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Glenroy Public School

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**Year 1 to Year 6 students will commence school in 2022 on Tuesday 1st February.
Kindergarten students will start on Monday 7th February 9.10am-3.15pm.**

Calendar Dates to Remember

Term 4	December
Week 11	All library books now due back
Tues 14	Year 6 Graduation and Disco Reports Home
Wed 15	Monumental Ice-cream Last Day Canteen
Thurs 16	Reward Day Last day Term 4



Graduating Year 6 Students

Principal's Message 2021

Once again, 2021 has thrown some massive challenges our way, as we were once again forced to face the significant impact of COVID-19. We were unable to cross borders and visit loved ones, both near and far. There were restrictions with the way we learnt and played at school, and parents were not allowed through the front gate. Then there was the lockdown and learning from home. Just when we thought the worst of it had passed there was the COVID-19 outbreak in Albury. The school was forced to close twice and students and staff faced extended periods of isolation at home. Throughout all of this both teachers, staff and students showed great resilience to continue to focus on improving and learning. One of the sad realities of the COVID restrictions was the cancellation of our Seussical performance. Well done to those involved and your hard work and dedication are appreciated.

Although there has been significant disruption this year, there was also the opportunity for challenge and change. We have developed explicit phonics lessons in our Kindergarten through to Year 2 classes, strengthened learning support, focussed on teaching Mathematics. We continue to improve and develop our wellbeing guidelines with Respect, Responsibility and Resilience being the three core values that we expect staff and students to display at school. By students displaying these values they have earned themselves some fantastic rewards. The Explosion of Colour and Fun run was my favourite, although I am looking forward to the water fun day at school next week.

In 2021 COVID-19 has impacted on student attendance and we look forward to ensuring that this improves next year. Well done to K Emus for being the only class to have a 90% attendance rate this year. Some students have also been lucky enough to win the weekly class raffle and some of the prizes that are available. The higher the attendance the better the chance of winning. At the end of the year one student from each class has the chance to win some movie tickets.

Even after the two years that have been impacted by COVID-19, there were still some very strong results in NAPLAN. We saw our Reading and Writing results show strong growth and some small gains in Numeracy. We look forward to seeing what we can achieve with no disruptions to our year in 2022.

I want to take this time to thank all the staff for their commitment throughout the challenges we have faced this year. These are and continue to be unprecedented times and I can not thank you all enough for your continued hard work and endeavour. What you have all been able to achieve this year is truly amazing.

This year I had four Assistant Principals to work alongside. I want to thank Mrs Lee, Mrs Holt, Mrs Riley and Mrs Martin for their hard work and professionalism throughout the year. I also want to thank Paula Innes for her tireless work with all of our teachers and Seussical cast.

There are some staff changes for 2022. I want to welcome Tess Darts as a permanent staff member in the role of Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction. Welcome aboard! We also have several staff leaving us at the end of the year. Paula Innes who has been a member of the school for many years in the role of a classroom teacher, executive member and Instructional Leader will be taking on the role of Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction at Lavington Public School. Mrs Susan O'Shea is joining Albury North Public School as an Assistant Principal and I want to thank both for their time and commitment to Glenroy Public School. Daniel Sharp, Joel Kellett and Claire Hemsley will also be leaving at the end of the year and I wish to thank them for their time here at Glenroy and wish them all the best for the future.

I also want to take the time to thank the SRC for their hard work this year. Unfortunately, with COVID restrictions there have been limited opportunities for you to showcase your exceptional leadership qualities. However, what you have been able to achieve has been greatly appreciated.

Finally, the students. Thank you for another amazing year here at Glenroy Public School. You have all faced challenges throughout this year and managed to overcome adversity. It is a pleasure to come here to work and watch you all grow and thrive. Enjoy the well earned break with your family and friends and I look forward to seeing you all recharged and ready to learn in 2022.

Thank you.

Sean Scott
Principal



Awards

All students who received awards are to be congratulated on their efforts in 2021.

The Special Award Recipients were:

Dux	Edo Hunter
Director's Award	Jackson Davis
Principal's Award	Madeline McTernan
Sportsperson Award	Sarah Foulston
Sports Quality Award	Dusty Hynes
NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge	Zachary Lindner
Year 6 Encouragement Award (Sponsored by the Hofer Family)	Seth Crase



Citizenship Award	Junior: Briar-Rose Danhiez-Vogel Senior: Breanna Phillips
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Creative Writing Award	Maddison Baker
Performing Arts Award	Jackson Gray
Visual Arts Award	Sophia Dedourek

Wonder Award	Jack Alcott, Cohan Bergin
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The following students will be our SRC for 2022:

Sophia Dedourek, Prajin Khadka, Ava Stevens, Ellie Condon, Brodie King, Jaydon Boyd, Haylee Gary and Ericka Banosia.



SRC 2021



SRC 2022



Seussical Jr. © (Book by Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty, Music by Stephen Flaherty
Lyrics by Lynn Ahrens Conceived by Lynn Ahrens, Stephen Flaherty and Eric Idle and Based on
the Works of Dr. Seuss)

The cast have been busy at school in the last few weeks, rehearsing and practising for Presentation Day and a spot of filming. Here are some of the actors in their costumes! All cast members have worked incredibly hard and should be proud of their talent and their efforts! I know I am!

Miss Innes (Director)



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Thank you

I just wanted to take the opportunity to say a huge thank you to the school community particularly our families. Over the 13 years I have been at Glenroy, you have always made me feel welcome and I have been honoured to teach your children. I will be forever grateful for my time here and while it is time for me to move on, I will be sad to go! One of my favourite book characters once said, "How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard!" And today, lucky I am.

Stay safe and well.

Best Wishes!

Miss Innes

P&C Report

Congratulations to the staff and students of Glenroy Public School for showing resilience and determination to excel, through another disrupted and challenging year. The P&C have watched and taken pride in the transformation of the school over this time, and that of last year, with the improvements to the classrooms, front office refurbishment, technology upgrades, playground, positive attendance levels and wellbeing of the school community as a whole, and couldn't be prouder than to continue our support and commitment to the future of the school.

As your P&C, we have contributed donations throughout the year, most substantially to that of the new and evolving school garden which is looking amazing and we can't wait to see the project continue into it's next stages.

We praise the hardworking efforts of Gill Rudge, in the school canteen and can't thank her enough for keeping all the kid's tummy's full of good food and supplying meal deals throughout the year. We thank all the helpers who have frequented the canteen when able, none other than a special mention to Nat who has been a great support and help to Gill. We are excited to release E-Canteen to our school community in Term 1, 2022 which is an online platform for making canteen orders and taking payment. More information will be sent home, distributed in the school newsletter and broadcast to Facebook. Keep your eyes peeled for this exciting new update to our canteen!

Unfortunately, post our mega Easter Raffle and Hamper give aways, we didn't get to undertake as many other fundraising events as we would have liked during the year. Thankfully, we should be able to return to a full schedule of events in 2022. Given our inability to be onsite, uniform stock and sales have been managed conjunctionally with the P&C school office and the new winter school hoodies have been a welcomed and warm addition to the uniform range.

We bid a fond farewell to Narelle Vogel who has been a long standing, dedicated member of our P&C and thank her for her years of commitment. Our P&C would not be half the well run organisation that you see today, without Narelle's smiling face and her tireless involvement. We certainly know we have big shoes to fill without her presence in the future.

Thank you to our wonderful P&C members throughout 2021, for adapting to zoom and email communication and welcoming us virtually into your homes when meetings were needed. Thank you to our outgoing President Sarah Haslam and to Katrina Brown for being and remaining on, as our treasurer. In 2022, we are excited to announce that Sharnie Gray will be our Vice President and Michaela McCoy has stepped into our Canteen Coordinators role and will work closely with Robyn Critchley who continues as our Canteen Treasurer.

Our P&C meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month (excluding school holidays) and we would love to see as many new faces as possible joining us for 2022. We are a friendly and committed bunch and joining the P&C offers a great insight into the school and connection to the Principal and the teachers.

We send our best wishes to the graduates of Year 6 and wish you all the best for the future and for the commencement of your high school years.

Thank you again to all involved in the P&C this year. We wish all those in our school community a very Merry Christmas and a safe, happy and enjoyable holiday season. We look forward to seeing all your smiling faces, relaxed and ready to hit the ground running in 2022.

Kind regards,

Kate Stevens

P&C President Elect for 2022

Christmas Poetry

Christmas - by Poppy Colvin

It's summer in Aus
Summer because
We live where it's hot
Snow there is not.

Roos are on the way
Getting ready for Christmas Day
Santa is in his shorts and thongs
And he even packed a pair of tongs.

The Elf who came to visit my house
She bought with her a tiny mouse
They hung in a stocking
And became shocking.

It was Christmas Eve, I put out some treats
Sausages and pavlova for Santa to eat
And on the table, there was a beer
So, he had a big 'Cheer, Cheer, Cheer'.

With the presents out of the ute
Hope for the children they did suit
On his way home he stopped off at the beach
And went surfing while making his speech.

Santa With a Possum – by Mila Brown

Santa was on his way with a possum
And a pony named Blossom.
He had too much beer
And couldn't think clear.

His dusty old ute
Had an open boot.
He had to hold on tight
They were pulling alright.

Although flying out in the air
Until they reached houses somewhere.
To drop off some pressies
Which included lots of teddies.

Santa loved the plum pudding and beer
As he drank and ate with lots of cheer.
His bulging belly was so full
He landed in the neighbour's pool.

He then left wet
And wasn't upset.
Because the Summer was so hot
Like a boiling pot.

Now back to his workshop
Without a stop
Off to bed
As fast as he could tread.

Santa – by Jayden King

Santa was here
With a sip of beer
It's a good day
And he was on his way.

He landed up top
And hugged a rock
We were going to bed
With a friend called Ned.

Then there was a broom
And a sound like 'Zoom'
We checked it out
With a horse that could shout.

I hugged my teddy
Feeling ready
It WAS Santa
With some Fanta.

We gave him a cheer
When seeing him there was no fear.
All was done
And we were Number One!

Christmas Day – by Zoe Stevens

Hip hip hooray it is Christmas day
My Elf is back to play.
And Jack Frost
Is now quite lost.

We can't play with our sled
That has been packed away in our shed.
The snow isn't falling down
But please don't have a frown.

We put out cookies and beers
Leaving a card saying lots of cheers.
Hope it's liked by Santa Claus
But I'm not the one who deserves an applause.

I hear the bells ring
Ding-A-Ling-Ling-Ling.
In Santa's rusty old ute
He had a lot of loot.

Once Santa and his kangaroos were done
It was time that the fun begun.
He stopped off at the nearby beach
To write his yearly Christmas speech.

Once done he coughed
And went to his loft,
To give his kangaroos a rest
And put some of his gear in the storage chest.

Now time for Santa to sleep
Then no one heard a single peep.

This is the last newsletter for 2021. We would like to thank all our families for your patience and commitment through all the trials of 2021.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and happy holidays.

