



P&C meets on the 1st Tuesday of each month in Community Room.

All parents and members are invited to attend.

GWANDALAN PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Sporting Houses Awabakal - Green | Coomalong - Blue | Eurie - Red School Rules 1. Show Respect | 2. Let Everyone Learn | 3. Play Safely

Tuesday, 18 December 2012

Dear Friends of Gwandalan Public School.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN 2012

On behalf of the students and staff a big thank you to all parents who have helped to deliver support and assistance to make our programs such a success.

Have a happy and safe Christmas, read to your children or let them read to you.

Please keep safe and recharge all batteries for the big year we have planned in 2013.

Students will return to school on Wednesday 30th January, 2013.

Students should line up under the COLA in their 2012 class positions when they return for the new year.

GRAND PARENTS / SENIOR CITIZEN CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Congratulations to the students who entertained our 71 visiting Senior Citizens last week.

These students performed brilliantly and their behaviour was outstanding.

Most K – 2 students performed as did our Aboriginal Dance group, and Didgeridoo Group. The group included Caleb and Caylum Manuel and Mitchell Smith. Amanda Boon played her first solo tune on the keyboard and our new school captains Megan Jackson and Jack Dyer were wonderful MC's.

Thank you to Mrs Fitzgerald for organising this wonderful concert for the Senior Citizens.

LOST PROPERTY

A set of keys were found in the hall at the end of the Grandparents concert. If you know of anyone who may have lost a set of keys please see the Admin staff.

There was also a pair of reading handed into the office today.

NEW SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION OFFICER 2013

We welcome Helena Brown to our school as a new staff member. Helena is replacing Annette Meharg who will be beginning 2013 at Kanwal Public School.

We wish Annette well at her new school.

FAREWELL MRS ANN JEFFERYS

Mrs Ann Jefferys will not be with us in 2013. She has helped many students over the past 8 years while working at Gwandalan Public School and many can now read proficiently because of her great work.

We wish her well in her future endeavours.

SWANSEA PS VISIT

At the time of writing this newsletter we are anticipating a further strengthening of relationships between Gwandalan and Swansea PS. They have planned to present three different types of items to entertain our students and staff.

DISCO

Our beach disco was very successful. The students had a wonderful time. The year 5 (year 6 next year) raised \$516.55. Well done to everyone who attended. Photos are on the website.

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DIDGERIDOO SALES

The school has purchased 11 didgeridoos to be resold to boys. It is anticipated that a Didgeridoo Group will be formed in 2013 to work with our Aboriginal Dance Group.

Only boys can play the didgeridoo as outlined in Aboriginal culture.

If you are wishing to purchase one please contact our Office. Mr Ross Smith will be employed by the school in 2013 and a small weekly fee will be asked to be paid by parents.

GWANDALAN OOSH STAYS OPEN

A huge thank you to the wonderful support from the parents who have volunteered to be on our Management Committee. OOSH will operate before school care 7am-9am

After school care 3pm-6pm

Vacation care 8am-6pm

Bookings are now open for vacation care, don't miss out on our fun filled holiday program.

Call in to our centre to pick up an enrolment pack or call on 4976 1005 or mobile 0450208519 We provide CCB approved high quality care for your child.

FRUIT MINCE TARTS FOR CHRISTMAS

Bakers Delight at Lake Haven is giving us a very special offer valid until 21/12/12.

They will donate \$2.00 to our School for every pack of Fruit Mince Tarts for anyone who mentions our school name when buying a 6 pack for \$8.50. Bakers

Delight are great supporters of our school. ALL the bread for the Fete was donated by them.



IMPORTANT DATE TO REMEMBER

Wed 19 th Dec	Last day of School for Students
Thurs 20 th Dec	Staff Development Day
Fri 21 st Dec	Staff Development Day
Tues 29 th Jan	Staff Development Day
Wed 30 th Jan	Students return
Thurs 31 st Jan	Kindergarten start



SATURDAY, 15TH DECEMBER FROM 2PM
JOIN US FOR SPORTIES KIDS' CHRISTMAS PARTY AND HAVE FUN WITH FACE PAINTING, JUMPING CASTLE AND A JAM PACKED INTERACTIVE SHOW WITH STARZ ENTERTAINMENT.
TICKETS ON SALE AT THE BAR - \$10



Provides our school with a 5% rebate on all uniform sales.

PLEASE SHOP "at LOWES"
LAKE HAVEN SHOPPING CENTRE

VEGIE GARDEN

Our next vegetable garden maintenance afternoon is held today Tuesday 18th December. There will be many jobs to do so we may need lots of helpers. Jobs to do include: harvesting carrots, radish, spring onions, beetroot and tomatoes. Compost will need to be added to the empty beds so they are ready for planting in the New Year. All helpers may take home some of our delicious vegetables.