Children at North Entrance are all happy to be back at school this year. The big change this term is that Assembly has been moved to Friday mornings. At the moment Narara’s Assembly is on Friday afternoon, so this means I can attend both, which is great.

I am not sure of the date or time yet, but we have received the exciting news that all students on the North Entrance Campus will be presented with a commemorative medal to celebrate the centenary of Anzac Day. This will be at our Anzac Day service on that campus and the date and time will be confirmed when we know the availability of the RSL members at The Entrance who have organised the medals.

Gwenda Williamson
ARTWORK

We have seen some wonderful art and craft displays from our students in recent years - particularly those displayed at the Fair. Recently students in Room 3 at Narara were ‘commissioned’ to produce a piece of abstract art in particular colours for a lovely lady’s bedroom wall. The photo does not do the painting justice, but the large print of the children’s work was absolutely outstanding.

Dates to Remember

- Parent Group meeting - Monday 2nd March
- Parent Group Coffee catch up - San Churro Erina Fair Friday 13th March
- Election Day BBQ & mini fete - Saturday 28th March @ Narara
- Parent Group meeting - Monday 30th March
- End of Term 1 - Thursday 2nd April
- Term 2 begins - Tuesday 21st April
- School photo day - Thursday 14th May
At a parent group meeting last year, parents decided that our annual school contribution should rise in line with the greatly increased costs over the many years since the contribution was last raised. Every public school asks for a small contribution towards the many costs associated with education programs. At Glenvale, from this year we ask that parents contribute $35 per child each year. Parents considered raising the contribution to more than this, but decided to keep the increase lower for this year. This is still very low in comparison with 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.

All donations to the school over $2 are tax deductible as Glenvale is registered with the Australian Tax Office as a deductible gift recipient.
A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our apologies for this newsletter coming home a little late. We weren't able to print it in time to go home on Friday, but all is well now.

Families are currently meeting with their class teachers to plan their children's programs for the year. Please make the time to come in and meet with your child’s teacher. Your attendance at these meetings provides valuable insight into your child's needs and learning style and we value your thoughts and priorities for your child's learning plan for the year.

Contractors have done a great job over the January holiday break and during the first few weeks of term in getting the interior of Room 7 at the North Entrance campus fully refurbished. All the old stoves, etc are gone and it is now a huge room which is freshly carpeted and painted with new pin boards, etc., a new bathroom and a huge storeroom. The storeroom even has power points for recharging hoists, etc out of sight of the classroom. Senior students who use a wheelchair have moved into their new room and are enjoying it's benefits. The two end walls have been replaced externally and in the next holiday break, the rest of the exterior of the building will also be refurbished. The 'new' classroom will be a great asset to the school.

Regards,
Gwenda Williamson

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Free Training & Education Calendar
Family and Carers Mental Health Program
Central Coast - Semester 1 - 2015

Enrol 02 4322 1855 *All courses are subject to change. Please call to confirm details*

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**AWARDS**

**Week 3**

**Narara**
- Room 1: James Cameron
- Room 2: Oliver Tragaris
- Room 3: Tyler Wallace
- Room 4: Casey Enriquez-Bennett
- Room 5: Jade McMahon
- Room 6: Andrew Ward
- Room 8: Joshua Hart
- Room 9: Liam Morrison
- Room 10: Madison Harden
- Room 11: Trinity McFawn
- Room 12: Dane Fleming
- Room 13: Sam McDonald
- Room 14: Chloe Hudson
- Room 15: Jonras Hudson

**North Entrance**
- Room 1: Jesse Witherspoon
- Room 2: Lucas Bell
- Room 3: Madison Hickey
- Room 4: Luke Clarke
- Room 5: Courtney Chambers
- Room 6: Brandi Ritchie-Fowler
- Room 7: Lachlan King

**Playground**
- Narara: **Andrew Ward**
- North Entrance: **Zac Bryant**

**Week 4**

**Narara**
- Room 1: Gabriella Makinen
- Room 2: Skye McDougall
- Room 3: Aaron Bourke
- Room 4: Nicholas Passeri
- Room 5: Georgia Turnbull
- Room 6: Jade Bird
- Room 8: Matthew Jones
- Room 9: Sam Kerr
- Room 10: Kingsley Bennett
- Room 11: Allanah Dawes
- Room 12: Lochlan Hennessy-Garvey
- Room 13: Tristan Kane
- Room 14: Harry Maharaj
- Room 15: Zayne Douglas

**North Entrance**
- Room 1: Zac Bryant
- Room 2: Isaac Freeman
- Room 3: Hannah Fidock
- Room 4: Lachlan Russell
- Room 5: Aidan Cosgrove
- Room 6: Mitchell Wright
- Room 7: Ruby Artist

**Playground**
- Narara: **Jake Anderson**
- North Entrance: **Jesse Witherspoon**
Need more information on Carer benefits?

Come along to our free seminar to learn more.

*Presented by Ann Lines - Financial Information Services Officer with Centrelink*

Session will include information on:

- Payment Options
- Respite Care
- Review Process
- Asset & Income Test
- Gifting
- Special Disability Trusts
- Concessions

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**When:** 10.00am – 12noon on 1st April 10am-12noon

**Where:** Carer Retreat & Information – 21 Beane Street (off Racecourse Road) Gosford near Gosford Hospital

**RSVP essential:** on 4320 5555

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Remember to send in your old mobile phones. Every phone, whether working or not, is worth money to the school. Your old phones have already raised much needed funds for Glenvale.