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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

Thought for the Week:

If you think you can, you can. If you think you can't you're right. American Tradition Saying.

Welcome back to the second semester. The staff at Glamorgan Vale all hope that you had a relaxing holiday. I am pleased to inform you that Mrs Delsey Brassington our Executive Director Schools has asked me to stay on as Principal until the end of the school year. It is my understanding that Mr Robin Webcke has decided to retire from full-time teaching/administration, deciding this only on the last Friday of term two.

Academic Challenge at Faith Lutheran College

Tomorrow, the students from year 6 will be attending the Academic Challenge at Faith Lutheran College. The children will be involved in activities such as experimental science, hands on technologies, Korean Cuisine and Culture as well as a Medieval Experience. The Principal at Faith Lutheran College has kindly provided transport to and from the school on the day.

New Staff

Thursday is the first day that Mrs Kathy Foster will be working at Glamorgan Vale. She will be working with the 5/6/7 class while I do my administrative tasks. Please come and introduce yourself to Mrs Foster on Thursday.

Playground

On Tuesday work started on the new playground for the students in years 5, 6 and 7. The playground will take a couple of weeks to complete. We will need some help in spreading the sand that will be put under the playground. Once this playground is completed we will have another area for the children to play. Come and have a look at the playground in progress. It is located beside the tennis courts.

Smart Moves

The *Smart Moves - Physical Activity Programs in Queensland State Schools* is a State Government initiative involving the Department of Education, Training and the Arts, the Department of Local Government, Sport and Recreation and Queensland Health. *Smart Moves* aims to increase student participation in physical activity and to improve the quality of that activity. It is widely recognised that physical activity is essential for good health and wellbeing, enhances students' educational outcomes, supports their personal development and promotes lifelong active lifestyles. *Smart Moves* requires all schools to plan for implementation to commence in July 2008.

At Glamorgan Vale State School we have been implementing this initiative since the beginning of the year. We also use this as a leadership opportunity for the students in year 5, 6 and 7 who run an activity for a class. The teachers are there to support the students leading the activities. We have altered the routine this term doing two 15 minute blocks during the day. We have found the Smart Moves program beneficial to the student in both the physical aspect but with the leadership component as well.

Under 8s Day

On Friday 1st August, we are holding our annual Under 8s Day. This year we are combining with our cluster schools to enhance the experience for all. The students will have all the wonderful activities that we are used to seeing from Miss Sheppard and Mr Ross as well as some new and interesting activities from other teachers. As usual there will be a variety of other people and agencies coming to provide activities during the day. The P and C will be holding a sausage sizzle on this day for all our children as well as those coming along for the day.

Arts Council

On Monday August 4, we are having an arts council presentation at the Glamorgan Vale Hall. This performance, entitled 'Power Trip', takes actors Watty and Volt on a journey through time, discovering the fascinating history of electricity production and use. Featuring a futuristic sound track, simple props and hilarious physical comedy, the show delivers vital messages about environmental sustainability and energy efficiency around the school and home. Cost per student is \$6, or \$15 for families of 3 or more primary school children. Envelopes are attached, and these will need to be returned to the school office by no later than Friday, 1st August.

Bookclub All orders and money will need to be returned to the school office by no later than Wed. 30th July.

Student Leader News



Welcome back to everyone, we hope you all had a great holiday.

Every Minute on Earth *(facts that happen every 60 seconds)*

A space shuttle has to travel 669km per minute to escape the powerful tug of Earth's gravity. It takes the shuttle only eight minutes to accelerate to that speed. When the space shuttle is launched, it is going straight up for a few hundred metres before it turns and takes a slanted course. By doing this, its forward speed can increase to the required speed needed to escape Earth's gravity faster than if it were going straight up.

Thank you to everyone who has sent along their ring-pull tops from drink cans. To date, with everyone's help, Megan Francis has collected over half a kilo of these tops. The 'Lids for Legs' project is an initiative of the Rotary Club of Safety Bay in WA, supporting the work of Thailand's Dr Therdchai Jivicate who has developed a process of making artificial limb parts from the fused ring-tabs from drink cans for victims of landmines. Dr Therdchai has been making the artificial limbs since 1966 and travels throughout Thailand providing free services to rural villagers. A kilogram of fused ring-pulls provides enough material for two artificial legs, giving the poor victims of land mines a second chance at life. It's such a little thing to collect these tops, yet it can make an enormous difference to these innocent people, who are often children. Please continue to collect and bring them in to school, so that Megan can keep a tally of them and drop them off to Fernvale Post Office.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Lowood Hairstylists & Barber Shop 75 Main Street, Lowood.
Phone: 54261434. Family hairdressing, hair extensions, ear piercing, body waxing, make-up, fashion and casual hats and bags. July specials: Short hair streaks \$32, ear piercing with studs \$18, mens hair cuts \$10.

Bike Repairs Selling second hand bikes and parts. All bike repairs done promptly. Phone Eric on 54262470 or call at 8 Park Street, LOWOOD.

Golf Clinics for Juniors at Lowood The Qld Government, through it's Club Development Program, in conjunction with Lowood and District Golf Club Inc and Golf Qld, has provided grant funds to enable the Club to conduct Junior player's clinics to support golf in Lowood. The clinics are open to both boys and girls who have not yet turned 18. The first round of clinics commenced on Thursday May 15 and were conducted over five weeks. They were most successful and have given 20 young people an introduction to golf. Nominations are now
Glamorgan Vale State School Newsletter

Dates to mark in your calendar:

This Week

Thurs 17 July

Year 6 Academic Challenge at Faith Lutheran College

Next Week

Fri 25 July

Lockyer District Athletics Carnival

Coming Soon

Tues 29 July

UNSW Mathematics Test Under 8's Day 9am – 11am

Fri 1 August

Later On

Mon 4 August

Arts Council 9.50am

Mon 11 August

Exhibition Holiday

Tues 12 August

UNSW English Test

Wed 13 August

Pupil Free Day

Mon 18 August

Staff from Lowood High to visit Year 7's 11.35am

Sat 13 Sept

Country Fair

Mon 13 Oct

Arts Council 9am

Thurs 20 Nov

Prep-Yr 5 Underwater World Camp

being sought for another two clinics which are programmed to commence on Tuesday July 29. These will be run over 6 weeks and cater for a maximum of 20 participants. Clinics will commence at 3.30pm and 4.30pm. Adrian Hewat, Development Officer with Golf Qld will be conducting the clinics. All equipment is supplied. Phone Lowood Golf Club on 54261365 or Ian Hillard on 0428182191.

Fernvale Youth Art Celebration Entries are open for Fernvale Art & Craft Promotions' first annual youth art event to be held over August 8, 9 and 10, with free entry. Painting categories are:

- My Family
- Landscape / Seascape
- Animals
- Favourite Hobbies

In any medium, size no larger than 1 metre x 1 metre.

Ages: 7-11 years and 12-16 years.

For entry form and further information please phone Suzy at Fernvale Futures Complex on 54270200.

Dance Classes in ballet, jazz, contemporary, tap & hip hop at idance studios, Leichhardt and South St Ipswich locations. Competitive fees, high standards, no exams, just dancing! Call 3812 0928 or 0434859559 or www.freewebs.com/idanceoz/ Children from this school will receive 10% discount off their first term fees.

Looking for Family Day Care for your children? A free service – www.daycarersearch.net.au - locate carers by suburb or postcode. Small groups, in homebased environment. Affordable care. CCB rebates apply. Daytime care, before and after school, overnight care, weekend care. Quality care at reasonable fees. Already a carer? Advertise your service on our site. Interested in becoming a carer? Email: lorraine@daycaresearch.net.au

Glenwood Hostel Spring Fair The Glenwood Hostel in Lowood will be holding its Annual Spring Fair on Saturday 30th August 2008. The Auxiliary will be holding a giant Garage Sale and are looking for donations of items that people no longer need (not clothing!). Please call Audrey Canning on 0408624991 to arrange drop off details.

NRL Footy Tipping Competition

| Name | Round 16 | Round 17 | Round 18 | TOTAL |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Bad Boy | 7 | 4 | 3 | 79 |
| Bee Knees | 6 | 2 | 2 | 72 |
| Chenomies | 5 | 3 | 1 | 67 |
| Jim Bob | 7 | 4 | 4 | 68 |
| Quikick | 6 | 3 | 3 | 79 |
| The Cruisers | 6 | 4 | 3 | 77 |
| The Magic Men | 5 | 4 | 4 | 79 |
| The Pretenders | 5 | 4 | 3 | 78 |
| Tornado | 6 | 3 | 3 | 76 |

Joke of the Week:

Teacher: 'What is the meaning of abundance?'

Pupil: 'It's when bread rocks and rolls.'

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P&C ROUNDUP
Wednesday 16th July 2008

P&C Executive

President: Brett Freese - 54 266 320
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P&C Meeting Tonight!

A reminder that our monthly P&C meeting will be held tonight, **Wednesday 16th July** at the school from **6:30pm**. This is a very busy term for the school and P&C so we'd love to see you there to offer your support.

Country Fair Meeting Next Week

Our next Country Fair meeting will be held next **Wednesday, 23rd July** at the slightly later time of **7pm**. With just over 8 weeks to go we're going to need all the help we can get leading up to and on the day and after the event. Very soon we'll be seeking people's help in all these areas. In this Roundup we've included details of the *Great Glamorgan Vale Billy Cart Derby!*

Esk Races

It was unfortunate that we had to cancel our Esk Race Day fundraiser. However, we were unable to get the numbers to make it financially viable and had to make a decision by Friday 27th June. It was a decision none of wanted to make but we had no choice. Obviously the no BYO policy and the timing of the event over the school holidays made it difficult to get the required support. Thankyou to those who had planned to support the event this year. We'll have a look at it again next May to see if there is enough interest in having another attempt.

Meal Deal & Tuckshop

You should have received an order form for a Meal Deal this Friday. Be sure to get your orders in by Thursday morning. There is also a new Term 3 Tuckshop Menu which will commence next week. You should have also received this too. Spare copies are available in the P&C Folder.

The Inaugural Glamorgan Vale Billy Cart Derby

It is that time of year again when the Country Fair is nearly upon us. Thanks to your input we're introducing some fresh new events. One of the highlights will be the running of the **Glamorgan Vale Billy Cart Derby**. So if you think you are able to build a Billy Cart and you're an up and coming Speed Racer then get cracking!



Your Billy Cart has to be **homemade** and able to be **pushed** by you and your partner. You will be racing on the school oval along a challenging track. The Carts aren't to be motorized in any way. You will need to have **two people** who are able to push each other as when you get to the end of the track you'll have to swap places for the return journey! Everyone competing must wear their own **bike helmet** and all Carts will be inspected before the race by the race marshal to ensure they are safe.

There will also be a prize for the best presented Billy Cart. The Race will be held in the afternoon sometime after 3pm. Once the program has been finalised we'll be able to give you a more accurate time. So get out those old mower wheels and start building!