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From the Principal

*We make a living by what we get,
we make a life by what we give. - Winston Churchill*

The Wizard of Oz

At the end of last term the Glenwood High School community was treated to a wonderful production of 'The Wizard of Oz.' I am sure those of you who attended would agree that it was a fabulous production and top shelf entertainment. All cast members displayed exemplary talent beyond their years bringing joy and laughter to audiences over the three nights. Our performers are to be congratulated on such quality work as well as their tireless dedication to the school. Rehearsals for the musical began in February with cast members giving every Sunday to rehearsals throughout Terms 1 and 2. This is an outstanding effort. Special thanks must go to the teachers Ms Cross, Ms Levett, Ms Jones and Mrs McDonald who gave many, many hours of their own time to create this professional production. They were supported by a number of dedicated teachers who together, prove that Glenwood High School enjoys the benefits of motivated, passionate and committed staff members. We are extremely lucky indeed.

Prefect and Wellbeing Team Anti-Bullying 'String' Movement – Tying up the loose ends.

Glenwood High School has a very proactive Prefect body led by Mrs Emma Ballantyne and Wellbeing Team led by Mr Berry. At the end of last term the Prefects and the Wellbeing Team organised, and led, two assemblies reaching out to all students at the school and inspiring them to take a stance against bullying. This was a continuation of the work initiated by the 2011 Prefect Body. Our current School Captains and Prefects have brought their own interpretation and creativity to this anti-bullying focus through the 'String Movement' which included the students pledging they will 'do their bit' to prevent bullying at Glenwood High School. Although we do not have any more instances of bullying than any other school, it is wonderful to see the student leaders taking such responsibility towards the moral education of their peers. The assemblies raised awareness of the impact of bullying behaviour and the many ways in which bystanders can take an active role in preventing it. The response from all members of the student body sent a powerful message that they will not tolerate bullying and will look after each other at all times.

Our Prefects and the Wellbeing Team have shown their integrity and worth as wonderful Glenwood citizens and the school publicly thanks them for making the school an even better place to work and play. I have never been in a school where such fine young men and women were prepared to put in so much effort for the safety and happiness of so many others. Congratulations to our Prefects:



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Sara Ho (Captain), Ashan Jayakody (Captain), Monisha Bhogul (Vice-Captain), Jack Campbell (Vice-Captain), Alice Ao Kim Chua, Madeline Clark, Tayla Collett, Sahibajot Kaur, Brent Lee, Thomas McBride, Sandra Muleya, Yasheel Naicker, Philip Nquyen, Carlee Rawlings, Thillini Wellapulli

The student members of the Wellbeing Team:

Shaun Armstrong, Fatima Ali, Jessica Rogers, Kimberley Houseman, Erina Rayhan and Justine Mutulewicz.

Girls Open Knockout Soccer Success



Our fantastic Open Girls Knockout Soccer Team is the Regional Champion Team for the second year in a row after soundly defeating Model Farms High School on Monday 18th June, 2012. The score was 4-2 with our girls demonstrating strength and determination under the guidance of their coach, Mr Wood. The girls then travelled to Tenterfield in northern NSW in the last week of term to play Tenterfield High School. After a 12 hour trip the day before the girls played on Tuesday 26th June 2012 on a very frosty morning. Unfortunately, on this occasion the girls were defeated after dominating the play for most of the game. Mr Wood told me their behaviour was exemplary and they were impressive ambassadors for Glenwood High School. Congratulations girls on a brilliant effort and a special thank you to the parents who travelled and supported the girls over the two days of the trip. A big applause must also go to Mr Wood for his measured guidance of the girls and his swift organisation of a mammoth excursion with such short notice.

Rethinking Multiculturalism: Reassessing Multicultural Education

Glenwood High School is currently participating in the *Rethinking Multiculturalism: Reassessing Multicultural Education* (RMRME) project. This research project is being coordinated by the University of Western Sydney, the NSW Institute of Teachers and the NSW Department of Education and Communities. As a large high school with a range of students from diverse backgrounds, Glenwood High School is focusing on improving intercultural understanding throughout the school. The program is specifically aimed at Year 8 and Year 9 students, who will receive lessons on intercultural understanding during connect time for five weeks this term. Students will learn about identity, anti-racism, communication, understanding and respect during these lessons. It is hoped that the program will build upon other school activities such as Harmony Day and ensure that Glenwood High School remains an inclusive educational school for all.



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Great Schools Show Off – Website Film

Congratulations to Bryan Kok, Nikhil Patel and Ian Rabbets who produced a highly polished film for the school's new website which demonstrates the many educational opportunities at Glenwood High School. All three Year 11 boys worked tirelessly to produce the film and the final product is outstanding. Had we hired a professional film crew I do not believe the quality of the film could have been any better. Thank you must also go to Ms Rose who guided the boys throughout the project. Please visit the website and take a look for yourself.

Year 12 HSC Trial Examinations

Year 12 HSC Trial Examinations will be completed by the time this newsletter is published. All Year 12 teachers have spent an enormous amount of time preparing students for these Trials, and beyond, including after school and holiday lessons. Following the Trials many Year 12 students will be busy finalising their practical projects and performances for Board of Studies submission and external examination. This is a very stressful time for students, staff and parents. It is imperative students use their time wisely, eat healthily and exercise sensibly so they can endure the marathon which becomes the final term of the HSC.

All students still have a great deal of work to do to prepare for the final exams in October and November. Students and parents need to understand IT IS NEVER TOO LATE to improve those final marks. The greatest resource the students have is their teachers and by attending every class, every day, until the end of the term, and working hard to perfect projects, performances and exam responses they should feel extremely confident they have given themselves every opportunity to succeed. Parents are encouraged to make contact with the school if they are concerned or confused about any part of the HSC process or for advice on how best to support their child through this very important and stressful time. The best advice I was ever given as an HSC mum was to simply feed them with good food as the rest is up to them.

P&C Meeting Wednesday 1/8/2012

It is very important that all community members are well informed about Federal and State Education matters. At the next P&C Meeting we are very lucky to have Jason Gerke, Blacktown Teachers Federation organiser and Liz Rose, Glenwood High School Teachers Federation representative and councillor speak about the Gonski Campaign which is addressing the new funding formula for all Australian schools. This will be a most informative evening and the P&C are hoping as many parents / carers as possible will be in attendance.

Congratulations

Throughout June and July we have had much cause for celebration as Glenwood students continue to shine in many fields. Our congratulations goes to:

- **Open Girls Knockout Soccer Team** – Courtney Holmes (c), Jessica Carabott, Nicole -- Adamson, Kira Owen, Rachel Camara, Jessica Brackenridge, Caitlin Barlow, Renee Blakemore, Ashlie Crofts, Jessica Boylett, Olivia Callaghan, Jacquelyn Yazdani, Ruth Wigley and Tiarna Jaber;

- **Kyle Patrech, Year 12** – who is the successful recipient of a \$3,000 Defence Technical Scholarship. Kyle competed against 2300 other applicants. In order to be chosen he had to complete an application demonstrating his knowledge of technical trades within the Australian Defence Force and describe in detail what he would do as a tradesperson in a real life crisis situation e.g. the provision of humanitarian support after a natural disaster in a neighbouring country. Congratulations Kyle this is a fantastic recognition of your skills. Glenwood High School is very proud of you!



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- **Year 11 Hospitality students** – who were the audience for Channel 10's 'Ready Steady Cook' whilst on an excursion in June. The Channel 10 crew commented on their excellent manners and behaviour. Mrs Pidgeon said Glenwood High School should be very proud of these young men and women. Well done Year 11!!
- **Ronn Lo, Year 11** - who won a British Ballet Organisations Scholarship after participating in a week long workshop in the holidays and being assessed by a Director of the British Ballet Organisations. This is a highly esteemed honour and Glenwood High School is very proud of Ronn's talent in the performing arts.
- **Wesley Needham, Year 10**, who competed at the National Australian Championships in Homebush, is now the U17 Australian National Synchronised Mens Trampoline Champion as well as the winner of the Elite Mens Trampoline Team event. Well done, Wesley!!
- **Isabella Guarin, Year 7**, the youngest performer to be invited to participate in the UrbanStar National Talent Quest at the Burwood RSL in June. Isabella performed admirably against much older performing arts stars.
- **Renee Blakemore, Year 9** and **Jessica Boylett, Year 9**, who represented NSW in the Futsal Championships. A brilliant effort!

Till next time
Erla McMaster
Principal

Blacktown Advocate, Wednesday 27th June 2012

FUTSAL

Fast pace helps Renee hone skills

'SOCCER IS MY MAIN SPORT'

Chris Walker

GLENWOOD High student Renee Blakemore is the Advocate's latest Junior Sports Star nominee, after representing NSW at the indoor soccer or futsal nationals earlier this year.

The year 9 student, who lives at Glenwood, was awarded a \$800 grant this month from the Australian Sports Commission for her efforts. "I love all sports, but soccer is my main one and I play both outdoor and indoor," Renee said.

She said there were only five players on a futsal team and the fast-paced games allowed her to develop her skills and transfer them to outdoor soccer, where she plays in the U18 Blacktown Spartans team.

At the futsal nationals she was joined by fellow Glenwood High student Jessica Boylett in making the final, before falling to Victoria.

At the U14 level they do not pick a national team, meaning the pair made it through to the highest level possible.

Greenway federal Labor MP Michelle Rowland, who presented Renee with her \$800 grant at a morning tea



NOMINATE NOW

Nominations for our most outstanding athletes aged 10 to 16 in the NewsLocal Junior Sports Star are now open for the following categories:

Young Achiever: Winner receives \$500 and a medal.

Junior Sports Star: Our winner receives \$1000 and a medal. The overall NewsLocal winner receives an additional \$1000.

Team Spirit: Winning team receives \$1000.

Service to Sport: Winner receives \$500.

Visit juniorsportstar.com.au

earlier this month, said the grants provided important financial assistance to gifted young athletes.

"These grants help by reducing barriers such as distance and finances." The awards are made possible by sponsor Rebel Sport.



Renee Blakemore, 14, of Glenwood High School is our latest Junior Sports Star nominee. PICTURE: CARHELA ROCKE

Rouse Hill Times, 20th June 2012

GLENWOOD

Isabella's chance to shine

URBANSTAR TALENT QUEST

Lawrence Machado

ISABELLA Guarin is counting on her talent and mother's coaching to wow the judges at the Urbanstar National Talent Quest Sydney finals this Friday.

The piano and guitar-playing 12-year-old has already uploaded a video of her singing Adele's *Someone Like You* in a bid to win the most popular artist on YouTube 2012.

She will be one of the 34 finalists at the finals at Burwood RSL.

She will sing *Shakira's Objection* (Tango), where she will play the guitar and have a backing track.

"I am very excited and nervous about the finals," Isabella of Glenwood said.

THE EVENT

WHAT: The Urbanstar National Talent Quest

WHEN: Friday, June 22

WHERE: Burwood RSL

To vote for Isabella Guarin in the Most Popular YouTube Artist 2012, visit youtube.com and search for Isabella Guarin.

"But I have been practising hard and getting lessons from my mum Leilani who used to sing in The Philippines.

"I have taken part in school and other musical shows but the Urbanstar is my biggest challenge so far and hope I go well.

"I would love to pursue a career in music or become a music teacher."



Isabella Guarin in rehearsals.



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FROM THE DEPUTIES

“Satisfaction lies in the effort, not in the attainment. Full effort is full victory.”
Mahatma Gandhi

Welcome back to Term 3! We know students are fully rested and raring to get back to their studies and improve upon the already excellent results they have achieved so far this year.

Uniform – Jumpers / Jackets / Blazers

The uniform at Glenwood High continues to be a source of pride in the community. Thank you to the many students and parents who always ensure the uniform code is upheld.

During the colder months some students have resorted to wearing non-uniform jackets and scarves. When speaking to these students many indicate they do not have the warmer items in our uniform range. It is imperative this is rectified so we do not have students out of uniform.

Students must wear the school jumper and/or jacket and/or blazer. All accessories must be navy blue only. Students are not to wear long sleeved singlets or tops underneath their shirts. Similarly all singlets must be white.

Parent teacher nights

It was a pleasure to see so many parents at our evenings in Week 10 of last term. If you missed the opportunity to speak with your child’s teacher or are concerned about their progress, please don’t hesitate to contact the school as all staff are more than happy to meet with you, or speak to you over the phone, regarding the progress of your child. Open communication between home and school is of tremendous benefit to the education and welfare of our students.

Reports

Half Yearly Reports were distributed at the end of last term. If you did not receive one please contact the school immediately.

Gifted and Talented opportunities at Glenwood

Glenwood High School has entered two teams in the state wide Tournament of the Minds competition. The competition sees teams of seven undertake a six week Maths-Engineering challenge that is based on the idea of people having different perspectives of the same structure. Students will present their responses at the regional finals at Penrith on August 25th. Also on the day, students will be issued with a surprise challenge where they will be given only one hour to answer a separate challenge. Many thanks Mr Batton for your tireless efforts preparing our students for this special opportunity.

Thanks must also go to Ms Youlden and the cohort of teachers working with the selected Year 5 students from our partner primary schools who are participating in WINGS. WINGS is a Gifted and Talented program designed by the Principal which looks at students participating in a challenge within a subject area of their choosing. WINGS has been operating at our school since 2006. This program developing thinking skills in our students which are an essential part of success in life.



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Wellbeing update

One of the sessions during the Staff Development Day on the first Monday this term focused upon improving student wellbeing. This is an important aspect of increasing student motivation through good teaching, as students who feel happy and safe are more determined. Staff were shown an outline of the *String Movement* assembly and initiative our Prefects and Wellbeing Team held towards the end of last term. To ensure the 'tying up of loose ends' in terms of bullying is a reality, teachers studied scenarios and were provided with a variety of strategies to increase their skill level to recognize and respond to harassing and bullying situations. The Wellbeing Team is planning a follow up session with staff at the next staff meeting as we planning a forum for students on Wellbeing later this term. The Wellbeing Team is made up of both students and teachers at Glenwood High School.

Protecting our children online

Cyber bullying has become a key focus for schools and parents. To protect our children from being victims of cyber bullying there are some simple and effective strategies. Put simply computers should never be kept in the bedroom and should always be in an open and visible area. Keeping an eye on what our children are viewing online as you walk past is one of the most effective ways. Shoulder surfing allows you to observe from a distance what your children are looking at without creating too many issues. If receiving harassing messages have the sender blocked.

Mobile Phones

The use of mobile phones has become an issue of concern both in the media and at Glenwood High School of late. It is strongly advised that students do not bring mobile phones to school. However, if students need to bring mobile phones for travel safety reasons the phones must be switched off (not on silent) and out of sight during school time, including recess and lunchtime.

Students who fail to follow these procedures will be undermining the school code of conduct and dealt with accordingly. They could be banned from bringing their phones to school. Privacy legislation forbids the filming or photographing of others without their permission. Therefore, it is imperative students do not use their phones at all during school time.

If parents need to contact students during school hours they are advised to phone the school on 9629 9577. Students who need to contact parents are able to come to the administration office to make a call.

Bike Safety

It is a requirement by law for students to wear helmets whilst riding a bicycle. It has been noted that some students are not wearing helmets. The risk of permanent injury in the case of an accident should be enough of an encouragement in this area. If you child rides to school please ensure they cooperate with this rule for their own safety.

Year 7

Year 7 students have settled into the school well and are participating in many aspects of school life. A number of students are participating in our Student Representative Council, Wellbeing Team, Art Club and many other extra-curricular activities. It is a pleasure to see so many Year 7 students being active students and contributing to the positive tone of the school. Parents are advised that there may have been some changes to class timetables as a result some courses being offered on a semesterised basis and that students should be prepared to work hard in these new courses with their new teachers. Students, parents and teachers are encouraged to make use of the student diary system to improve communication between our school and the home.



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Years 8 and 9

Year 8 are currently going through the Subject Selection process. It was pleasing to see so many parents at the evening held last term. Not the decision process is coming into the business end. The key advice the school offers is students should do the subjects they like rather than what their friends are doing.

Semester 2 of Year 9 is an important stepping stone for students to build upon their skill level and set themselves up for success in Year 10. Many students during Semester 1 received N Warnings, which means they received zero for that task. This means they need to set goals and realize the importance of completing all work to the best of their ability. Assessments must be handed in on time – any late assignments require a misadventure form and evidence in the form of a medical certificate, if students are sick. The reason for this approach is to train students in Stage 5 in the standards expected in the final years of school.

Students in Years 8 and 9 are encouraged to aim high this Semester and improve upon their results from Semester 1. It is important they plan time to complete assignments and homework and utilize the resources of the school if they are struggling. This includes the Learning Centre. Students are encouraged to spend at least an hour a night completing homework. **Homework** for middle years students takes many formats – completing classwork, working upon assignments progressively (rather than complete them the night before with minimum effort), reading over the days notes, reading etc. Students are asked to apply a **study timetable** mapping out three weeks in advance where study is scheduled throughout the week. Students are encouraged to use their **Student Diary** to map out their homework. For those without a diary, they are on special at the moment and are available for \$6.00 at the front office.

Year 10

Year 10 students are currently in the subject selection process for Year 11 (2013). By the time of publication, Year 10 students will have chosen their subjects from pre-determined lines that will then form part of the 2013 timetable. Most students would have selected combinations of subjects as expressed in their original subject selection survey form, however, there will be a small number of students who may have had to change their preferences. It is important to understand that Glenwood High School offers one of the widest curriculum structures in NSW due to the size of the school and the school supports students in ensuring they have chosen the correct subjects. The next phase of the subject selection process will occur on 9 August 2012 when Year 10 students will attend subject selection interviews. Students will not attend formal lessons on this day and will only be required to attend school during their allocated interview time. Students will be interviewed by a careers adviser, year adviser, head teacher or deputy principal to ensure that their combination of courses best meets their individual needs. Students and parents are reminded that the subject selection handbook has been uploaded to the school website and should be consulted by both students and parents.

Year 11

The Year 11 Crossroads Camp was a great success. Students gained a greater knowledge of how to handle the many difficult situations they could encounter in life. Thanks must go to Mr Nichols, Mrs Pidgeon and the staff who enabled this program to be a success. Year 11 will be doing their final exams for the Preliminary HSC course between September 10th – 20th. At this stage all students should be focusing upon getting their assessments completed, finishing homework and revising. Students should be doing between 2 – 3 hours of work each night as well as about 7 hours over the weekend at this stage of the term.

There are many Year 11 students who are applying themselves and are working in a pleasing capacity. Others however need to apply themselves with more vigor as failure to complete the Preliminary HSC Course could mean they will not be able to proceed to the HSC course.



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Mr Nichols as Year Adviser, has put a lot of effort into encouraging all students to put in the effort. He has focused upon study skills and academic rigor. Mrs Perry the Careers Adviser is interviewing many of these Year 11 students to develop career plans.

Additional support for all students comes from our Learning Centre. Students are encouraged to book in with Mrs Madden and Mrs Avill, our Support Teachers Learning who can provide valuable guidance in how to approach tasks and studying.

Year 12

Year 12 started the term with their Trial HSC in most subjects during Weeks 1 and 2. They are encouraged to be studying in a structured and methodical manner. Three hours a night in 50 minute slots. We suggest the same routine across the week, with increased application on the weekend. On this note, we would like to acknowledge the professionalism of our teaching staff and thank them for their commitment towards Year 12 during the holidays. There were workshops running everyday. Thank you!

Upon return from sitting their Trial HSC students are reminded they still have a long way to go in preparing for their HSC and all teachers have not yet finished teaching the course. Students now need to consolidate their knowledge and skills while refining and perfecting their ability to perform well in the HSC exams in October. Upon returning to school for regular class, all Year 12 students are expected to be in class every lesson. They must take advantage of the invaluable feedback they will receive from the teachers regarding their performance in the Trials as well as revise and practice all course responses. This final focus can mean the difference of up to ten marks or more in any one course. It is never too late to improve results.

Kind regards

Mark Sutton *Deputy Principal Years 7 and 10*
Belinda Young *Deputy Principal Years 8 and 11*
Lance Berry *Deputy Principal Years 9 and 12*

MyCareerMatch

Our local libraries, Max Webber (Blacktown), Dennis Johnson (Stanhope Gardens) and Lalor Park libraries have recently introduced a free career and resume service for students.

Linked to a professional Resume Guide and Online Resume Builder, MyCareerMatch is now available free for students to use at any time.

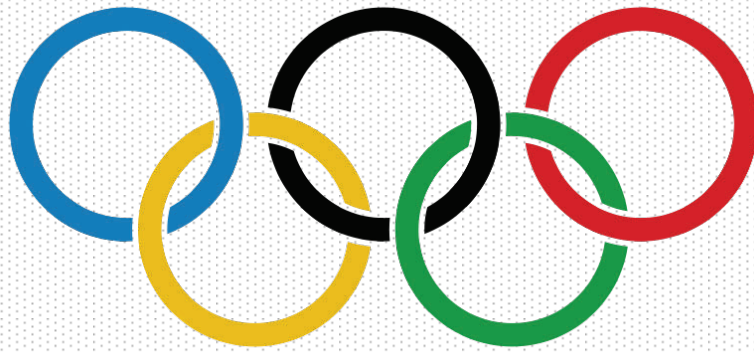
You can visit the library's MyCareerMatch site at www.mcmlibrary.com.au

If you would like any further information please contact Leisel Shaw from MyCareerMatch on 0418 116 860 or email leiselshaw@mycareermatch.com.au. You can also contact the libraries direct to discuss MyCareerMatch or to make a suitable time for your students to visit the library.



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2012 London Olympic Games

The Support Unit at Glenwood High is following our Olympic Team through a variety of subject areas.

In English, our 8G class are supporting the Rowing Teams. They have written a letter of support and sent it to the team. They have created a wonderful poster with pictures of all the rowers and they will be keeping up to date through the Olympic site and participating in daily blogs. The other classes will also be supporting their favourite sporting team and doing a variety of writing and reading tasks.

In Mathematics, all our classes will be participating in a variety of activities, including keeping a tally of all medals won, investigating measurements and what are the world records, as well as graphing and data activities.

In History our classes will explore the history of the Olympics and how events have changed over time.



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MEDIA ARTICLES

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Years 9 and 11 students take part in the intensive paintings program.

Spotlight on student art

HIGH quality art is on show at Glenwood High School as senior students show off their skills.

Years 9 and 11 students from the intensive painting program sharpened their skills during the recent two-day workshop run by expert tutors, thanks to a \$1000 grant from the University of NSW's College of Fine Arts.

One of the budding artists, Nicola Porter, explained her idea of painting a compass: "In this artwork I use a compass to express the need for direction in our lives. The washed dripping effect combined with the antique design

provides the perfect old-time-effect look I desired."

A school spokeswoman said the workshop complemented the current programs, which focused on still life.

"The program allowed students to build upon their skills and abilities in painting, where actions of refinement, critical reflection and the development of judgment were embedded in the students' process of developing and making artworks," the spokeswoman said.

PHOTOS ONLINE
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Bear cranks

STUDENTS ADD A DRAMATIC TOUCH TO READING PROGRAM

Lawrence Machado

STAFF and students donned costumes to flesh out the popular *A Very Cranky Bear* simultaneous reading exercise at Glenwood High School last week.

The book by Nick Bland was read as part of National Simultaneous Storytime, an annual celebration of reading Australian books.

The aim is to have many people reading the same book at the same time and totally enjoying the sharing of words and ideas.

This year's chosen book, *The Very Cranky Bear*, tells the story of four little friends in the "jingle jangle jungle on a cold and windy day" who just happen to find a warm spot to play, only to find that they are sharing the space

“Simultaneous storytime gave us the excuse to enjoy sharing the magic of words and having a go” - school spokeswoman

with a very cranky bear. The Glenwood High story team, led by librarian Jackie Hawkes, made the tale even livelier with their reading and dynamic acting interpretations.

"We will use it as a stimulus to encourage our own emerging writers to think about sharing and reading aloud some of their own original writing," a school spokeswoman said.

"Simultaneous storytime gave us the excuse to enjoy sharing the magic of words and having a go."

News Rouse Hill Stanhope Gardens News 26th June 2012

NEWS

Kids tied together in

battle to beat bullies

By Phyllis Macgregor

HOW long is a piece of string? Long enough to tie 1500 students together in a fight to stop bullying at their school.

Glenwood High School's prefects and wellbeing team launched the String Movement last week at an informal school assembly.

There were no violins or cellos, but there was a video which encouraged students to protect each other against bullies.

The school prefects then told their fellow students how important it was to care for each other.

Sahiba Kaur challenged them to think about how they would feel to know some of their peers would have no pleasant memories of high school.

"If your friend is being bullied, will you just stand there and let it happen?" she said. "Or will you

stand up and say 'no'? Yes! Naicker said it was important to stop the chain reaction of bullies.

"Sometimes, all it takes is supporting a friend in need, speaking up if you see bullying happening by reporting it, or even just being friendly to others."

The assembly was followed by a String Movement stall in the playground at lunchtime where students signed an anti-bullying pledge and received a piece of string to tie around their wrist.

"Once you sign the pledge you're making a promise to do your bit to act against bullying," Sandra Muleya said.

"Once you tie that string around your wrist, you're reminding yourself and others that you're helping to tie up those loose ends."

Reporter Aaron Gallagher and photographer Chris Lane asked Glenwood High School students how their school's anti-bullying campaign has helped their fellow classmates. Let us know what you think at msgnews.com.au and vote in our poll.



Fatima Ali, Kellyville Ridge: "It's boosted awareness of when and who to report bullying to."



Ashan Jayakody, Glenwood: "It acts as a symbol and it is a reminder to step up against bullying."



Carlee Rawlings, Stanhope Gardens: "This is bringing everyone together, and the string is, giving us a physical reminder of our anti-bullying pledge."



Alice Ao, Stanhope Gardens: "It has helped to generate widespread support against bullying."



If you need help call the Kids Help Line on 1800 551 800 or visit kidshelp.com.au.

"Peers have a crucial role to play in addressing bullying."

String theory: Glenwood High prefect Sahiba Kaur adds Andrew Dannison to the school's anti-bullying movement.

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GREENWAY

Grants for sporting champions

SEVERAL promising young sportspeople have received Local Sporting Champions grants. Greenway federal Labor MP Michelle Rowland presented the awards. "We want our youth to be active in sport, whether it's as athletes, coaches or officials, and these grants help by reducing barriers to participation," she said. Recipients included Tayla Croft Ling (Stanhope Gardens, athletics), Emma Lakeman

"We want our youth to be active in sport, whether it's as athletes, coaches or officials - Greenway MP Michelle Rowland

(Stanhope Gardens, swimming) and Jessica Boylett (Kellyville Ridge, futsal). The next round of grants closes on June 30. Details: ausport.gov.au/champions.

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Teachers' cultural exchange

Lawrence Machado
 CULTURAL exchanges just improved at Glenwood High School with the input of two Indonesian teachers. Inam Payitno and Viddya Nora Willova, were here for two weeks from MEAPB

Boodlotal Mubtalin, a village boarding school under the BRIDGE (Building Relationships through Intercultural Dialogue and Growing Engagement) program. Glenwood is one of 80 schools involved. School principal Eria Me-

Master said the exchange program is proving a success with the staff and students, some of whom have Indonesian heritage. "I think it is really important for students to be globally aware of their neighbours, especially in Asia."

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Young musician on song for Urbanstar



WHEN the Urbanstar National Talent Quest Sydney finals start next week, Isabella Guarin will be counting on her talent and mother's coaching to wow the judges. The 12-year-old, who plays piano and guitar, has already uploaded a video of herself singing Adele's 'Someone Like You' in a bid to win the most popular artist on YouTube. The Glenwood High School student will be one of 34 performers at the finals at Burwood RSL. She will sing Shakira's 'Objection (Tongo)', and she will play the guitar and have a backing track. "I am very excited and nervous about the finals," Isabella of Glenwood, said.

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 -Isabella Guarin

"But I have been practising hard and getting lessons from my mum Leilani who used to sing in The Philippines. I have taken part in school and other musical shows but the Urbanstar is my biggest challenge so far." Isabella thanked her musical mentors, Van Anh Nguyen, Tina Ranso-Bangle, Mio Paredes and professor Jim McRae, David Pomeranz and Jim Paredes, saying they have given her confidence.

MEDIA ARTICLES

Rouse Hill Times, Wednesday 19th June 2012
GLENWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

Learning a new alphabet

ABC - ALWAYS BE CONFIDENT

Lawrence Machado

FORMER champion New Zealand skateboarder Simon Clegg provided a motivational morning for Glenwood High School's year 9 students earlier this month.



Simon Clegg with students.

He spoke to them on the theme of Choose Life, drawing on his experience of overcoming personal challenges which included drug and alcohol abuse. "He challenged young people to rise above what not to let the past dictate their future," school official Shelley Blackley said. "His uplifting presentation challenged students to consider how the choices they make in life direct

their future, to take control of their thinking and to ABC - always be confident." Students Sandy Moharib and Aidan Green said they were inspired by Mr Clegg's message of not letting someone's harsh words or circumstances stop them from achieving their goals and dreams in life.

Rouse Hill Times, Wednesday 20th June 2012

ON STAGE TALENTED STUDENTS SHOW THEIR WIZARDRY IN A TIMELESS CLASSIC

GLENWOOD High School will perform the timeless classic, *The Wizard of Oz*, from Wednesday to Friday..

The musical has all the elements of success with more than 60 students ready for their big show after weeks of rehearsals.

Under the supervision of music teacher Sarah Cross, the students have been creating sets, learning dialogue, songs and dance moves.

"Come along and listen to those wonderful songs and see the students re-create the magical and fantastical world of Oz," Ms Cross said.

The production stars Emily Matthews as Dorothy and

YELLOW BRICK ROAD LEADS TO GLENWOOD



WHAT: The Wizard of Oz musical staged by Glenwood High School
WHEN: June 20-22 from 7.30pm
TICKETS: \$5/student; \$10/adult/ \$2/family (2 children, 2 adults)
DETAILS: Phone: 9629 9577

Isabella Solisa as the Wicked Witch of the West. The main cast members are aged between 13 and 16 years.

The story is set during the Great Depression where the orphaned Dorothy lives with Uncle Henry and Aunt Em on their Kansas farm.

One day, she and her dog, Toto, are in the farmhouse when it is caught in a cyclone and dumped in Munchkin Country.

The book was written by Lyman Frank Baum in 1900 and immortalised by Judy Garland in 1939.



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Rouse Hill Times, Wednesday 6th June 2012

Indonesian teachers enhance Glenwood HS cultural ties



CULTURAL exchanges just got better at Glenwood High School thanks to the input by two visiting Indonesian teachers.

The teachers, Imam Payitno and Viddya Nora Willova, are on a two-week secondment from MTsPB Roudlotul Mubtadiin, a village boarding school in Java.



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The Indonesian teachers are here under the BRIDGE (Building Relationships through Intercultural Dialogue and Growing Engagement) program between the two countries.

School principal Erla McMaster, praising the program between Australian and Indonesian schools, said the exchange program is proving a success with the staff and students, some of whom have Indonesian heritage.

“I think it is really important for the students to be globally aware of their neighbours, specially in Asia,” she said.

“The students will grow into global citizens one day and it’s good for them to be aware of the world around them.

“It will also help them develop an understanding of languages and cultures.

“Hopefully our teachers can go to Indonesia through this program.”



Secondary studies head teacher Faye Nash, who teaches Indonesian and French, said learning a new language will enhance the students' cultural knowledge and give them an edge when it comes to seeking employment.

The BRIDGE project, backed by the federal government, was the only Australian entry shortlisted in the final 20 projects in the UN Alliance of Civilizations - BMW Award for Intercultural Innovation 2011, ranking 16th out of 400 entries across 70 nations.



Imam Payitno, Mr Nichols and Viddya Nora Willova

Crossroads

Crossroads is a **mandatory** Stage 6 course which extends the learning experiences of students in Years 7-10 in Personal Development, Health and Physical Education.

Crossroads was delivered both at school and at a 3 day camp at Narrabeen Sports and Recreation Centre on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday during Week 2 this Term.

Our senior students addressed issues related to identity, independence and the changing responsibilities, team work, positive risk-taking as they participated in workshops as diverse as abseiling, rock-climbing, case-analysis, role-play, raft building etc.

In *Crossroads*, students had the opportunity to develop knowledge, understandings and skills to enable them to make informed decisions about issues relevant to this stage of their lives.

It offered new learning experiences and practical application of theoretical knowledge and skills learnt.



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Careers News



Careers Advisers; Mrs Perry and Mrs Callaghan would like to invite you and your parents to the

Yr 12 Careers Day on August 10th, 2012

This event will be held in school hall and include a great variety of presenters whom will discuss all of your post high school options. Your UAC and JAFE guides will also be handed out. This is a free event.

RSVP August 7, 2012 to anne.perry@det.nsw.edu.au | 9629 9577



THE CADETSHIP EVENING OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS 2012

The Cadetship evening of Chartered Accountants 2012 was a fun and different experience; experienced by all three of us (**Aparna Garg, Sheena Prasad and Rihka Shikh**). The evening had so much to learn and explore from. We had so many questions which we wanted to be answered by the end of the night!

We all go so many free gifts from all different firms and accountants. Our questions were happily answered.



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NSW Adolescent Vaccination Program 2012

Our last Vaccination clinic for Year 7 will be conducted at Glenwood High School on **Friday 7th September 2012**.

On this day, Year 7 Girls will get their 3rd dose of HPV, 2nd dose of HepB and Varicella (Chickenpox). Year 7 Boys will get their 2nd dose of HepB and Varicella (Chickenpox).

A Record of Vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated at the clinic.

Parents/guardians should ensure that this record is kept for future reference and a copy is provided to your GP. Parents should not assume that their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive this Record of Vaccination.

Parents as a reminder, please mark this important dates on your calendar to ensure everyone is well prepared. Also it is important for the children who are being vaccinated eat a normal breakfast and have plenty of water and food for recess and lunchtime on their vaccination day.

Should you have any further questions or comments regarding this program please call the Immunisation Team on 9840 3603. Further information regarding immunisation is also available at www.health.nsw.gov.au . Alternatively you can call me on 9629-9577 at Glenwood High School.

Kind Regards,

Radha Achar

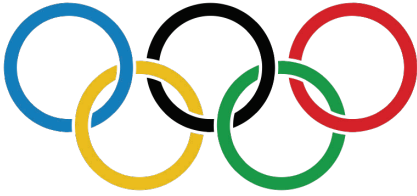
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LIBRARY REPORT



OLYMPICS

We have a fantastic Olympic Display in the front of our Library. We encourage all students to come in and have a look at the display and get into the spirit with trivia and activities each week. We will have the TV running so come in and watch all the highlights from the day in competition.

BOOK WEEK

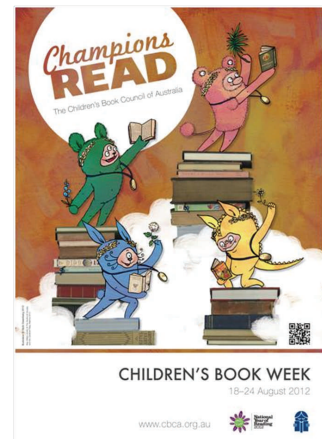
Book Week is the longest running children's festival in Australia, celebrating its 67th birthday in 2012.

The date for Book Week 2012 will be **Saturday 18 – Friday 24 August**. At Glenwood High School we will celebrate it during Week 6.

The theme for 2012 is... **Champions Read.**

Book Week is a chance to spend one week celebrating books and Australian authors and illustrators.

We look forward to celebrating Book Week at Glenwood High School.



A very big Thank You to Simranjeet Singh who has been once again book covering for the Library. She has done the most wonderful job of covering all our latest released new books, ready for our students to borrow straight off the shelf. It is very much appreciated Simranjeet, and a very big Thank You from all the Library staff.

Also a very big Thank You goes to Ian Thomas, Maggie Avill & Nivethaa Venkatesan for donating books to our school Library, donations are always welcomed and also much appreciated.



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TERM 3, 2012 CALENDAR

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3A	30	31	1 August	2 Mathematics Competition	3 State Debating Final Yrs 11 & 12—Great Hall Sydney Jeans for Genes Day—Mufti Day
4B	6	7 Year 11 Biology Excursion Botanical Gardens	8 State Futsal Competition	9 Year 10 Subject Selection Interviews State Futsal Competition	10 Yr 12 Seminar Year 12 Advanced English Reading/Writing Assessment Task
5A	13	14 Year 11 Biology Excursion Botanical Gardens Year 7 Taronga Zoo	15	16	17 Year 7 Gala Day V John Edmondson @ JEHS
6B	20	21	22	23 Year 11 Legal Studies Excursion—Parramatta Court House	24
7A	27	28	29 Year 11 PDHPE & SLR Students-First Aid Course-incursion	30	31
8B	3 Sept	4	5	6	7 Yr 7 3rd dose HPV girls 2nd dose HepB girls & boys single dose chicken pox boys & girls
9A	10 Year 11 Exams	11 Year 11 Exams	12 Year 11 Exams	13 Year 11 Exams	14 Year 11 Exams
10B	17 Year 11 Exams	18 Year 11 Exams Hike/Camp—Blue Mountains	19 Year 11 Exams Hike/Camp -Blue Mountains	20 Year 11 Exams Hike/Camp -Blue Mountains	21 Year 12 Graduation

THESE EVENTS ARE CURRENT AT TIME OF PUBLICATION.

Please check Facebook for current events



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INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

TERM DATES 2012

TERM 3

MONDAY, 16 JULY 2012 - FRIDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2012

TERM 4

MONDAY, 8 OCTOBER 2012 - FRIDAY 21 DECEMBER 2012

PLEASE NOTE: SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS

(FIRST DAY OF TERM 1, 2 & 3 AND LAST TWO DAYS OF TERM 4)

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

MONDAY 8.00AM - 11.00AM

WEDNESDAY 12.00NOON - 1.00PM

FRIDAY 1.00PM - 4.30PM

OFFICE HOURS

OFFICE HOURS 8.00AM - 3.15PM

OFFICE HOURS for

Payment of fees: 8.30AM - 2.30PM

Correct money would be appreciated when making payments by cash
as the school is unable to change large dominations, especially prior to 9.00am.



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LATE, ABSENT OR LEAVING EARLY NOTES

Notes are required from Parent / Guardian to explain reasons for lateness, absence or leaving early. Please ensure your child's full name and year is clearly written on the note.

If a student does not produce a note for lateness a detention will be issued for that day.

ALL notes are required to be handed in at Student Reception at the beginning of the day to enable a pass to be issued to the student and for the details to be noted in the system to avoid a truancy note being issued.

[OUR NEXT P & C MEETING will be held on 5 September 2012 in the Conference Room. Please come along and join us 7.00pm start.](#)

[NEWSLETTER](#) is on our website just prior to the P & C Meeting (see below for dates)

P & C MEETING DATES 2012:

5 September, 2012

7 November 2012

5 December 2012

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PARENTS

As information and communication is forwarded to you by email or SMS mobile phone, it is essential that the school has your correct details.

Please complete the form at the end of the newsletter, if any of your personal details (email or mobile phone number) have changed.

Completed forms can be returned to the school by:

1. Email glenwood-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au
2. FAX: 9629 2796
3. POST: Attention Cheryl Sheahan

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GLENWOOD COMMUNITY NEWS & ADVERTISING

WEP Student Exchange – Memories and Skills for a Lifetime!

Give your child the opportunity to gain international experiences and language skills to kick-start a future career. Along with distinct language benefits, exchange students mature, gain confidence and develop a more worldly approach upon their return to Australia.

Experience the wonderful world of WEP!

Choose from over 100 programs to over 20 countries around the world to live and study for a summer, semester or year. Applications are closing at the end of August for programs departing in Jan-Feb 2013. WEP is also offering Early Bird Specials for programs departing in July-Sept 2013!

Find out more!

Visit www.wep.org.au and request a free information pack

Attend one of WEP's information evenings

Call 1300 884 733 (for the cost of a local call)

Upcoming Information Evenings

Brisbane: 25 July, 8 August, 25 October

Metropolitan Motor Inn / 106 Leichhardt Street / Spring Hill

Sydney: 25 July, 8 August, 25 October

Level 2 / 95-99 York Street / Sydney CBD

Townsville: 14 August

Kirwan State High School / Hudson Street / Kirwan



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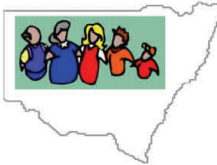
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MISSION C.A.S.E

CARERS UNITE- For all NSW foster carers to unite into a powerful collective voice.

ADVOCATE- To advocate on behalf of foster carers & their families, & to form strong working partnerships with government & non- government organisations in support of a quality OOH system.

SUPPORT- To provide peer support to foster carers, & to assist them to achieve the best possible outcomes for their foster children & families.

EDUCATE- To educate foster carers & raise awareness in the general public of the vital role of foster carers.

VISION

To provide **advocacy, support & information** to carers, that ensures they continue to receive the best support from their NGOs, allowing each child in care to achieve their full potential.

FCANSW welcomes & supports a culturally diverse community of foster carers who come from all different backgrounds & offer a wealth of experience.

What unites us, is the common goal we have in raising this next generation to reach their full potential.

HOW TO JOIN

Go to our membership application link on our website: www.fcansw.org.au.

Or to be posted a membership form contact us on (02) 4987 1847 or email admin@fcansw.org.au



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EAGLES BASEBALL CLUB

"LOOKING FOR A FUN & EXCITING SPORT FOR THE KIDS TO PLAY THIS SUMMER"

HOW ABOUT "T-BALL"

THE KL EAGLES BASEBALL CLUB WILL BE HOLDING TRY T-BALL FUN DAYS

For: BOYS & GIRLS 6- 12 YEARS OF AGE

When: SUNDAY 29TH JULY & 5TH AUGUST

BETWEEN 11- 2

Where: ASHLEY BROWN RES. LALOR PARK

ACTIVITIES WILL BE BASED AROUND THE GAME OF T-BALL

HITTING, CATCHING, THROWING, BASE RUNNING

2012/2013 season registrations will also be held!

**Rego & Trials for the U/12's, 14's & 17's between 9.30 - 11.00*

**T-Ball rego between 11.00 - 2.00*

**A \$10 discount off fees if paid on the day!*

For more information about our T-Ball Fun Day or the KL Eagles Baseball Club visit our website:

www.kingslangleybaseballclub.com.au

or contact:

Clayton on 0410 440 912

**IT'S SUMMER
IT HAS TO BE
CRICKET
WITH YOUR
FRIENDS**



This summer we're looking for the next generation of bowlers, batters and catchers. There's lots of ways you can get involved in cricket with your local club, association or indoor centre.

Sign up now with your local club or find out more at...

playcricket.com.au



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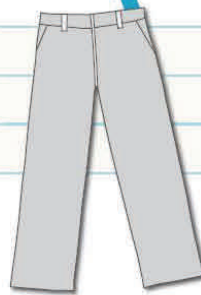
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T-SHIRTS or POLO SHIRTS shorten hem or sleeves

\$12.00



PANTS or JOGGERS shorten hem

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UNIFORM JACKETS shorten sleeves

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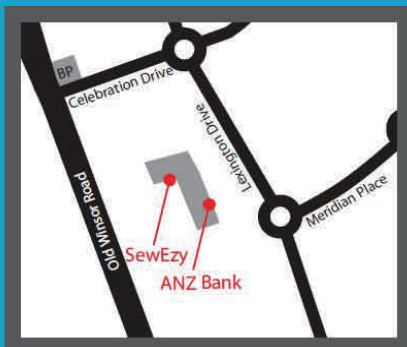


UNIFORM SKIRT shorten hem

\$15.00

CHANGE PANTS or SKIRT ZIPPERS standard or invisible

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AUTHORITY TO CHANGE STUDENT RECORD DETAILS

Dear Parent/Guardian

The need for our school to keep records up to date and accurate is extremely important, particularly in the case of emergencies. Please fill in the following change of record details and return to the school at your earliest convenience.

STUDENT'S FULL NAME (include Siblings ATTENDING)	
PARENT / GUARDIAN'S NAMES	
RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS	
CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS	
HOME PHONE NUMBER	
FAMILY EMAIL ADDRESS	
PARENT/GUARDIAN WORK NUMBERS	NAME: _____ PHONE NO: _____
PARENT / GUARDIAN MOBILE PHONE NUMBERS	NAME: _____ PHONE NO: _____
EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME & NO (other than parent / guardian)	NAME: _____ PHONE NO: _____ RELATIONSHIP: _____ NAME: _____ PHONE NO: _____ RELATIONSHIP: _____

ATTENTION

If you have moved out of the Glenwood High School local enrolment area you need to attach a letter to the Principal outlining the reason for your move. The letter must also explain why you wish your child to remain at the school as a non local enrolment, instead of moving your child/children to their local High School.

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE



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