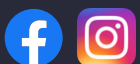


RED RANGE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



TERM 1 WEEK 6 2025



RELIEVING PRINCIPAL NEWS

MRS. KELLY VIMPANY

It's been a very busy start to the term, and I'm excited to share some of the wonderful activities and important events happening at our school.

Firstly, our senior students participated in an Introduction to CPR session, where they learned valuable life-saving skills. This hands-on experience is an important part of their personal development, and we're proud of how engaged and eager our students were to learn.

As part of our commitment to environmental responsibility, all students participated in Clean Up Australia Day. Thanks to their efforts, our school grounds and surrounding areas are looking fantastic. We greatly appreciate the involvement of our students in this initiative and the positive impact they're making on the local environment.

Our P&C AGM will be held on Monday 10th March at 3:30pm in the Glen Innes High School Library. We warmly invite all members of the school community to attend. This is a great opportunity to get involved in our school and contribute to the decision-making process that shapes our school's future.

International Women's Day is this Sunday, 8th March, and it's a wonderful time to reflect on the achievements and contributions of women in our community and around the world. We encourage our students and families to take a moment to celebrate the progress made and consider how we can all contribute to equality.

Looking ahead, we are excited about our Harmony Day excursion on 21st March. This event will be an excellent opportunity for students to engage with our diverse community and learn more about the importance of inclusivity and respect for all cultures. Please remember to give permission in Compass for your child/children to attend, as there will be no supervision at the school on that day as all students will be on the excursion.

Lastly, NAPLAN is coming up in the next few weeks. Our students will be preparing for these tests, and we are confident they will approach them with the focus and dedication they have demonstrated since the beginning of the year.

Thank you for your continued support, and please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

P & C NEWS

AGM

Monday 10th March 2025
3.30pm at the Glen Innes High School
library
Parents and Carers encouraged to
attend!

Attendance Tip

Building positive attendance habits

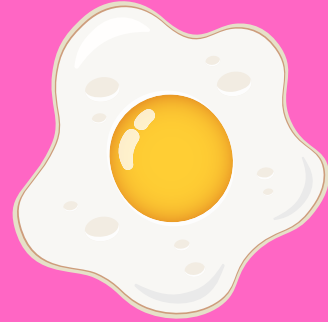
You can help build positive attendance habits
by:

- helping your child learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- making sure your child arrives on time from the start of the school day, ready to take part
- reducing disruption to learning where you can, by planning any necessary appointments outside of school time
- contacting your school to explain any absences (within 7 days of the first day of any absence)
- making sure any holidays or medical appointments are taken outside school hours
- working with the school to encourage and support regular attendance.





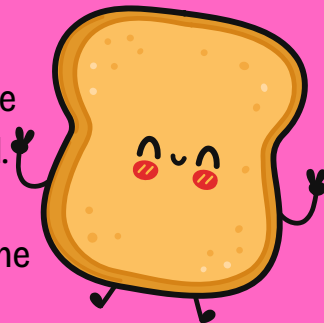
Why Breakfast Matters!



Mornings can be hectic, but ensuring your child has a healthy breakfast is crucial for their learning and concentration. A balanced breakfast provides the energy they need to succeed in school.

Here's why it matters:

- Better Focus & Concentration - Breakfast helps maintain steady blood sugar levels, improving your child's ability to focus and engage in class activities.
- Improved Memory - Eating breakfast boosts memory and recall, helping your child retain information throughout the day.
- Better Mood & Behaviour - A nutritious breakfast can stabilize mood, reducing irritability and improving behaviour at school.
- Health Benefits - A healthy breakfast supports growth, immune function, and overall well-being.



What you could include in a Healthy Breakfast:

Aim for a mix of protein (eggs, yoghurt), whole grains (oatmeal, toast), and fruits or vegetables.

Quick Tips for Busy Mornings:

- Prep the night before.
- Keep it simple with smoothies or overnight oats.
- Let your child help with meal choices.





RED RANGE P&C EASTER RAFFLE IS HERE AGAIN!

**We are gratefully accepting donations in the form
of chocolate at the school office!**

**Raffle tickets have been sent home. If you
require more, please contact the school.**

**Raffle will be drawn at our Easter Hat Parade
Assembly on Friday 11th April 2025!**



Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1		2025 TERM 1 CALENDAR			31st January STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY - NO STUDENTS
2	3rd February STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY - NO STUDENTS	4th February STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY - NO STUDENTS	5th February STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY - NO STUDENTS	6th February FIRST DAY BACK FOR ALL STUDENTS	7th February Meal Deal Newsletter
3	10th February Library	11th February	12th February	13th February	14th February Show Excursion - NO Meal Deal
4	17th February Library	18th February	19th February	20th February	21st February Meal Deal Newsletter
5	24th February Library Student First Aid	25th February	26th February	27th February	28th February Meal Deal Clean Up Australia Day
6	3rd March Scripture commences for 2025 Library	4th March	5th March	6th March	7th March Meal Deal Newsletter
7	10th March Scripture Library P&C AGM	11th March AECG Meeting	12th March NAPLAN	13th March NAPLAN	14th March Meal Deal Assembly NAPLAN
8	17th March Scripture Library NAPLAN Harmony Week	18th March NAPLAN Harmony Week	19th March NAPLAN Harmony Week	20th March NAPLAN Harmony Week	21st March Newsletter NAPLAN Harmony Day Excursion - NO Meal Deal
9	24th March Scripture Library NAPLAN	25th March	26th March Purple Day Epilepsy Awareness	27th March	28th March Meal Deal
10	31st March Scripture Library	1st April	2nd April	3rd April	4th April Meal Deal Newsletter
11	7th April Scripture Library	8th April	9th April Life Education Van	10th April Cross Country	11th April Meal Deal EASTER HAT PARADE & Assembly LAST DAY OF TERM



Compulsory school attendance

| Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

What are my Legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age of 17 years. The Education Act 1990 requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the NSW Education and Standards Authority for home schooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The Importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An Application for Extended Leave may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.

My child won't go to school what should I do?

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?

It is important to understand that the Department of Education may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Some of the following actions may be undertaken:

- Compulsory Schooling Conferences

You may be asked, along with your child, to attend a Compulsory Schooling Conference. The conference will help to identify the supports your child may need to have in place so they attend school regularly. The school, parents and agencies will work together to develop an agreed plan (known as Undertakings) to support your child's attendance at school.

- Application to the Children's Court – Compulsory Schooling Order

If your child's attendance at school remains unsatisfactory the Department may apply to the Children's Court for a Compulsory Schooling Order. The Children's Court magistrate may order a Compulsory Schooling Conference to be convened.

- Prosecution in the Local Court

School and Department staff remain committed to working in partnership with you to address the issues which are preventing your child's full participation at school. In circumstances where a breach of compulsory schooling orders occurs further action may be taken against a parent in the Local Court. The result of court action can be the imposition of a community service order or a fine.

What age can my child leave school?

All New South Wales students must complete Year 10 or its equivalent. After Year 10, and up until they reach 17 years of age, there are a range of flexible options for students to complete their schooling.

Working in Partnership

The NSW Department of Education recognises that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities.

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...



More information

Further Information regarding school attendance can be obtained from the following websites:

Policy, information and brochures:

Please visit the Department of Education's Policy Library AND The Department's Attendance Matters Website

The school leaving age:

Please visit the Department of Education's Wellbeing and Learning website

Do you need an interpreter?

Interpreting services are available on request, including for the hearing impaired. The Telephone Interpreter Service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on **131 450**. You will not be charged for this service.

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

GLEN INNES LOCAL AECG INVITES ALL TO ATTEND

MONTHLY MEETING

TUESDAY, 11 MARCH 2PM
GLEN INNES HIGH SCHOOL

FOR ALL FAMILY AND CARERS OF FIRST NATIONS STUDENTS, EDUCATION PROVIDERS & COMMUNITY MEMBERS

ALL ENQUIRES TO
GLENINNESAEKG@GMAIL.COM

GIVE AFL A TRY!

COME AND JOIN US!
THURSDAY 4TH APRIL 2025
3:45PM - 4:30PM
KING GEORGE OVAL

COME AND TRY:
AUSKICK 5 - 7 YEARS
SUPERKICK 8 - 13 YEARS

GLEN INNES FREE PARENTING EXPLOSIVE KIDS

Does your child:

- Show extreme behaviour?
- Have intense temper tantrums?
- Refuse to do what they are asked?
- Use verbal and physical aggression?

Parenting Explosive Kids shows parents how:

- To identify the child's concerns and triggers that cause the behaviour,
- To teach the child coping skills and
- To find workable solutions that satisfy both parent and child and lessen the likelihood of negative behaviour

FREE help for frustrated parents

WHEN: Thursday 20th March 2025 - 9.30am to 2.30pm
WHERE: To be advised on registration
COST: FREE

For more information or to register please call Pedro on 6738 7200