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# Newsletter

## Principal's Message

**Monday, 26th February, 2024**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we move further into the term, I wanted to take a moment to share some updates and important information with you all.

**GPA's:** At the end of week 5 (1st of March), the first General Progress Achievement Report (GPA) will be available for you to view on Compass. General Progress Achievement (GPA) Reports are published twice a term, in weeks 5 and 10, providing information to you on your child's progress. They are created approximately every 5 weeks and represent your child's progress towards specific assessment areas, including your child's learning behaviours in relation to our values, their classroom and playground behaviour and home reading.

**Staff Learning:** We had a wonderful staff professional learning day on the 13th of February. This learning was delivered by Nathaniel Swain, as we joined 80 other of our colleagues from Inner Gippsland for a great day of learning. This learning was in support of our goals as a school for improving Literacy.

**Upcoming Events:** We have an exciting lineup of events planned for the upcoming weeks. We recently had Questacon deliver an incursion which was a hit with the students! Our Year 5/6's have their camp to Sovereign Hill coming up which they are really looking forward to. Please stay tuned on Compass for further details regarding these events in the coming weeks.

**Parent-Teacher Collaboration:** I want to express my gratitude to all the parents and guardians who have been actively involved in their child's education. Your support and collaboration with our teachers greatly contribute to the success of our students. If you have any concerns or questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher.

Thank you for your ongoing support, and I look forward to all the wonderful experiences planned for the remainder of this term.

Warm regards,

Regards,

Bri Simpson

Principal

## Attendance

### TOP ATTENDANCE TIPS FOR PARENTS

- Schools want to work in partnership with parents – act early if you have any concerns by contacting your child’s school and asking for advice and support
- Remember that every day counts
- There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes and their social connectedness
- Talk positively about school and the importance of attending every day
- Open and prompt communication with your child’s school about all absences is a good idea
- Avoid making routine medical and dental appointments during the school day or planning family holidays during the term
- Seek help from your school if you are concerned about your child’s attendance and wellbeing. Schools want to work in partnership with parents to support student attendance and wellbeing.

## Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF)



### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

#### CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$150 for primary school students
- \$250 for secondary school students

#### MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:  
<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

#### HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child’s school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools this year.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



Breakfast Club each Wednesday



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2024

# Breaky Club

Wednesdays  
8:15 - 8:45am

We extend our welcome to all  
Glengarry community members.  
Please join us for breaky, games,  
and social joy to start the day.



Our successful 'Breakfast Club' program has started back and is running each Wednesday from **8:15am - 8:45am**. All Glengarry community members are invited to join us in the Riversdale building for breakfast every Wednesday morning.

The intention of this program provides access to a nutritious breakfast and positive community connections. Healthy food and a sense of belonging are the most powerful fuel for the mind, we strongly believe the overall well-being of our community can be improved through this program.

We would like to thank the **Glengarry Angling Club** for their immense support in setting up this initiative. Through their partnership we are set to continue this program for the term ahead and long into the future. As we watch this take off, any support from our wonderful community is greatly appreciated including any home grown fruit donations or volunteers who would be available from 8 - 9am to help set up/pack up.

## Students of the Week and School Values





## Term 1 Dates

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**PLEASE NOTE, THAT KEY DATES ARE ALSO IN THE NEWSFEED ON COMPASS FOR EASY ACCESS**

- Friday 1st March- **STEM Excursion for 3/4s to Biotech Yinnar**
- Wednesday 6th March - **First full week for Preps**
- Monday 11th March - **Labour Day Public Holiday - Student Free Day**
- Wednesday 13th March - **NAPLAN testing begins for year 3 and year 5**
- Wednesday 20th -Friday 22nd March - **Grade 5/6 Camp to Sovereign Hill**
- Thursday 21st March - **Harmony Day**
- Friday 22nd March - **STEM Excursion for 3/4s to Biotech Yinnar**
- Monday 25th March - **Years 3-6 Interschool Athletics**
- Thursday 28th March - **School Athletic sports and last day of term 1**

# Glengarry PS Parents Club



## About the Club

- Welcome to the Glengarry Primary School Parents Club.
- \* Our club helps to contribute to the wellbeing of the school.
  - \* It is great place to get to know other parents.
- Club membership is free.

## How to get involved

Join our Facebook group



## Contact Us

✉ [glengarryps.parentsclub@gmail.com](mailto:glengarryps.parentsclub@gmail.com)

☎ 03 5192 4292

"Education is one thing  
that no one can take away  
from you"





**Easter Cupcakes  
Children's Classes**

**29<sup>th</sup> March  
11 to 12pm  
12.30 to 1.30pm  
2 to 3pm**

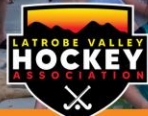


**Suitable for 4 to 14yrs  
Under 6 must be accompanied by an adult**

**\$35 all inclusive**

**Please call Traralgon Neighbourhood House to  
book and pay  
PH 51746199**





# HOOK In 2 HOCKEY

**LOOKING FOR A NEW SPORT TO TRY?**

Learn more about field hockey at our 6-week Hook In2 Hockey program

- Designed for beginners aged 5 - 12 years
- New skill targeted each week
- All equipment provided
- Leads into the winter junior competition

**\$60**

**FRIDAY**  
1st March  
2024

**REGISTER NOW**

**SCAN ME!**

**Latrobe Synthetic Sports Field**  
Mary Grant Bruce Drive, Churchill

For more information please email [juniors.lvha@gmail.com](mailto:juniors.lvha@gmail.com)

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