



# Today's Education for Tomorrow's World

Glendale East Public School

## PRINCIPALS REPORT

24/06/2024

Brrrrr, what a chilly and damp few weeks it's been here in Newcastle! A huge thank you goes out to our amazing students for their resilience during this period of playground closures due to muddy or wet conditions.



### Student Wellbeing Forum

On Tuesday, July 2nd at 4:00pm, our school will hold a Whole School Wellbeing Forum. Parents will have the opportunity to learn about our wellbeing programs: 'The Resilience Project', 'Positive Behaviour For Learning', and the 'Berry St Education Model'. These three initiatives work together to create a positive school environment that promotes wellbeing, resilience, and positive mental health. Additionally, we will develop agreed-upon student behaviour expectations across our school, giving parents the chance to provide feedback and ensure we are all working together as a team.

All NSW Public Schools must also develop a published School Behaviour Support and Management Plan, which will be displayed on our website and completed by the first school day of 2025. This provides a fantastic opportunity to gather feedback from both parents and students and refine our practices over the next six months.

Our teaching staff will provide supervision for all students enrolled at GEPS, making it easier for families to attend. Additionally, there will be a free sausage sizzle for everyone to enjoy as a reward for coming along.

Nookie the Nookahurra says...  
Expectations for SANDPIT

1. Safe play
2. Hats on
- Follow teacher
- Follow rules
- Be kind to self

**HAVE YOUR SAY...**  
**WHOLE SCHOOL WELLBEING FORUM**

Glendale East Public School is committed to explicitly teaching and modelling positive behaviour and to supporting all students to be engaged with their learning.

We are **evaluating** and **refining** our school wellbeing systems and would like your input.

We invite you to attend a wellbeing forum to have your say about our school behaviour expectations.

Attendees receive a **sausage sizzle** BBQ.

School aged students are welcome to attend and will be supervised in a classroom by a GEPS teacher.

**When:** Tuesday 2nd July  
**Time:** 4:00pm-5:00pm  
**Where:** School Hall

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## NAIDOC Week

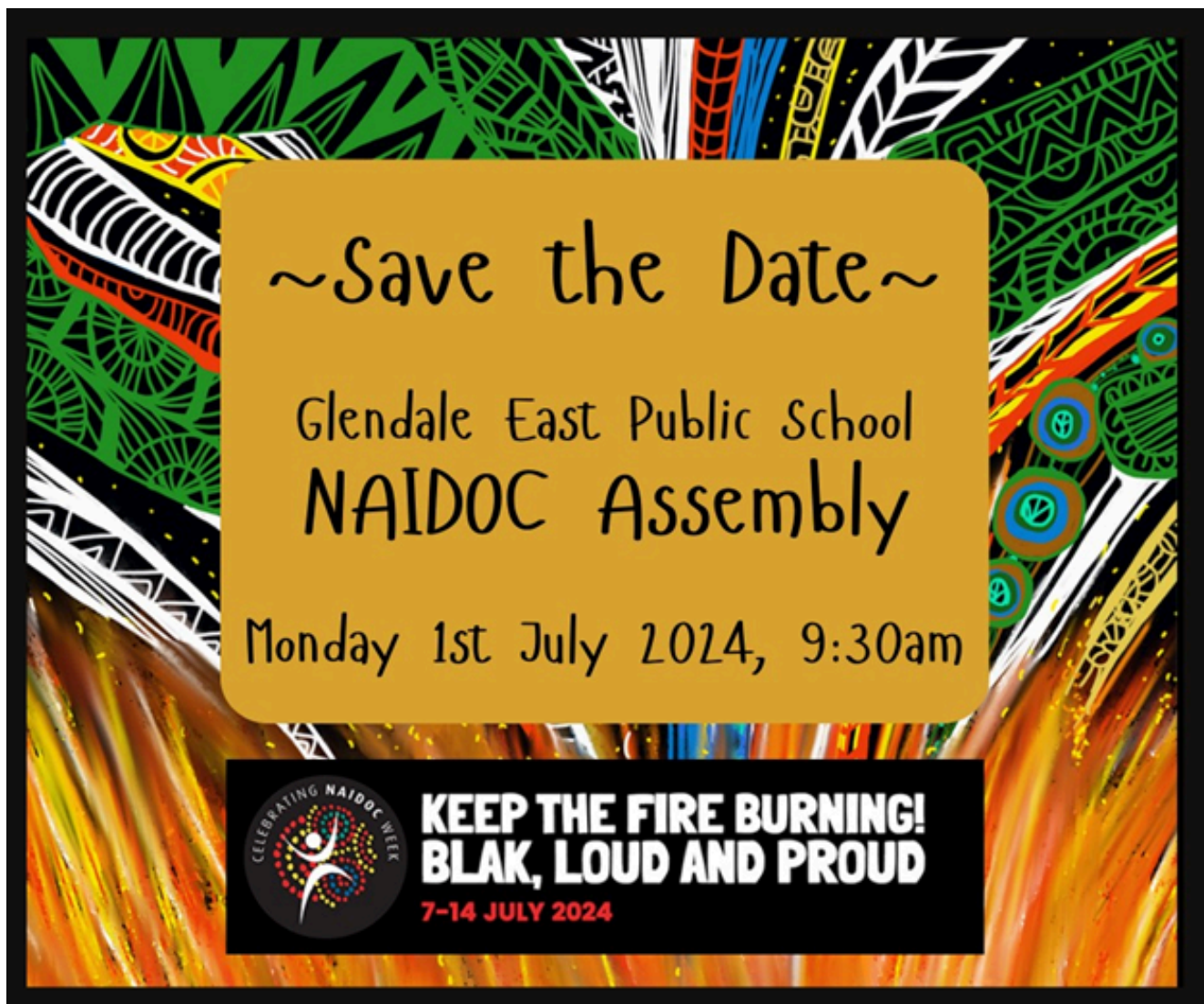
During week 10, our school is celebrating NAIDOC week as the official celebrations fall during the school holiday break. NAIDOC Week is a significant time where we celebrate the history, culture, and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

It's a week to acknowledge and honour Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples contributions to our community and nation. Through various activities and events, we embrace the theme of NAIDOC Week and learn about the rich diversity and traditions of Australia's First Nations peoples.

Join us on Monday 1st July at 9:30am as we commemorate and learn together during this special week of recognition and respect.

The Theme for 2024 NAIDOC week is 'Keep the Fire Burning! Blak, Loud and Proud'. If you would like to know more about NAIDOC week or this year's theme, please visit the official NAIDOC week webpage.

<https://www.naidoc.org.au/about/naidoc-theme>





## GEA Student Leadership

Over the past few weeks, our Student Leadership team—consisting of Matilda, Zahra, Jane, Levi, Zayla, and Harriet—have been working on a school improvement project.

The team identified the need for improvements to our senior toilet block, such as attractive signage and secure hand soap dispensers. They researched, interviewed key people, fundraised, and sent emails seeking support.

Last Wednesday, the team collaborated with leaders from the Glendale Learning Alliance (GEA) schools, including high school leaders, at Edgeworth Public School to prepare a presentation. This presentation, delivered to families on Wednesday night, was of incredible quality. I want to congratulate these wonderful students for their efforts and positivity in completing this project.



## P&C Meeting – Next meeting Wednesday August 14th

Last week, we held our final P&C meeting for the term. Thank you to everyone who attended. Our next meeting will be an in-person event starting at 6 pm here at GEPS. If you can join us or have ever wondered what a P&C meeting is like, please come along. The meeting will be on Wednesday, August 14.

## Canteen – Out for Tender

Over the last few months, our school P&C, along with GEPS, has been exploring ways to reopen our school canteen sustainably. We decided to partner with Speers Point Public School and put both canteens out for tender to see if any local individuals or companies would be interested in running them two days a week each.

I am pleased to announce that, after much effort, the tender is now live on several platforms. If you are interested, please follow the link below. We hope to have our canteen operational again as soon as possible. In the meantime, I want to thank our wonderful school community for your patience and understanding.

<https://www.buysearchsell.com.au/notices/tenders-notices/school-canteen-tender-speers-point-public-school-glendale-east-public-school/6217771/>



## School Canteen License

Speers Point Public School &  
Glendale East Public School

## Arriving at school on time

Late arrivals to school can impact a student's ability to start their day effectively. While occasional delays due to factors like traffic or breakdowns are understandable, consistent late arrivals can result in missing crucial information during morning check-ins and important learning concepts. It's important for students to arrive on time to maximize their educational opportunities.

Thank you everyone,  
Tim Lewis

# SCHOOL BYTES

## \*Important Information\*

**School Bytes will now be used to make any payments for school fee's, excursions etc**

The app can be downloaded on the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store.  
Direct links are provided below:

App Store - <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/school-bytes/id6463097826>

Google Play - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=education.schoolbytes>



The graphic features a dark blue background with the 'School Bytes' logo at the top left. The main title 'Parent App' is in large white font, followed by 'Available now!' in teal. Below this, a text line says 'Download on the App Store or Google Play by clicking the image below.' In the center is a smartphone displaying the app's dashboard. The dashboard shows a welcome message for 'John', a grid of feature tiles (Finance, Payment History, Activities, Forms, Documents, Attendance), and a 'Students' list with two entries: 'Demetrius Auer' and 'Oscar Bahlinger'. Surrounding the phone are various icons representing app features: a calendar, a credit card, a document with a checkmark, a bell for notifications, a group of people, and a speech bubble. At the bottom left, a 'Key Features' box lists four bullet points. At the bottom right, there are two buttons for downloading the app from the App Store and Google Play.

**School Bytes**

# Parent App

**Available now!**

Download on the App Store or Google Play by clicking the image below.

**Key Features**

- Get real time push notifications from your school
- Stay signed in and save your card for secure payments for fees and excursions
- Give consent, sign forms and respond to attendance alerts
- View the school calendar and news

Download on the App Store

GET IT ON Google Play

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# ATHLETICS CARNIVAL



**27th  
JUNE**

**9:45am - 2:15pm  
Fearnley Dawes  
Athletics Centre**

# **THE RESILIENCE PROJECT™**

This week's presentation from The Resilience Project focuses on Gratitude.

Gratitude is paying attention to the things that we have right now, and not worrying about what we don't have. We practise this by noticing the positives that exist around us.

Research shows that practicing gratitude rewires our brains to overcome the negativity bias (which can lead to anxiety and depression) and see the world for what we are thankful for. It is also shown to broaden thinking, and increase physical health through improved sleep and attitude to exercise.

View Part 2 of the series here:

Part 2 - Gratitude: <https://theresilienceproject.com.au/2023-parent-carer-hub-inspire-martin/>  
There are many ways in which you can practise gratitude, including starting a gratitude journal. You can simply use a notebook to list three things that went well for you each day.

# Change of uniform providers

Recently the company Weareco purchased Country Feeling Uniforms and will now be providing uniforms to our school. For all future uniform orders, visit <https://www.wearitto.com.au/schools/glendale-easlt-public-school.html> . If you have any specific delivery questions you can e-mail [newcastle@wearitto.com.au](mailto:newcastle@wearitto.com.au). While the transition takes place, please rest assured that all orders currently with Country Feeling Uniforms will continue to be fulfilled. Please see information below, for more information about Weareco and how they will support our school.

## About Weareco

Dressing students smarter across Queensland since 1979, smart clothing creator Weareco has the trusted expertise and will manage the entire uniform production, supply and the in-school and online purchasing experience. Weareco's retail shop-front brand Wearitto already has six stand-alone retail outlets throughout Australia and manages over 40 in-school uniform shops to provide a smarter refreshed experience for families to outfit children for school with ease, be it online via the [wearitto.com.au](https://www.wearitto.com.au) site or from the uniform shop situated in school.

## What will change at GEPS?

There will be minimal disruption to the uniform shop operations and local support staff, continuing with the same local friendly service team. Elaine and Ian Shepherd will continue as the GEPS uniform customer service team assisting to outfit students during the same uniform shop hours and back to school periods. Some new shop branding will be introduced such as carry bags & post satchels and flags/ signage.

## Will the uniforms change?

Not immediately, Weareco has purchased all existing stock and will gradually introduce Weareco-made garments, colour-matched and size-matched to the existing range. As modern clothing creators, Weareco will focus on improving the comfort, quality and style of the uniforms and may introduce some newer innovations in fabric and clothing design over time or as directed by the school or P & C.

As direct design and clothing manufacturing experts, each facet of uniform and supply chain is still controlled in-house by Weareco in Australia. Modelled on its original locally-made factory ethics and heritage, Weareco's Vietnam factory operations are directly controlled by us so the result is a clothing partner with capabilities to deliver comparable quick production time frames to that of any Australian based supplier with improved size consistency. Weareco also have expert pattern makers for special size and custom design alterations available at no cost and delivered within 3-4 weeks.

## Will the uniform prices change?

No, uniform prices will remain the same for 2024.

## Online Ordering

All uniform items can be ordered online via the Wearitto web page [www.wearitto.com.au](https://www.wearitto.com.au) from Term 2 2024.

Home delivery is available for \$12.50.

## Warranties and Returns

Weareco offers a 100 Day exchange or refund on any unworn garments and a 12-month manufacturing guarantee.



create  
direct  
deliver

# new smarter beginnings together.

Known as the Smart Clothing Company, Weareco is proud announce our new clothing design and supply partnership with the Glendale East Public School community and welcome you to our smarter uniform experience for students and families.

**Order online for home delivery  
or click & collect from the  
GEPS admin office.**

\$12.50 Delivery Fee Applies



**[www.wearitto.com.au](http://www.wearitto.com.au)**



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**Your online uniform  
order will be delivered  
to your home or GEPS  
admin withing 2 days of  
placing your order.**

Phone: 0439 902 291

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KINDERGARTEN

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Do you know of a child in our local area who will be starting school in **2025**?

We are taking **enrolments now!**

**School tours** can be arranged by appointment through our school office.

ENROL NOW!



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## **Glendale East PS Parents and Community Facebook Page**

see below link to join the group

**<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2458361560926132>**



## **Glendale East PS Facebook Page**

see below link to stay up to date with everything GEPS!

**<https://www.facebook.com/GlendaleEastPS>**



## **Glendale East PS School Website**

see below link to make online payments or find notes that have previously  
been sent home

**<https://glendalee-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>**



## **The Crossroads Zone PSSA**

**This is the Crossroads Website URL.**

**Feel free to have a look at the wonderful achievements of students in our zone and upcoming dates.**

**<https://crossroads.primarysport.com.au/>**