Families with children aged 0 - 5 years are invited to a ‘free’ Glen Innes Community event at the Showground on 22nd October 2015 from 10am - 1pm. There will be health, education and other community services information stalls, fun activities for the kids, performances, a free lunch and prizes to be won. Our students from K - Year 2 will be attending.

Year 3 transition
Year 2 students from Glen Innes West Infants School who are joining us next year in Year 3 will start their transition program next Friday. The transition program will be conducted fortnightly on the following Friday’s:
- 23th October 2015
- 6th November 2015
- 20th November 2015
- 4th December 2015

Please pass this information on to anyone you know who may be considering Red Range Public School for their child next year.

FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2015

Each year another 23,000 young Australians (63 a day) have to deal with cancer – either their own or a close family member’s diagnosis. Bandannas are a symbol of hope and empowerment and are worn proudly by young people at CanTeen. Every bandanna you buy will help CanTeen support young people affected by cancer. It’s also CanTeen’s 30th anniversary so with your help, this year’s National Bandanna Day on Friday 30th October will be bigger and better than ever. So buy a bandanna, wear it to school on Friday 30th October 2015 and show your support!
WELCOME TO TERM 4
I would like to welcome all our students, parents and staff back after what I hope was a relaxing and enjoyable holiday. I certainly enjoyed a wonderful holiday and am looking forward to a very productive term.

CANTEEN
From next week the school SUMMER canteen will be open MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY each week. The full summer canteen list will be on offer on all three days. There are YUMMY new additions. Because of Department of Health regulations and due to the risk of food poisoning we cannot heat or reheat any food brought from home.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS
Thank you to our parents for sending your children back to school looking so smart in their summer uniforms. From this term all students are asked to come in their summer uniforms. If you require any new summer uniforms our uniform shop has items at great value prices.

GRANDPARENTS DAY
This year our Grandparents Day will be held on Friday 6th November from 1:30 – 2:30pm. We will be hosting open class-rooms, presenting class items and serving a delicious afternoon tea. All Grandparents, mums, dads and family friends are welcome. We hope you can save the date and come join us.

P&C MEETING
The November P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 4th at 4:00pm at the Glen Innes Services Club. All parents and interested persons are invited to attend. I look forward to seeing you there.

XMAS HAMPER RAFFLE
We are running a Xmas raffle and are looking for donations. Any and all non-perishable items are more than welcome. Please send your donations in with your children.

SCHOOL SELF-EVALUATIONS
This term we will begin our annual school self-evaluation. The information we receive forms part of our Annual School Report. Our evaluation allows us to look at areas for growth as we are always trying to improve the quality of the education service we provide. We do value everyone’s feedback and would like to encourage everyone to have their say as the survey’s come out.

LAKE AINSWORTH YEARS 3/4/5/6 EXCURSION
Students will soon undertake their excursion to the Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Camp, where they will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational and sporting programs. Payment and medical forms (these maybe completed online) for the excursion are now due and required at school ASAP.

News from the Library
We have a great range of new books in the Library. All classes have Library on Friday and students are encouraged to borrow a new book each week. Mrs Baker has introduced a reward system where after 3 consecutive week of borrowing children will receive a special treat. Students with overdue books will not be able to borrow until these are returned. Overdue notices have been sent home so please help your children check at home for these books. If they cannot be found we request that you either replace the book or pay a contribution of $15 to help with the cost of purchasing a new one.

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in 2017?
◊ Parents must apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/hsplacement
◊ Applications can be made online between 13th October 2015 and 16th November 2015. Applications will not be accepted after 16th November 2015
◊ All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 10th March 2016.
TIPS FOR SAFE KID'S LUNCH BOXES

Food Poisoning

Food safety is vitally important in maintaining good health. Food poisoning is the name for the range of illnesses caused by eating or drinking contaminated food or drink. The risk of food poisoning can be minimised with safe food handling practices.

Keep lunches cool

The bugs that cause food poisoning grow quickly between 5°C and 60°C, so it's important to keep lunch boxes cool.

- Use insulated lunch boxes or cooler bags
- Pack a frozen drink bottle or freezer brick inside the lunch box or bag, next to foods that should be kept cold
- Freeze water bottle half full, then top up with cold water before school so there's liquid to drink
- If making lunches ahead of time, keep them in the fridge until leaving for school or freeze them in advance

Food that could pose a health risk

- Meat-based food that will be stored and transported prior to reheating and serving.
- Ready-to-eat foods that would normally be refrigerated to keep them safe such as raw shellfish, cooked meats or cooked rice
- Dairy or egg-based desserts

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Glen Innes Swimming Club

2015/2016 season commences 6.00pm on Monday 12th October 2015. Registration fees for the upcoming season are:-

$75 for first swimmer $70 for each additional family swimmer $25 for non-swimmers.

A number of mini-fin races are offered throughout club nights to encourage participation of inexperienced swimmers who find it difficult to complete a full lap unassisted. Interested swimmers get two free nights to try our swimming club out before having to register. For more information phone Gingha Goldman (Race Secretary) on 0408002757 or Glen Innes Redfins on facebook.
**Crafty K/1J**

This week we enjoyed our trip to the Glen Innes Chapel Theatre to watch 'Snow White and the Seven Cool Dudes'. Some of us were even lucky enough to be involved in the show! We are continuing to enjoy our Netball sessions and we are learning lots of new ball skills. We have also started our new HSIE unit ‘Celebrations’. In the upcoming weeks we will be learning about different celebrations in our local community, in our country and around the world. Just a reminder home readers are changed DAILY and homework is due in on FRIDAY. Our Library day is THURSDAY. Children will need to return their books in order to borrow new ones.

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**Inventive 2/3S**

We have all been very busy! This term we are learning about “Celebrations” and “Things that Grow”. We have also been participating in the "World Education Games". In Maths we have been exploring looking at Whole Number. Library day happens every Thursday! We will be starting Netball next week for sport. At home we would love to encourage the students to read every night and use MATHLETICS (1000 points is required to earn a Certificate). Also... if anyone has any 2 litre containers could they please be brought in for a Science activity this term.

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**Resourceful 4/5/6M**

What a fabulous start to Term 4. In HSIE we are exploring Natural Disasters with a focus on Volcanoes. There have been lots of wonderful questions and observations from very engaged students. In Science the students are studying Desert Survivors: they are gathering information and conducting experiments related to their adaptations, characteristics, habitats and survival systems and skills. Their artwork is also connected to our HSIE and Science units with very skilful and colourful pieces on work now on display around our classroom.

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