

# GOSFORD EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 2 – Week 4

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2017

## **FROM THE PRINCIPAL...**

**Mother's Day Stall** - Thank you to our P&C for running the Mother's Day stall once again last week. With NAPLAN tests happening we had to change some of the organisation for our kids going to the stall but in the end all went very well. I believe there were more gifts sold than ever before and in fact they sold out before some members of one class had bought gifts. Some of the mum's went out and bought some more gifts from the shops so these children would not miss out. Over the two days we had a lot of parent helpers and I thank them for not only their help but for making Mother's Day more special.

**Stage 2 Excursion** - Today our Stage 2 are visiting the Maritime Museum. This I am sure will be a great excursion where the kids can see so many examples of what they are studying in class. Excursions are becoming expensive but they are an important aspect of reinforcing the curriculum. I look forward to hearing about what they see and do in Sydney.

**NAPLAN** - Last week our Year 3 and 5 students completed their NAPLAN tests. We tried to keep this as low key as we could due to the anxiety that some students have. These tests do provide some useful information for the school but as it is only one test on one day and only tests some aspects of the curriculum we use it as one of the many assessments that we do. The results come back later in the year and I will let you know as that time approaches.

**Marg Wright** - one of our ex teachers, came to school last week to read the book she wrote, "Princess Amber", about Amber Farlow, one of our ex-students who lost her battle with a long illness a few years ago. NBN did a story on her that night and the reporter had tears in her eyes as she was listening to the story. It is a moving story and I was proud to hear and see the book that she has published.

**Clothes** - As the days become colder could you please ensure that all of your child's jumpers and jackets are marked with their name so when they take them off in the playground we have some chance of getting them back to the children.

**Fence** - The new fence around the school has commenced and this should be completed in about four weeks.

**Canteen** - A big thank you to the company "Signadvice" for donating the new sign for our canteen. The kids voted a while ago on the name for the canteen and it was decided that it would be called "Pebbles Snack Cave". The sign is now up and I thank this company for their generous donation.

**Graeme McLeod- Principal**

# Dates for your calendar

*REMEMBER - Canteen opened Thursday and Friday*

Day	Date	Event
Monday	Every week	Student Banking
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	Every month	P & C meeting in staffroom 7:00pm – All Welcome!
Friday	Every week	Uniform Shop 8:45am – 9:15am
Friday	Every week	School Assembly from 1:45pm

TERM 2		
Wednesday	17 <sup>th</sup> May	Maritime Excursion Stage 2
Friday	19 <sup>th</sup> May	Walk Safely to School Day / District Cross Country
Wednesday	24 <sup>th</sup> May	EHS Primary Fun Day

NSW GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS TERM DATES		
	STUDENTS' FIRST DAY	STUDENTS' LAST DAY
Term 1 2017	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2017	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
Term 2 2017	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
Term 3 2017	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2017
Term 4 2017	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2017

## NOTES HOME

- Bathurst Excursion Payments Options
- EHS Primary Fun Day
- Hoyts Movie Fundraiser
- Powerhouse Museum Stage 1



## STUDENT CORNER – Weeks 1 , 2 & 3

**CAUGHT YOU BEING GOOD:** Lucinda, Amelia, Darcy, Lucy, Matilda, Crystelle, Tiana, Jessica, Will, Lauren, Olivia, Levison, Dylan, Amelia, Dallan, Jimi, Stephanie, Amelia, Ciella, Kayde, Eli, Beau, Aaron, Connor, Daemon, Gabriel, Emily, Jay, Sophie, Rosie, Jocelyn, Mackenzie, Lucy, Larna, Mackenzie, Lilly, Jackson, Aaron, Levi, Matilda, Bowen, Nicholas, Ghazal, Zane, Nathan, Jay, Molly, Phoenix, Coby, Matilda, Troy, Kieran.

**QUALITY WORK:** Aaron, Brett, Chloe, Dallan, Dylan, Samuel, Thomas, Vincent, Will, Zoe, Mackenzie, Sophie, Dylan, Luca, Lucy, Ava, Brody, Scarlett, Bianca, Zoe, Lillyanna, Dasharn, Gianni, Katherine, Savannah, Jack, Brooke, Zara, Harrison, Rhia, Lucinda, Asher, Angus, Brian, Charlie, Oliana, Lillyana, Lily, Joshua, Zara, Melissa, Hamish, Darcy, Molly, Reegan, Liam, Arham, Eli, Zayn.

**HOUSE OF THE WEEK:** Warrimoo

**MERIT AWARDS:** **KF-** Jason, William, Sophie; **KM-** Kody, Destiny; **1R-** Joel, Max, Mitchell; **1/2H-** Euan, Grace, Hannah; **2C-** Samuel, Isabel, Jensen; **2J-** Kaylem, Isabel, Phoebe; **2/3T-** Angus, Nicholas, Aydin; **3/4E-** Leilani, Will, Sophee; **3/4S-** Owen, Inda, Alexis; **4/5B-** Lillyara, Yoanna, Lucy; **5/6M-** Kaleb, Aaron, Haley, Amelia, Evelyn; **5/6S-** Samuel, Dallan, Thomas, Joshua; **3-6M-** Troy, Daemon, Liana; **K-6J-** Zoe, Phoenix, Mark, Emmett; **K-6W-** Katelyn & Jethro.

## PBL (Positive Behaviour For Learning)

For the last two weeks we have been discussing positive behaviours that we see in the library.

- ✓ We show **respect** by speaking quietly as instructed and by treating equipment with respect.
- ✓ We make sure we are **responsible** by using the Internet safely and by being an active and supportive class member.
- ✓ We ensure we are super **learners** by borrowing and returning equipment as required.



At Gosford East Public School we are Respectful, Responsible Learners!

Over the next fortnight we will be practising our positive behaviour in the canteen.

## TRIPLE P PARENTING COURSE

Just a reminder for parents who are attending the **Triple P Parenting Course** at **Gosford East PS**. This course will commence next **Tuesday 23rd May** and is being held in the **School Library**. Please contact Angela Boyd if you need any further information.

Thank you

Angela Boyd

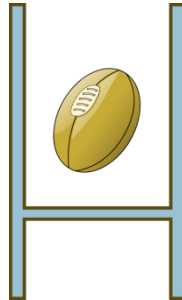
## SPORT

We have had some great success in sport recently. A number of students have tried out for representative teams, all doing very well. Alex C was successful in gaining selection into the SCCPSSA Soccer Team.

Sione O was selected in the northern part of the Sydney North region for Rugby Union. Josh M made it into the Sydney North Hockey team.

We congratulate these boys and wish them the best in their games.

Mark Emery



## HARMONY CORNER

18 May	<a href="#">Dehwa Daymaneh</a> (Mandaean)	This is the <i>Feast of John</i> , the celebration of the birthday of John the Baptist.
Milestone 22 May	Milestone: <a href="#">Convict transportation to NSW ends</a> 1840	An Order-in-Council declared that New South Wales will receive no more convicts. Convict settlement in Australia finally ended in 1868.
23 May	<a href="#">Declaration of the Báb</a> (Baha'i)	On May 23, 1844, in Shiraz, Persia, a young man known as the Báb announced the imminent appearance of the <a href="#">Messenger of God</a> awaited by all the peoples of the world. The title Báb means "the Gate." Although He was the bearer of an independent revelation from God, the Báb declared that His purpose was to prepare mankind for this advent.

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# **THANK YOU IMPERIAL CENTRE**

We would like to say a big thank you to the Imperial Centre for running the Spend for your School competition and to all the families who were able to support it!

We won 2<sup>nd</sup> place!!!

\$1500.00



GEPS will use these funds towards re-painting the asphalt games painted on the Infants play area, along with adding some more fun games to play!



# CANTEEN NEWS

## Canteen Network Meeting

I'll be attending a Canteen Network Meeting this week and will be discussing the new strategy and any changes to our menu. We have 3 years to implement this strategy and I will be introducing these changes throughout the year. I will endeavour to have a revised menu out shortly.

## Vegetable week and the "Big Vege Crunch"

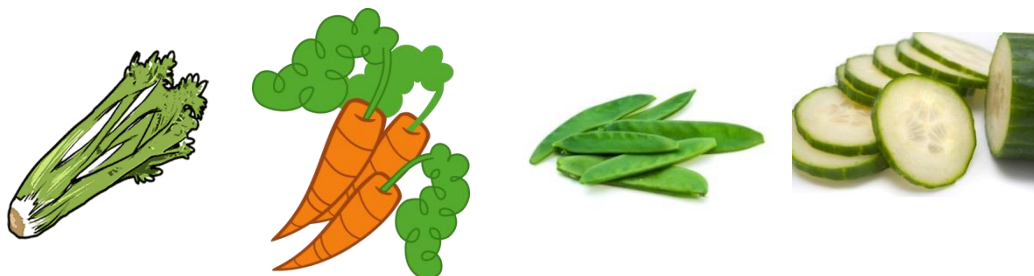
Did you know only 5.4% of Australian children eat enough vegetables, so to increase their knowledge, exposure and positive attitudes towards vegetables, **The Big Vege Crunch Day** will be held on **Thursday 25th May at 10am**. Encourage your child to bring vegetables to eat during fruit break in an attempt to break the record for the most kids eating vegetables simultaneously. I will also have a variety of fresh vegetables available for purchase at the canteen to encourage this.

## Canteen signage

As you will have seen we have our signs up for the Canteen. The children voted for the best name and 'Pebbles Snack Cave' was a clear winner. The signs look fantastic and were generously donated by SignAdvice West Gosford so a massive thank you to them. Also thank you so much to Katrina Hutchens for organising the Canteen facelift. The next project is the painting of a mural on the brick walls that are in the canteen area. I will be in discussions shortly to have this completed by one of our amazingly artistic mums.

Any questions or concerns regarding Canteen please feel free to pop by or message me on 0413199647.

Mel Hogston  
Canteen Coordinator



Cordi Properties has teamed up with Gosford East Public School

For any parent, family or friend that is part of our wonderful school, Cordi Properties has pledged to donate \$500 back to the school on settlement of your property

So if you have been thinking of selling and are part of our school community, please feel free to call Michael on 0452 182 063 to have a chat

"Supporting the stars of the future"

If you are not thinking of selling but still would like to know what your property is worth in this current market please give Michael a call and he would be more than happy to give you a free update

Feel free to like his facebook page:

[www.facebook.com/cordiproperties](https://www.facebook.com/cordiproperties)

**Parents, Carers, Community Members – ALL WELCOME**

# Cyber Awareness Forum

**Do you know what your children are up to?**  
**Do you know the consequences of online actions?**  
**Do you want to know how to protect them?**

**Join Central Coast Council of P&Cs as we host NSW Police from the Central Coast Area Commands supported by the local Dept. of Education to discuss the issues you need to know in this 21st century social media world.**

Date: Wednesday 7 June 2017

Time: 7pm

Venue: Mingara Recreation Club, Mingara Drive, Tumbi Umbi, 2261

**This is a chance for parents, carers and community members to understand current risks that children face. Please note: This is a *child free* event.**

Please register, for catering purposes, via <http://www.cccpandc.org>

Light refreshments & venue provided courtesy of Mingara



WE'RE TAKING IT IN OUR STRIDE ON FRIDAY 19 MAY 2017

Well it's that time of year again when our school seriously starts talking about walking!

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. And although walking all the way to school isn't realistic for many of us, it's quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family's daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:

- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

Remember, Active Kids are Healthy Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday 19 May 2017!

For more information, visit [www.walk.com.au](http://www.walk.com.au)



## Come & Try AFL Auskick at Gosford Tigers

AFL Auskick is for Boys and Girls aged 5-7 years old,  
Come along to the 'Come & Try AFL Auskick' session on  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May from 4:00-5:00 at Adcock Park, West Gosford

Spots are limited to 30, with the first 10 to register, to receive a free football!

For more information and to register, simply  
email: [samuel.shergold@afl.com.au](mailto:samuel.shergold@afl.com.au), your name, phone number and Club attending!



## Workshop Invitation

Term 2, Week 9, 2017

Find us on

Ask to join our Central Coast School Garden Interest Group on Facebook

The Central Coast School Garden Interest Group aim to share ideas and connect Central Coast schools with an interest in school gardens.

Any school can have some sort of garden regardless of their:

- site
- size - foam boxes to established garden beds
- resources
- gardening experience
- classroom space - from knife and a fry pan right through to a fully stocked kitchen.

Come and visit Gosford Public School - See their chooks, compost, orchard, vegetable gardens and cooking set-up.



### Third CCSGIG Workshop

Wednesday 21 June

Gosford Public School

Parking in Faunce St West, West Gosford

Make your way to the quad - follow the signs

- 3.30pm Meet near canteen(quad) for quick afternoon tea
- 3.45pm Garden Tour
- 4.15pm Cooking lessons with a makeshift kitchen  
We will use the fresh garden produce to make a few quick dishes eg pesto  
(We will surprise everyone with this)
- 5pm Guest speaker - Christine Freeman  
Relieving Principal Rumbalara EEC  
'Waste free lunches, healthy eating and low food miles'.
- 5.30 Close - everyone can try some cooking.  
Eat and run!

For more information phone Justine or Jane on Ph: 4320 9705

RSVP by Friday 9 June, 2017

Email: [Lisa.Grant@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Lisa.Grant@health.nsw.gov.au)

Ph: 4320 9700



Completing this workshop will contribute 1 hour and 30 mins of QTC Registered PD addressing 2.1.2, 3.3.2 and 6.2.2 from the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers towards maintaining Proficient Teacher Accreditation in NSW.

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