



GWANDALAN PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 3 Week 8 Tuesday 1st September, 2015

Mr. Osland's Oracle

Can I say how impressed we are at the continued efforts of our students. We are all working hard across the school to support the wellbeing of ALL students.

We strongly value our school expectations linked to SAFETY, RESPECT (across all situations) and LEARNING for SUCCESS which are life skills for the future. How we act and treat one another goes a long way to the future we create across our school. We do ask that if you or your child has any concerns to please contact the school.

PLEASE Support our JERSEY DAY on Friday to highlight and show our support for organ donations awareness. NO MONEY is required to donate—we ask students to come in their FAVOURITE TEAM Jersey. Many thanks.

From the Office

PLEASE NOTE Administration office hours are 8.30am to 3.15pm DAILY During School Terms. Please ensure that all calls, enquiry's and purchases are made within this time frame.

MESSAGES Please limit messages to children to emergency cases only. Our office staff endeavour to pass on a message to your child in the event of an emergency. However, please be aware that our office is very busy and it is often difficult for our staff to leave the office to pass on these messages. Thankyou for your co-operation.

Payments Please continue with your part-payments for our upcoming camps. We accept cash, cheque and eftpos. You are most welcome to phone through eftpos details and we will process the payment for you.

Concert Tickets

Tickets to our school concert are now on sale.

Sessions: Wed 9th and Thurs 10th Sept 6.15pm and Fri 11th Sept 9.30am in the hall \$10.00 each.

NAPLAN Naplan results are ready to be collected from the office for children in years 3 and 5.

Skoolbag App Please remember to download your copy of the skoolbag app. Here you will receive all notices relevant to Gwandalan Public School.

Arrival time For Students

Parents are asked to ensure that children do not arrive at school earlier than 8.40am. Staff supervision is not in place prior to this time.



Special Note Metro Service Station has now opened for business. We ask all parents to please remind your children that road safety is very IMPORTANT when moving through the service station. Please be mindful of any vehicles in attendance at the service station at all times.

A Special Thankyou to parents and visitors using the school drop off zones. Traffic is flowing well in the afternoons and we ask that you continue to use the designated areas as designed and not to park overly long in these spaces.

OLD ANGLICAN SCHOOL SITE. BONNY BOY WAY.

Parents are asked to discuss safety issue regarding entering the old Anglican School site in Bonny Boy Way, Gwandalan. **Under no circumstances should any member of the public or our student body enter this site. IT IS UNSAFE**

Riding to School Parents please remind your children to take care when riding to school. We have had numerous reports of children crossing roads without first making sure it is safe. Also students must walk their bicycles across the school pedestrian crossing. Under no circumstances should they ride out of the school gate and straight across the road.

Year 6

Integration Review Meetings

Information has been sent out regarding the annual Integration review meetings. A letter was given to each child on the funding program inviting their parents and carers to a meeting to discuss their child's progress with not only their class teacher but also the School Counsellor and the Stage Supervisor. I recommend that all parents and carers take this opportunity to attend these meetings and to be an active part of the educational partnership with the school concerning their child.

The review meetings will be held on Tuesday 15th September, 2015. Please return the note with three preferred times.

Sue Tangye. Learning and Support
Coordinator



Congratulations to Natasha McDonald, Olivia Crane, Tyler Myers, Joel Perrin, Georgia Brown, Nikkia Holmes, Matthew Jackson, Jack Davis and Justine Coates for selection in the Gifted and Talented Transition Project for Lake Munmorah High School. These students will be working on an extended project leading to an individual presentation at the High school in Term 4. We wish them well.

Sue Tangye
Assistant Principal
Gwandalan Public School

Positive Behaviour for Learning

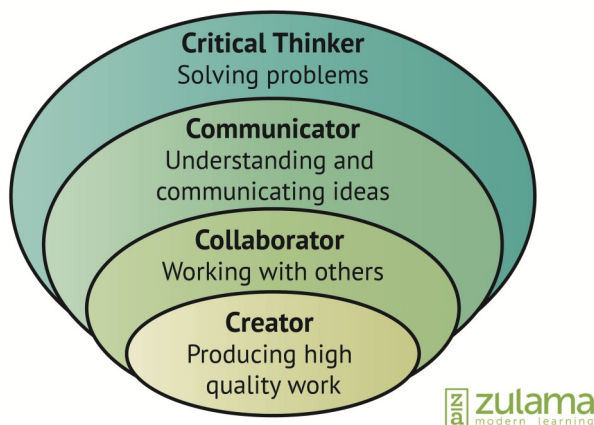
Encourage Positive relationships

Encourage your children to establish a relationship with their Teacher.

Be Calm, firm and fair.

Be Consistent.

The Four Cs of 21st Century Skills



Encouraging Positive Behaviour in the Classroom

Encouraging positive behaviour in your child will result in increased on task behaviour, correct responses, work productivity and accuracy, attention and compliance and cooperative play. These behaviour patterns will have a flow on effect that may be long lasting and an asset to your child's future.

Opportunities to Respond

Increasing Opportunities for Students to respond is important.

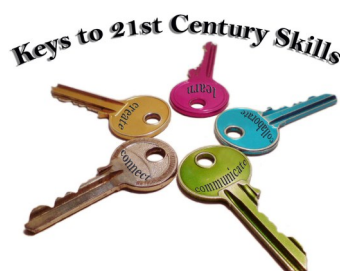
Verbal strategies include students responding orally to teacher prompts or questions.

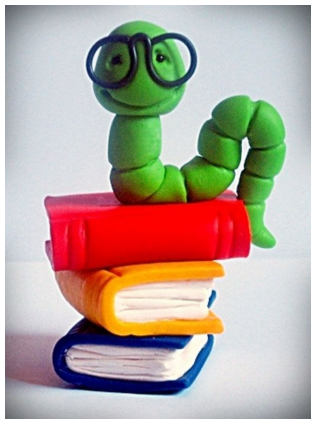
Non—Verbal strategies include students using writing or movement

Other Strategies used

Computer assisted instruction

Class-wide peer tutoring and direct instructions





Library Corner

A Passport to Reading

Every weekend: share what you're reading with your kids. Share an item in a newspaper or magazine, a text from a friend, or an online article.

* Every weekend: find a new way to share a book or a poem or a story.

* Ask Grandma to Skype reading a story

* Blu-tak up a poem in the toilet

Melissa Leyshon
Gwandalan Public
School
Library



PASSPORT TO READING

Anything can happen
when you open a
book!!

2015 BOOK PARADE

The Book Parade will be celebrated on Friday 18th September, the last day of term! Time TBA.

All students K-6 can dress up as their favourite book character.

Congratulations Janayah Coutts-Netball

Year 5 student Janayah Coutts was recently selected in the 2016 Under-11s development Representative Netball Squad. She is the first player from the newly formed Gwandalan Flames Netball club to make a Wyong Development Squad! We are all very proud of you! Year 6 student Emily Bush also made this squad in 2015.



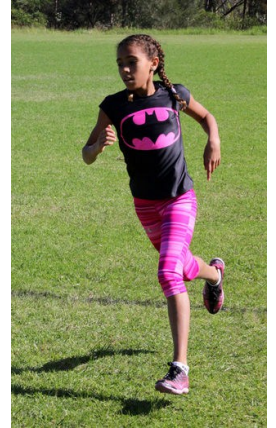
Photo of Janayah with members of the New Zealand National Netball Team.

Congratulations

Eliza Smith 6V on being accepted into Hunter Sports High School for 2016. Eliza will be participating in the selective Hockey program. Well done Eliza!

Good Luck

Charlotte Lowe in the School Sports Australia Cross Country 2015.



Charlotte will be competing at the National Cross Country running event in Melbourne on the 27th August. This is the 3rd year in a row that Charlotte will represent NSW in cross country running. Charlotte finished 2nd in the event last year in Perth! Well done Charlotte on your continued success!

NSW PREMIER'S SPORTING CHALLENGE



Premiers Sporting Challenge

This term all students at GPS will be involved in the Premiers Sporting Challenge. The purpose of the challenge is to encourage students to be more active, more often! Students record the activities they complete over a ten week period, with an award given to each student and the school at the end of the term. Physical activity can include playground games, school sport, community sport or incidental activity such as walking the dog or washing the car.

Students will regularly complete a log books at school, recording how much activity they do each week. Have fun getting active!

Touch Football Gala Day Doyalson

On Friday 14th of August over 60 boys and girls from Gwandalan Public participated in the Doyalson Touch football skill development Gala Day at Doyalson RSL sporting fields. The day was designed to teach the students the skills of touch in a fun game format in a non competitive environment. Many local schools participated. All the students from our school had a wonderful time with many finding out they are talented in a new sport! Thankyou to all the students for their wonderful behaviour and also to parents and grandparents who helped out with transport. We have League Tag (Oz Tag) gala days to look forward to next term. Thanks- Mr Vine and Mr Turner.

BOYS TEAMS Riley Spillane, Jonah Bonser, James Dunn, Nathaniel Daly, Brandan Batty-Cross, Tyler Myers, Noah Brown, Sam Eades, Daemon Titley, Kyan Perricone, Joel Perrin, Jack Davis, Emmett Titley, Mitch Smith, Damian Day, Brad O'Neill

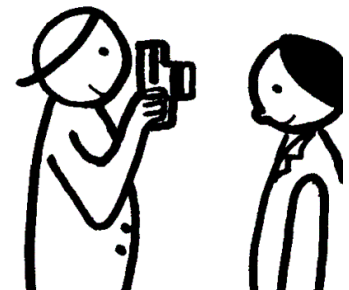
GIRLS TEAMS Charlotte Lowe, Emily Bush, Nikkia Holmes, Mollie Gibson, Ella Munsie, Emma Dyer, Natasha McDonald, Amelia MacAlpine, Bella Cook, Eliza Smith, Jasmine Gramat, Jenaya Coutts, Brianna Nichols, Kim Hyland, Tameika Hughes, Casey Knight



School Event Photos

For Parents who attend any school events for example, sporting events, debating, Public Speaking etc and take photos we would be happy to have a copy sent to the school to be considered for publication in our school newsletter. Please be aware that not all children can be published on the internet.

Please email any photos to Gwandalan-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au



IMPORTANT MESSAGE REGARDING THE NEWSLETTER

In Order to reduce our Environmental Global Footprint , Term 4 will see the launch of Gwandalan Public School's Electronic Newsletter. Hard copies will be available in the front office only upon request. Your support in reducing our paper usage is greatly appreciated.

Electronic copies available on the school website and the Skoolbag App.



The Story of Us

School Concert Information

Thank you for purchasing a ticket/s to Gwandalan Public School's concert for 2015. Please take the time to read the information below concerning the performances.

1. Remember the seat you have purchased entitles you to sit on it, however you may nurse a small child, but be sure you want to nurse the child on your lap 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 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 appropriately- clapping and cheering after each performance.
6. Food and drink will only be available before the concert starting at 4.45 -6.15pm. You are welcome to come and have something to eat and drink before the concert. However, **all students** need to be in the supervision of an adult from 4.45pm-6.00pm. At 6.00pm 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 however 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. As stated above all students need to be in their classrooms at **6.00pm on Wednesday and Thursday nights**.

We hope you enjoy the concert!

5A Class Item

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This term 5A has been studying Chinese culture. We have included drawing and painting in our learning. These artworks include a cherry blossom tree in the moonlight, a farmer in the rice paddies with a pagoda as the sun is setting and a pencil drawing of a China doll.

In Asian cultures, cherry blossom meanings include brave, industrious and wise. It has become a cultural and a national symbol for various countries in Asia. The moon also plays a significant part in Chinese culture, representing gentleness and brightness. There is a moon festival for families to unite and enjoy abundance, harmony and luck.

The second painting is a traditional farmer in the rice fields, where they would rest under the pagoda in the heat of the day. Towards the evening when the sun was setting the farmer was still working when it was cooler.

The students were shown a copy of the artwork and were directed to sketch the outline taking into consideration line, scale, perspective and colour blending. Well done 5A on the quality of your artwork. These paintings can be seen in the foyer of the office.

JERSEY DAY

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 4, 2015 IS JERSEY DAY

JERSEY DAY is a simple concept designed to raise awareness of The Organ and Tissue Authority and the DONATE LIFE network.

On September 4 we are asking schools and workplaces across Australia to allow students and employees to wear their favourite sporting jersey to school or work to show their support for the **DONATE LIFE** network and begin the conversation with their friends and families about Organ Donation.

JERSEY DAY has been inspired by the story of **NATHAN GREMMO** who was tragically lost in an accident in May 2015. Nathan's family chose to give the gift of life to others to honour the legacy of Nathan's generous personality.

This campaign is all about raising awareness. Simply wear your favourite sporting jersey to school or work on Friday September 4 and show your support for this cause.

DISCOVER

the facts about organ and tissue donation

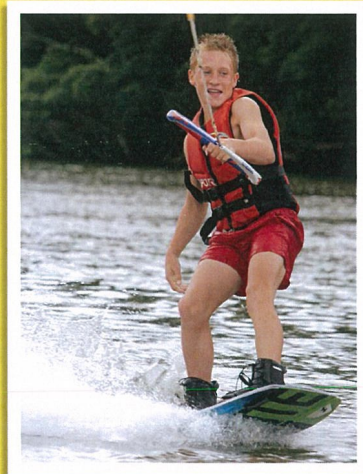
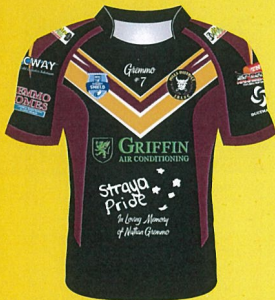
DECIDE

about becoming a donor and register online

DISCUSS

your decision with the people close to you

Please visit www.donatelife.gov.au for more information about how you can help to save a life.



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P&C NEWS and Upcoming Events

Fathers Day BBQ next Fri-day 4th September 7am

\$3.50 Egg & Bacon Roll
\$3.50 Sausage & Onion Roll
FREE Tea, Coffee,
Hot Chocolate,
Orange Cordial

Lucky Door Prize
Raffle tickets 50c or 3 for \$1

Father's Day Stall commencing at 11.30am

In the Community Room.
Items from \$1.00 to \$10.00

Volunteers Required If you can help out please contact the front office on 4976 1318



NRMA Science & Road Safety Day - Wednesday2 September 2015

Our school will be hosting an NRMA Science & Road Safety Day aimed at helping our students learn how to stay safe on the road. During the day students will participate in road safety shows and then complete Road Safety Workbooks to reinforce the

messages covered in that show.

We hope you will talk to your child about their day and what they learned about road safety. When your children bring home their workbooks, look inside for a four-page Parent Insert on child road safety. It is a quick reference guide with tips and hints on how to keep your child safe.

We would also like to invite all parents to come and watch a Road Safety Show. It will give you a great snapshot of road safety and what your child is learning.



Community Events and Information



School Concert 2015

Wednesday 9th September 6.15pm

Thursday 10th September 6.15pm

Friday 11th September 9.30am

Its time again for our bi-annual concert. Every child in the school will participate.

Tickets on sale in the office.

We look forward to bringing you a wonderful event..

Touch Football



**BOYS & GIRLS
COMPETITION**

ALL AGES 7 -16

Monday Afternoons

at Doyalson Wyee RSL grounds

Registration Dates

**Tuesday 8th & Thursday 10th
September 2015**

Inside Doyalson RSL Club 6.30pm - 7.30pm

Cost

\$60 per player

*Team online registrations at
www.doyalsontouch.com.au*

Competition Commences
5th October 2015



For more information please contact

Sheralee 0422 441 298

Secretary 0468 953 966

www.doyalsontouch.com.au

Email: doyalsontouch@hotmail.com

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Doyalson Touch
Football Association



Swansea Sharks Swimming Club

Registration Day 13th October, 2015

6pm Swansea Swim Centre

*If you have a love for swimming and
want to have fun, keep fit and meet
new friends, it's now time to swim with
Swansea Sharks Swimming Club!!*

Tuesdays 6PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE

CONTACT

JASON 0438 658 803

JULIANNE 0414 761 806

DANCETEK OPEN DAY

COME ALONG TO OUR FREE OPEN DAY!!

SUNDAY THE 30TH OF AUGUST

11:00AM – 2:00PM

@ COLONGRA BAY COMMUNITY CENTRE, COLONGRA BAY RD
LAKE MUNMORAH 2259

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thank you!

Thankyou to the Family for their generous donation of Agapanthus plants for our school gardens.

Sporting Transport we would like to thank the parents who have transported children to various sporting events over the past few weeks.

Concert Preparation thankyou to parents and carers on your continued support in regards to the Bi Annual Concert preparation.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2016

If you know of any families in the local area who intend to enrol for 2016 Kindergarten and who have not listed any details with the school could you please encourage them to do so as soon as possible.

This will allow us to establish communication prior to the start of our **Great Start to Gwandalan** transition program starting early in Term 4.

If you have enrolled your child for 2016 Kindergarten, please return all forms as soon as possible. Thank you.

Transition dates have been set for October 20th & 28th from 9am—11am and November 17th & 24th also from 9am—11am.



Great Aussie Bush Camp - Stage 3 Excursion

There are still positions available for students to attend the Great Aussie Bush Camp in Term 4. Some of the activities students will participate in are the dolphin cruise, giant swing, raft building activities and the county fair. This excursion links directly with the PDHPE syllabus and the You Can Do It welfare system. The total cost of the excursion is \$315 and payments can be made through the office.

Permission, medical and code of conduct notes will be sent home today. All three notes must be returned. Further information will be available closer to the date of the excursion. Final date for payment is **14th October**.

Stage 3 Excursion Coordinator—Kerrie Abbott

Woolworths Earn and Learn



This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program.

Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school.

You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn point for every \$10 spent. Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn points onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and when its complete.

The sheets or stickers can be dropped into the collection box here at school or at Woolworths Lake Munmorah where a collection box is located.

Zoo Snooze - Stage 2 Excursion

Don't forget to keep your payments for the excursion coming in.



Final payments are due by the **11th September**.

Medical notes will be sent out soon—

Please return these notes to the School as soon as possible.

Mrs Belinda Sanderson

Dates to Remember

September 2015



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1 YR 6 Transition Program - Session 1 10.30—12.30 P&C MEETING 2.30PM Community Rm	2 NRMA Science & Road Safety K-6	3	4 P&C Fathers Day BBQ From 7AM P&C Fathers Day Stall from 9AM
7 Sydney North Regional	8 YR 6 Transition Program Session 2 10.30-11.30	9 School Concert 6.15-8PM	10 School Concert 6.15-8PM	11 School Concert 9.30-11AM Final Payment Zoo Snooze
14 YR 6 GATS Program Taster Lessons	15	16 School Disco Infants 5 –6.15PM Primary 6.30-8PM	17	18 BOOK WEEK Parade Time TBA LAST DAY TERM 3

P&C MEETING 2.30PM

Tuesday 1st September, 2015

We will be discussing **Uniform, Term 4 Sport and the Annual Fete and Car Show**

Look for the details of todays meeting in our next newsletter.



CANTEEN

If you can spare any time, please remember we are always looking for volunteers in the school canteen. Your children would love to see you in the there, why not come along and give it a go! Call Lyn 4976 2054

fresh

TASTES

healthy food at school