

Newsletter



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KEY DATES

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| 01-09-2023 | Staff professional development day- Student Free Day |
| 05-09-2023 | 2024 Year 7 Netball Excellence Trial 1 |
| 12-09-2023 | 2024 Year 7 Academy of Creative Arts Audition Day 1 |
| 11-10-2023 | 2024 Year 7 Netball Excellence Trial 2 |
| 07-10-2023 | 2024 Year 7 Academy of Creative Arts Audition Day 2 |
| 15-9-2023 | Term 3 Ends |

2024 YEAR 7 PRINCIPAL TALK SESSIONS (BOOKINGS REQUIRED)

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| 07-09-2023 | 3.45pm |
| 11-10-2023 | 3.15pm |
| 25-10-2023 | 3.45pm |
| 08-11-2023 | 3.15pm |
| 22-11-2023 | 3.45pm |

FROM THE PRINCIPAL MICHELLE SNELL

It's hard to believe that we are already more than half way through term 3. Enrolment sessions have been busy, with around 80 students from our local state schools already expressing an interest in Glenala for 2024. If you have younger children, or know anyone who is thinking of enrolling, please ring the administration office to book an interview. Trials for Glenala's Netball Excellence Program and auditions for the Academy of Creative Arts Excellence Program are coming up. Please contact the school office to express your interest or pick up a flier as places will be limited.

If your child likes to be challenged, and has a passion for Technology, our eSTEAM program extends students in the areas of enterprise, Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics. Application can be downloaded from our website or collected from our administration office.

It was great to see so many parents and carers coming to school this term to celebrate academic success, talk to teachers about student progress and find out information for Year 10 students getting ready for senior school. The Year 10 interviews for the Senior Education & Training Plans took place on Wednesday 23 August. Students and their parents were able to map out their next 2 years of schooling with the help of our experienced staff.

We welcome a number of new staff to Glenala this term to support student wellbeing. Our new Vietnamese Community Liaison Officer, Ms Amanda Dinh, has hit the ground running and is busy working with students to celebrate the Moon Festival in September. Miss Nat Baire and Mr Soni Waqa are our new Student Wellbeing Officers and have been getting to know students and will be working with them on Positive Behaviour For Learning strategies to maximise their success at school.

I am excited to share with you that our school was successful in securing funding for our canteen through the Queensland Government's School Playground and Tuckshop Upgrades. With our school continuing to grow in numbers, this funding will allow us to expand our current canteen into a retail style space to service our staff and students.

It is a busy time for our Year 12 students as they complete assessment and prepare for external exams early next term. Please encourage your students to finish strong by attending school every day and getting plenty of rest so that they are able to tackle the last days of high school.

Thank you for continuing to partner with Glenala in the education of our young people and share the pride of their achievements together.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS- EVERYDAY COUNTS. CLICK THE LINK BELOW FOR MORE DETAILS.
High Student Attendance at school is associated, on average, with high student achievement.

Student Services Staff Term 3

Lia Ngauamo

Student Wellbeing Officer



I have been working in the youth support sector for the past 6 years. As a Student Wellbeing Officer my role focuses on running behavioural management programs, engagement activities, case management and general check ins with students. I enjoy building positive connections with the students of Glenala State High and supporting their wellbeing to help maximise their learning.

Nat Baire

Student Wellbeing Officer



In my new role at Glenala State High School as Student Wellbeing Officer, I am excited to be supporting students to improve behaviours so that they can be successful learners and realise their future aspirations.

Illisoni Waqa

Student Wellbeing Officer



Students' well-being, and education are important to me for their future endeavours in life. I'm here to connect with students if support is needed with their well-being. Students please come and have a conversation with me in J Block if you need anything.

Amanda Dinh

Community Liaison Officer



My name is Amanda Mai Dinh, the new Community Liaison Officer to the school. My role is to facilitate better understanding, build strong links and provide support to the community and school.

I welcome any input/ideas/suggestions from parents and the community.

Pretoria Sosene

Youth Support Coordinator



As your school's new Youth Support Coordinator, I am looking forward to developing relationships with students and families to support their ongoing needs and connect them to community services to allow them to be successful at high school.

Bronson Ioane

Senior Schooling Officer



I am immensely grateful to the team for bringing me on board to work in the Senior Schooling Office, I look forward to seeing positive outcomes for our students and seeing the positive impact it has on our families and communities. I like to think that I'm quite a friendly and approachable person so if you see me around, please say hi!

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE IN 2024

We are pleased to announce that we will expand our school laptop program to all of Year 7 in 2024. Our aim is for all Year 7 students to have 24 x 7 access to a laptop computer so that they can benefit from the rich learning resources available online and develop the skills required for the 21st Century. All of our neighbouring schools have moved to laptop programs as they have also recognised the increased opportunities for learning that are offered.

There are two options for families in relation to this. The preferred option is for students to Bring Your Own Device (BYOD). This involves families purchasing a device from a retailer and has the advantage that the family then owns the device into the future.

The second option is to rent a device from the school. We will have a small number of laptops available for this purpose. In 2024, the yearly rental fee will be \$250. Families can pay the rental up front or organise payment plans by contacting our Business Manager at the school. The school retains ownership of the rental device and families simply hand it back at the end of each year. Any damage to the device will be charged to the student's account.

BYOD in Year 7 is a logical extension of our existing laptop programs that have been in place and operating very successfully in the Senior School and in Excellence Programs for a number of years.

Should you have any questions, please contact the school.

Keith Netscher

Deputy Principal



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**Enrolling
Now for
Year 7 2024**

**Contact Us
Today
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We are the first choice for secondary
education for local families



Enrolling Now For Year 7

Our 2024 Year 7 enrolment interviews have begun, contact us today to get started. Our process has changed this year, with the introduction of the Principal Talk Sessions and Tour. These sessions are mandatory to attend once your enrolment application has been completed.

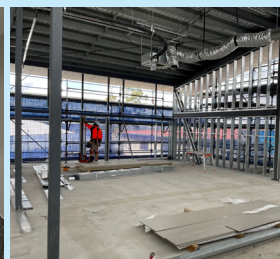
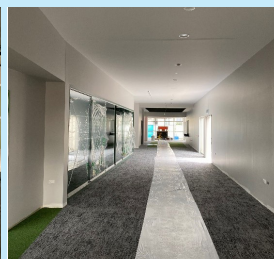
To start the process please contact the office on 3877 4222 to arrange an appointment, your Year 6 student will need to attend. During your appointment you will complete your full application and book a time to attend your Principal Talk and tour.

When you book your appointment you will be requested to bring along the following documents, birth certificate, passport, proof of citizenship, recent report card, proof of residency, parental guardianship/custody paper, if applicable.

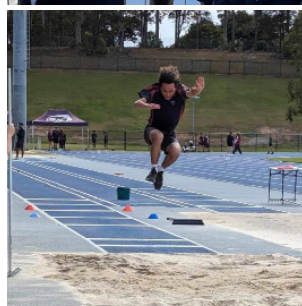
We look forward to your child joining us in 2024.

BUILDINGS UPDATE

Our new buildings are looking fantastic with completion expected ready for use in 2024. We are very pleased to be able to let you know that we will hold our Academic Awards Evening and Year 12 Graduation in the new Performing Arts Centre



ATHLETICS SUCCESS



This term our students have achieved some outstanding results on the athletics field. Our Athletics Carnival was held over the last 2 days of Term 2 with more than 20 student qualifying for Inter-School Athletics, which was held on 24-25 July. Congratulations to each student who represented our school proudly on the day. Big shout out to the students listed below for their high achievement in their respective events.

Jordan Waring- 1st- 100m sprint, 1st-200m, 2nd- Triple jump, 2nd- Long jump

Justin Kajochi- 1st and a new record- long jump, 1st- Triple jump, 2nd- 100m sprint, 2nd- 200m, 3rd- 400m

Dominic Alberto- 1st and a new record- Long jump, 2nd- 100m sprint, 2nd- 200m

Leila (Last Name Withheld) - 1st- 100m Sprint, 2nd- Triple jump, 2nd- Long jump, 2nd- 200m

Raphael Mugisha- 2nd- 1500m, 2nd- 800m, 2nd- 400m

Abdulhafis Foizi Abdurahman- 1st- 800m, 1st- 1500m, 3rd- 400m

Angels Taefu- 2nd- Shot put, 3rd- Triple Jump

Magestik Pulemagafa- 2nd- Shot put, 3rd- Discus

Wendy Okeny- 2nd- Triple jump, 3rd- Long jump

Kalepo Liaina- 2nd- 100m sprint, 3rd- 400m

Jamelia Waring- 3rd- 400m, 3rd- 1500m

Wayne Cain- 2nd- Long jump, 4th- 100m sprint

Basy-Lea Monkland- 2nd- 100m sprint, 2nd- 200m

Freedom Liaina- 1st and a new record for- Shot put

Jackson Luong- 1st- Long jump

Chilli Mafi- 2nd- Discus

Daniel (Last Name Withheld)- 2nd- Triple jump

Fiapule Junior Taito- 2nd- Shot put

Eyakem Hailemariam- 3rd- 1500m

Princess Williams- 2nd- 400m

Trinity Hoffman- 3rd- 100m

Women Who Weld



Our year 10 students participated in the Gateways in Schools - Women Who Weld program this term with great enthusiasm.

This years program marks the fourth of its kind to be hosted at Glenala SHS. The success of this program has been through the commitment from Mr Dharendra Singh, Senior Engineering Teacher and Mrs Sharina Gibney, Head of Department Senior Schooling.

In the first session, students used augmented reality welders under the guidance of Adam Coorey from Weld Australia. Later in the afternoon students practiced real welding with support from The Drake Group trades women Erin and fourth year apprentice Sam.

GM Poles Australia fabricator James and third year apprentice Peter, also played a crucial part in supporting students to learn and navigate real welding skills and build their jewellery tree.

The aim of this event is to encourage young women explore careers in the manufacturing sector or trade pathway as over 80 % of jobs within Qld's manufacturing sector is still occupied by men.

The purpose of the Women Who Weld program is:

- To promote Engineering subject in years 11 and 12.
- To encourage visible gender equality in the workplace.
- To broaden the horizons of young people to the advancing manufacturing and engineering industry opportunities.
- To strengthen & encourage self-esteem in girls.
- To produce skilled & confident welders who are women.
- To support young women to build relationships with their local communities.

The highlight of the day involved our school Principal, Michelle Snell donning the welding jacket, gloves and helmet to have a practice her welding skills in the welding booth.

Thank you to Levi Jenkin from Gateways to Industry School Program- Advanced Manufacturing for the support with today's event.

Thank you to Sheree and Brad from Minecorp Australia, Troy Johnson, Erin and Sam from The Drake Group and James and Peter from GM Poles Australia for giving up their time to support the Women Who Weld program.

G-Cultural 2023



The absence of a Glenala SHS Hall did not affect the enthusiasm and fervour of students preparing and performing their cultural items for this year's G-Cultural Concert. In true Glenala fashion, leaders and group members embraced all students who were keen to learn about both the cultures represented in our school and in the wider community. After eight weeks of rehearsal, 260 students and their teachers loaded five buses to travel to Riverlife Baptist Church for our annual event.

With over 1000 family and friends in the audience, students performed spectacularly on the enormous stage proudly representing their and others' cultures. The audience was exposed to a world trip which represented countries from Africa, America, Asia, Australia and Polynesia. Thanks must go to students, teachers, and family members who appreciated and supported G-Cultural 2023. We are already looking forward to G-Cultural 2024!!

For more photos of each group, visit our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages.



GLENALA NETBALL EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to our top Year 10 and 11 Netball Excellence Team who have been playing up a level in the Open Girls Division 1 Tournaments all year. We are excited to share their recent victory in our District Tournament, taking the win over Rochedale SHS in the Grand Final by 2 points!

We are so excited for this young team who are already achieving great results at their age, bring on the next two years!"

If your child is interested in joining the Glenala Netball Academy Excellence Program, there will be two Trial Dates for current Year 6 students (Trial One- 5 September 2023 and Trial Two- 11 October 2023). Contact us today on 3877 4222 to register for one of these trial days.



School Student Broadband Initiative



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School Student Broadband Initiative – Australian Government

To boost educational opportunities and narrow the digital divide, families without home internet are encouraged to apply for the [School Student Broadband Initiative \(SSBI\)](#). Access to internet at home can support children to build their digital skills and participate in a world that is more reliant on digital technology.

The Australian Government is supporting the National Broadband Network (NBN) to implement the SSBI to provide free home internet for one year for up to 30,000 unconnected families across Australia with school aged students.

To be eligible for SSBI, a family must:

- Have a child living at home that is enrolled in a Queensland state school in 2023.
- Not have an active internet service at home. Having a mobile internet service does not affect eligibility.
- Be referred by a nominating organisation.
- Agree their child has access to a device and has the digital skills to use the [internet safely](#) or will be supervised.
- Live in a premises that can access the NBN via a standard connection – this will be checked by NBN.

How can you be nominated for the SSBI?

The Department of Education and The Smith family are both nominating organisations for the SSBI.

The department is pleased to support the nomination of families for the SSBI. If you would like to apply for the SSBI please use the link or QR code below or contact our Administration Office for further information about the initiative. Applications must be submitted by 8 September 2023.

Online application: [SSBI Family application form](#)

QR Code:



Families that have students that are scholarship recipients in The Smith Family [Learning for life program](#) should register through The Smith Family portal. The Smith family has information about the School Student Broadband Initiative and how to register at [TSF Learning for Life help centre – About the School Student Broadband Initiative](#).

*For more information, please click the link below.
[School Student Broadband Initiative \(SSBI\)](#)*

PHYSICS EXCURSION

This term Mr Warren and Ms Edgerton took the senior Year 11 and 12 physics classes to the Nuclear Medicine department at the Royal Brisbane Women's Hospital to speak with Dr Jye Smith – Principal Medical Physicist – and Dr Matthew Griffiths – Medical Physicist – to learn about how nuclear physics is used to treat health conditions in Brisbane.

They got to observe both a PET Scan and Gamma Camera and discussed the theory behind both and the different methods they use to diagnose medical issues. They also went down behind the very thick door to the cyclotron to observe where radioactive fluorine is produced for use across the entire state.

Students will use this experience as part of their research and planning for their final year 12 physics paper in their exploration of how nuclear physics is utilised to benefit us all. - Mr Adam Warren- Senior Science Teacher



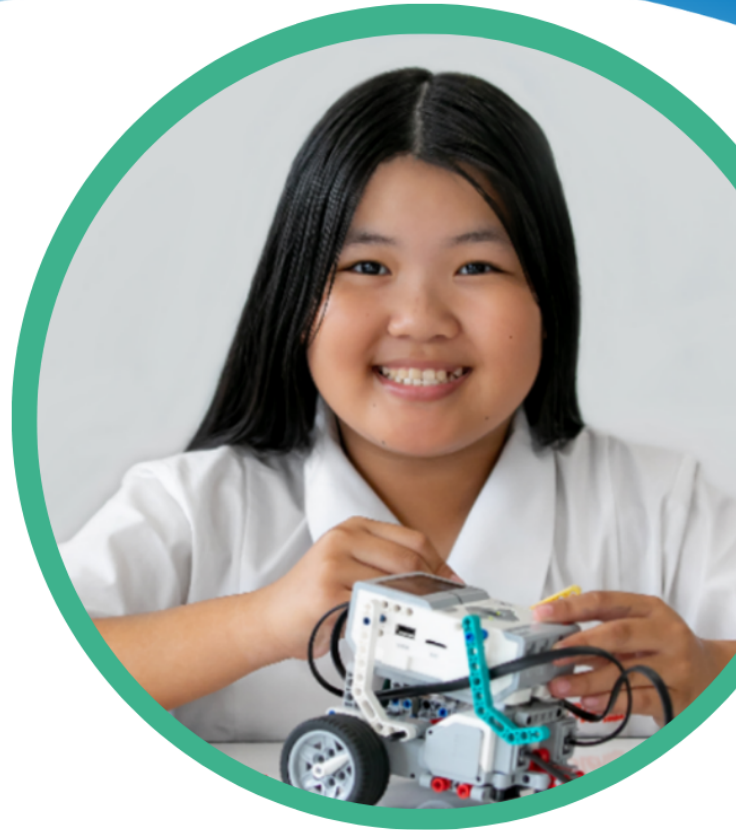


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HOW TO APPLY?

**Applications can be downloaded from our website
or collected from our Administration Office.**

**Students are required to submit a reference from
their Principal or Teacher, along with their last two
(2) report cards.**

**Completed applications can be emailed to
events@glenalashs.eq.edu.au
or returned to our Administration Office.**

If you have any questions, please contact us on 3877 4222.



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ACADEMY OF CREATIVE ARTS AUDITIONS

WHO?

Year 6 students (Year 7 2024)

WHERE?

Glenala SHS - P Block

DATE?

Audition Day 1

Tuesday 12 September 2023 (Term3, Wk 10)

Audition Day 2

Tuesday 17 October 2023 (Term4, Wk 3)

TIME?

3.30pm-4.30pm



Students will be required to attend both dates to successfully complete the audition process for this program.

To register for this event email, events@glenalashs.eq.edu.au

Please include the following details:

Student's Name, Date of Birth, Address
Current Primary School
Parent's Name
Parent's Mobile Number
Latest Report Card

If you have any questions, please contact
Head of Department- The Arts, Chris Hayward on 3877 4222.



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NETBALL EXCELLENCE TRIALS

WHO?

Year 6 students (Year 7 2024)

WHERE?

Glenala SHS Sports Centre,
located on Hampton St, enter via gate 6

DATE?

Trial 1- 5 September (Term 3, Wk 9)

Trial 2- 11 October (Term 4, Wk 2)

(Students are only required to attend one session)

TIME?

3.30pm-4.30pm

To register for this event email,

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Nominated Trial Date

Latest report card



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If you have any questions, please contact
Netball Excellence Coordinator, Emma Barsi on 3877 4222.