From The Principal

Dear Parents,

Class Placements 2011
Shortly, teachers will begin the lengthy process of developing well-balanced classes for optimal learning in 2011. Input from class teachers, parents and children is taken into account in conjunction with learning, social and personality considerations. Parents with particular information they would like to be considered during this process may put their request in writing to me no later than Friday 5 November. Requests may relate to social, family or learning matters. Requests relating to individual teachers will not be considered. If you would like to discuss your request, please feel free to make an appointment to speak with Robyn Floyd or me by Friday 5 November, to ensure your request can be considered in the timeframe for the class placement process. By following this process, we are best able to meet your request. In the event that we are unable to meet any requests, parents will be contacted prior to classes being announced. It is most likely that late requests will not be able to be met.

Plans for 2011
It is already that time of year when our school must make some major decisions regarding our operation for 2011. Families can assist us with these important decisions by letting us know if their children will not return to Glen Iris in 2011. If your child will not return to GIPS in 2011, please notify the Office in writing as soon as possible.

Grade 3 Camp
Next Monday, the Grade 3 children will leave for their 3 day camp to Camp Arrabri at East Warburton. I am sure the children will enjoy this first school camp and the exciting range of activities planned. Thanks to Jenni de Villa, Anna Risbey, Sarah John, Robyn Floyd, Lisa Andrews, Andrew Cunningham, Dean Griffin and James Tomlinson for giving up their time to support the camping program and offer the children this experience.

Level 2 Games Night and Sleepover
Last Friday evening, the Level 2 teachers hosted an evening of games and dinner for the Grade 1 and 2 children. After the Grade 1 children were collected at 7.30pm, the Grade 2 children remained at school for a sleepover in the Hall. What fun! Thanks to Natasha Williams, Tanya Tomic, Lee Laier, Niki Winch, Claire Murray, Carol Chau, Susie Walton, Meagan Cofield, Brenton Sellers, Scott Barker, Brad Mason and Adrian Newport for giving up their time to allow this program to be offered.

Ultranet
Today our Staff Ultranet Team attended the final training day to support the implementation of the Ultranet. The next stage will be to provide access to the Ultranet to students and parents later in November. Details of this process will be circulated soon.

Parents’ Association AGM
Next Tuesday 9 November, the Parents’ Association AGM will be conducted. It is a crucial time for parents to be involved in the planning of the direction of the group’s activities in 2011. Come...
along to be involved and show support to the parents who have contributed so much to this group in 2010.

**Family Fiesta**
The Parents’ Association are planning a special family evening of fun for all on Friday 19 November. This will be a good opportunity to catch up with other families before the “Silly Season” is completely upon us.

Yours Sincerely

Meredith Camack

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**CAN YOU HELP THE SCIENCE PROGRAM AT GIPS?**

We need clean, empty baby food jars. These tend to come in two sizes and we’re happy with whatever comes. Please leave at the School Office. We need many of these for science experiments!

Thank you, **Nicole Mathers**

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**REQUEST FROM THE ART ROOM**
The Art Room needs large ice-cream containers (4 litres) with lids please. These can be left at the School Office.

Thank you, **Marg Sargeant**

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**COLES SUPERMARKET VOUCHERS**

This Friday 5 November is the final day for vouchers at school. Coles is no longer issuing vouchers however if you have any at home please bring them along to school this week. All of the children will enjoy the new sports equipment.

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**PARENTS’ ASSOC’N NEWS**

**2011 Committee**
We would love to see some new faces at our AGM, which will be held on Tuesday, November 9 in the staffroom! All positions are vacant, and I am happy to discuss the requirements of each role with anyone who may be interested. A short description of each position is available on the website. Please consider joining forces with a few friends to take on one of the many roles that make our school such a fun and dynamic environment.

**Special Lunch**
Thank you to our Special Lunch Team for the “Sushi” lunch provided last Friday. This was the final Special Lunch for the year and special thanks go to Judith Scarff, Irene Brumen and Kathryn Turner for their organization this year.

**Family Fiesta Night**
Please join us for a picnic on the oval on Friday 19 November from 5pm onwards – all welcome.

Parents Assoc will be holding a BBQ for those interested and there will be activities for the children. We hope this will be a good chance for the whole school community to get together and celebrate another terrific year at GIPS. More information is on the yellow flyer going home with today’s newsletter. Please fill in the form and return to school by Friday 12 November.

**Walkathon**
The final figure for our Walkathon Fundraiser is $4,500. Again thank you to Katrina Hrelja and the school community for supporting this event.

Kind regards

**Carolyn Currie - President**
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Email: carolyncurrie@optusnet.com.au

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**News from the Building & Environment Sub-Committee**
Reminder re. Working Bee coming up on Saturday November 13, 2 - 4pm. This will be a working bee on the front garden beds in preparation for the School Family Picnic.
Could it be asthma?

Do you ever:

- Get short of breath when you are not exercising or at unexpected times?
- Find that your shortness of breath is seasonal, or that during some months or times of year your breathing is worse?
- Have cough or coughing spells even when you do not have a cold?
- Notice times when there is wheezing or whistling in your chest?
- Feel tightness in your chest when you are short of breath?
- Wake up at night with shortness of breath or wheeze?
- Notice wheeze, cough, or chest tightness in certain environments, such as hot/cold air, dusty places, or in certain homes?
- Wheeze when you exercise?

If you experience any of the above ask your pharmacist or doctor about a lung health check.

If you would like more information please call The Asthma Foundation of Victoria on 1800 645 130 or visit www.asthma.org.au

HOURS OF SUPERVISION
Please note that students are supervised in the yard before school from 8.45am and after school until 3.45pm.

GLEN IRIS PRIMARY SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS
8.30am until 4.30pm

INFORMATION BASKET
Copies of this information are available at the office:
- Camberwell South Primary School “Spring into Summer Fair” Saturday 13 November from Midday to 7pm - raffle, stalls, rides. Visit the website www.cambsth.vic.edu.au
- Mother & child wellbeing series - a free 5 week workshop series on complimentary therapies to support mothers and children. Tuesdays 9.30 - 10.30am at the Glen Iris Rd Uniting Church. Ph. Mandy 0437 348 808
- Ring O’Roses Dance for Children - tuition in classical ballet, jazz & tap, hip hop/funk. 3 yrs - 17yrs. Venue - Glen Iris Rd Uniting Church Community Centre. Call 0407 567 525 for a trial class
- Milo in2 Cricket - Camberwell Magpies Cricket Club - for boys & girls aged 5 to 9 at the Camberwell Sports Ground 6.15 - 7.30pm on Fridays. Registration online at mycricket.cricket.com.au or ph. 0437 737 744, 0400 599 097
- St.Michael’s Sacramental Program 2011 – for children in Year 3 & Year 5, 2010 at Government Schools who live within St.Michael’s parish. Programs commence on Sunday 7 November at 10.30am. For more information ring 9885 2498.

NOTE: Advertisements are placed according to relevance and interest to the school community and are not a reflection of the school’s interest or beliefs.

With this newsletter:
- Family Fiesta Picnic Notice (yellow, eldest)

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Preserve Kitchen

Glen Iris Primary School thanks the above sponsors for their support.