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Term 1 – Week 5

Wednesday 24th February 2015

FROM THE PRINCIPAL...

CANTEEN

Our wonderful P & C run Canteen Manager Jo yesterday received an award for her work with the Central Coast Canteen Network that is facilitated by Central Coast Health. Jo has been one of the longest serving members and has attended over 50 meetings with the Network. On behalf of our school community I congratulate Jo on her award and all that she does in supporting our students, staff and parents of our school.

EVACUATION PRACTICE

One of the requirements of any workplace is a regular evacuation practice which we do at least twice a year. Over the next week we will be having a practice. We do two types, the first is an evacuation where everyone on the school site goes to the oval (except students in Mrs Wrights room who go up Webb St to the Park due to the difficulty of the wheelchairs going down to the oval). The second is a lockdown where we lock all external doors and keep everyone inside. We have two different signals for these that we have used over a number of years. Don't be alarmed if your child tells you that we had an evacuation, if it is ever a real one we will ensure that everyone is notified.

QUALITY WORK AWARDS

As you may be aware at each assembly we recognise students with a Principals Quality Work Award. This may not be the best work that has been produced in the class but is the best work that a student has done. We try to always encourage students to do their personal best and this is in one small way encouraging them. They are always displayed outside my office for the week following the awards being given out.

CRICKET TEAM

On Wednesday our School Cricket Team is playing Gosford in the first round of the PSSA Knockout. Gosford is a much larger school but I am sure our kids will do very well. For some students it is the first time that they play with a real cricket ball and have to wear pads etc. I wish them all the best and thank Mr Emery and the parents that are able to help on the day.

Graeme McLeod

Principal

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDER

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24th Feb World Read Aloud Day

1st Mar PET Program K-2

24th Mar Purple Day K-6 - Gold Coin

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 -

Sione, Alistair, Tyler, Phoenix, Charlie, Aiden, Thomas, Emma, Tom, Eva, Emily, Flynn, Brianna, Sophia, Addison, Eamon, Romy, Max.

QUALITY WORK -

Samuel, John, Sophia, Ava, Alexis, Madison, Zoe, Olivia, Zara, Samuel, Savannah, Nicholas, Ashlee, Sienna, Olivia, Harrison, Acacia.

HOUSE OF THE WEEK -

WARRIMOO

MERIT AWARDS -

Owen 1H, Lila 1T, Peter 1/2P, Matthew 2E, Yoanna 3M, Zara 3/4S, Finn 4/5B, Zac 5/6M, Lachlan 5/6C, Jolie 3-6S, Mark K-6B, Samuel K-6W

Library – Sarah, Taine, Hannah, Alistair, Haley, Stevie, Thalia, Phoenix, Emma, Emily.



PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL

We are well aware of the problems with car parking around the school and the P &C wrote a letter to council in regard to this at the end of last year.

We have been contacted by the Skin Cancer about some incidents as a result of parents parking in their car park. This is a private car park and is for patients and staff of the Clinic. Parents have been asked not to park in the car park by the Clinic and I am aware that they have contacted the police about these incidents.

The Staff Car Park is for staff parking only and not to be used to drop children off. It can be a dangerous place.

Please see below the school parking signs. Parents are allowed to drop off their children in this area as long as you only stay for less than two minutes and stay within 3 metres of your vehicle. These are commonly called Kiss and Drop zones.

SCHOOL ZONE PARKING OFFENCES

Current as at 1 July 2015



Means that in the area in the direction of the arrow, you must **NOT STOP your vehicle** at any point on the road or kerb, unless there is a medical or other emergency.

Maximum Penalty

\$425

+ 2 Demerit Points



Means that you have no more than 2 minutes for drop-offs or pick-ups of passengers or goods and the driver must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle.

Penalty

\$177

+ 2 Demerit Points



Means that in the direction of the arrow or arrows you are not allowed to stop your vehicle unless you are driving a bus.

Penalty

\$319

+ 2 Demerit Points



DOUBLE PARKING

You are **NOT PERMITTED** to stop or park your vehicle alongside another vehicle that is already parked parallel to the kerb.

Penalty

\$319

+ 2 Demerit Points

- STOP in a NO STOPPING zone: **\$319 + 2 Demerit Points**
- STOP on or near a Children's or Pedestrian Crossing (within 20m on approach & 10m on departure side of crossing): **\$425 + 2 Demerit Points**
- STOP on path/strip in built up area: **\$177 + 2 Demerit Points**

Please Note: fines subject to change without notice.
These penalties apply to offences in school zones only while the zone is active.

P & C NEWS

- Thanks to all the helpers (about 30) who helped run the fundraising BBQ at Bunnings West Gosford on Saturday. We raised just over \$1500!! Fantastic!!!
- Next P&C meeting and the AGM - Tuesday March 8th from 6.45pm in the school staff room. All welcome. It's a great way to get involved in our school and assist in improving our kids learning environment. New members can join at the meeting - it's only \$2. Tea/coffee/biscuits are provided for free.
- Wednesday March 2nd is 'P & C Day'. A day to celebrate our P&C members and their achievements at GEPS!

Thanks

Wendy Whitmore

P&C secretary

HARMONY CORNER

26 February - National 'Sunnies for Sight' Day. On the last Friday in February the International Centre for Eyecare Education (ICEE) conducts National 'Sunnies' for Sight Day. All schools and students across Australia are invited to participate by donating a gold coin and either wearing sunglasses to school or by creating a designer fun pair. All funds raised go directly to supporting ICEE's East Timor and Western Pacific eye projects.

29 February - **Leap Day** February 29, known as a leap day in the Gregorian calendar, is a date that occurs in most years that are evenly divisible by 4, such as 2004, 2012 and 2016. Years that are evenly divisible by 100 do not contain a leap day, with the exception of years that are evenly divisible by 400, which do contain a leap day; thus 1900 did not contain a leap day while 2000 did. A person born on February 29 may be called a 'leapling' or a 'leap year baby'.

1 - 31 March - **Bandaged Bear Month** Bandaged Bear Month is the key fund raising appeal to support a range of research projects, special services and equipment for the Children's Hospital at Westmead, Sydney NSW.

HISTORY – STAGE ONE

History inside and outside of the classroom

Stage One classes are studying the history of East Gosford as part of their History unit of work this term. The students are finding the unit very interesting to see how their local area has changed since the 1800s.

This week we learnt about Samuel Peek. He was the original settler of the town of East Gosford and operated a steamer ship between East Gosford and Sydney. Samuel Peek's house was located at the end of Caroline Street and is known as 'Peek's Point'.

1H, 1T, 1/2P and 2E went on a historical walk to Peek's Point this week. We made comparisons of the past and the present by looking at old maps and looking for street signs that had the same names now as they were in the past. The students were amazed at what Peek's Point looks like that compared to a photo from the 1800s. We found the locations of the old court house and church and discussed what is there now and why they may have been moved. We also visited Hargraves Park and talked about the history of William Hargraves and his store.



Comparing street names from the past



We made it to Peek's Point



The Location of the old court house

CANTEEN NEWS

Hi Everyone,

Just a couple of things for this week. Please remember to state if your child wants no sauce or different sauce on their hotdogs or burgers. The automatic sauce for hotdogs, beef and cheese burgers is tomato, and chicken burgers have mayonnaise. Sauce does not cost extra on these items.

If you require sauce for anything else, we have tomato and BBQ squeezies for 30c each.

Also please remember we cannot heat food brought in from home or put boiling water into noodle cups brought in from home. This is a Department of Health directive.

Lastly, we have a Facebook group for canteen and uniform shop – GEPS Canteen & Uniform – which you can ask to join and keep up to date with specials etc.

Thanks

Jo - Canteen

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

Our Woolworths Earn & Learn resources have arrived!! Thank you to each and every family for collecting a huge amount of stickers last year. The school collected around 32,000 points which we were able to use to purchase items from Modern Teaching Aids. All the resources look fantastic and we are all very excited to put them to use in the classrooms. A big thanks goes to our canteen manager, Jo, for her assistance in promoting this program for our school and helping to collect all the stickers.

Ms Tara Edwards



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Gosford Tigers



Youth Girls Come and Try AFL

5:00pm-6:00pm Thursday 3rd March 2016

At

Kariong Mountains High School

The Come and Try session will include an introduction to AFL skills, as well as a number of fun interactive activities. Youth Girls Football across the Central Coast is very social and all about having a kick with other girls across the Central Coast, for girls aged 12 – 16 years old.

We Play Sunday Footy

For further information please contact Kelly Mott on 0425 267 665

Or head to playafl.com.au

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Gosford Regional Show 30th April & 1st May 2016

Once again the Gosford Regional Show is having a section for children to enter produce that they have grown either at home or at school.

Last year the display put on by the children of the Central Coast was amazing. The Show committee look forward to another successful year with children from all backgrounds entering produce that they have grown.

This year we are also holding a baking section for those children who love to cook. Other activities are Art, Photography, Junior Showgirl and Young Fruit & Vegetable Judging with the winner proceeding to the Royal Easter Show in 2017

**Please check our web site for more information.
We also have a Facebook page that you can share.**

Jennifer Winslade



**30th April & 1st May
2016**

PRODUCE SECTION

**** All entries to be labelled** by Name, School, Age & Category
Special Awards, Ribbons 1st, 2nd & 3rd**

All entries to be lodged at Horticultural Pavilion, Gosford Showground
From 3.00pm to 5.00pm Friday 29th April, 2016 & to be picked up at 4.30pm Sunday

Enquiries: Jennifer Ph: 4332 4770 Email: jenniferwinslade@bigpond.com

AGE OR SECTIONS.

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|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| a) INFANTS - Children 1 – 6 years | b) JUNIOR- Children 7 – 12 years |
| c) SENIOR - Children 13 - 18yrs | d) Central Coast Schools |
| e) OPEN – Over 18yrs | |

CATEGORIES

1. Fruit - Citrus or Stone
2. Fruit – Berries, nuts etc
3. Vegetables – Grown above ground – cabbage, lettuce, spinach (bunch) etc.
4. Vegetables – Grown under ground – potatoes, carrots, beetroot etc.
5. Vegetables – Grown on vine or bush – pumpkin, squash, beans, peas etc
6. Best Decorated Pumpkin &/or Biggest Pumpkin
7. Eggs – Hen or Duck
8. Herbs – Single herb
9. Herbs – Posy of herbs.
10. Flowers – Single Flower
11. Flowers – Posy of Flowers
12. Basket of mixed vegetables or flowers



JUNIOR JUDGING COMPETITION OF FRUIT & VEGIE - SEE SEPARATE FORM

ENTRY FORM

Name : _____ **Age or Section:** _____

Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

School: _____

Category: _____ **Class:** _____

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