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Term 1 – Week 4

Wednesday 17th February 2015

FROM THE PRINCIPAL...

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Tonight, Wednesday 17th is our Parent Information Night for which we always have a good roll up of parents. It is a good opportunity to meet your child's teacher and to see how the class operates etc. If you wish to meet individually with your child's teacher, this can be done through the school office or by a note to the class teacher and I encourage you to do so if you have any concerns in regard to their progress. We do have parent teacher meetings at the end of Term 2 / beginning of Term 3 after the Semester 1 reports are given out.

DANCE FESTIVAL

This year Angela Boyd, Linden Connell and Hayley Roberts are running our Dance Groups. We have already put our expressions of interest in and will start preparing our groups for audition. Last year we had four groups get in, but this year I believe although we may have the talent the number of schools that are entering may limit this to a smaller number. Can I thank the teachers involved for the large amount of work that they have already put in already, choosing music, getting dances ready and starting to organise the kids. We wish them all the best for their preparation.

LOST PROPERTY

We already have some lost property at the school for this year. Can I encourage everyone to clearly mark anything that a student wears and may take off such as hats, jumpers etc plus drink bottles, lunch boxes etc. We do try to get things back to the students if we find them but it is impossible if their name is not on them. Lost property can be found under the stairs near the office in A Block.

ABSENCES

It is so important that students attend school every day so not to affect their progress. If a child is sick they should stay home and on their return a note should be provided explaining the absence. Attendance is monitored by our area office and any child that does not have a satisfactory attendance is referred to them. If your child has to attend a family holiday that cannot be had during the School Holidays a parent must apply for Extended Leave. These forms are available from the school office. Students should not have days off for such things as birthdays etc and if this occurs they are marked as having an unjustified absence.

Graeme McLeod

Principal



DATES FOR YOUR CALENDER

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17th Feb Parent Information Night
24th Feb World Read Aloud Day
1st Mar PET Program K-2
30th Mar Canberra Excursion Stage 3

REGULAR EVENTS...

Student Banking - Monday
School Assembly – 1:45pm Friday in hall
Uniform Shop – see Jo in canteen
TERM 1 2016 – 28/1/2016 – 8/4/2016

STUDENT CORNER ASSEMBLY NEWS

CAUGHT YOU BEING GOOD -

Peta, Rhia, Makenzie, Tahlia, Mischa, Harry, Tanishka, Stevie, Zac, Liam, Roseanna, Finn, Liam, Ron, Harrison, Luca, Aaliyah.

QUALITY WORK -

Eliza, Jay, Anthony, Emma, Hamish, Alistair, Angel, Joshua, Thalia, Chelsey, Haley, Lucy, Sophie, Emily, Hunter, Aaron, Josh, Elijah.

HOUSE OF THE WEEK -

WARRIMOO – 23 points!!!!

MERIT AWARDS -

Sophia 1H, Bailey 1T, Skarlett 1/2P, Sophie 2E, Meisha 2/3T, Ryan 3M, Mackenzie 3/4S, Talia 5/6M, Soraya 5/6C, Liam 3-6S, Sam K-6B, Emmett K-6W
Library – Sarah, Taine, Hannah, Alistair, Haley, Stevie, Thalia, Phoenix, Emma, Emily.

CLASS OF THE WEEK -

1/2P



LIBRARY NEWS

Parents and Carers,

Please come along to "Coffee & Cover" on Monday mornings from 9:00am.

Cover a few books and catch up with other parents.

Love to see you there.

Lyndall Coles

Librarian



P & C NEWS

1. The BBQ fundraiser at West Gosford Bunnings is on Saturday Feb 20th. More helpers from the school community would be appreciated. Get in touch via the P&C Facebook page or the school office.

2. Tuesday March 9th is the P&C meeting and AGM. All executive positions eg President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer will be available for a new 2016 team. So don't leave it too late. Get your P&C membership paid only \$2 and be ready for the AGM.

The P&C's success depends on involvement from the school community. ☺

In 2015 we donated approx \$6k to school iPads charging stations & literacy programs.

In 2014 we donated approx \$15k towards the iPads.

3. We have a fundraising accounts with 'Stuck On You' labels. So if u need any please try to use this company and add 'gosfordeastpublicschool' at the end of your order.

4. We have a fundraising account at 'A Mart Sports' in West Gosford. Just mention that you want your points to go to our school at the checkout. This account has already given us back over \$500 for school sports equipment.

5. We hope the kindy families enjoyed the 'Tea&Tears' morning tea, coffee and biscuits that we organised.

GEPS is a great school!!

Thanks

Wendy Whitmore

P&C secretary

HARMONY CORNER

17 February - Discovery Day – Lord Howe Island Discovery Day commemorates the first sighting of Lord Howe Island on 17 February 1788 by Lieutenant Henry Lidgbird Ball, commander of HMAS Supply, en route to Norfolk Island to found a new settlement. Ball landed there on the return to Sydney but the first settlers did not arrive until 1833. Lord Howe Island is part of NSW. It is 700km northeast of Sydney and the same distance southwest of Brisbane.

17 February - Banjo Paterson's birthday Andrew Barton (Banjo) Paterson, pictured on the Australian \$10 note, was born in New South Wales on this day in 1864. He is well remembered for his bush ballads, some of the more famous being 'The Man from Snowy River', 'Clancy of the Overflow' and 'Waltzing Matilda'. To many he is a symbol of the outback but he was also a lawyer, farmer, journalist, soldier and horseman. He died in 1941.

18 February - First school in the NSW Colony is opened 1793. The school was held in the newly finished church on the corner of Hunter and Castlereagh Streets during the weekdays. The Reverend Richard Johnson and his wife, Mary, taught between 150-200 children.

CANTEEN NEWS

Gosford East Public School Canteen Roster

Volunteers are needed from 9.00am til 2pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Or as early as you can make it.

Even if you can spare 1 hour of 2, it is all a help. Please let the canteen know if you can volunteer on any of the days where help is needed.

[Jo C 0414907968](mailto:Jo.C@0414907968)

Thankyou in advance.

Term 1 2016

Week 4 - Monday 15th February	Wednesday 17th February	Thursday 18th February	Friday 19th February
Carlie Belgre	Rachael Hurst	Jun Zheng	Mel Hogston
Week 5 - Monday 22nd February	Wednesday 24th February	Thursday 25th February	Friday 26th February
Becca McNee	Help needed	Young Mi	Suzanne Piggott
Week 6 - Monday 29th February	Wednesday 2nd March	Thursday 3rd March	Friday 4th March
Pam Whitty	Help needed	Sarah Hole	Anne Sykes-Hollowed
			Wendy Whitmore
Week 7 - Monday 7th March	Wednesday 9th March	Thursday 10th March	Friday 11th March
Carlie Belgre	Kelly Schultz	Carmen MacDonald	Esther Kim
			Help needed
Week 8 – Monday 14th March	Wednesday 16th March	Thursday 17th March	Friday 18th March
Carlie Belgre	Rachael Hurst	Jun Zheng	Mel Hogston
Week 9 – Monday 21st March	Wednesday 23rd March	Thursday 24th March	Friday 25th March
Becca McNee	Help needed	Help needed	Good Friday
			Public Holiday
Week 10 – Monday 28th March	Wednesday 30th March	Thursday 31st March	Friday Friday 1st March
Pam Whitty	Help needed	Sarah Hole	Anne Sykes-Hollowed
			Wendy Whitmore

OPERATION ART

Calling all Operation Art entries, it's time to get creative!!!

Operation Art is an initiative to encourage and showcase the visual arts talents of students ranging from Kindergarten to Year 10. Submitted student artworks are professionally framed and exhibited at the Armory Gallery, Sydney Olympic Park in September. From there 50 artworks are selected and tour the AGNSW and regional galleries before they are donated to and displayed at the Children's Hospital at Westmead, helping to create a positive healing environment.

Last year two very talented students had their artworks selected for ArtBank awards. Artworks selected for ArtBank awards are either donated to regional hospitals or displayed in Department of Education offices. Over 800 artworks were submitted last year to the NSW competition but only 50 are selected for ArtBank awards. WELL DONE GIRLS!!!!

In 2014 a GEPS student had her artwork selected for a 'Royal Commission Award'. Her artwork was given to the Royal Commission to be exhibited in their offices for a year and then later assigned to a regional hospital in NSW for exhibition.

This year we have an exciting addition to the GEPS Operation Art competition. Each of the 3 winners of our school competition will receive a free Jimmy Halfpenny Deluxe Art Book valued at \$140 compliments of Jimmy Halfpenny. More information regarding this wonderful addition to the competition will be provided in the Operation Art Information Note which will be sent home soon.

Kindergarten through to Year 6, now is the time to start thinking about and planning your artwork. **The theme is; Cheerful and uplifting artworks appropriate for display in hospitals.**

A note with the details on how to participate will be sent home soon.

Entries close: Wednesday 30th March 2016.

Please don't hesitate to contact me on 43252178 if you have any further questions.

Kind Regards,

Linden Connell

JIMMY  PENNY

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Stepping Stones Triple P



Does your child have a disability?

If you are parenting children with a disability aged 2 to 12, CCFSS can support you to learn new skills and techniques through the Stepping Stones Triple P Project.

You are invited to attend the following **FREE parenting seminar:**

Session 1

Positive Parenting for Children with a Disability

Venue: Green Point Community Centre, Koolang Road
Green Point

Session 2

Helping your Child reach their Potential

When: March 9, 16 and 23

Session 3

Changing Problem Behaviour into Positive Behaviour

Time: 10.00am to 12.00pm

BOOKINGS AND FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE MADE BY CALLING CENTRAL COAST FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES INC. NO CHILDCARE AVAILABLE FOR SEMINARS.



**To register for this Seminar please call
(02) 43401585 or email; ccfss@ccfss.com.au**

