

School Newsletter

Vol. 1, 2025: Term 1, Week 3

Principal's Word

It gives me great pleasure to write my first Newsletter of the year. For those I am yet to meet, my name is Mrs Kylie Loney, and I will be Principal at Glencoe throughout Semester One, 2025. I am truly thrilled to take on this role within this very unique school community. Having lived in the area my entire life, I know that Glencoe has a proud history of providing excellent educational opportunities to its students. I sincerely look forward to playing my part in the school's journey this year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Jesse Murphy, outgoing Principal, for the significant role he played at the school over the past 18 months, and to wish him well in his move across to Halls Head Primary.

I would also like to thank our staff, from our cleaners and gardener, to our assistants, teachers, front office team and Deputies, for their hard work and dedication, which has ensured a smooth transition for the students and for myself, as we have moved into the 2025 school year.

And while I am expressing gratitude, I'd also like to thank our parents, caregivers and families, for the support they've shown in getting students back into routine after the long summer break. It has been a busy start to the year, and your ongoing support has been greatly appreciated by all. Our P&C Association also deserves thanks, having already held their first meeting for the year, sharing fundraising ideas and wonderful initiatives that are sure to add to the school's culture across 2025.

New Staff 2025

This year, we have welcomed Mrs Emma Miller back from maternity leave, covering EC two days per week, and in the junior classes one day per week.

We welcome Miss Georgina Walker-O'Connell into Year 1 one day per week, and we welcome Ms Angela Maxwell into Year 5/6, full-time.

We also welcome a new Chaplain, Mrs Celine Shadlow, who will be with us on Tuesdays and Thursdays each week. Mrs Shadlow will be operating out of D block, but is available to work with students from across the school. If you feel that your child would benefit from speaking with Mrs Shadlow, please contact the front office to discuss your specific request.

Term Planner

Attached to this newsletter, you will find the **updated Parent Term One Planner**. This is also available on the Compass app, for future reference.

Please note, the date for Glencoe PS's **Term Two** School Development Day (previously advertised in the EC Parent Handbook) has been changed.

Students return for Term Two on Monday, 28 April. The student-free day for Term Two will now occur on Tuesday, 3 June 2025, meaning that students will have an additional day off school on the back of the WA Day Public Holiday. Reminders will be sent at the end of Term One, and also during Term Two, in the lead-up to this date.

Student Attendance

Attendance at school is vitally important. At Glencoe, we value every opportunity to help students learn and grow.

If your child is absent from school, please add an attendance note in Compass, respond to the SMS that is automatically-generated, or phone the front office to advise of the reason for the absence. Where absences remain unexplained at the end of the week, a Compass letter will be sent, outlining dates of absence and requesting an explanation. This is one of our measures to prioritise the follow-up of student attendance, this year.

If you are having difficulty getting your child to school for any reason, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher. By working together, our school community can support your child's attendance.

Before School Expectations

A reminder that all students on school grounds prior to 8:30am, should head directly to the canteen under-covered area, where supervision is provided. Students do not need to drop their bags to their classes; rather, they can head straight over, and keep their bags with them. This routine was introduced to ensure a smooth, calm and orderly start to the school day.

Parents are welcomed and encouraged to come across to the under-covered area with students. If you choose to wait outside the classroom, you need only be responsible for your own children. Other children will be directed by a member of staff, to the under-covered area.

Parent-Teacher Interviews

As a result of the resounding success of the school's early close for Parent-Teacher Interviews (PTI) in Term 4, 2024, Glencoe PS will be conducting an early close for the purpose of Parent-Teacher Interviews on **two** occasions this year. **Dates are yet to be finalised**, but there will be one opportunity for formal PTI in Semester One (either end of Term 1 or in Term 2) and one opportunity for formal PTI in Semester Two (either Term 3 or Term 4).

Please keep an eye out for updates, as an early close will mean students attend for only half of a normal school day, on these two occasions.

Glencoe Primary School Choir



Facebook Update

Glencoe PS is looking to expand its positive public relations, through a more active Facebook presence. FB will soon become the main platform for sharing of photographs from school events. School and P&C event/fundraiser information will also be shared on the school FB page, as well as via the usual communications – SMS, Compass and the school newsletter.

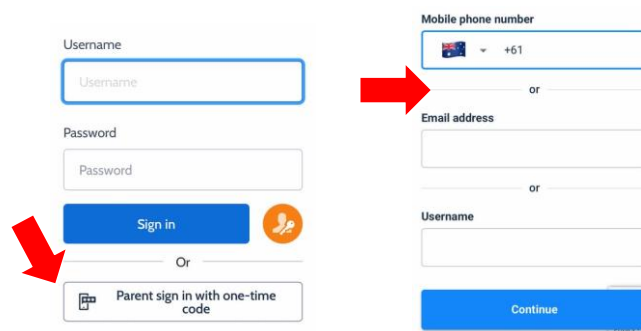
We would of course ensure that all students whose images are shared on the school Facebook page have appropriate permissions for this. If you would prefer images of your child/ren did not to appear on the school's public Facebook page, but you are unsure of their current Facebook permissions status, please do not hesitate to contact the front office, to confirm your wishes.

An update will be shared via Compass and text message, when the school's public Facebook page is reactivated. You are encouraged to 'follow' and invite extended family members to also 'follow' the page.

Community News: Attached on next pages

Compass Update

From Tuesday, 25 February, parents and carers will be able to sign into the Compass app using a One-Time Passcode (OTP). This means that rather than entering your username and password, you will be able to click "Parent sign in with one-time code" (see below). Clicking this button will prompt you to enter your mobile number or email address. Compass will then send you a OTP, which can be entered, for sign-in. To use this feature, please ensure your details are up-to-date with the front office.



P&C News

The 2025 P&C AGM was held on Friday, 14 February, with office-bearer positions up for nomination and election.

Congratulations and our sincere thanks go to the following members, and all members, whose work and dedication contributes significantly to a thriving school environment:

President:	Robert O'Halloran
Vice-President:	Kim-Lee Oliffe
Secretary:	Marija Vladusic
Treasurer:	Chloe Dunlop

The P&C's Term One events include an **Easter Raffle**, which will run over the final weeks of the term. Ticket sales will close on 7 April, and the draw will take place on 8 April.

The P&C also hope to host an **Easter Hat Parade** toward the end of Term One. The date for this is yet to be confirmed. Staff will also provide a lunch-time hat-making workshop, for students whose families are unable to assist their children to take part, ensuring that no child is 'left out'.

This week, **Containers for Change** (C4C) bins will be delivered to Glencoe PS. All funds raised through collection of eligible bottles and cans, will go directly to the P&C, to be donated back to the school, for a variety of projects. Students and families are encouraged to drop their eligible juice boxes, plastic bottles and cans into the C4C bin, which will be located inside the school grounds, near the blue basketball courts on Glencoe Parade.



GLENCOE PRIMARY SCHOOL TERM 1 PLANNER 2025 – PARENT

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	3 February • School Development Day	4 February • School Development Day • Chaplain	5 February • Students commence	6 February • School Chaplain • AIEO • Chaplain	7 February
2	10 February	11 February • School Chaplain • School Psych	12 February • School Psych	13 February • School Chaplain • AIEO	14 February • Student councillor & faction captain elections • P & C Meeting • D Block parent open afternoon
3	17 February • Swimming Lessons Years 5 & 6 • ECE parent Open Afternoon – 2.15 pm	18 February • School Chaplain • Swimming Lessons Years 5 & 6 • School Psych	19 February • School Psych • Swimming Lessons Years 5 & 6 • A&B Block Parent Open Afternoon	20 February • School Chaplain • AIEO • Swimming Lessons Years 5 & 6 • C Block Parent Open Afternoon	21 February • Swimming Lessons Years 5 & 6
4	24 February • Swimming Lessons Years 5 & 6	25 February • School Chaplain • Swimming Lessons Years 5 & 6 • School Psych	26 February • Swimming Lessons Years 5 & 6 • School Psych	27 February • School Chaplain • AIEO • Swimming Lessons Years 5 & 6	28 February • Swimming Lessons Years 5 & 6 • Assembly – D1: Auslan
5	3 March • Labour Day Public Holiday	4 March • School Chaplain • School Psych	5 March • School Psych	6 March • School Chaplain • AIEO	7 March
6	10 March	11 March • School Chaplain • School Psych	12 March • NAPLAN • School Psych	13 March • NAPLAN • School Chaplain • AIEO	14 March • NAPLAN • Assembly – A2
7	17 March • NAPLAN	18 March • NAPLAN • School Chaplain • School Psych	19 March • NAPLAN • School Psych	20 March • NAPLAN • School Chaplain • AIEO • School Board Meeting 3.15 pm	21 March • NAPLAN • Harmony Day • Ride to School Day • League Tag Years 5 & 6
8	24 March • NAPLAN	25 March • School Psych • School Chaplain	26 March • School Psych	27 March • School Chaplain • AIEO	28 March • Assembly – D3
9	31 March • School Photos	1 April • School Chaplain • School Psych	2 April • School Psych	3 April • School Chaplain • AIEO	4 April • School Photos
10	7 April • Easter raffle closes	8 April • School Chaplain • School Psych • Easter raffle draw	9 April • School Psych	10 April • School Chaplain • AIEO • Principals Morning Tea	11 April • ANZAC Ceremony • Last day of Term



come & try

JUNIOR TEAMS - YEAR 3 TO 5

PLAY AFL WITH HALLS HEAD LIGHTNING!

SUNDAY 23 FEBRUARY
9AM TO 10:30AM

MERLIN STREET RESERVE,
HALLS HEAD

WE ARE
LOOKING FOR
PLAYERS ACROSS
THE FOLLOWING
TEAMS

BOYS

- YR 3
- YR 4
- YR 5

GIRLS

- YR 3/4

Join us for an hour of drills &
skills with current coaches &
players followed by a

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE & DRINK
for all participants

Limited positions
left on some of our
teams, please send
any queries to

juniorregistrar@hhfc.com.au

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LINKS AND ALL UP TO DATE INFO

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boys & girls

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FRIDAY 7 MARCH

4:15 TO 5:30PM

MERLIN STREET RESERVE,
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FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE & DRINK
for all participants

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