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BEST FRIENDS AT SCHOOL
Senior Jackets

All Year 10 students should have now received an information letter and an order form for the Senior jackets. If your children are in Year 10 this year, they are now able to order their jackets for their senior years at school if they wish to have one. Year 11 and 12 students who missed out last year, or who would like another jacket are also able to order their jackets now.

If you wish to place an order and did not receive the letter, please contact your teacher or the school office on 4325 7783 or 4325 2325 and we will send the information home to you. They are very attractive and are of very good quality.

Safe driving around the school

It has come to our attention that some parents who collect their children from school are avoiding the traffic congestion by driving along footpath areas in Narara Creek Road and along Manns Road at the Narara Campus.

Please be aware that this is breaking the law and could be dangerous to pedestrians who use the footpath areas. We are even aware of a local child who has often been seen to play by hiding and jumping out when others walk past in these areas. We understand that there is little parking space close to the school of an afternoon for those who do not wish to join the queue of transport vehicles, but the queue does disperse quickly and all vehicles are usually gone by about five past three.

Please remember that others are noticing when drivers do the wrong thing and drive along pedestrian areas. We have had one written complaint and this person may make a more formal complaint if the behaviour continues. We would not like to see this happen to any of our families, hence this little warning.

Dates to Remember

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
Carers Luncheon

The Central Coast Commonwealth Respite & Carelink Centre invites you to attend a Primary Carers Luncheon at Mingara Recreation Club for a well earned break from your caring role, to relax, enjoy yourself, discuss experiences with other Carers & receive information regarding Carer Services available on the Central Coast.

Where: Mingara Recreation Club Ltd Tasman Room, Mingara Drive Tumbi Umbi

When: Tuesday 16th June, 2015

Time: 11.00am - 1.30pm

Registration is essential

RSVP: Please phone 1800 052 222 to register your name by Thursday 2nd June, 2015
A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Like all schools, Glenvale has a number of policies and procedures. Some are state wide Departmental policies such as the School Attendance Policy and some have to be developed within the school. One of these is our No Lift Policy. When students leave school or attend respite centres, for example, almost all centres use hoists and other aids where students have to be lifted. Lifting and carrying another person has the potential to be a high risk manoeuvre for both the person being lifted and for the adult/s doing the lifting. In the past, Glenvale staff have suffered many back injuries from lifting students to move them from wheelchairs to standing frames, to change tables, etc. These injuries have been almost completely eliminated by the implementation of the no lift policy which has now been in place for a number of years. Even quite small children are safer using a hoist than being lifted manually by staff. It is also important that students learn to enjoy the slightly swinging motion of the hoist, etc so that other organisations can also comfortably use this equipment when caring for your children. Where students use a wheelchair for the greater part of the day, we also ask that slings remain on the chair so that staff do not have to lift the students to place the sling in position. This then allows staff to easily and safely move the students during the day and ensure that time out of the wheelchair is maximised for therapy programs and relief from sitting in the one place during hot weather, for example. A correctly used sling and hoist keeps everyone comfortable and safe from injury.

Other equipment we use to enable students to move without being lifted by staff are turntables, slide boards, ‘Pelican’ walking belts, etc. If you are worried about your child’s safety while being lifted at home, into transport vehicles, etc. please contact us to see how it is done at school. We may be able to help. Some equipment can be borrowed from school during school holiday periods, for example.

We have a triple fold leaflet that gives more detail about our no lift policy. Please contact us if you would like a copy sent home.

Regards,
Gwenda Williamson

Voluntary School Contributions

Every public school asks for a small contribution towards the many costs associated with education programs. At Glenvale we ask that parents contribute $35 per child each year. This has changed this year after not rising for many years and is still a very small contribution by 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. 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 recipient.
Satellite Class

Bryton Locker
Zye Saillard
Eli Stephenson

Week 5

Narara

Room 1: Hayan Fahad
Room 2: Tyler Eastwood
Room 3: Jasmine Everett
Room 4: Casey Enriquez-Bennett
Room 5: Jordan O’Sullivan
Room 6: Lucy Lougher
Room 8: Lily-Angel Vanderstelt
Room 9: Aiden Grant
Room 10: Dylan Grant
Room 11: Logan Relf
Room 12: Maxx Brock-Fenton
Room 13: Baylee Nicholson
Room 14: James Cernjul
Room 15: Nimalan Sritharan

North Entrance

Room 1: Chelsea Wain
Room 2: Breanne Cook
Room 3: Sophie Morphew
Room 4: Christopher Kyle
Room 5: Brian Ford
Room 6: Maia Stackman
Room 7: Emily Willoughby

Week 6

Narara

Room 1: Laura Cutbush
Room 2: Keiarna Whitmore
Room 3: Braith French
Room 4: Ashleigh Collins
Room 5: Lachlan Barns
Room 6: Jade Bird
Room 8: Josh Hart
Room 9: Tylem O’Brien
Room 10: Logan Murphy
Room 11: Tarsharyna Hall
Room 12: Jarrod Hart
Room 13: Mitchell Jones
Room 14: Justyn Stewart
Room 15: Hope Farrugia

North Entrance

Room 1: Reece Douglas
Room 2: James Hickey
Room 3: Paki Tongia
Room 4: Lizzie Gorey
Room 5: Edgard Otero
Room 6: Brandi Ritchie-Fowler
Room 7: Millie Caesar

Playground

Narara: Edward Vale
North Entrance: Jack Burland

Week 6

Playground

Narara: Jade Bird
North Entrance: Troy Everingham
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 5556

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This brochure that we copied here last week for Area Health had an error. The correct telephone number is 4320 5556.

Many thanks to Mr Stewart who tried the number and let us know of the error.

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.