

GWANDALAN PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 1 Week 8 Wednesday 16th March 2016

Mr. Osland's Messages

Welcome parents and friends of Gwandalan PS to our second last edition of our Newsletter for Term 1. We are impressed with our students stepping up, having a go and applying themselves with confidence and persistence.

Many thanks to all our parents who support our students' learning at school & at home— it is greatly appreciated. Please remember if you wish to come in and help out across the school-please come in and see us.

POSITVE BEHAVIOUR for LEARNING (PBL)

Our school prides itself on providing a supportive learning environment for ALL stakeholders (students, parents and teachers).

We are continuing to develop our strengths and how we support each other to enhance the opportunities for our students.

We are looking to further embed our expectations and would love your feedback. Our current values are linked to safety, respect and try your best (excellence) and what these may look like and sound like across our school community.

Have are we displaying safety in what we do, developing and building respectful relationships whilst respecting the people and the environment and that we come into contact with. We are also looking for ALL individuals to try their best (develop their own excellence plan) when faced with an activity, a challenge or a situation so that individuals may reach their potential.

We ask that we all strive in what we do to make our school the best it can be.

More information will be sent out to our community by our PBL team later in the term. We will ask for our students, parents and friends of Gwandalan PS to assist us in our journey.

SCHOOL VISION

Like any organisation Gwandalan Public School has clearly defined directions to enhance the opportunities for our students. Feedback for our students, parents and teachers drive our directions and vision for our school.

Our vision statement states:

Students will have success for today and be prepared for tomorrow.

This is the goal we envision for all our students as they grow and develop at Gwandalan PS.

SPECIAL LEADERS ASSEMBLY

At our next PRIMARY ASSEMBLY we will see our House Captains and Ministers receive their badges as well as our School Captains, Vice-Captain and Prefects being presented with their school blazers.

We would like to invite ALL parents to come along and support our students. Special invites will be sent out later this week for all students involved

SCHOOL PHOTOS

SPECIAL REMINDER to ALL PARENTS, CARERS and Friends that our **SCHOOL PHOTOS are on MONDAY 21st MARCH.** We ASK that **ALL STUDENTS** be in FULL SCHOOL uniform this being:

Black shorts, School Polo and black shoes for the boys and School Tunic or Skort, School Polo with black shoes for the girls.

We ask that all envelopes be returned to the school prior to our Photo day to ensure a smooth transition.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please look at our calendar on our school website and Skoolbag APP. We do not want anyone missing out.

From The Office

Parents are reminded that office hours are 8.30 am until 3.15pm each day.

We are always HAPPY to H

Payments

Thank your for your prompt payments to date. We will be going onto a new Finance System with the Department and all payments need to be processed prior to May 2016. Your support is greatly appreciated.

On Line Payments

Debbie Shoobridge, our Office Manager attended the last P & C Meeting to explain the new on line payment system. Further information is available from our website.

http://www.gwandalan-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/

This is a great way for parents to pay for school expenses.

The Department of Education requires all permission notes to be signed, dated and returned to the School prior to the commencement of any activity. We ask that ALL permission notes be returned to school as this is a legal requirement.

Parent CONTACT Information Update Forms

We ask that all Parent Information Update forms be returned to the office no later than

Friday 1st April.

The Department of Education has requested that *all* forms be completed and returned by this date. The information submitted will be treated with the utmost confidentiality and securely stored at the completion of the data update.

The information gathered determines how much funding the school receives from the Government for Educational purposes to support learning across our school.

Permission to Publish

Please also be reminded that forms recently sent home regarding Permission to Publish for your child/children need to be returned as soon as possible. Without your signed permission we cannot print any pictures of your child/children. We often print class items in our newsletter and it would be a shame for your child to miss out!







School Photo Day is 21 March 2016

Have your child's school memories captured forever

Please take time to read the relevant information on the MSP Photography payment envelopes and remember these helpful points:

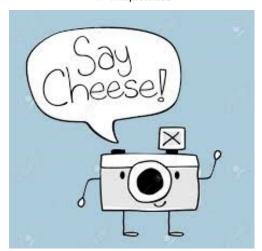


- Don't seal envelopes inside each other. You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day
- Family envelopes are available at the school office upon request.
- Please enclose correct money as no change is given. Cash and money orders only (sorry no credit card accepted)

For any enquiries, please feel free to contact us

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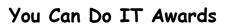
ASSEMBLY AWARDS—INFANTS

Class	Name	Reason for Award
KW	Kaitlyn Alston	Fantastic work in Literacy Groups
KW	Keira Addy	For being a kind and considerate friend
KW	Hunter Muxlow	Making a fantastic 'teapot' in Craft
KW	Chace Myers	For being a reliable and helpful class member
K/1D	Shelby Fischer	Writing all the sounds that you hear in words
K/1D	Ruby Eldridge	Attempting to write words independently
K/1D	Boe Baxter	Being champion of the maths game 'Around the World'
K/1D	Gemma Higgins	Always being on task and trying hard to meet lesson expectations
1J	Lauren Boslem	Producing quality work
1J	Warren Rockwell	Fantastic results in Spelling
1J	Lucia Hancock	Being a helpful class member
1J	Tyrone Bennett	Great work in Mathematics
11	Taylah Jamieson	Excellent results in spelling
11	Kaiana Shortland-Cummins	Being a helpful class member
11	Zoey Blight	Always producing quality work
11	Keiren Meehan	Improvement in reading
2W	Aidan Fry	Trying hard in CARS comprehension groups
2W	Elli Muxlow	Making an excellent monkey mask
2W	Sonny Bruen	Excellent number work
2W	Olivia Adams	Excellent ideas in her kangaroo factual text
2A	Cooper Myers	Persistence in counting off the decade
2A	Olivia Byrnes	Excellent results in spelling
2A	Lyndsie Higgins	Persisting in all areas of her learning
2A	Prysais Ciel	Always doing her best









Getting Along	Nash Fitzsimmons
Confidence	Emily Faulkner
Persistence	Blake Curley
Resilience	Makayla Nak
Organisation	lla Milton

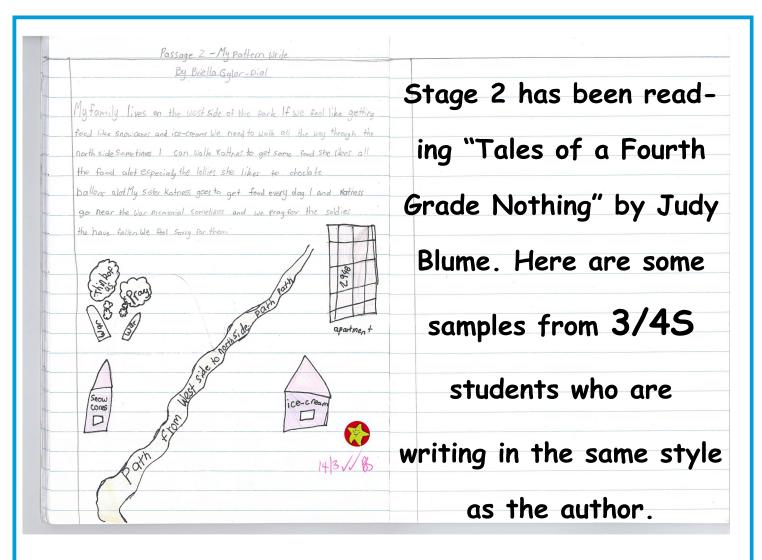
ASSEMBLY AWARDS—PRIMARY

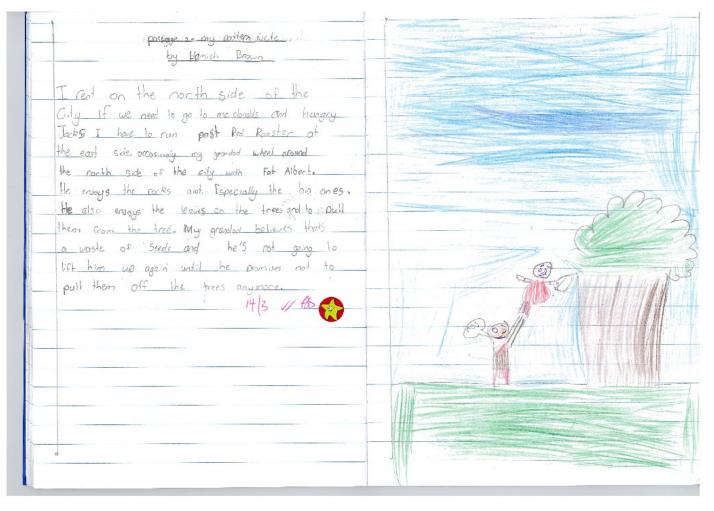
Primary Assembly Awards 2016 Term 1 Week 7		
Class	Name	Reason
3/4E	Alice Rockwell	Producing a very creative 'Area' robot.
3/4E	Mykil Merritt	Producing an outstanding 'Area' robot
3/4E	Zophia Karakatsanis	Always being a polite and respectful class member.
3/4E	Isaac Davy	Positive contributions to class discussions.
3/4S	Isabella Francis	Consistent efforts in all activities
3/4S	Dominic Holmesby	Settling in well to Gwandalan PS
3/4S	Lara-Rose Bull	Consistent 'Getting Along' skills
3/4S	Hayden Titley	Working hard to improve his 'Getting Along' skills
3/4V	Tyler Smith	Consistent Effort in all activities
3/4V	Ayden Matheson	Most Improved Attitude
3/4V	Sienna Cook	Fantastic Artwork in Accelerated Literacy
3/4V	Molly Pittman	Excellent Presentation of Bookwork

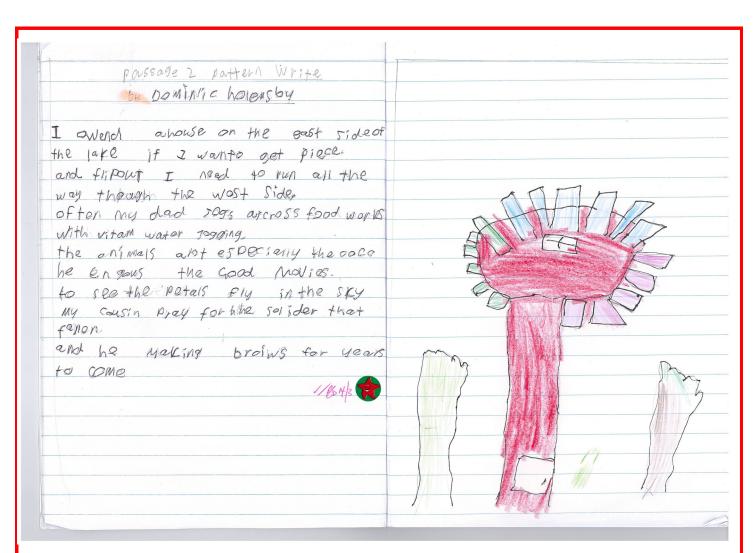
You Can Do IT Awards

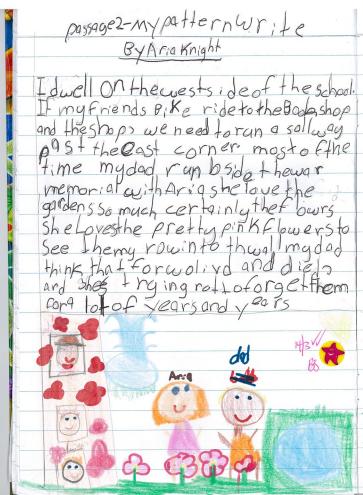
Getting Along	Gabby Chambers
Confidence	Bailey Moore
Persistence	Oliver Yule
Resilience	Carter Van Eden
Organisation	Jake Mullin

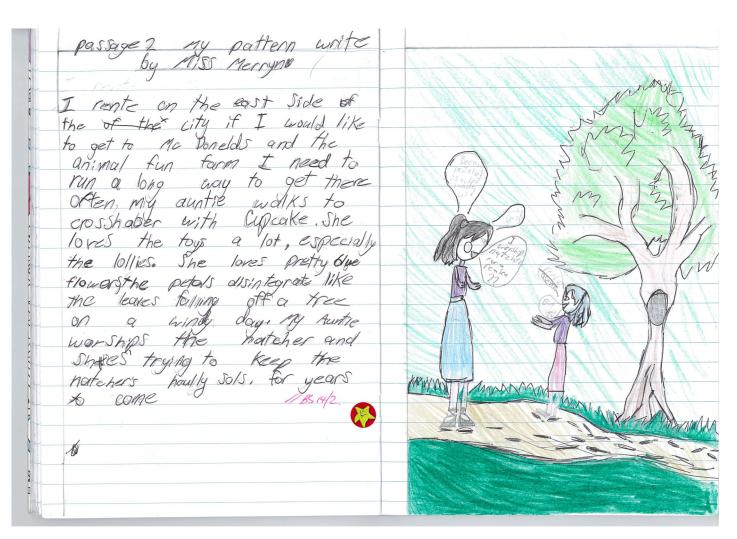


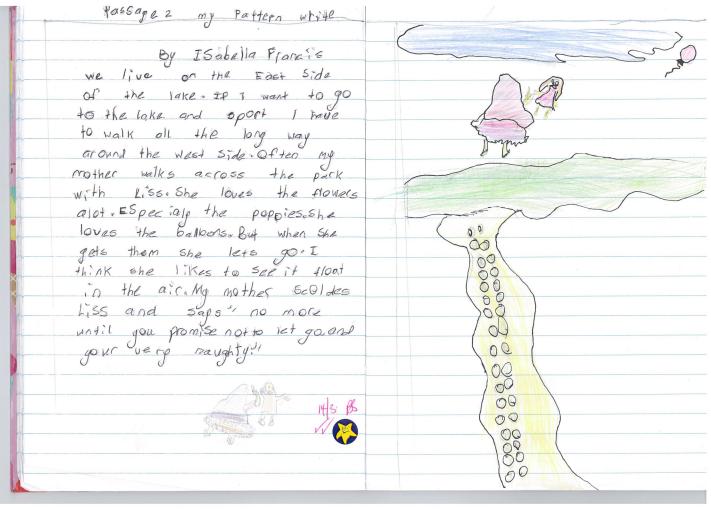












In KW we have been busy learning our sight words.

We can make them with playdough



We can 'swipe' them on the I-pad.



We can type them on the smart board We can play 'Bingo' with them





We can write them on white boards.



We can use them in our writing.

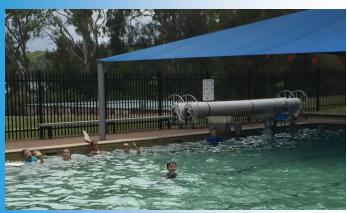
































In 1J we have been studying the 'Living Word' as a part of our science unit. We have been learning about 'living' and 'non-living' things and how to classify them. Last week we planted sunflower seeds and they have already started growing! We are going to observe and graph the growth of our plants throughout the rest of the term.









BABY NEWS



Hadley Louise Vine

Born: 3/03/16—10.13pm

Weighing 3.2kg

A little sister for Connor!!

Congratulations Wade & Amy

Jett Turner

Born: 3/03/16

Weighing 6lb 4oz & 49cm

Congratulations Shane & Alicia





CANTEEN

Our canteen has had a very successful start to 2016. Jane, our new manager, has noticed that many students like to buy hot food at lunch time. However, all hot food must be ordered by way of a lunch order.

Fresh food is available over the counter at lunch time. Eg fruit, drinks, yoghurt, custard, vegetable sticks, just to name a few.

Thankyou to all our new volunteers. We appreciate your wonderful assistance. We are always looking for volunteers.. If you can help please contact the school on 4976 1318 or the canteen directly on 4976 2054.



UNSW -ICAS Testing

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools is an independent skill-based assessment program for students from Year 2 to Year 6. Over a million students from over 20 countries participate in the tests.

This year, Gwandalan P.S. students have the opportunity to participate in Spelling, English and Mathematics exams. The fees to participate are: Spelling \$12.00, English \$8.00 and Mathematics \$8.00.

Notes will be distributed later in the term for interested students.

Easter Egg Challenge

Our P & C is again planning another enormous Easter Raffle. Students are asked to donate eggs for the raffle. These will be weighed. The winning class is the class with the highest weight in eggs.

The winners will be treated to a class party. So start bringing in your donation of Easter eggs!

So far we have received over 25kg of Chocolate!!!

As at Monday 14/th March our class Easter egg challenge is as follows:

KA	4.975kg
3/4E	4.505kg
KW	3.695kg
2W	3.090kg
KS	2.074kg
5/6W	1.280kg
11	1.230kg
5/6T	1.215kg
1J	1.124kg
5/6\$	0.775g
3/4V	0.500g
K/1D	0.500g
2A	0.250g
3/4S	0.125g





MESSAGE FROM THE P & C

Crazy Camel has been in contact with us in regard to the Calendar orders from last year. Apparently there is an error in the Month of April. If you have ordered a Calendar please call into the office as we have a correction for you to attach to your Calendar for April.

Thank you for understanding.

Mothers Day Stall

We are asking for donations of gifts suitable for us to sell on our Mothers Day Stall.

Please leave all donations at the office.

Thank you for your continued support.



Gwandalan OOSH School Holiday Program

Gwandalan OOSH Vacation Care Program

4976 1005 or 0450208519

Email orana222@tpg.com.au

OOSH opening hours -7am-6pm

Daily in Centre Fee \$50.00 Could be as low as \$6.33

(CCB% may reduce your fees)

Excursion Daily Fee \$65.00 Could be as low as \$14.96

Gwandalan OOSH Vacation Care Booking sheet April 2016

BOOKINGS WILL NOT BE CONFIRMED UNTIL BOOKING SHEET, EXCURSION PERMISSION AND PAYMENT HAS BEEN MADE. ALL FEES ARE TO BE PAID BEFORE FRIDAY 8TM APRIL

Please write your child's name on the days they are attending

Monday 11 th April	Tuesday 12 th April	Wednesday 13 th April	Thursday 14 th April	Friday 15 th April
OOSH kitchen Rules	Excursion Metro cinemas Community Lunch	Bike and Scooter Day	Excursion Taronga Zoo (please note the fee for today will be \$70) Speak with Lisa or Caroline to confirm your fee for todays excursion	OOSH has talent and music band day
Monday 18 th April	Tuesday 19 th April	Wednesday 20 th April	Thursday 21st April	Friday 22 nd April
Excursion Fort Scratchely Newcastle	Tye Dying Crayon melt craft	Excursion Paddy's markets Sydney	Messy craft Recycle art	Book swap Mini fete day

I understand that payment must be made before Friday 8 th April and		
that any cancellations made after this date will still incur the normal		
daily fee.		
Parents Name	Signature	
Data		

Office use only	Date
Payment received	
Booking & permission note	
Confirmed Booking	

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday March 21st School Photos

Tuesday March 22nd Harmony Day (wear orange)

Wednesday March 23rd Leaders Assembly

Thursday March 24th Easter Hat Parade K to Year 6.

9.30am start-followed by Picnic Lunch with parents

Friday March 25th Good Friday

Monday March 28th Easter Monday

Friday 1st April School Cross Country—PARENTS ARE WELCOME

At Point Wolstoncroft Sport and Recreation Centre 9am start

Friday 8th April Last day Term 1

Holidays

Monday 25th April ANZAC day—Leaders to support local events if available

(if available)



Easter Morning Tea

Easter Hat Parade

Our canteen will have

Tea, Coffee, Scones, Muffins, Sausage Rolls and Party Pies Available for sale for your enjoyment during the parade.

Happy Easter from the Canteen.





