

## NEWSLETTER 06/12/24

Dear Parents,

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us for our Glenealy Winter Fair! Your support and spirit filled the evening with joy and warmth, making it a wonderful celebration of our community. We had a fantastic turnout, and it was wonderful to see so many families, staff, and alumni in attendance. The amazing Santa's Grotto and the unexpected snowstorm(!) added to the magic of the night, bringing smiles to everyone. It was great to see so many families come together to enjoy the festivities.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the many volunteers, especially the parents, staff, and Island School students, whose support was invaluable. A special mention goes to the PTA for their tireless efforts in making it a night to remember. With delicious food stalls, fun games, and wonderful live performances by our students, the fair truly had something for everyone. Everyone's enthusiasm ensured that the evening was full of fun, food, and festivities!

This week has also been filled with exciting activities for our students. Our Year 6 students are exploring fair testing in the Learning Commons, investigating whether water can strengthen paper and support the weight. Year 1 students enjoyed their first field trip to Pak Fuk Safety Town, where they practised cycling skills and learned about road safety. They also had an interesting experience making gingerbread cookies, mixing, rolling, and decorating with holiday cheer.

We were thrilled to see the development of our new playground get underway this week. The team have been working hard to clear and prepare the site, and drilling has already begun for the placement of the new structures.

Remember, you can keep up-to-date with many of the happenings at school by visiting our social media pages on Facebook and Instagram.

Have a great weekend!

Best wishes  
Christopher Coyle  
Principal

### **DATES & EVENTS**

An overview of the key dates and school events can be found in the calendar on the ESF App. You can also find the school calendar on the homepage of our school website at [\[Web Link\]](#). Please make a note of the following events that will take place early in Term 1:

### **KEY DATES Term 1 - 2024/2025**

- **06 December** - Term 2 ECA sign-up opens
- **06 December** - Y5 Bake Sale Fundraiser
- **09 December** - Student Photo Day 2
- **12 December** - Year 6 Panto am performance for parents
- **12 December** - Christmas Carols
- **13 December** - End of Term - Noon dismissal
- **06 January 2025** - Start of Term 2

## **GLENEALY ALUMNI PORTAL**

[www.sites.google.com/glenealy.edu.hk/alumni-portal](http://www.sites.google.com/glenealy.edu.hk/alumni-portal)

We are thrilled to announce the launch of our new alumni website in celebration of Glenealy's 65th anniversary! This milestone allows us to honour our rich history and the vibrant community that has shaped our school over the decades.

## **EXPLORE OUR HISTORY**

We invite you to take a journey through our archives, where you can discover a treasure trove of videos, images, and documents dating back to the 1950s. This is not just a glimpse into our past; it's a celebration of the enduring spirit of Glenealy.

## **STAY CONNECTED**

We have only just scratched the surface! The website will be updated regularly with new content, so be sure to check back often for exciting surprises and additions. Don't forget to register for our community mailing list. Stay informed about the latest updates, events, and opportunities to connect with fellow alumni.

Join us as we continue to celebrate our legacy and foster connections among our alumni community. Thank you for being a part of Glenealy's journey. We look forward to sharing more with you!

## **REMINDER: The "Toiletries Project" by The Amber Foundation**

As we head into the holiday travel season, please keep in mind our partnership with the Amber Foundation. If you have any unused travel-size toiletries, such as hotel amenities or airline kits lying around after your travels, don't let them go to waste in your bathroom cabinet. Please bring them to school and drop them off in the box located at the PTA Hub.

New items that can be donated include complete/partial airline amenity kits; travel size soap, shampoo, conditioner, shower gel, body lotion, face cream, mouthwash, hand cream, etc; dental kits; shaving kits; sleeping/eye masks/shades; airline socks; hotel slippers; face washer; lip balm; comb; vanity kits; cotton buds; shower cap; empty pouches.

Feel free to contact me should you require any further information.

Kind Regards,

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Please [click here](#) for more information about the Amber Foundation.

## **PTA - NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY HUB**

A heartfelt thank you to our entire community for your incredible support and attendance at this year's annual Winter Fair. It was truly a magical night, made possible by the dedicated efforts of our school staff, the PTA, and the many parent volunteers who contributed their time and talents.

Your enthusiasm and participation helped create an unforgettable experience for everyone involved. Together, we celebrated the spirit of the season and fostered a sense of community that enriches our school environment. We are grateful for each and every one of you who played a role in making this event a success.

Thank you once again for your support, and we look forward to more wonderful gatherings in the future!

#### [Pictures from the Annual Winter Fair](#)

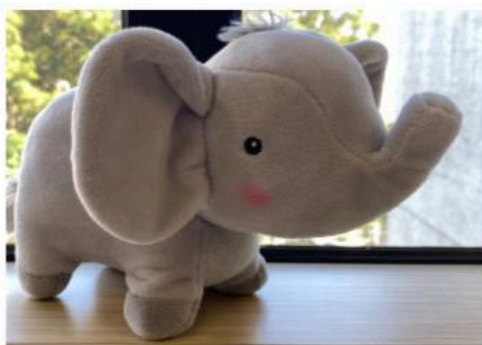
#### **Name the Critter Winners**

Congratulations to the winner of the "Name The Critter" game.

## Game - Name the Critter



Blizzard  
Avni Bajaj 6F



Eleanor  
Maya Joseph 5R



Lunabelle  
Kaydence Lo 1T



## **Silent Auction Winners**

### **Congratulations to all the winners! (All winners have been informed by email)**

Huge thanks to everyone who participated in our recent silent auction and the generous sponsors for the wonderful prizes! Your support has contributed to a record-breaking amount raised, which will directly benefit and support our school community.