

# Gosford East Public School

# NEWS 'N' VIEWS

**Term 3 Week 9**

**9<sup>th</sup> September 2015**



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***P & C Association***

***Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month 7:00pm – all welcome***

# From the Principal...

Dear Parents and Carers,

## SASS Appreciation Week

Last week was SASS week (School Administration & Support Staff), and I would like to acknowledge all of these wonderful staff members in our school. Our Office Staff, School Learning Support Officers and our General Assistant (Mr Terry) do so much for the staff, students and parents of the school. I do believe that we should appreciate these people every week and not just a special week but to all of these people a very big thank you from all of our school community.

## Father's Day Breakfast

Thank you to the so many Fathers, Uncles, Grandfather's and other friends that attended the Father's Day Breakfast last Friday morning. The weather did make it a little more difficult than usual but we were able to still have the large crowds that we usually do. Thank you also to our amazing staff that manned the BBQ cooking and serving our dads and kids. Also a big thank you to Jo in the canteen who once again organised the day, and ordered all the food.

## Indigenous Fun Day

Our Indigenous Fun Day was a great success especially with the Art works that were produced and the fun that the kids had. The Artwork was going to be displayed in the Library but due to its outstanding quality we are looking for a more prominent position to hang it so it can be seen by even more people. Thanks to Mrs Coles for all of her hard work in organising the day.

## Illness

As you would be aware there is an awful lot of sickness around at the moment requiring many children to be absent from school. A reminder that when your child is away from school this must be supported by a note to the teacher or the by the use of the school App explaining why they were away. This must be supplied within 7 days of the absence or the child will be marked as unexplained.

## Kindergarten 2016

Our orientation to Kindergarten is fast approaching and we have nearly organised the parent and student program. Letters were sent out last week advising of dates and details for the transition program. I do believe that most people would have let us know by now but if your child is joining us next year and you have not let us know please do so as soon as possible.

*Graeme McLeod*

Principal



### Notes out this week

Mingara Note – Concert A

CCC Festival Ticket Information

CCC Festival Rehearsal #3



### Dates for your Calendar...

9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Sept - Bathurst Excursion

12<sup>th</sup> Sept – Green Living Workshop

14<sup>th</sup> Sept – Interrelate

16<sup>th</sup> Sept – Disco

17<sup>th</sup> Sept – Jump Rope for Heart

18<sup>th</sup> Sept – EALD Morning Tea

8<sup>th</sup> Oct – Powerhouse Exc Stage 1

### Regular Events...

Student Banking - Wednesday

School Assembly 1:45pm - Friday

Uniform Shop - See Jo in canteen

TERM 4

6/10/2015 — 16/12/2015

TERM 1 2016

28/1/2016 - 8/4/2016

## Student Corner Assembly News...

**Caught You Being Good...** Thomas, Tiger, Evelyn, Zara, Zac, Lucy, Dylan, Brianna, Anne, Cameron, Zack, Aaron, Taylah.

**House of the Week... Kiara**

**Merit Awards...** Ereby's KE, Lila KF, Isabel KH, Ethan 1P, Jongyoon 1/2M, Peter 1ST, Savannah 2S, Kayde 3/4E, Crystelle 3/4R, Anthony 4/5S, Liam 5/6M, Josh 5/6C, Bianca 3-6M.

**Quality Work...** Felicity, Bowen, Darcy, Tye, Kaylee, Chloe E, Chloe C, Lucy, Molly, Yoel.

**Other...** PBL Awards for all Mascot Entries



# Central Coast Choral Festival 2015...

## **Ticket Information**

Tickets for Central Coast Choral Festival 2015 will be going on sale soon. An online ticketing system will be used this year which means **ticket purchases can ONLY be made online.**

The ticketing details for your child's performances are as follows:

**Where:** Mingara Recreation Club, Tumby Umbi.

**Show:** Show A

**When:** Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015

**Times:** There will be 2 performances -  
- a matinee at 3.30pm and an evening performance at 7.00pm.

**Where to buy tickets:** online through Eventopia: [www.eventopia.co](http://www.eventopia.co)

- Once you have entered the site, search for Central Coast Choral Festival. There are six different shows – please ensure you are buying tickets for the correct show (Show A for East Gosford Students).

**Payment Options:** Credit card only.

**Ticket Sale Date:** Show A - Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September

A note will be sent home this week with the GEPS Choral Festival Students providing further details regarding ticketing information. Please keep an eye out for it.

*Yours sincerely,*

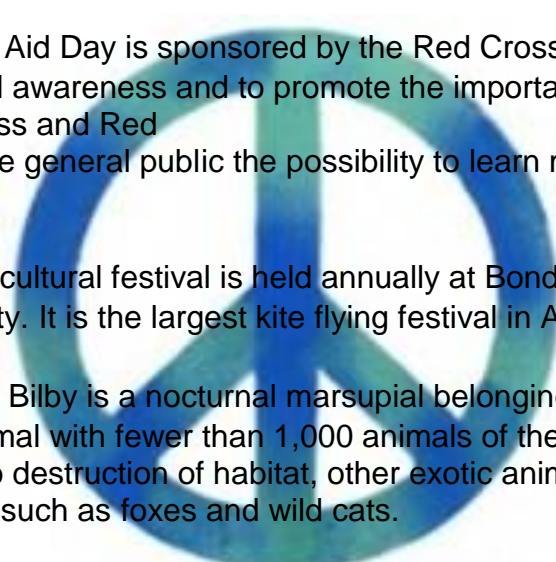
*Ms Connell*

## Harmony Corner...

**13 September** - **World First Aid Day** World First Aid Day is sponsored by the Red Cross and Red Crescent societies. Its aim is to help raise first aid awareness and to promote the importance of protecting and saving lives. On this day, Red Cross and Red Crescent societies organise activities that offer the general public the possibility to learn more about, or update first aid knowledge and skills.

**13 September** - **Festival of the Winds** This multicultural festival is held annually at Bondi Beach in association with the Australian Kiteflyers Society. It is the largest kite flying festival in Australia.

**14 September** - **National Bilby Day** The Greater Bilby is a nocturnal marsupial belonging to the bandicoot family. The bilby is an endangered animal with fewer than 1,000 animals of the species remaining. The rapid decline in numbers is due to destruction of habitat, other exotic animals such as rabbits competing for food and feral predators such as foxes and wild cats.



# Spelling Bee Finals...

Congratulations to Ella, Samuel, Poorva and Judy who attended Umina PS on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September for the Regional Spelling Bee Competition.

All students showed amazing spelling skills, and amongst very tough competition did extremely well. Poorva came second overall – a big congratulations to her!!

*Lorell Masters*

*Gosford East PS*





# Jump Rope For Heart...

Well done on the amazing effort everyone has been making in supporting Jump Rope for Heart! Students have really enjoyed skipping in the playground and doing some awesome tricks.

Our goal is to raise \$3000 for the Heart Foundation and we are almost there! Jump Off day is on the 17<sup>th</sup> September so there isn't much longer to raise funds. Not only do these funds support the Heart Foundation, students can win awesome prizes too!

The easiest way for your child to get sponsors is to do so online at <https://jumprope.everydayhero.com.au/event/JumpRope2015-GosfordEastPublicSchool-110442>

Otherwise they can get their sponsor card filled out and return the money to school by Jump Off Day.

Happy Skipping!

Hayley Roberts



## Your Child's Health

### **A reminder to parents to notify the school about your child's health**

We welcome information from parents about your child's health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child's health care needs change or if a new health condition develops.

Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided to the school by parents. Please provide this information in writing to the principal. This will greatly assist our school in planning to support your child's health and wellbeing.

Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or to the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts.

We appreciate your assistance in this regard and assure you that any information you provide the school will be stored securely and will only be used or disclosed in order to support your son or daughter's health needs or as otherwise required by law.

## Canteen News...

Hi Everyone,

So here we are on the downhill run for term 3.

Please remember to put a second choice on your lunch order as we wind down for the holidays.

There will be a new menu in Term 4 with a change in the order that items are placed on the page, and unfortunately a few price rises.

Jo

Canteen Manager

Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Carmen MacDonald
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Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Suzanne Piggott
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<b>Help Please 0414 907 968</b>	
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Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Anne Sykes-Hollowed
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Wendy Whitmore	
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Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Sarah Cocks
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Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Michelle Cutting
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Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<b>Help Please 0414 907 968</b>
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### TERM 4

Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Donna Ryan
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Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Carmen MacDonald
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Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Suzanne Piggott
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## P & C News...

- We would like to thank "Masters" and Dave (from Masters). They have donated 7 new fruit trees, plus all the soil and even planted them with the kids and Mrs Mellross, over in the orchard field. There was a tree planted for each school year. 2 students from each year were chosen to help plant them. There will more planting going on soon when the new garden beds arrive and the whole school garden zone gets built. If more helpers want to get involved please get back to me, Anibal, Danni, Tash or Michael and if you don't know us yet just look for people carrying watering cans or pruning around school!
- Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September is the Green Living Workshop. This is a workshop about using green waste for composting and worm farms. Every household attending will get a free gift. So don't miss out, come along to school and support this workshop. RSVPs are welcome so we know numbers but also, please just turn up on the day if you can between 2:00 – 4:30 pm.
- Last month P&C donated over \$6,000 towards the purchase of new charge and sync units for the ipads/tablets and literacy books requested on the Teachers Wishlists. Some of these items have been ordered and we will let you know more soon. But that's all of the available money spent. We need to start raising more so please join P&C and help out.
- P&C discussed the possibility of emailing families the newsletter each week. A volunteer would be required to do this on a weekly basis. If anyone is interested in doing this, please contact the P&C.

Have a good week.

Wendy Whitmore

P & C

# School Disco

This term the school disco will be held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September.

Kindy & Stage 1	5:00 – 6:00pm	\$4.00
Stage 2 & 3	6:15 – 7:30pm	\$4.50

Each child will receive chips and a drink. Any help on the night would be greatly appreciated.

This term there will be Pizza, coffee and cold drinks available for parents to purchase.

**Mel Hogston**  
P & C Committee member

A vertical poster for a Trivia Night event. At the top is the Fairhaven Services logo with the tagline 'discover | belong | celebrate'. Below this is the text 'Come & support Fairhaven Services at our'. The main title 'TRIVIA NIGHT' is in large, bold, yellow letters with a red and yellow checkered border. To the right of the title is a graphic of a lightbulb. Below the title is 'ERINA LEAGUES CLUB' and '25 SEPT 2015' in large white letters. Further down, it says 'ARRIVAL 7PM WITH THE EVENING COMMENCING AT 7:30PM' and '\$15- DOLLAR ENTRY INCLUDES A LUCKY DOOR TICKET AND A GUARANTEED PRIZE!'. At the bottom, it states 'ALL PROCEEDS FROM THIS EVENT GO TOWARDS SUPPORTING LOCAL PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES' and provides contact information for Catherine: 'To book your tickets please contact Catherine at Fairhaven on 4323 3566 or email catheriner@fairhaven.org.au'.



## NIPPERS @ Wamberal SLSC



Our Junior Activities Program, 'Nippers' (for kids 5-14yrs old) is a great opportunity for families to become involved in Surf Life Saving. More importantly however, Nippers teaches kids how they can help themselves and their friends stay safe at the beach while having heaps of fun along the way.

Nippers are held on Sunday mornings in summer, starting Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October, and teach invaluable surf safety and lifesaving skills.

Come along to registration day, Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September to find out more and join nippers at WSLSC.

Contact: P 02 4385 2322 or E [admin@wamberalsurfclub.com](mailto:admin@wamberalsurfclub.com)

## Are you looking for a challenge this summer?

### Become a Wamberal Life Saver!



#### PRE-REQUISITES

Candidates must meet ALL of the following conditions

- Be at least 15 years of age on the date of the final assessment
- Complete an unaided pool swim of 400 meters in nine (9) minutes or less

The academic part of the course is run over 6 x 2 hour lessons conducted at Wamberal Surf Life Saving Club during the evening. You will learn **Surf Awareness and Skills, Resuscitation, Defibrillation and basic oxygen techniques, First Aid, Rescue Techniques and Beach Management**. There is also training on the beach in areas such as **Rescue Techniques, Beach Management and Surf Awareness and Skills**.

The commitment once you have attained your Bronze medallion is to join one of our 12 patrols at Wamberal and provide 5-8 hours a month during summer patrolling the beach. It's satisfying, fun and rewarding. You can lead a fit and healthy lifestyle and become trained in aquatic safety skills, compete in surf sports and you may even help save someone's life. Come along to our registration day Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September to find out more and join WSLSC.

Contact: Phone 02 4385 2322 or Email [admin@wamberalsurfclub.com](mailto:admin@wamberalsurfclub.com)



# SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS



we learn, we build, we play with  
**LEGO® Bricks**

(They're educational! but, shhh ... don't tell the kids! They think it's fun 😊)



## LEGO® Holiday Activities in the Central Coast!

### Erina Heights Scout Hall:

- 22 Sept **Minions On Holidays**  
2pm - 5pm (half-day)
- 23 Sept **Monster Mash-Up Fun Day**  
2pm - 5pm (half-day)
- 24 Sept **Remote Control Mania**  
2pm - 5pm (half-day)

### Kariong Community Hall:

- 1 Oct **Teenage Mutant Brick Turtles**  
9am - 12pm noon (half day)

### McDonald's Wyong:

- 1 Oct **Minions Go Bananas**  
130pm - 430pm (half day)

### Cost

Half day workshop     **\$45, incl GST**

Every child gets to take home a BRICKS 4 KIDZ® gift at the end of a workshop.

Please note that food is not provided. Please provide a nut-free snack for your child to enjoy during our workshops breaks.

For a full description of each program and to register online, please visit our website at

**[Bricks4Kidz® Central Coast](http://Bricks4Kidz.com.au/CentralCoast)**

