This is the final newsletter for Semester 1 and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the school community for their support throughout Term 1 and 2.

Our annual athletics carnival was held last Friday in rather cold conditions. A big thank you to the P&C for catering on the day - the hot food was certainly appreciated. A huge thank you also to Jane Lawrence for her organisation and preparation of the day. I enjoyed watching the students participating in their events and it was wonderful to have the Kindergarten and Year 1 students at King George oval for the finals and relays so they could cheer for their houses.

As seems to be the norm in schools these days, it has been an extremely busy semester. Student learning occurs both within classrooms and in the wider school environment and students from Glen Innes Public School have been very fortunate in the number of visits from outside organisations. One of these was from the South Sydney Rabbitohs. The club delivers a strong message to communities about the importance of oral health. Our students in Year 3 - 6 participated in this last week and received some great giveaways as part of the ‘Souths Cares’ program.

Michael Crossland’s visit earlier in the term was also a highlight - his message of never giving up hope has certainly touched students and I understand that Michael was very appreciative of letters he received from 3LJ.

Science has also featured amongst our visitors. The shows by Questacon and Origin Energy were favourably received by students. Next term, our senior students will also have the opportunity to attend ‘Science in the Bush’ that will be held in Armidale.

You will have received your child’s report last week. This is a snapshot of your child’s progress at this point in time. If you would like to discuss any aspect of the report with the class teacher, please contact the office to make an appointment.

Judi Toms
Principal (A)

School News
Paint Shirts for NAIDOC Week
In the first week of Term 3, all students from Year K - 6 will be taking part in a variety of activities to learn more about Aboriginal history and culture. As part of our NAIDOC Week celebrations, they will also be playing an important role in the creation of the Glen Innes Public School Bush Tucker Garden.

All students will be involved in painting outdoor furniture or garden borders during this week and will need to bring old clothes (at least a shirt), to ensure they don't come home with their school clothes covered in paint. If desired, students can bring them before the end of term and store them in their classrooms so they don't forget.

More information regarding the Bush Tucker Garden opening ceremony and school picnic (on Friday of week one) will be printed in first newsletter of next term.

Leonie Pettit

Sports News
North West Cross Country
Friday 12th June saw 30 students from Glen Innes Public School join other members of the Northern New England PSSA team to compete against other students in the North West area to earn their place at the NNE Athletics Carnival Tenterfield.

Upcoming Events

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state trials in Sydney. The students returned from their experience with great positivity, sharing their achievements with their peers. Feedback from the trials was positive and all students are to be congratulated for their efforts and achievements. Congratulations especially to Kaleb Hope and Conor Wilkins who have been successful in earning a place at the state carnival to be held at Eastern Creek on Friday 17th July. Both of these boys gained 5th place in their age groups.

A message of thanks must go to all the parents, grandparents and friends who travelled the long distance with our students to Coolah and provided such valuable support.

School Athletics Carnival
After the prediction of the unpleasant weather of 10 degrees, Glen Innes did not disappoint on the day of the athletics carnival on Friday 19th June. Despite the cold weather, a great day of sporting prowess, participation and sportsmanship took place. A massive thank you must go firstly to the P & C and Jane Sanderson for providing everyone with the much needed food and drinks throughout the day. A further thank you must go to the parents who assisted in running the events at the carnival. We are extremely grateful for the time you have given to our students. My gratitude should also be extended towards the staff who ran the events in very trying weather. We would not be able to provide this opportunity to the students without them. A final acknowledgement must go to the parents, grandparents, carers and friends who came along to encourage and support the day. The students love having someone there cheering for them. The last congratulations goes to all the participating students. Well done for your participation on the day.

This year saw the school trialled having all students involved in some way in the carnival. Kindergarten and Year 1, as well as the students not selected in events, experienced what it was like to be at a carnival. As we do with all events, we will evaluate the effectiveness of this and make any relevant changes in the future.

There were many displays of sportsmanship throughout the day, congratulating each other for their achievements. A special congratulations to our 2015 age champions and runners up who were:

Junior Girl Champion: Ashleigh Watson
Junior Girl Runner Up: Maisie Eastwood
Junior Boy Champion: Kaleb Hope
Junior Boy Runner Up: Nash Knox
11 Year Girl Champion: Sophie McCormick
11 Year Girl Runner Up: Aubani Teece
11 Year Boy Champion: Ryan McIntyre
11 Year Boy Runner Up: Jack Grob
Senior Girl Champion: Kyara McIntyre
Senior Girl Runner Up: Georgie Webster and Charlotte Love

Senior Boy Champion: Jamie Doney
Senior Boy Runner Up: Jesse O’Brien

Two records were broken on the day. Congratulations to Kaleb Hope who set a record of 27.50m in the Junior Boys, breaking his own record from 2014 by 2.07m. The Senior Girls record was broken by Georgie Webster in the shot put event breaking the 2011 record by 2.24m. Well done to both students.

The house points trophy was awarded to Balladerry, who, again had a convincing win, by an incredible 56 points.

A group of 60 students have now qualified to attend the NNE carnival in Tenterfield on 31st July 2015. Permission notes will be sent out on the first day back in Term 3. Notes and money are to be returned to the school office by Friday July 24th 2015. Any student who can not attend is asked to let the school know as soon as possible if they are unable to attend, meaning that the next student will be given the opportunity to compete if they have met the qualification standard.

Souths Cares Visit
Last Tuesday proved to be a very exciting day for students from Year 3 - 6 with the promised surprise being revealed to them. To the delight of the students, they were all greeted with a t-shirt upon arrival in the hall and then were introduced to former South Sydney players, Nathan Merritt, Rhys Wesser, Dean Widders and Mario Fenech.

In support of these people, were also members of the Centre for Oral Health Strategy NSW, Hunter New England Local Health District and Souths Cares (the related party to South Sydney District Rugby League Football Club Limited). The students rotated through three activities: an oral health
presentation delivering the important messages of eat well, drink well, clean well, play well and stay well, visiting the Poche Centre for Indigenous Health van and being involved in football drills with the former players. A BBQ lunch was provided for the students, as well as receiving a showbag of goodies, with more still to arrive at the school.

A major highlight to the students and the school, was the revealing of the NRL Premiership Trophy, where the students were able to be up close with this. An opportunity that we will probably not have again.

A massive thank you must go to The Centre for Oral Health Strategy NSW, Hunter New England Local Health District and Souths Cares for offering this program to our students. Likewise, thank you to the staff who assisted with the BBQ preparation and making sure that the day was a success.

Jane Lawrence
Sports Co-ordinator

P&C News

School Athletics Carnival Canteen - Thank You
Thank you to all our volunteers in the canteen that we had operating at last week’s school athletics carnival. A thank you also to all those who supported the P&C by purchasing food from us on the day.

P&C Meeting Term 3

The first P&C meeting next term will be at 6:30pm on the first day back to school, Tuesday 14th July. A big important meeting! All P&C members are asked to do their best to attend.

Notes Accompanying this Newsletter
• Supporting Healthy Habits in the Home Pamphlet (Year K - 1 students)
Road safety around your child’s school
Your child’s safety depends on you

Drop off and pick up by car

Make sure your children are in an appropriate child car seat that is fitted and used correctly.

Stick to the 40km/h speed limit in a school zone as children are about.

Look for buses pulling out – watch for flashing wig wag lights.

Always park and turn legally around schools. Avoid dangerous manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns.

Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.

Drop your children off and pick them up on the school side of the road in your school’s designated drop off and pick up area. Calling out to them from across the road is dangerous – they may run to you without checking for traffic.

It’s safest for children to get out of the car on the kerb side of the road to be away from passing traffic.

Walking together to and from school

Plan your trip to school so you use pedestrian crossings where possible.

Always hold your child’s hand. Children need your help to spot dangers such as vehicles coming out of driveways. They can also be easily distracted and wander into traffic.

Drop off and pick up your child near the school gate and avoid calling them from across the road.

Talk with your children about Stop, Look, Listen and Think every time they cross the road.

STOP ! one step back from the kerb.

LOOK ! for traffic to your right left and right again.

LISTEN ! for the sounds of approaching traffic.

THINK ! whether it is safe to cross.

Young children can learn these safe pedestrian habits from you and continue them later on when they are old enough to travel alone.

Did you know your child is learning about road safety at school?
EMILY AND BRITTNEY READY FOR FUN

ACTION WITH DEAN

TOM, LIAM, ZAK AND BLAKE ARE EXCITED

LUCY, CATHERINE, KEIRA, CAROLINE AND GEMMA SET TO LISTEN

MARIO READY FOR THE GAME

THE BOYS READY FOR THEIR BBQ LUNCH
AMAYAH AND GEORGIE

KYARA AND RYAN ARE HAPPY

KYIESHA AT THE BBQ

ASHTEN AND CHARLOTTE

S3BJ IN ACTION INCLUDING TYLER, CHARLIE AND KARA

THE NRL PREMIERSHIP CUP

WITH NATHAN, RHYS AND THE PREMIERSHIP CUP

HARRY

ANNALEESE WITH HER LUNCH