Dear Parents/ Caregivers

Now that we have settled into the 2017 school routine, it is a good idea to reflect on the achievements of 2016. For some, these provide an incentive to work hard as often as possible and to remain persistent. The Encouragement Award was presented to the student in each year level who had shown the most overall improvement throughout the year; socially, behaviourally, and academically. These were awarded to:

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Our P&C AGM is next Wednesday night. We will discuss the great things achieved last year (including receiving a grant for oval irrigation) and we look forward to working hard in the future. We would welcome your help.

In 2016, Year 5 students were invited to complete a booklet at home and at school so that they were able to nominate for a Student Leadership badge. Success in this area allowed students to nominate for Captains positions (if they wished to make a speech to staff/students and parents). Congratulations to the 16 students who successfully nominated for a Student Leadership position at Glennie Heights State School in 2017. Our 2017 School Captains are:

- Andrew Squires and Jaslyn Sutton
- Seth Thornton and Jessica Keleher
- Jordyn Hohenhaus
- Deacon Hinch
- Chloe De Leiuen
- Ianna-Maree Freeman, Adam Hindle, Patrick Jenkins, Grace Koina, Denika Murray, Stevie Nolan, Zyarh-Rose Payne, Alysha Raward, Jake Sixtus

Please remember to visit our website for calendar info and short news stories. A free app can also be downloaded (QSchools) to give quick and easy access to the main Glennie Heights school info.

Finally, our Parent Information Sessions will take place over the next two weeks; starting on Monday February 6. Class times are included in a special invitation that you will get today. Please RSVP.

Have a safe week.

Paul
Treasurer, Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships and Minister for Sport
The Honourable Curtis Pitt

$4.2 million in sports vouchers to help kids Get Started in 2017

Treasurer and Minister for Sport Curtis Pitt has urged eligible parents to act quickly to secure $150 Get Started Vouchers with applications opening this morning.

Mr Pitt said Round 8 was intensely popular and he had allocated a record $4.2 million for Round 9.

“Even with a record $4.2 million on offer I still expect these vouchers to be allocated within a few short days, so eligible parents need to apply quickly,” Mr Pitt said.

“This program has been an enormous benefit to families right around Queensland in helping them cover the cost of joining their favourite local sport or recreation club.

“I know family Budgets are stretched and I am passionate about helping those who can least afford it cover the costs of joining a sport.

“We know the importance of teaching kids to live active lives and the associated health benefits and I believe there are enormous mental health benefits through the social inclusion and interaction of being involved in recreational activities.

“It builds confidence in kids and gets them away from TV and iPad screens.

“Round 9 opened this morning and I have to stress that the vouchers are issued on a ‘first come, first served’ basis, so you need to be quick if you want to secure this funding.

“There will be over 25,000 vouchers available through the round, so many Queensland families will be supported for the New Year club registration period.

“These vouchers go towards the cost of club membership or participation fees.

“In previous rounds the vouchers have met with huge demand and, in some cases, have been allocated in a matter of days.”

More than 4,100 clubs across Queensland have registered for the Get Started Program, ensuring there is a huge range of activities on offer.

Get Started Vouchers is one of four funding programs that make up Get in the Game, now over $100 million in investment from this government to support grassroots sport and recreation.

For more information on how to apply for Get Started Vouchers, visit: https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/getinthegame/getstarted/apply/

The cricket season is upon us and we want new girls and boys involved. There is something for everyone.
Club: Warwick Cricket Association
When: Wednesday afternoons, 4pm, 1st Feb – 22nd March
Venue: Queens Park, Park Road Warwick
Ages: Kindy – Year 2 (Milo In2Cricket); Year 3 - 7 (Milo T20 Blast)
Register: Register at playcricket.com.au and search Warwick
Contact: Carly Cooper on 0459 343 667 or Anna Paton on 0419 725 834

MILO In2CRICKET involves modified activities and the basic fundamentals of cricket. MILO T20 Blast is a game based program that involved modified game of cricket. All equipment is provided for both programs, and no experience is necessary. Both sessions involved 1 – 1.5 hourly sessions each week.
Scouts are a fun, outdoor based activity specifically designed for children to become good citizens, have high self-esteem and develop a love of the outdoors. Children can start at 6 years old and can go through to 26 as youth members. Typical activities include crafts and games, as well as outdoor skills like navigation, cooking, and construction. On weekends there is canoeing, abseiling, camping and fun activities such as tubing behind boats. Contact Peter See 0409892013 or turn up at 5.30 Wednesday or 6.30 Thursday at Matthews Street Warwick.

**Warwick Ladies Social Squash**
Season 1 2017 Muster Dates
1. Thursday 2nd February and 9th February 6pm
2. St Marys Squash Courts Guy St
A social squash competition welcoming all grades of players from Beginners to Experienced, all we ask is you bring a sense of humour!! Games every Thursday night throughout the school term. Come and get fit while having fun.

For more information Melinda Walker 0427110878

**World of Maths Roadshow Tuesday, February 7th 2017**
As part of this semester’s work, we have proposed World of Maths Roadshow to visit our school. The World of Maths Roadshow is an ideal opportunity for students to see how maths is applied to some real life situations.

Students will gain insight into problem solving, working in teams, and also various maths principles which are part of their curriculum this term.

It is a highly engaging session which will show the children that Maths can be fun! The school will be covering the cost for every student to attend (normally $6.00 per student).

**Parents are able to attend, especially with junior grades (at no cost).**

**Sessions:**
1. 9.00 – 10.00 (Year 1) using the lower set of activities
2. 10.00 – 11.10 (Years 2 – 4) using the lower set of activities. Swap activities
3. 12.00 – 1.15 (Years 5 & 6) using the upper set of activities.
Get involved in the School Banking program.

Glennie Heights School is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

The rewards available during 2017 are:
- Cyber Handball
- Colour Change Markers
- 3D Chalk Set
- Tablet Case
- Smiley Emoji Keyring
- Volt Handball
- Pencil + Tech Case
- pic Earphones

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives $5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit).

Getting involved in School Banking is easy!

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online
   Visit commodbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

2. In branch
   Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver’s licence and birth certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

School Banking day is Tuesday. Each week you need to put your deposit wallet into the blue box in the Office.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2017 School Banking program information pack from the school office or visit commodbank.com.au/schoolbanking