



# GWANDALAN PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015**

## THE FINAL WORD

Dear Students of Gwandalan Public School.

Remember to be the best you can be. Never give up. You can do it!

Good Luck and best wishes.

Don Begg

Principal

Gwandalan Public School

2007 – 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 2015

## Dates to Remember

Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Disco. Theme: Jokers and Clowns
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Easter Hat Parade 9.15am Raffle draw
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Last day term 1
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Staff return Term 2
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Students return Term 2

## P & C NEWS

### DIRECT FACTORY OUTLET

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May**

Don't forget to buy your ticket on the bus for our fun day shopping at DFO Homebush. \$25 per person. Morning tea is provided on the bus. Payment can be made at the office by cash or eftpos. The bus departs school at 8am. Arrive at DFO 10am and depart at 4pm for a 6pm arrival back at school. This is sure to be a fun day. Come along and have a laugh and grab some bargains.

### LOST PROPERTY

We have accumulated a large amount of items in our lost property basket. If you are missing clothing please see KW.

### DONATION OF EASTER EGGS

The P & C have placed a class basket in the office for your donations over the next two weeks. The eggs will be calculated in weight every few days and the results advertised through the newsletter and school bag app. Please send in your donations now. The winning class with the most donated eggs in weight will receive a class party. All donations end up as prizes and all profits made go back into purchasing resources for students. So start shopping for all those heavy eggs.

The P&C is also looking for donations for their **Mother's Day Stall**

### YCDI AWARDS:

Getting Along Award – Kirra-Lee Glass

Confidence Award – Heidi Smidt

Organisation Award – Mia Harris

Resilience Award – Dezzel Gow

Persistence Award – Summah DeCarlo

### CHESS HOLIDAY COACHING CLINIC

If you child would like to improve their chess game or learn how to [play you might be interested in a one day holiday coaching clinic in North Ryde on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April. Cost \$35 1<sup>st</sup> child and \$25 for siblings. If interested, please see Mrs Styan or Miss Johnston for a note.

## Assembly Awards 2015 Week 9

Class	Name	Reason for Award
KA	Lucia Hancock	Being kind to her classmates
KA	Kaiana Shortland-Cummins	Excellent effort in all literacy activities
KA	Joel Ware	Working hard in Reading Groups
KA	Lucas Hislop	Being a good helper in the classroom
KS	Xavier Baker	Trying hard in Literacy groups
KS	Taylah Jamieson	Writing fantastic sight word sentences
KS	Jacob Gray	Great sight word spelling
KS	Tiana Eastough	Fantastic Funny Frog
KS	Jack Moyle	Creating a wonderful Easter Chicken
KW	Isabella Turner	Always working well in class
KW	Melony Andrew	Improvement in reading
KW	Warren Rockwell	Excellent effort in group work
KW	Hayden Guest	Excellent manners in class
1J	Elli Gorham	Fantastic effort in narrative writing
1J	Nathan Gray	Fantastic effort in narrative writing
1J	Seriah Zreika	Always trying her best in class
1J	Harry O'Toole	Excellent listening skills during news
1W	Allegra Adamson	Producing quality work in Literacy
1W	Ella Hambly	Writing interesting & descriptive narratives
1W	Cameron Lobb	Working well in Reading Groups
1W	Prysaïs Ciel	An enthusiastic participant in class discussions
2W	Heidi Smidt	Fantastic narrative writing
2W	Harrison Davis	Being a good peer tutor
2W	Savanah O'Brien	Always following class rules
2W	Tori Adamson	Excellent spelling results
2P	Baylan Murphy	Persistence in reading
2P	Isaac Davy	Being a happy and friendly class member
2P	Kiahna Williams	Excellent spelling results
2P	Zoe Bakker	Exceptional work in all areas



Disco

**This Wednesday!**

The Theme of this terms  
Disco is Jokers and Clowns.

Entry Fee \$5.00

5pm – 6.15pm Kinder, Year 1 and year 2

6.30pm – 8pm Years 3,4,5 and 6

Canteen will be available on the night.

## Easter Hat Parade

### EASTER HAT PARADE

This year our parade will be on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 9.15am.

Early stage 1 and Stage 1 (Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2) students are asked to make a fancy Easter hat at home to wear. Pre-school children are also welcome to wear an Easter hat. We hope to have a visit from the Easter Bunny as well.

Term 1 week 9

### ABOUT SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING – Part 2

**Why social and emotional learning is important to schools**

Australia's national educational goals for the 21<sup>st</sup> century, as well as curriculum frameworks for each state and territory, recognise the importance of children achieving positive outcomes that relate directly to the skills of social and emotional learning. In addition, there is broad agreement and research evidence that shows that social and emotional skills can improve academic learning and enhance students' motivation to cooperate and achieve.

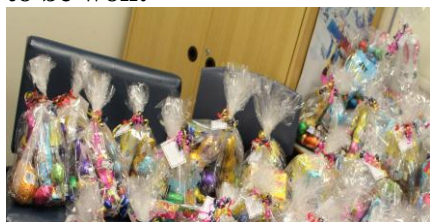
Because it emphasises teaching children the skills for positive relationships, social and emotional learning is a key strategy for schools in their efforts to reduce bullying and improve caring, respect and responsibility at school. When children are taught specific strategies for recognising and responding to emotions, thinking through challenging situations and communicating effectively, they are less likely to act out of frustrations at school and elsewhere.

*This resource is part of a range of KidsMatter Primary information sheets for families and school staff. View them all online at [www.kidsmatter.edu.au](http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au)*

### QUIET AREA DONATIONS OF GAMES WANTED

We are looking for donations of board games for our quiet area activities. If you have any games no longer used or required at home, we would be more than happy to put them to good use. Please drop any donations to the front office.

**Don't forget to return your Easter raffle tickets. Prizes are mounting up and we now have in excess of sixty prizes to be won!**



### EASTER EGG DONATION COMPETITION

These are the latest results!

KW	3035
KA	1750
KS	11715
1J	2950
1W	6771
2W	4629
2P	3239
3T	11700
3/4S	4572
4H	11852
4/5C	1540
5A	6195
5/6T	2034
6V	9552

### Local Street Names and their Meaning

Street Name	Aboriginal Meaning	Street Name	Aboriginal Meaning
Aldinga	Many Trees	Murraba	Beautiful view
Anembo	Quiet Place	Murrumbong	Good
Bambara	Forest	Noamunga	Good Fishing
Collendina	Swirling Waters	Orana	Welcome
Cudgee	Kangaroo Skin	Parraweena	White Cockatoo
Dulkara	Rainbow	Quinalup	Happy Place
Eucla	Permanent Point	Rakumba	The Sun
Gamban	Fish in Plenty	Ulooloo	View of Water
Garema	A Camp	Warrina	Resting Point
Goorawin	Bush Flowers	Winbin	Morning Sun
Imga	A Restful Place	Yeramba	Sugar Ant
Illawong	View of Water	Yileen	Daydream
Koowong	Camping Ground	Gwandalan	Haven of peaceful waters, piece, quiet rest
Larapinta	Flowing Waters	Tunkawallin	Play
Mawarra	Pleasant Surround		
Moonah	Gum Tree		