for homework but have some more double sounds to learn. Each week we will add more sounds, like we did at the beginning of the year. Keep up the great work on learning your child’s sight words. Please keep reminding your child to bring in their homework as there are quite a few forgetting this term.
Thank you to parents from Prep who sent morning tea in for our Orientation Day. We are enjoying having the new Preps for next year in on Wednesday mornings for transition days.

Mrs Willoughby
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Chess Puzzle
White to move—unusual mate in one! 
Can you see it?!

Term 4 2016 Swimming
P-3 Classes:
October 28: 11.30am-12pm (catch up)

Year 4-6 Classes:
November 7: 12.00pm-12.30pm
November 8: 12.30pm-1.00pm
November 9: 12.30pm-1.00pm
November 14: 12.30pm-1.00pm
November 15: 12.30pm-1.00pm

Positive Behaviour for Learning - PBL

I am Respectful
WHEN I GIVE PEOPLE PERSONAL SPACE
Glen Aplin Gallery

Year 2 Geography

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5c Challenge Fundraiser
The 5c Challenge is off to a great start. Remember you have until this Friday (28th October) to put your 5c pieces in the collection bottles in the classrooms. The class that raises the most money will be rewarded on Friday afternoon. Year 3 are leading the challenge so far. Overall this challenge has bought in an average of $1.25 per student. Great job so far Glen Aplin Kids!

STREET STALL
We will be holding a Street Stall on November 30. We will also be organizing a Christmas Hamper as a raffle and are asking parent/carers to donate items for the hamper, home-bake or produce for the street stall or time to help at the street stall. Please leave any donations for the hamper in the staff room.

P&C Collection Box
There is a green P&C Collection box in the library. Please use this box for P&C notes and not the Red Box. Thank you.

Important Dates

- **Mon Oct 31—Fri Nov 4** 5/6 Camp
- **Wed Nov 2 9am-1pm** Prep Transition Day
- **Thurs Nov 10—Fri Nov 11** Yr6 Extended Learning Program activity
- **Fri Nov 18** Granite Belt Chess
- **Fri Nov 25** Granite Belt Chess
- **Fri Nov 25** Ted Bonner Tennis Shield Competition (qualifying schools only)
- **Tues Nov 29** All School Excursion
- **Mon Dec 5** GB Swim Carnival (9-13yrs only)
- **Tues Dec 6** Yr6 SSHS Orientation Day
- **Fri Dec 9** Last day Term 4

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