# **Our Values & Important Dates**

TERM 4 WEEK 7 FRI 21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER

# VALUES Respect, Responsibility, Integrity, Excellence Mission

Our mission at Glenroy West Primary School is to foster a supportive environment where academic excellence and positive behaviour go hand in hand. By embracing Respect, Integrity, Responsibilty and Excellence as guiding principles, we empower students to become Lifelong Learners and Compassionate citizens. Through collaboration amoung staff, students, families and the wider community, we strive to create a culture of mutual respect and continuous growth, where every individual is valued and supported in their journey towards success.

#### Vision

At Glenroy West Primary School our vision is to provide quality, stimulating programs to ensure every student achieve strong literacy and numeracy outcomes. Students are encouraged to become probelm solvers and reflective learners who are flexible in their approach to education. Our programs aim to develop behaviours that encourage a healthy, balanced lifestyle, lifelong learing and responsible citizenship in a multicultural society.

#### **TERM DATES 2025**

TERM 4- MONDAY 6TH OCTOBER- FRIDAY 19TH DECEMBER

#### Reminder- Dates to remember

- SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP OPEN First Wednesday of each month. Open Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>
   December from 3:15pm
- Library borrowing: Students may borrow 2 books if they have a library bag and books returned.



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# **Important News**

# **Diary Events- 2025:**

## Term 4- Monday 6th October- Friday 19th December

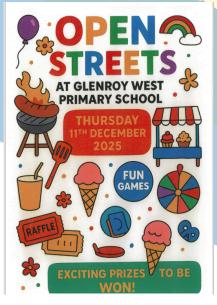
#### November

- Friday 21st November 2026 Foundation Transition
- Friday 21st November New Prep Parent Information session 9-10am
- Swimming Program Years Foundation to Year 2, 24<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> November
- Tuesday 25th November- School Council Meeting

#### December

- Tuesday 9th December Orientation Day & 2026 Prep students attend all day.
- · Wednesday 10th December- Music Concert
- Thursday 11th December- OPEN STREETS
- Monday 15th December- Christmas Raffle drawn
- Tuesday 16th December- Year 6 Graduation
- · Wednesday 17th December- F-2 Talent Show
- Thursday 18th December- Year 6 End of Year Fun Day & Class Party from Prep- Year 5
- Friday 19th December- Term 4 ends at 1.30pm. Students dismissed from classrooms.





# Term 4 Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 8am to 9am & 3pm to 4pm

- Music
- Cake Stall Morning and Afternoon
- BBQ Afternoon





# **Message from the Principal**

Dear Parents & Guardians,

I hope everyone is very well.

We are moving towards the end of term and now in Week 7.

## Teaching and Learning update

The Leadership team have had the great pleasure of spending time in classrooms these past few weeks as part of our regular cycle of Learning Walks. We saw exceptional engagement and growth mindset from students, who were able to clearly articulate what they were learning, why they were learning it, and how they would know when they had successfully applied their learning.

There is a focus at Glenroy West Primary School on maximising consistent best practices in teaching and learning. This is achieved through collaborative planning, processes, targeted professional learning and ongoing reflection in teaching teams. This term, teachers have focused on the use of rubrics to promote learner agency in numeracy and writing, embedding high impact differentiation strategies in literacy and personalising strategies to support students to achieve their learning goals.

I would like to both acknowledge and thank all our amazing teaching and educational support staff for their work this term.

As we move towards the end of the school year there are many things to celebrate!

We do continue to deliver a rigorous learning program despite our students beginning to feel tired after a long term.

Attendance data has been improving, do keep your child coming to school every day.

This school is a great school because of the wonderful home and community partnership. I am very grateful and proud for the parent community who work hard to support our school and all students.

Hope our weather continues to improve with some sunshine. Take care and stay safe.

Kindest regards,

Pamela Streete Principal.

# **Message from the Principal**

#### E safety Commissioner- Social Media restrictions

Dear Parents and Guardians,

From 10th December 2025, many social media platforms won't be allowed to let Australians under 16 years of age to create or keep accounts. The Changes aim to protect under 16 children from pressure and risks they can be exposed to while logged in to social media accounts.

Please refer to this website for further information.

SWPBS- School Wide Positive Behaviour

School Wide Focus- We keep our Hands and Feet to ourselves.

Our social skills focus for the last 2 weeks has been focussing on reminding students of classroom expectations and keeping their hands and feet to themselves. This is a very important skill children need to learn in in the school yard when they may feel frustrated. We encourage students to use their words and not their hands both at school and in the school community. At school, we ask students to tell the teacher.

Join one of our free webinars for parents and carers to learn the latest strategies for helping children stay safer online.



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#### The changing face of cyberbullying: Protecting your child in 2025

Join eSafety's expert-led webinar to understand how cyberbullying is evolving—and how you can help...

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Social media age restrictions explained – a guide for parents and carers

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### Parents/ Guardians- High importance for Teacher Instruction to begin

Dear Parents and quardians,

Please ensure you leave the classroom /school grounds once **teacher instruction begins at 8.50am**. This is a child safety legal requirement and common courtesy to allow our teachers to teach and ensure all students are provided with an equitable core curriculum.

#### Reading instruction begins at 8.50am with independent reading.

Students are expected to enter the class and sit down with a book of choice to read independently at 8.50am. We kindly remind parents that school supervision ends at 3.30pm, We appreciate your co-operation in picking up students on time. Dont forget you can utilize OSHC if you know you will be running late.

Thank you for your ongoing cooperation.



# **News**

#### **Year 6-7 Transition**

Tuesday 9th December is a statewide Year 7 Orientation Day for all Year 6 students attending a Government Secondary school in 2026. Further information will be supplied by the relevant Secondary College.

#### Term 4 Sun Smart in Schools

Please remember to wear your hat every day! It doesn't need to be an expensive hat, but it does need to protect your child from the sun.

As the weather slowly warms up it's time for all schools across Victoria to implement their sun smart policy. This means all students must wear a wide brimmed hat to school for all outside activities, be it playing in the yard, excursions of PE.

Please read our policy on our school website. I am aware, like all school uniform, there is a tendency for hats to get misplaced so please make sure they are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Thankyou.

## <u>Compass Attendance</u>

Parents can now update attendance notes in compass if your child is absent. A reason is to be included for your child's absence before approval.

Please refer to the compass newsfeed.



# Important Reminder 2026 Foundation Enrolments

Parents are invited to complete their child's enrolment form and return to the school office as soon as possible. Please provide proof of your child's date of birth as well as their immunisation record. One you have completed the process; new students will be added to the register for 2026 classes.

The process does assist with future planning for 2026. If you have any questions or queries, please contact our office staff on 9306-8955. Enrolment forms are available on our school website.

If you have any queries regarding enrolling your child for 2026, please do not hesitate to contact our School Enrolment Officer or a member of the Leadership team.

Pamela.Streete@education.vic.gov.au.

Once the enrolment process is complete, new enrolments are placed on the student register for 2026 classes.

It would be greatly appreciated for planning purposes if parents were able to finalise their enrolments by the end of this term. Please speak to our school Enrolment Officer if you have any questions or require clarification regarding the enrolment process.

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# **School News**

Thank you again to current parent/carers who have:

Let us know that they have a sibling of a current *GWPS STUDENT WHO WILL BE BEGINNING IN 2026*Please spread the word about enrolments and our wonderful transition program. Attached is the information with school tours operating each Tuesday and Thursday at 9.30am.

There may be additional tour dates depending upon demand.

A place on a tour must be booked by phone 9306-8955 or by email glenroywestps@education.vic.gov.au

Please speak to the school if you are unsure of the enrolment process at any time.

Your child has the right to enrol at their local school. Visit Find my School to locate your child's local school.

School Tours are available on a Tuesday and Thursday at 9.30am. Please book a school tour via the school office on 9306-8955 or by email:

<u>Child Safety and Wellbeing</u> <u>Wellbeing Contacts</u>

<u>Lifeline: Free confidential counselling – 13 11 14</u>

Parent Line: Free confidential counselling for Parents – 13 22 89

Orange Door: Supporting families experiencing family violence- 1800 271 046

Glenroy West Primary School is committed to providing an environment where students are safe and feel safe.

Our child safety framework includes policies, codes and procedures that explain how we support and maintain the safety and wellbeing of our students and protect them from harm. These documents are available on our school website.

We are also committed to continuous improvement of our child safety framework. We reviewed our child safety policies and practices before our school review in Term 4 last year.

Our students and families are important partners in this process. We welcome your feedback or ideas on ways we can improve our approach to child safety and wellbeing.

Pamela Streete

Principal

## News

# EVERYDAY MATTERS: ATTENDANCE IS A PRIORITY AT GLENROY WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL Attendance Requirements

## Same Day notification of unexplained student absences

Protecting the safety and wellbeing of children through the reporting and monitoring of absenteeism is the responsibility of both parents/carers and schools. Parents/carers have an obligation to notify the school of their child's absence and schools are required to notify parents/carers on the day of unexplained student absence.

If your child is sick or absent, you are required to notify the school as soon as possible on the day of absence. Notifying the school of your child's absence either prior to or on the day that they will be away, helps ensure the safety and wellbeing of children and will fulfil your legal responsibility.

#### PLEASE EXPLAIN EVERY ATTENDANCE

#### SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

Dear Parents and Guardians,



Charmaine has volunteered her time this year and we are very grateful. Please let the office know or Charmaine if you would like to assist. Thank you.

Second hand uniform sales will be as follows beginning at 3.15pm- 3.30pm.

First Wednesday of each month. A compass newsfeed will be sent to parents/ carers as a reminder.

Please contact office staff or Charmaine if you are interested in assisting in the second-hand uniform shop. You can always leave your name at the office if you prefer, and we can contact you.

Stock and prices will vary according to condition. Cash payment is preferred.

We gratefully accept donations of the Glenroy West branded school uniforms for the second-hand uniform sale. Any donations can be left at the front office. Thank you for your ongoing support.

#### LOST PROPERTY

Located in the Student Support Centre hallway in the tall cupboard marked 'Lost Property'.

Unfortunately, the lost property box is always overflowing so please ensure your child's garments are labelled.

If you have any trouble financing uniform, please call or come into the office so we can assist at any time.

#### **PLAYGROUP-FREE PLAYGROUP 2025**

PLAYGROUP WILL BE OPERATING ON A THURSDAY AND FRIDAY FROM 9.00-10.30AM IN THE YORK STREET KINDERGARTEN.

Visitors welcome.

Further details please email: <u>Mirella.Gandolfo@education.vic.gov.au</u> or contact our school office on 9306-8955.





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# Glenroy West's Got Talent \*



We are excited to announce that Glenroy West's Got Talent is happening for junior students this term!

- When: Wednesday 17th December
- <u>Time: 1:45pm</u>
- Where: School Gym
- Who: Students in Years F-2

Do you have a special talent you'd love to share — singing, dancing, playing an instrument, acting, comedy, magic, or something unique? This is your chance to shine on stage! Students who would like to perform need to:

- 1. Talk with their parents/carers about the event.
- 2. Attend a meeting with Ms Childs next Monday 24th November at 1st break.
- 3. Return the participation form by Monday 8th Deccember.

Families and friends are warmly invited to attend the show and cheer for our talented students.

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<b>Return Slip – Glenroy West's Go</b>	ot Talent
Student Name:	
Class:	
Talent / Act (brief description):	
Other students in the act (if any):	
Parent/Carer Signature:	
Date:	



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## **GWPS News**



We are excited to invite our school community to the 2025 School Concert on <u>Wednesday 10th</u> **December in the school gym**. The concert will begin at **9:15am** and will run for about one hour.

We kindly ask that families stay for the **full first hour of performances** to support all students on stage. After a short 5-minute break, at around **10:20am**, we would love for you to stay and enjoy the fantastic movies created by our Year 5/6 students in Music class.

They have worked very hard and are excited to share their creativity with you!

## **Performance Program**

FA – Dance: I Like to Move It FB – Dance: We Will Rock You

FC - Dance: Shake It Off

Choir

1A - Dance: Among Us Theme Song

1B – Dance: Soda Pop 2A – Dance: Your Idol 2B – Singing: Free 3/4A – Band: Sunroof 3/4B – Band: Roar

3/4C - Band: Stereo Hearts

3/4D – Musical mashup performed on instruments

Percussion Ensemble

5/6A - Luna Bala Phonk, My Ordinary Life

#### **BREAK**

10:20am

5/6A - Movies

5/6B - Movies

5/6C - Movies

Classroom teachers will share costume information with families soon.

We look forward to celebrating our students' creativity and talent together.





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# **GWPS News**

## STEAM- SCIENCE NEWS

Students have been enjoying hands on activities to investigate an area of science. Year 1-6 are looking at Science Understanding, Earth Sciences while Foundation have been investigating biological science.

Foundation have been learning about the features of plants. They have planted a bean seed, looked carefully at leaves and pulled apart flowers to name the features.





Year 1 and 2 have been closely looking at investigating wate, using the 5 sences, Its source. the effects on different surfaces and landscapes.







Years 3&4 are learning about soil, rocks and landscapes. They conducted a soil suspension experiment, collecting soil from different locations. Observations have been recorded weekly to see the soil seperate into layers.

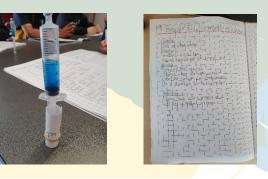
They have also modelled landscapes and investigated changes made by water.



Years 5&6 have been learning about the weathering of landscapes through modelling and experimentation. Chalk and sugar cubes have demonstrated abrasion, while the freezing of water has demonstrated the increase in volume of ice, causing pressure to split rocks.







## **News**

# **ICAS News**

The results are in! A well-earned congratulations to all the students who sat for ICAS assessment in English, Writing, Reading, Spelling Bee, Science, Mathematics and Digital Technologies in Term 3.

Results included 2 High Distinction award, 6 Distinctions, 8 Credit certificates, 4 Merit awards and 42 Participation awards across all the subjects. Senior awards were given out last Monday at the 5-6 Assembly. Years 2-4 will be given certificates at the respective assemblies in the coming weeks. Principal Awards were given to the following student:

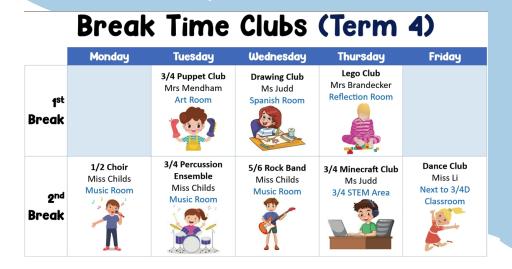
- Raeven Villanueva for Science, Writing and English
- <u>Leo Donoghue</u> for Mathematics and Digital Technologies
- Owen Tran for Spelling Bee

Denise Mendham (ICAS coordinator)

# **LUNCHTIME CLUBS**

Dear Parents and carers, we are pleased to inform you that we will be offering a range of lunchtime clubs for students. These clubs are designed to provide enjoyable and engaging opportunities dunring the day to help students explore new intrests and develop new skills.

Clubs will run on selected days of the week . Below is a timetable of the clubs available for this term .

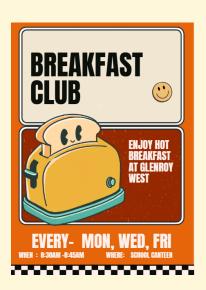




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Student of the Week Awards Value - Excellence



Class	Student	Reason
Principal Award	Jessica L, Clara, Sophie A, Mohamed H , Ivan , Aiden	For demonstrating excellence in both their daily learning and behavior. Well done.
Enviroment Award	Jax, Charlize, Vivaan, Brinda	For Helping keep our school yard neat and tidy. Well Done
Foundation A	Hashim	For demonstrating excellence in the classroom.
Foundation B	Mateen	For showing excellent participation and confidently sharing his ideas. Well done, Mateen!
Foundation C	Aliza	For always completing her writing at a high standard. Well done!
1A	Charles	For explaining how I completed my work in class.
1B	Darby	For displaying excellence in the classroom. Well Done
<b>2A</b>	Ayla	For demonstrating excellence with her voices. Well done Ayla.
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# Student of the Week Awards Value - Excellence

Class	Student	Reason
3/4A	Myra	Myra has shown outstanding excellence in her learning this week.
3/4B	Edie	For always doing her best work!
3/4C	Minahil	Minahil has worked extremely hard to improve her writing to ensure that she always performs at a her highest possible level
3/4D	Riyaz	For demonstrating the school value of Excellence consistently in all areas of learning.
5/6A	Fatima	For showing steady participation in classroom activities and continuing to work towards greater consistency in learning.
5/6B	Jacob	For creating an excellent comic strip in writing. Well done, Jacob. Keep it up!
56C	Eyad	For demonstrating excellence in all areas of his learing.



Excellence means trying your very best and putting in hard work, not just being the "best" at something. It's about doing your personal best, like building a tower as high as you can or learning a new skill with all your effort, and it's more about the effort you put in than the final result.