



GWANDALAN PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Tuesday, 21 May 2013

Dear Friends of Gwandalan Public School

NAPLAN 2013

Many thanks to all students and parents for their co-operation last week. NAPLAN requires a great deal of re-organisation to ensure that all students are catered for during the week. Only two students missed assessments due to ill health.

Results should arrive at the end of Term 3.

RAW ART

Raw Art lessons commence this week and it is important that all students attend. Each student will produce a piece of art work for display at school and then to take home. Classes do different activities throughout the remainder of the term.

DEBATING AND PUBLIC SPEAKING

Good luck to our Debating teams as they commence their competition. Public Speaking will commence later in the Term and continue into Term 3.

SINGING, DIDGERIDOO & DANCE LESSONS

Carmel Smith teaches singing and Ross Smith didgeridoo. These lessons are only \$5 a week and present as absolute bargains. Dance on Tuesdays (to form a Boys Dance Group) is taken by Erin Filby.

Ukulele with Carmel Smith, will commence later in the term. Jamie Martens will commence guitar in Week 6. These lessons will also be \$5.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

We are participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn program again this year. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school. All you need to do is shop at Woolworths and collect the stickers. Place the stickers on the Earn and Learn Point Sheet. When the sheet is complete, the point's sheet can be dropped into the collection box at school or at your local store. Extra Earn and Learn Point Sheets are available from the office.

RUN AROUND AUSTRALIA 2013 - CANTEEN

Lake Haven Shopping Centre is again conducting the **RUN AROUND AUSTRALIA 2013** competition. Customers are asked to present shopping receipts at the Customer Service Centre or place them in the drop boxes located at the Customer Service Centre.

Nominate Gwandalan Public School for us to receive the benefits - we are awarded kilometres for dollars spent. Our school has a 1 in 15 chance of winning 1st prize of \$10,000.

We are currently sitting in 3rd place. 1st prize is \$10,000 2nd prize is \$2,000 and 3rd prize is \$1,000. Come on everyone lets go for the big one!

2014 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

Our school is now taking enrolments for 2014 Kindergarten students. If you have a child or know of a family intending to enrol at Gwandalan Public School in 2014 please contact our school office as soon as possible. These details are essential to help establish 2014 enrolment numbers.

BOOKFAIR IS COMING

Thursday 6th June

Books will be on display for classes to view the week prior to the fair. 20% of sales is given back to the school to purchase resources for the library.



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Sporting Houses
Awabakal - Green
Coomalong - Blue
Eurie - Red

School Rules
1. Show Respect
2. Let Everyone Learn
3. Play Safely

P&C meets on the
1st Tuesday of each month
in the Community Room
at 3.30pm.

All parents and members
are invited to attend.

Office Hours
8:40am-3:15pm

**RESPECT • RESPONSIBILITY • FAIRNESS • INTEGRITY • PARTICIPATION
EXCELLENCE • DEMOCRACY • CO-OPERATION • CARE • FORGIVENESS**

Dates to Remember

Refer to the School Calender on our website for further information

Wed 22 nd May	AFL Paul Kelly Cup
Fri 24 th May	Walk Safely to School Day
Thurs 30 th May	Rugby League All schools U10's and Opens
Fri 31 st May	Zone Cross Country
Thurs 6 th June	Book Fair
Mon 10 th June	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Thurs 20 th June	Rugby League All Schools U9's Gala Day
Wed 26 th June	Disco <i>Country and Western Theme</i>

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Friday 24th May

The annual Walk Safely to School Day when Primary school children are encouraged to walk to school will be held throughout Australia on Friday 24th May 2013. The aim of the day is to encourage parents and carers to walk to school with children and reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour. Gwandalan Public School will be participating, promoting the health benefits of walking and developing road safety skills. Each child who walks safely to school on the day will receive a sticker. See Mr Vine at school for further details.



CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Our annual Cross Country carnival was held on Friday 10th of May at Point Wolstoncroft. We were lucky to have a wonderful day in regards to the weather conditions and it was great to see so many willing participants in each age division. There were some outstanding efforts on the day with huge numbers of students doing their very best mixed a high number of quality, dedicated runners. Thanks to Mr Soult for doing a wonderful job assisting with the course and John Kowalski and Marcus McAllister for their great job as course officials. Thanks also to the wonderful teachers at G.P.S who assisted in making sure the day was a success. Congratulations to the winners of each age division. The top six place finishers in each age group have qualified to run at the Wallarah Zone Carnival at Wyong Race Course on Friday 31st May. Training for the Zone cross country team will continue on Tuesday and Thursday at 8:35am on the school oval. There are some great photos on our website.



BOOKCLUB

Thank you for your great support of Bookclub. Our school received over \$100.00 in free books for this issue of Bookclub.



<u>8/9yrs boys</u>	<u>8/9yrs girls</u>	<u>10yrs boys</u>
1 st Evan Jones	1 st Emily Bush-Charnock	1 st Troy Hayward
2 nd Bob Panjer	2 nd Ella Munsie	2 nd Jonah Bonser
3 rd Carter Van Eden	3 rd Amelia Macalpine	3 rd Riley Spillane
4 th Oliver Forbes	4 th Nikkia Holmes	4 th Nash Craven
5 th Mitchell MacDonald	5 th Olivia Austin	5 th Scott Baker
6 th Noah Brown	6 th Charlotte Boon	6 th Campbell Gunn
<u>10yrs girls</u>	<u>11yrs boys</u>	<u>11yrs girls</u>
1 st Charlotte Lowe	1 st Jack Dyer	1 st Annabelle Lowe
2 nd Danielle Summerell	2 nd Dylan Murphy	2 nd Amanda Boon
3 rd Lilly Andrews	3 rd Harry Adams	3 rd Rebecca Panjer
4 th Ella Blundy-Edwards	4 th Callum Garrett	4 th Meegan Jackson
5 th Sophie Wilberforce	5 th Floyd Blackburn	5 th Madison Howard
6 th Natasha McDonald	6 th Jackson Sherlock	6 th Abby Shaw
<u>12/13yrs boys</u>		<u>12/13yrs girls</u>
1 st Jeremy Kevill		1 st Mackenzie Evans
2 nd Ayden Hutchinson		2 nd Giuseppina Calanni
3 rd Kaden Munsie		3 rd Bethany Eaton-Birdsall
4 th Connor Hatton		4 th Taylor Burgess
5 th Ryan Nuttridge		5 th Jessica Dale
6 th Clayton Black		6 th Laney Thornton

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Boys

- Black shorts
- School Shirt
- Royal Blue Tracksuit

Boys Sport

- School shirt
- Black shorts
- Black joggers

Girls

- Uniform Dress or shorts
- Long black trousers
- School Shirt
- Royal Blue Tracksuit

Girls Sport

- Sports shirt
- Black shorts
- Black joggers

- Unisex: School Jacket
- Royal Blue wide-brim hat
- White Socks
- Black Shoes