



GWANDALAN PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Tuesday, 25 February 2014

Dear Friends Of Gwandalan PS

IT'S A BOY!



Congratulations to Mr Wade Vine and his wife Amy upon the birth of a baby boy, Connor. Mr Dave Hill will be taking Mr Vine's class for the next two weeks.

MEET THE TEACHER AFTERNOONS

Thank you to the parents who have attended so far. We have the Stage 3 parents to attend today in the Year 5 classrooms.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations and well done to all students who attended the Swimming Carnival held at Swansea Swimming Centre.

A full list of results will appear in next week's newsletter.

STAGE 2 & STAGE 3 SPORT

Two accredited coaches from AFL NSW/ACT will be teaching students catching, kicking and general ball handling skills for the next 6 weeks.

Students can purchase an AFL Kit which includes a DVD, bag, football, information about skills and AFL teams for \$35.

If students are willing to do so then the money must be sent to school and handed in to the class teacher in a sealed envelope with your child(ren's) name, money inside and class written on the front of the envelope. The AFL packs will be given to students towards the end of term.

MATH TEXTS

The Math text books have been purchased by the school bookseller. The school has invested close to \$9,000 to make this happen. Cost of the Maths Text Book for 2014 is:

Kindergarten \$20.00

Years 1 to 6 \$30.00

Voluntary Contribution has been set as: \$30.00 per student. \$60.00 per family.

We look forward to your prompt payment. Thank you to the families that have already paid.

DONATIONS

The School is currently looking for donations of Duplo Blocks and match box cars. Also a large printed car/road mat would be great.

The P & C is also looking for donations for their Mother's Day stall as well as Easter Eggs for the Easter Raffle. Thank you very much for your anticipated help and support.

CANTEEN

This week the canteen is running a special menu called *Meet The Teacher Menu*. Copies of these menus were sent home last week and are also available in the office foyer.

If you would like to donate any time at all to working in the Canteen on Thursday or Fridays please contact Peita on 0450 906 669. Thank you, we look forward to all your help.

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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

Numeracy Activities At Home

The aim of this program is to provide numeracy activities which encourage family members to have fun while supporting classroom learning. There are 120 different numeracy games which include board games, card games, "Count Me In Too" games, dice games, match stick puzzles and dominoes.

Children who wish to may borrow one game per week. Borrowing day will be Friday mornings where new games will be issued.

Games are kept in zip locked plastic bags and may contain small parts. Please ensure all game pieces are returned and are kept away from smaller siblings for safety purposes.

Mrs Walker

Primary Assembly Awards

Class	Name	Reason for Award
2/3C	Abbie Spillane	Helping others in Maths
2/3C	Zachary Wilberforce	Working well with others
2/3C	Brooke Boon	Always being ready to learn
2/3C	Billy Smidt	Always doing his best
3-4P	Alicia Casey	Outstanding effort in Mathematics
3-4P	Kurtis Fry	Excellent all round effort
3-4P	Oliver Forbes	Consistent effort in class
3-4P	Hayley Grew	Consistent effort & doing her best.
5A	Emmett Titley	Exceptional participation in class
5A	Carolynn Durand	Improved effort in class
5A	Frazer Howe	Excellent attitude towards learning
5A	Joel Perrin	Taking pride in his book work
4S	Nathaniel Morgan	Participation in 'You Can Do It'
4S	Olivia Austin	Excellent book work for 'You Can Do It' activity
4S	Caitlen Harrison	Welcome to Gwandalan PS
4S	Carter Van Eden	Participation in class activities and discussions
6M	Milos Millard Jorda	Being a delightful member of 6M
6M	Maddison Genner	Being a delightful member of 6M
6M	Floyd Blackburn	Outstanding work in Maths
6M	Brodie Holdsworth	Great start at Gwandalan Public School

YOU CAN DO IT AWARDS

Getting Along	Shannon Clark	4S	Being a co-operative student
Confidence	Zachary Renshaw	6V	Displaying an "I can do it attitude"
Organisation	Callumm Garrett	6V	Using his time effectively
Resilience	Jacob Abell	6V	Displaying a positive attitude
Persistence	Nikoli Van Den Berg	5A	Striving hard to do his best

Important dates to remember.

Tues 25 th Feb	Swimming Carnival
Thurs 27 th Feb	Stage 2 Parent Information Session 3.15
Fri 28 th Feb	Clean Up Australia Day
Tues 4 th March	P & C Meeting. AGM.
Wed 5 th March	Zone Swimming
Tues 17 th March	School Photos
Mon 31 st March	Young Leaders Day

THANKYOU

A very big thank you to Rebecca Tattersall's family for the donation of an Aboriginal Artwork. This will be proudly displayed in our school.

Hunter Animal Rescue
8TH ANNUAL PETS PICNIC 10AM-3PM
16.03.14 - SPEERS POINT PARK

SPONSORED BY:
PetQuarters it's a pet's life

BBQ
 PRIZES
 RAFFLES
 EXHIBITORS
 COMPETITIONS
 MARKET STALLS
 ENTERTAINMENT FOR KIDS
 DOGS WELCOME (ON LEADS)
 DISCOUNTED ENGRAVED ID TAGS

Free Family Event / Fun For All Ages

FLASH DRIVES

Don't forget. It is important that if your child is in years 3 to 6, they need their own flash drive to save their computer work. Please label with students name and class. Thank you to the families who have supplied these already.

SCHOOL BAG APP

Have you down loaded yours yet? Keep updated with School news and important events. Check out the instructions on how to install the app in this newsletter.



Aussie Farmers Direct Fundraising

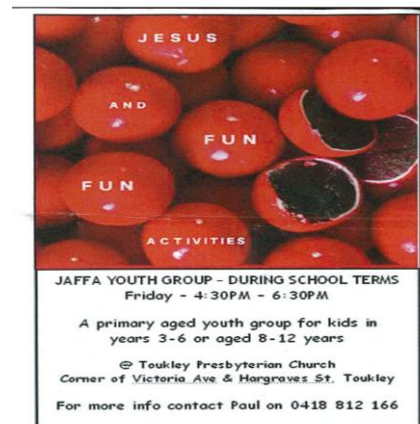
WE'VE TEAMED UP WITH AUSSIE FARMERS DIRECT!

Shop with them and they'll support our fundraising effort.

What's Next?
Look out for the special offer in the flyer attached!

AussieFarmersFundraising.com.au

Join up with **AUSSIE FARMERS DIRECT** and shop for your fresh produce straight from the farmer. Delivered fresh every week. Register on line and nominate Gwandalan Public School. The school P & C will receive a percentage of your sales.



JESUS AND FUN FUN ACTIVITIES

JAFFA YOUTH GROUP - DURING SCHOOL TERMS
Friday - 4:30PM - 6:30PM

A primary aged youth group for kids in years 3-6 or aged 8-12 years

@ Toukley Presbyterian Church
Corner of Victoria Ave & Hargreaves St, Toukley

For more info contact Paul on 0418 812 166



Skoolbag
Smartphone school to parent communication

Skoolbag is a mobile App for your school to communicate directly to both parents and students. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). Ideal for:

- > School, free push notification alerts
- > School events
- > School newsletters
- > School documents
- > School RSS feeds
- > School social media (Facebook, Twitter)

Skoolbag delivers school notices directly to parents and students.

How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

iPhone Users

Simply search for your school name in the App Store on your phone, PC or Mac, and install.

After the app is installed on your phone, make sure that you select "OK" to allow push notifications. Also click on "more" then "Setup" and select which categories you would like to receive push notifications for.



Android Users

Simply search for your school name in the Google Play Store on your phone, PC or Mac, and install.

After the app is installed click on "more" then "Setup" and select which categories you would like to receive push notifications for.



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