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Principal's Report

100 days of Prep

Today the Preps celebrated 100 days of school. They have been counting each day and filling out a 100's chart. They started their learning today by making collections of 100 and reading letters from their Mums and Dads about how proud they are of them starting school. At lunch time they had a sausage sizzle where the sausages cost 100 cents!

The afternoon was filled with more celebrations with our parents coming to party with them. They were shown some photos of the year so far and a movie that the preps had made about school. All the preps were then presented with a certificate and ate cake.

Well done to all the Preps for a great start to school.

Family Leave

Mrs Kerrie Fitzgerald will have her last official teaching day on Friday although we know she will come back to visit and even help out perhaps in the future, but for the time being she is getting ready to enjoy some time at home before her baby will be born in September. I know all of our school community will miss her and look forward to seeing her new baby very soon.

All the best Kerrie and thank you so much for all you have done for the students, parents and staff at Glen Huntly Primary School in the time you have been a teacher here since 2005.

Basketball Gala Day

I would like to wish our Grade 5/6 students all the best in their Hooptime Gala Day competition tomorrow the 29th July which will be held at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre which has marvelous facilities. It will be an early departure for the teams at 8.40am as teams need to be registered by a set time and start times are very strictly enforced. Make sure you get organised the night before and get up a little bit earlier so as to be here at school on time. Buses will be leaving promptly at 8.45am and all students received a notice on Wednesday reminding them of the need to be punctual.

Term 3 Active Afterschool Communities AASC

Notices about the term 3 program went home on Tuesday and the sports for this term are Soccer, Cricket and Football. As spaces are limited, we ask that you return your form promptly.

For families new to the school this term this program is part of the school's aim to promote a healthy lifestyle for children through exercise and a fun and positive introduction to sport. We have applied for and been successful in obtaining the Federal Government's grant to encourage all Australians to become more active through sport. Our school is one who in the first round in 2005 was successful in being a part of this national program. We are also one of the few schools who have been successful in receiving funding to operate the program over three nights.

It provides our children with access to FREE, structured physical activity program between 3.30 to 4.45pm and also provide a healthy fruit snack as part of the session. The objectives of the AACP are to:

- To enhance the physical activity and increase participation for primary school aged children through a nationally co-ordinated program.
- To provide quality, safe and fun structured physical activities.

A reminder for parents to ensure their child has a water bottle for the session. If there are any spaces left over, we will offer them to younger or older students depending on the sport.

Cabaret News – Thursday 11th August

We are still on the lookout for a **parent volunteer to take some photos** for us on the night of the Cabaret. If you are able to help us out please contact the office. We would greatly appreciate this as we use the photos to make the annual collage which is framed and also for parents to view in the office area and to purchase.

Walkathon

It was certainly a fun, healthy event and I am very happy to report that Mrs Zent has now spent all of the money collected on books for the Grade 3-6 level in the library and reading texts for the Junior students' take home and guided reading. The books are here and being used already. Thank you to everyone who supported the event and the final figure raised was \$1531.20.

Monday Assembly

At this week's Monday morning assembly, 3/4M performed their class item which was about "Australia". During last term, the students researched Australian explorers and who we have named 2 of our Houses after- Batman and Mitchell. They also sang a song called 'Rip, Rip Woodchip'. Next week 3/4S will be performing.

Epilepsy Trivia Challenge Teams

Congratulations to all of the students who made it into the Semi Finals of the Epilepsy Trivia Challenge! The students were presented with 100 challenging questions and first place was hotly contested at each grade level.

Grade 3 – Iris, Sophie, Shreya, Jahanvi

Grade 4 – Sarit, Jemma, Stella, Daphne

Year 5 – Alan, Christina, Hannah, Joseph

Year 6 – Betty, Linda, Olivia, Thirumagal

The on-line semi final will take place at school between Monday, 1st August and Wednesday, 10th August. Good luck to all teams! Thank you to those students who raised money for Epilepsy Australia.

Head Lice

Just a timely reminder to parents to keep checking their child's hair for head lice as we have had an alert that some have been found.

If you need any advice on how to treat your child's hair, it is best to head to the chemist, but can I add from my own experience from when my children were little, it's best to check the child's hair when it is wet and combed out. The eggs or live lice are much easier to see. Doing the check in very good light also makes it much easier to see.

Use a recommended product on your child's hair and wash clothing, bed coverings- sheets, doona cover and pillow cases as well in the washing machine. In some instances, a car seat cover may also have to be washed too. It's a bit of chore to say the least but well worth being thorough. Keeping long hair in plaits also goes a long way to minimising it, but you really are better off checking every week when children are primary school age.

Fete 2011- Sunday 6th November - I hope you have put the date onto your calendar to attend.

On behalf of the Fete Committee I would like to thank those families who have been getting behind our **Rides Wristband Campaign** and buying their child's wristband for the Rides at the Fete. It's fast approaching and we would love it if people could buy these in advance. These rides are going to be awesome! Remember the bargain: **Your child can ride all day for only \$25.** It will be \$30 to purchase on the day or \$5 per ride.

We have also launched our Colouring Competition: thank you to Emma Schauder for designing and organising this. The children received their entry

notice on Wednesday, 27th July and have one week to do their free colouring page. The entry judged the best will receive a FREE Rides Wristband - that's a great prize! The drawing which is on the page is also being used on the real estate bill boards which will be put up later in the term.

The June Fete news was in the term 2, 23rd June newsletter and a new updated version will be published after the next Fete meeting. If you would like another copy of the June Fete News, please collect one from the office.

Also thank you to the families who have returned the "Just One Thing" form volunteering their time as a coordinator or on one of the stalls or doing any of the jobs we need helpers for on the day. An updated version of this list will also be available after the August meeting. I do know however, that we still need more people to be involved so please keep it in mind. We really want this to be a great day.

Buildings and Grounds (BAGS)

Well done to the Grade 2 students on the West Site who have been doing a magnificent job in keeping the sandpit tidy and covered. Your efforts are very much appreciated and have been noted. Keep up the great work.

At the meeting last night, the **term 3** working bee date was set for Sunday, 21st August starting at 9am – 12pm followed by a bbq lunch. A notice will go home to families closer to the day, but parents can note the date for their calendar.

The committee also discussed the idea of trialing a twilight working bee after day light saving has started in term 4. It has been planned for Saturday, 22nd October from 3-6pm, followed by a bbq tea.

GPA

The next GPA meeting will be on Friday, 29th July at 9am in the Activities Centre on the West Site. All welcome.

Libby Alessi – Principal

NOTICES DISTRIBUTED TO PARENTS

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>GRADE</u> | <u>NOTICE</u> |
|-------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| 22/7/11 | All students | EMA – Instalment 2 |
| 25/7/11 | All students | Cabaret Tickets Sale |
| 27/7/11 | All students | Active After Sports |
| 27/7/11 | All students | Fete – colouring comp. |
| 27/7/11 | Gr. 5/6 | Hooptime Arrival school |

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARD

Congratulations to the following students who received a 'Student of the Week' Award at last Monday's assembly:

Linaya PT – Excellent holiday writing & having a go at spelling words!

Devarsh PB –Excellent counting & number recognition

Kanak 1F – Being a fantastic classroom helper

Max 1F – For using great strategies counting arrays
Tess 1/2K – Outstanding work in Literacy centres
Evan 1/2K – Outstanding work in Maths group
Udit 2T - Good understanding of a half & quarter
Dalvin 2T – For working mathematically with fractions.
Sunny 5/6J – Excellent ‘Dreamtime’ recreation
Nikol 5/6J – Animated storytelling in your ‘Dreamtime’ project
Mana 5/6J – Wonderful ‘Dreamtime’ recreation
Elouise 5/6J – Outstanding ‘Dreamtime’ recreation
David 5/6J – A great ‘Dreamtime’ recreation
Olivia 5/6J – Excellent teamwork in ‘Dreamtime’ project
Tess 5/6J - Excellent teamwork in ‘Dreamtime’ project
Lara 5/6J - Excellent teamwork in ‘Dreamtime’ project
Jeremy 5/6J – Great animated ‘Dreamtime’ presentation
Ania 5/6J – Great ‘Dreamtime’ presentation
Alan 5/6J – Great animated ‘Dreamtime’ recreation
Hui 5/6P – Fantastic presentation ‘Dreamtime’ story
Yukta 5/6P – confident presentation ‘How the Kangaroo got her Pouch’
Angelina 5/6P – Confident presentation of ‘How the Kangaroo got her Pouch’

GARDEN CLUB NEWS

Hello everyone. I have decided to repeat these two items in this newsletter as we still need lemons and the parent helper meeting has been rescheduled to this Monday.

Lemon Cordial. I have been approached by some girls in grades 5 and 6 who would like to run a cordial stall at the fete. We have decided to make most of the cordial at school so each grade can participate. Once again, we will make enough for the kids to taste and have some for the fete. I must admit that this activity was so popular last year that I didn't need much of an excuse to repeat it this year, but again, we'll need lots of lemons to be able to do it. If you have lemons (or limes) growing in your garden, could we please have some. Just bring them to the office or the LOTE room and I will be eternally grateful.

PARENT HELPERS

I have also been approached by Lana (Gus PB) who is willing to come to school on a Monday morning after assembly to assist with some general garden chores such as the weeding and maintenance of the vegie gardens. I believe that there are several other parents who would also like to help on a semi regular basis. I think this is a great idea and I would be willing to come in to school on Monday mornings so that we can get the Garden Club off and running again.

GLEN HUNTLY PARENT'S ASSOCIATION NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

29th July – GPA mtg 9.00am
Thurs 4th Aug – Fete Mtg 7.00pm East Site Staffroom
Sun 6th Nov – FETE

With this in mind, I have decided to hold a meeting of all interested parents this **Monday after assembly (1ST August)**. Lana has some great ideas as I'm sure many other parents have and I would love you to come along and share them with us. It will be a good opportunity to 'get the ball rolling' as it were, and we can discuss times, tasks, difficulties, recipes, and anything else that is relevant. I'll bring something for morning tea and we can sit in comfort in the **LIBRARY/ LOTE room** on the junior side and sort out how it can all work. Please do not feel that you are making a weekly commitment by attending, because the main aim of this activity is to support the children's Garden Club, not to do all the work for them. Toddlers are welcome too. I'm sure we can find some fun thing for them to do. Hope to see you there.

Thank you - Rosy Eppinger

Bollywood at Cabaret

Due to some health issues and time constraints, Madhu will not be able to add to the number of students performing the Bollywood routine at this year's cabaret. We know this will be disappointing to some girls who have expressed an interest in learning routines from Bollywood night. The good news is there will be time to learn them and join in at the fete performance. And next year we hope that Bollywood Night will be bigger and better and will go on to showcase at the school cabaret again.

TERM DATES

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|------------------------|---|
| Term 3: | Monday 18th July – Friday, 23rd September |
| Term 4: | Monday, 10th October – Thursday, 22nd Dec |
| 2012 TERM DATES | |
| Term 1: | Wednesday, 1st Feb - Friday, 30th March |
| Term 2: | Monday, 16th April – Friday, 29th June |
| Term 3: | Monday, 16th July – Friday, 21st September |
| Term 4: | Monday, 8th October – Friday, 21st Dec |

GPA (Glen Huntly Parent's Association) is the social and fundraising sub committee of Glen Huntly Primary school. We are a small group of parents who are very dedicated to raising the additional funds needed to provide our kids with extra equipment, fun activities and facilities not funded by the Government. GPA also hosts social events to bring the school community together.



CAKE RAFFLE

Congratulations to Surena (PT) win winning Helen's delicious cup cakes and thank you to Helen for jumping in at the last minute.

Next week's 'brave cook' is Voula (Evan 1F) so please support Voula's efforts and purchase a raffle ticket from your class teacher next Monday for 20cents. You may be the lucky winner!

We are now looking for bakers for Term 4. If you would like to bake a cake please add your name to the list and return to the office. Thank you.

ICY POLES/HOT CHOCOLATE

Hot chocolate and icy poles are available every Wednesday at lunchtime. You can purchase a coupon for 8 weeks \$6.00 or \$1.00 each on Wednesday.

If you wish to purchase for the 8 weeks please fill out the coupon below.

House Points – Hot Chocolate – Mugs

The following houses have received points for students bringing their own mugs for hot chocolate:

| | <u>27th July</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Batman: | 3 points | 52 |
| Flinders: | 4 points | 88 |
| Hume: | 4 points | 49 |
| Mitchell: | 4 points | 38 |

HOT CHOCOLATE

8 WEEKS \$6.00

Wednesday, 3rd August – Wednesday, 21st September

Name: _____

Grade: _____

Office Stamp: _____



GLEN HUNTLY PARENT'S ASSOCIATION NEWS

Cake Raffle Term 3

| | |
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| Mon 18 th July | Rose |
| Mon 25 th July | Janani |
| Mon 1 st August | Voula |
| Mon 8 th August | Claire |
| Mon 15 th August | Paulina |
| Mon 22 nd August | Yvonne |
| Mon 29 th August | Christine |
| Mon 5 th September | Keerthana |
| Mon 12 th September | Juliana |
| Mon 19 th September | Michelle |

Cake Raffle Term 4

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| Mon 10 th October | |
| Mon 17 th October | |
| Mon 24 th October | Donna |
| Mon 31 st October | |
| Mon 7 th November | Michelle |
| Mon 14 th November | |
| Mon 21 st November | |
| Mon 28 th November | |
| Mon 5 th December | |
| Mon 12 th December | |
| Mon 19 th December | |

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July

Thurs 27th July 1.00 Sausage Sizzle-100 days Prep
 Fri 29th July 9.00 GPA Mtg – West Site Lote room
 Fri 29th July 9.00 Basketball – Hoopla Gr 5/6
 Fri 29th July 2.15-3.15 2012 Prep Transition

August

Thurs 4th Aug 7.00 Fete Mtg East site staffroom
 Thurs 11th Aug Cabaret – Kingston Town Hall

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