

## GLENVALE NEWS

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The Newsletter of Glenvale School

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#### The Glenvale Explicit Improvement Agenda



Measurable Student Achievement

Targeted N Teaching and Resourcing 6

Strategic Collaborative Partnerships





Dear Glenvale community,

Our Glenvale Games has come and gone for another year and congratulations to Green House for a win! Thanks to all staff and community for making it a fun day and success. Thanks also to Deb Little for all of her organisation and efforts.

Once again there is much happening and much to do. In the last Newsletter I mentioned that I had a meeting with the Parent Committee and we discussed the ongoing work of and nature of the committee. I included a survey link for parents and carers and we have had a few responses but of course would love more. The link is: https:// matt879.typeform.com/to/kACYAC

On the school improvement front we are getting quotes to refurbish the outdoor areas shared between rooms 5 and 6 with artificial turf and we will also install sensory and activity equipment in this space. Brand new hoists have been purchased for rooms 3 and 4 and these will make a big difference as much of our equipment was well past its use-by date. I am still awaiting quotes for our new playground equipment, but we have had some of our equipment fixed and refurbished at North Entrance. The school is also looking at new fencing to create an additional area and reduce the size of a playground to be able to enhance staff supervision of students.

As mentioned last week, our students are starting to engage with and explore virtual reality using drones and virtual reality headsets. These activities are part of an exciting initiative of several staff who have put their names forward to be part of our fledgling STEM Committee. STEM in mainstream schools stands for (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths). I have allocated a budget for this team, and the school will be providing time for them to get together to collaborate and plan the exciting next steps for our students to engage with technology and learning.

Our SAS (School Administrative and Support) staff recognition week went well, and I hope that our wonderful SAS crew enjoyed a little bit of TLC during the week, we couldn't do it without you.

Lastly, regarding staffing of the school, the advertisement for the vacant Assistant Principal position will be advertised externally during the first week of next term.

We also have some permanent vacancies for teachers and school learning support staff in the near future. I have been in contact with our staffing unit and will be able to provide more information about these positions soon.

Thanks again.

Matt



## Glenvale Games Narara Congratulations Green House

# **ACTION IN THE FIELD**





## Could \$500 help you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and we'll match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for school costs.



laptops & tablets





uniforms & shoes



sports fees & gear



books & supplies

lessons & activities



camps & excursions

To join Saver Plus, you must have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, be at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner), and have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself.



everyone's family

#### Contact

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Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ, delivered in partnership with Berry Street, The Benevolent Society and The Smith Family and other local community agencies. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services. Go to www.dss.gov.au for more information.

## What is Saver Plus?

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A free ten-month savings program providing financial education, budgeting and savings tips.

Delivered by Brotherhood of St Laurence, Berry Street, The Benevolent Society and The Smith Family and other local community organisations.

Participants receive up to \$500 in matched savings for education costs for themselves or their children.

> Offered in communities across Australia in every state and territory.



A Saver Plus Participant's Journey



Goal Talks to a Saver Plus Coordinator from a community organisation and, if eligible for the program, sets a goal to save a regular amount of money over 10 months



Opens an ANZ Progress Saver account and makes regular deposits

#### Education

Completes the MoneyMinded financial education program with support from a Saver Plus Coordinator



Reaches savings goal and receives matched funds, up to \$500, for their own or their children's education costs

#### Who can join?

#### Participants must meet all of the below criteria:

- have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- be at least 18 years old
- have some regular income from work (themselves or their partner)
- have a child at school or attend vocational education themselves.

#### Benefits for participants<sup>1</sup>

#### 87%

continue to save the same amount or more up to three years after completing the program

93% reported increased self-esteem

81% were better equipped for unexpected expenses

85% had more control over their finances

#### How did it start?

Saver Plus began in 2003 as a Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ pilot program with 268 participants in three sites across Victoria and New South Wales.

Since then, the program has expanded to all Australian states and territories, reaching more than 32,000 people, making it the largest and longest-running program of its kind in the world.

#### Since 2004<sup>1</sup>:

👪 32,000+ participants









\$753 average amount saved per participant

#### **Find out more**

- 1300 610 355
- saverplus@bsl.org.au
- www.saverplus.org.au



<sup>1</sup> RMIT University, 2016. A number of Saver Plus program evaluations have been carried out since 2004. For more information see anz.com/saverplus

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#### FREE FOOTY TICKETS

#### NRL Telstra Premiership Finals Series Semi Final – Rabbitohs v Dragons Saturday 15 September @ 7.40pm ANZ Stadium

Thanks to the NRL, the NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge and ANZ Stadium, students and staff at your school have the opportunity to witness these two Sydney giants go head to head!

As your school is participating in this year's NSW Premier's School Sport Challenge, up to **four (4) FREE tickets** are available for *each* student and staff member to redeem for the match.

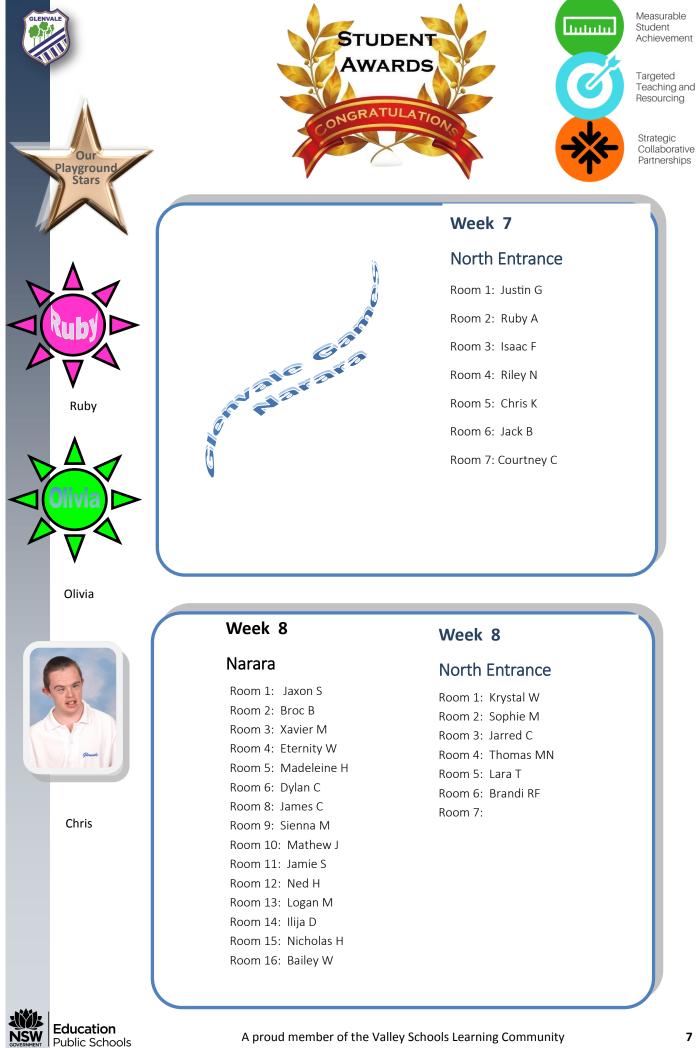
Tickets are limited so be sure to secure them quickly for what will be a great evening of rugby league. To take up this fantastic offer, students and their parents should follow the easy steps below:

- 1. Simply go to the website: http://www.anzstadium.com.au/premiers-sporting-challenge/
- 2. Register their details.
- **3.** Print out the voucher and bring it with them on the day to enter ANZ Stadium via the gate listed on their vouchers to sit in general admission seating.

For additional information, please visit the ANZ Stadium website by clicking here.

#### Please note:

- Students must have parental permission to participate in this offer.
- Each student is entitled to up to four (4) free tickets (limited to one registration per student).
- Match ticket voucher must be printed and presented at Stadium entry gates for entry to this match.
- There is a limit of 8,000 tickets (redemption available to 2,000 individuals).
- Entry may be refused if match ticket vouchers are damaged or defaced in any way or redeemed in an unauthorised manner.
- If a match ticket voucher is resold or redeemed in an unauthorised manner it may be cancelled and the bearer of the ticket refused entry.
- Accessible seating is available within the allocated general admission seating area.





### **Voluntary School Contributions**



Every public school asks for a small contribution towards the many costs

associated with education programs.

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At Glenvale we ask that parents contribute \$35 per child each year. This has not changed for many years and is very small in comparison to other schools even though our costs can be much higher.

Please consider sending in the \$35 as soon as you are able to do so, a payment can be made via our webpage www.glenvale-s.schools.nsw.edu.au. Go to the 'Make a Payment' tab and follow the links.

Many thanks to those who have already done so.

All donations to the school over \$2 are tax deductible as Glenvale is registered with the Australian Tax Office as a deductible gift.

#### **Dates to Remember**

#### Term 3

Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Sept - Last Day Term 3

Sat 29<sup>th</sup> Sept - Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Oct - Labour Day Long Weekend

Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Oct - Daylight Saving starts

#### Term 4

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Oct - First Day Term 4

Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Oct - Christmas Raffle Mufti Day

Fri 14 Dec- Presentation Day





