



GWANDALAN PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Tuesday, 20 May 2014

Dear Friends of Gwandalan Public School

Gwandalan PS Important Dates.

Tues 20 th May	Star struck rehearsal UNSW Computer Test
Tues 27 th May	Hearing screening (Indigenous students)
Thur 29 th May	Star struck major rehearsal
Wed 4 th June	UNSW Science Test
Mon 9 th June	Queen's Birthday holiday
Mon 16 th June	UNSW Writing Test
Tues 17 th June	UNSW Spelling Test
Tues 24 th June	NAIDOC Day
Thurs 26 th June	End Of Semester 1 Assembly
Fri 27 th June	Last day Term 2

Kindergarten 2015

We are now taking enrolments for kindergarten 2015. If you or anyone you know has a child planning to start school next year please contact the school.



NAPLAN

Year 3 and Year 5 students completed NAPLAN last week. Two boxes of completed assessments were posted last Friday. Each year presents different challenges to students with many tricky questions being asked.

WORK EXPERIENCE

We congratulate former students Ashlee Coggins and Laura Hughes for their excellent work at our school last week as part of their Year 10 Work Experience Program.

CROSS COUNTRY SURVEYS

Many thanks to parents who have already returned these surveys.

We are looking for the reminder to be returned by Thursday of this week.

As usual, no names need to be added to completed surveys just your opinions to assist us with future planning.

STUDENTS EXPERIENCING A WIDE VARIETY OF LEARNING INITIATIVES

As well as ongoing lessons in literacy & numeracy, students are currently attending regional & zone sporting trials, undertaking music, dance, guitar, didgeridoo, graphic design, gymnastics and needle craftwork. Our Senior students are rehearsing for their upcoming Star Struck performances.

CANTEEN WORK NEARS COMPLETION

Some minor painting work is all that remains of the work to bring our Canteen up to the required standard. New power points were installed last week and new blinds will be delivered soon.

What a difference compared to how it looked last term!

CONTACT DETAILS

Please advise the office of any change to your personal details. Phone numbers, address etc. It is distressing if a child is in need and we are unable to contact parents.

STARSTRUCK NEWS

Sewing Working Bee. Thursday 22nd May 3.15 in the community room. We are appealing to the community for anybody with any sewing experience to come along and help. Even if it is just for the cutting of the material. Every little bit helps. Please come along and bring your sewing machine, scissors, pins etc.

Friday 23rd May our Starstruck girls will be running a guessing competition. It will start in the morning before school and continue at recess with the winner drawn at assembly.

Monday 26th May we having another cake stall.

Thankyou to everyone for supporting our amazing dancers.



CANTEEN ROSTER

Thank you to our rostered helpers for this week.

Wed 21 st May	Brenda
Thurs 22 nd May	Margaret
Fri 23 rd May	Donna
Tues 27 th May	Lyn

CONGRATULATIONS Jedd Boreham and Jack Brown- Rugby League

Congratulations to both Jack Brown and Jedd Boreham who were both selected in the Central Coast Centurians Under 14s Representative Rugby League squad recently. It is great to see two former students doing so well in their chosen sport. Keep up the great work boys! -Mr Vine.

Wallarah Zone Cross Country

The Wallarah Zone Cross Country will take place on Friday 30th May at Wyong Race Club. Each competitor must return the permission note and \$2 payment ASAP. Transport to the event will be by private transport. Students need to be at the venue by 9:45am Please see Mr Vine at school if you have any further enquiries.

Walk Safely to School Day- Friday 23rd May

Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) is an annual, national event when all Primary School children will be encouraged to walk and commute safely to school. It is a Community Event seeking to promote Road Safety, Health, Public Transport and the Environment. Our year 6 school captains will be rewarding students with stickers and You Can Do It star slips if they display sensible behaviour as students reach the school gate. Thanks Mr Vine.

SCHOOL TIMES

Parents are reminded that School starts at 9am. If your child arrives after 9am they require a late note. Parents are asked to bring their child to the office with an acceptable reason for the lateness.

About social and emotional learning Part 1
Social and emotional learning is about learning how to manage feelings, manage friendships and solve problems. These are essential life skills that support wellbeing and positive mental health. Social and emotional skills promote children's ability to cope with difficulties and help to prevent mental health problems. Children who have developed social and emotional skills find it easier to manage themselves, relate to others, resolve conflict and feel positive about themselves and the work around them.

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ASSEMBLY AWARDS

1S	Lilly Nguyen	Excellent Information Report about Fish
1S	Aleson Thompson	Excellent Information Report
1S	Koby Metcalf	Improvement in Maths
1S	Savanah O'Brien	Quality Work in Literacy
1/2W	Zeke Parker	Good sportsmanship
1/2W	Mia-Rose Debono	Fantastic effort in drama
1/2W	Beau Wilks	Excellent visualisation in Literacy
1/2W	Kayedince Siebenlist-Conroy	Improvement in reading and sight words
2K	Sharlotte Lewis	Outstanding spelling results
2K	Curtis Beveridge	Producing quality work
2K	Finn Jenkins	Improvement in gymnastics
2K	Andrew Greenwood	Producing excellent illustrations

Opening Event Friday 23 May 2014, 6.30pm.

Award Ceremony Sunday 25 May 2014, 10.30am.

Reconciliation 2014 Art Competition

During Reconciliation 2014, NSW Fair Trading continues its promotion of the Reconciliation Art Competition in conjunction with Gosford Regional Gallery. This event provides an opportunity for local Indigenous and non-Indigenous artists to showcase their work about reconciliation to the Central Coast community and to visitors to the Central Coast. The Reconciliation 2014 Art Competition is made possible with the support of NSW Fair Trading, Gosford Regional Gallery, Gosford City Council, WorkCover NSW, Department of Housing, the Central Coast Community College, The University of Newcastle, Central Coast Grammar School, Nuyyara Aboriginal Health Unit, Wollotuka Institute Gibalee Centre and Phoenix Library services.

RSVP: 4325 0056 | gallery@gosford.nsw.gov.au
Gosford Regional Gallery | 36 Webb Street | East Gosford
www.gosfordregionalgallery.com
Exhibition Dates 24 May – 13 July 2014

Gosford Regional Gallery is supported by the NSW Government through Arts NSW and is proudly owned and operated by Gosford City Council



P & C News

This year our monster fete and car show will be on **Saturday 11th October**. Keep this date free.

As promised last week, here are the total funds raised from our recent Mother's Day activities.

Barbeque Breakfast: \$407.05

Stall: \$619.81

Total revenue raised from Mothers Day \$1026.86

Well done everyone!

Thankyou again for all your support.