



GWANDALAN PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Tuesday, 27 August 2013

Dear Friends of Gwandalan Public School

LETTER TO THE PRINCIPAL

Bateau Bay Public School
David Denham, Manager
Sydney North Boys Hockey

Dear Don,

Ayden Hutchinson was a member of the Sydney North Boy's Hockey team this year and it was my pleasure to be the manager/coach of the team.

In all my dealings with Ayden, from training sessions to the actual carnival. I found him to be well behaved, attentive and an enthusiastic team player. His cooperative manner helped make my job of organisation and managing easier and he was always ready to listen to advice and instructions.

The carnival was held in Narellan and the weather during the first two days was most unpleasant with a large amount of rain and cold temperatures. Regardless of the adverse conditions the team played well and we finished second in our pool. After the semi-finals Sydney North finished fourth. This was a great result and Ayden's contribution made the result possible.

Ayden is a credit to himself, his family and his school. Thank you for your time.

Yours Faithfully
David Denham

BOOK CHARACTER PARADE

What a tremendous afternoon with so many students in wonderfully created costumes. Thanks to the parents who supported the day, by taking time to make costumes and by attending the parade.

CONCERT... Good News Week

Tickets are selling fast. Please purchase your ticket soon as we don't want people to be disappointed by missing out. Only 200 tickets are available for each performance.

TOILETS:

K-2 Use new toilets near COLA. 3-6 Use toilets in Courtyard and Parents are to use Toilets against the Hall.
See further information included in this newsletter concerning arrangements for eating and Welfare Health & Safety Issues.

Reminder: FATHERS' DAY BBQ BREAKFAST 30th August 7am-9am

P&C Committee are organising a Fathers' Day Breakfast fundraising event.

Fathers, Grandfathers and male Carers are invited to come along and enjoy a BBQ Breakfast at Gwandalan Public School. Sausage sandwiches, egg and bacon rolls, tea, coffee & soft drinks will be on sale. We will also be selling raffle tickets for our Father's Day raffle. Prizes will be on display. Sausages will be cooked near the Canteen. If raining, eating can occur in the Hall.
Father's Day Stall from 10am in the Community Room.

FATHERS' DAY STALL

The Father's Day stall will commence at 10am in the Community Room, 30th August

DONATIONS NEEDED: If you can help us out we would appreciate your assistance.

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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

K-2 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Parents and carers are invited to attend the K-2 athletics carnival on Friday, 30th August at 11.30am (weather permitting). Children turning 5 -7 this year will be involved in age races. (Children turning 8 had the opportunity to compete at the school Athletics Carnival earlier this year). Following the races, children will participate in novelty races.

LIONS DONATION TO CHARLOTTE AND ANNABELLE LOWE

Last week Gwandalan Lions Club donated a cheque for \$1000 to assist with the family endeavours to pay for the girls to represent NSW in Launceston, Tasmania.

Many thanks to the families and students who supported them.

JOSH PERRICONE ... GOLDEN GLOVES SUCCESS

Congratulations to former student, Josh Perricone for winning a second Golden Gloves Title in Brisbane over the weekend.

Last week Josh returned from the USA after finishing 3rd in his division.

END OF TERM 3 RECOGNITION ASSEMBLY

Creative Arts

This assembly will be held on Thursday 19th September commencing at 9.30am.

THANKYOU

To Nicole Smith for baking a wonderful Indigenous cake for us to share on our Indigenous Activities Day of celebration.

SPECIAL SWIMMING SCHEME

Information will be sent to students in Years 2, 3 & 4 to attend the Special Swimming Scheme in Term 4. Non swimmers in Years 5 & 6 may be offered positions if there are any vacancies.

Priority is given to Year 2, 3 and 4 students. There are 60 positions available. Lessons are free but pool entry must be paid. Our research from last year indicated that costs would exceed \$100 for the 10 days but by walking to and from Point Wolstoncroft Sport and Recreation Centre, the cost is around \$40. This will be confirmed in notes to go home tomorrow.

Disco

Wednesday, 18th September, 2013.

Theme : Disco Venue : School Hall
K-2 5pm-6:15pm Years 3-6 6:30pm -8:00pm
Cost \$4.00 / student

2014 ENROLMENT

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.

ZOO SNOOZE EXCURSION

All money due Friday 13th September.

Dates to Remember

Refer to the School Calender on our website for further information

Fri 30 th Aug	Father's Day BBQ & Stall Infants Athletics Carnival 11.30am
Wed 4 th Sept	Concert 6.30pm to 9pm
Thurs 5 th Sept	Concert 6.30pm to 9pm
Fri 6 th Sept	Concert 9.30am to 12 noon
Fri 13 th Sept	Zoo Snooze money due.
Wed 18 th Sept	Disco <i>Theme is Disco</i>
Thu 19 th Sept	Awards Day-Creative Arts 9.30am
Fri 20 th Sept	Last day of term
Sun 22 nd Sept	Lions/Lioness Spring Festival
Sat 19 th Oct	School Fete
Sun 27 th Oct	P & C Shopping trip to Sydney
Wed 4 th Dec	Presentation Day
Thu 5 th Dec	Farewell to Year 6
Fri 6 th Dec	Rewards Day



SKIPPING ROPE SUCCESS!

Emmalee Clarke and Madison Howard in Year 6, showed initiative and responsibility this past month by successfully selling 60 skipping ropes to the students of Gwandalan Public School. Along with having a positive effect on student's health and fitness, Emmalee and Madison proved to themselves and others how hard work and enthusiasm can achieve goals and benefit others. They informed the parents via the newsletter and the students at recess assemblies, gave up lunchtimes to make posters and set up and sell ropes. Their hard work raised \$90 to go towards the Year 6 fundraising gift. Thank you parents and students for your support. Well done girls, be proud!

Mrs Helen Styant (Skipping rope orderer!)

STUDENT NUMBERS 2014

To assist with planning we need to know if any currently enrolled students will not be attending Gwandalan PS in 2014. (Year 6 not included as we know that these students will attend various high schools).

Please complete the Information Sheet below:

My child(ren) will not be attending Gwandalan PS in 2014.

Name of child(ren)

Class _____

Class _____

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

KS	Nicky Tran	Going up 10 reading levels
	Summah De Carlo	Improvement in reading
	Heidi Smidt	Always trying to do quality work
	Ashley Carmichael	Working hard in Maths groups
KH	Alice Rockwell	Excellence in Maths
	Lilly Nguyen	Contributing many P words to our word bank
	Marcus Batty-Cross	Trying hard in English
	Tyler Harrison	Trying hard in Mathematics
1/2L	Nathan Williams	Always contributing positively to class discussions
	Cooper De Carlo	Always being a responsible class member
	Lara-Rose Bull	Being a reliable and positive class member
	Jorja Kowalski	Always doing her best work

Operation Christmas Child

The Baptist Church is collecting donations for their Samaritans Purse Project. Boxes are made up in groups: Boys/girls ages 2-4, 4-9, 10-14. Donations can be placed in the container in the front office at school.

Please NO: perishables, war related games, religious racial or political items.

INFORMATION RE: SCHOOL CONCERT

Thank you for purchasing a ticket/s to Gwandalan Public School's concert for 2013.

Information for the night includes:

1. Remember the seat you have purchased entitles you to sit on it, however you may nurse a small child, be sure you want to nurse the child for quite a long time. If you don't then please purchase another ticket.
2. The tickets for each night and the day performance are non-transferrable, that is they are only to be used on the specified night or day.
3. You will not be required to purchase a ticket for your child who is participating as they will be waiting in their classrooms before they perform and after.
4. Strollers/prams are not permitted in the school hall due to safety requirements. We have limited space and they may become a hazard.
5. Please encourage your child and others on stage by appropriately- clapping and cheering after each performance.
6. Food and drink will only be available before the concert, starting at 5.15pm -6.15pm. You are welcome to come and have something to eat and drink before the concert. A fold away chair may be brought to sit on under the COLA as all school chairs will be required for the performance. **All students** will need to be in the supervision of an adult from 5.15pm-6.15pm. At 6.15pm your child will need to be dropped at their classroom on the two performance nights.
7. There is to be no video recording of the concert during the night. Again the hall is extremely small and there is little space for audience members to take successful recordings. This is also for child protection reasons. There will be an official recording made available for the cost of \$10.
8. There is an expectation that all performers will participate in all concerts, even if a ticket/s have not been purchased by a friend/parent or family member of the child for a performance. If there is some reason that a student cannot attend please inform the teacher by providing a note. We do understand that families have other commitments and these can sometimes take precedent over school performances. All students need to be in their classrooms at 6.15pm on Wednesday and Thursday nights.

We hope you enjoy the concert!

COME AND TRY DAY



OVER 45's

Come and try sailing on Lake Macquarie in the morning and during the afternoon challenge yourself on the rock climbing wall or the giant swing.

SENIORS

Come and try sailing on Lake Macquarie in the morning and during the afternoon enjoy bike riding and tennis in the gorgeous surrounds of the centre.

Where: Point Wolstoncroft Sport and Recreation Centre

Date: 28th September 2012

Cost: \$25 per person (lunch included¹)

Time: 9am – 4.30pm

Contact: Catherine 02 49761666

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