



Term 2 Week 7 Wednesday 8th June 2016

Mr. Osland's Messages

Hello parents, students and friends of Gwandalan Public School to Week 7. Once again I have been most impressed by students of our wonderful school. I have seen the amazing job of Kindergartens to lead an assembly, the confidence of our leaders to present their ideas about our school or the great support we get through our sporting teams, book fairs and school fundraisers (Star Struck).

We continue to achieve great things at our school and with further partnerships with our community we can only continue to move forward. Thank-you everyone for your continued efforts, it is greatly appreciated.

EXCURSIONS

We do realise the nature of education can involve learning through a number of experiences and excursions continue to be a major component of personal and educational growth for students.

This year will see our Stage 3 (Years 5&6) go to Canberra and Stage 2 (Years 3&4) go to the Blue Mountains for their major excursions. These are both targeted to get the most out of our experiences and to maximise the learning opportunities for our students. We do realise the challenges and cost of living in our daily lives, always trying to minimise expenses for school. We ask if anyone has a concern regarding major excursions to please contact the school. We are always willing to discuss any situation that may arise.

Our Stage 1 (Years 1&2) and Early Stage 1 (Kindergarten) will be going on day trips where hands on learning activities are the key focus.

All our excursions must meet our guidelines on student safety, risk management, staff to student ratios and enrichment activities for students. Our teachers always put our students first in any activity to ensure that everyone can reach their potential.

Any questions about our upcoming excursions please contact your child's teacher for additional information.

BOOK FAIR

WOW—what can I say. The overall positive feedback we have received from students and parents has been extremely positive. A special thank you to everyone who supported our book-fair with the school receiving over \$1000 for additional resources for schools literacy initiatives. A huge THANK-YOU to Mrs Leyshon for all her efforts, it is greatly appreciated.

PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning)

We continue to move forward with our PBL initiatives across our school. We would like to present to our community the future directions for our school's wellbeing.

At Gwandalan PS we are:

Safe (We are & feel safe and we care for others)

Teamwork (We work together as a team)

Aim-High (We Try our Best)

Respect (We respect ourselves, others and the environment around us)

So that we can SUCCEED

This way we can all be Gwandalan STARS

We will look forward to launching this across our school. We are continuing to move away from school rules to this more positive framework. These are life skills that we all can use in our lives. This will be introduced across our school during Term 3. Special thank-you for all the efforts of our PBL team who are working tirelessly to further support our school vision.

Any questions regarding PBL across our school please do not hesitate and ask.

Newsletter Quote :

Somewhere inside all of us is the power to change the world - Roald Dahl

FROM THE OFFICE

MONEY COLLECTING

2016

As a result of a new financial system being implemented by the Department, we will now collect all monies at the Administration Office.

The procedures will be as follows:

All money sent to the school is to be brought to the Administration Office and placed into the letterbox slot, that is on the front wall near the counter. This will allow payments to be placed securely, even when the office is not open. Please do not leave money on the counter.

We ask that the envelope be marked with your child's name, class, and what the payment is for to allow the payment to be processed.

The office staff will administer all money, and a receipt will be issued to the family, which will go to the student's class teacher to send home.

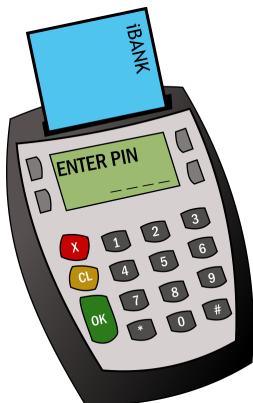
These changes will ensure better handling of all monies, and reduce disruption to teachers and students.

The school also has EFTPOS for those families who choose to use this facility.

A reminder that the preferred method of all monies coming into the school, is the Payment On Line facility through the school's website. This procedure allows payments to be made 24 hours a day and provides an immediate receipt to your email.

At the bottom of every note that requires payment there will be a section for cash, cheque, credit cards and Payment On Line, for your convenience.

Any concerns please don't hesitate to contact the Administration Office.



Infants Assembly Awards—Term 2 Week 5		
Class	Name	Reason
KA	Nathan Jackson	Helping others in the classroom
KA	Dennis Veitch	Excellent effort in Reading
KA	George Jurd-Weir	Working hard in Maths Groups
KA	Georgia Marsh	Excellent work making patterns
KS	Harmony Baxter	Excellent sentence writing
KS	Emily Faulkner	Working hard in Literacy groups to improve her reading
KS	Connor Bennett	Fantastic counting on in Addition
KS	Andrew Spithill	Excellent backwards and forwards counting skills
KW	Nate Metcalf	Doing a great job hearing and recording sounds in words.
KW	Keira Addy	Demonstrating excellent colouring, cutting and pasting skills in Craft
KW	Aaliyah McCormack	A kind and caring friend to her classmates.
KW	Deklan Middleton	Always sharing interesting information during class discussions.
K/1D	Sierra Rampone	Trying hard to leave spaces in writing
K/1D	Oliver Stott	Working hard to learn sightwords
K/1D	Noah Jarman	Helping other students to open Apps on iPads
K/1D	Thomas McInnes	Trying hard to write letters of a consistent size
1J	Bryson Clarke	Proof reading and editing his writing
1J	Liam Knight	Improvement in writing
1J	Tyrone Bennett	Completing all homework tasks this year
1J	Amber Wu	Fantastic Built Environments art work
1I	Jonti Adamson	Fluent and expressive reading
1I	Tiana Eastough	Producing a fabulous artwork
1I	Lucas Hislop	Improved concentration and application
1I	Taylah Jamieson	Using effective counting strategies during TEN lessons
2W	Kira Whitney	Fantastic comprehension skills
2W	Sonny Bruen	Participation in PE
2W	Cameron Lobb	Excellent 'Possum Magic' art work
2W	Bella Dundas	Excellent Aboriginal art workcs
2A	John McHale	Improved writing in his recount
2A	Prysais Ciel	Fantastic Boab Tree Artwork
2A	Sam McCormack	Great Effort in throwing a Frisbee
2A	Erin Beeby	Excellent writing in her recount

Getting Along	Jack Moyle
Confidence	Koopah Cunningham
Persistence	Sienna Fowles
Resilience	Jarred Waibel
Organisation	Hendrix McGrath-Green



Infants Assembly Awards—Term 2 Week 7		
Class		
KA	Addison Burr	Great effort keeping her desk tidy and bookwork neat
KA	Billy Lambert	Being a good helper in the classroom
KA	Carter Considine	Excellent work completing his worksheet on the letter C
KA	Lyla Morrison	Excellent work completing activities in her number book
KS	Evie-Lee Adams	Excellent story writing.
KS	Blair Wright	A great 'Sunset' painting
KS	Kaiden Smith	Improvement in Handwriting
KS	Willow McGrath-Green	Always being a quiet and sensible worker.
KW	Chace Myers	Confident and fluent reading in Literacy Groups
KW	Skye Smidt	Becoming confident to attempt writing tasks independently
KW	Hunter Muxlow	Being a respectful listener when others are speaking
KW	Lilly Wells	An enthusiastic participant in class discussions
K/1D	Gemma Higgins	Using 'and' to join ideas in sentences
K/1D	Dennis Thompson	A mature approach to set tasks
K/1D	Oliver Stott	Using a planning template to write a detailed information report about the life cycle of a butterfly
K/1D	Mia Harris	Demonstrating initiative and leadership to support and encourage others
1J	Boyd Wilks	Using beautiful manners
1J	Annabella Kenny	Being a kind and friendly classmate
1J	Nash Fitzsimmons	Improvement in writing
1J	Charlie Ryan	Using effective counting strategies during 'Ten time'
1I	Shaylee Bateman	Improvement in reading
1I	Joel Ware	Being an enthusiastic participant in class discussions
1I	Max Davy	Beginning to use his knowledge of 'doubles' to solve addition questions
1I	Isabella Turner	Always being willing to help others
2W	Paige McBride	Trying hard in group work
2W	Aidan Fry	Improvement in reading
2W	Hendrix McGrath Green	Trying hard to complete homework
2W	Chloe King	Awesome illustrations
2A	Allegra Adamson	Outstanding effort in Key Learning Areas
2A	Nevaia Markham	Outstanding effort in Key Learning Areas
2A	Cooper Myers	Improved effort in Mathematics
2A	Seriah Zreika	Always being kind to others

Getting Along	Charlie Ryan
Confidence	Blaze McCrory
Persistence	Taylah Cooper
Resilience	Alysha MacGregor
Organisation	Chelsea Cooper





Primary Assembly Awards 2016 Term Week 6

Class	Name	Reason
3/4E	Keili Kirchner	A warm welcome to Gwandalan Public School
3/4E	Oliver Yule	Outstanding effort when working with time in mathematics
3/4E	Baylan Murphy	An improved attitude towards all learning
3/4E	Lilly Howard	Always displaying a positive approach to learning
3/4S	Curtis Beveridge	Outstanding improvement in Benchmark reading with Mrs Clua
3/4S	Savannah O'Brien	Persistent in MiniLit activities
3/4S	Finn Jenkins	Outstanding public speaking presentation
3/4S	Kyse Siebenlist-Conroy	Trying hard in Maths tasks
5/6S	Fletcher Payne	Using his time effectively in class
5/6S	Sophie McAlister	Greater confidence in public speaking
5/6S	Beth Meehan	Kind and considerate at all times
5/6T	Bailey Whitney	Displaying an "I can do it" attitude
5/6T	Connor Tandberg	Working consistently well in Mathematics
5/6T	Jocelyn Higgins	Excellent Descriptive writing
5/6T	Georgia Lobb	Excellent Descriptive writing
5/6W	Kyah Van Den Berg	Being respectful to teachers and classmates
5/6W	Otis Millard Jorda	Showing good sportsmanship
5/6W	Amelia MacAlpine	Working hard to improve her maths skills
5/6W	Janayah Coutts	Keeping all her books neat and tidy.



Interest Groups—Term 2








KA's Amazing Artwork!





IJ have been learning about 'Data'. We have been investigating all sorts of interesting things within our class. We collected data about our favourite fruits and animals. We asked each other questions and recorded the information in a table using tally marks. After we finished collecting the data, we added up the total of the tally marks and created a picture graph to display our results.



Fruit	Tally Marks	Total
	I	1
		5
	I	1
		4
		3

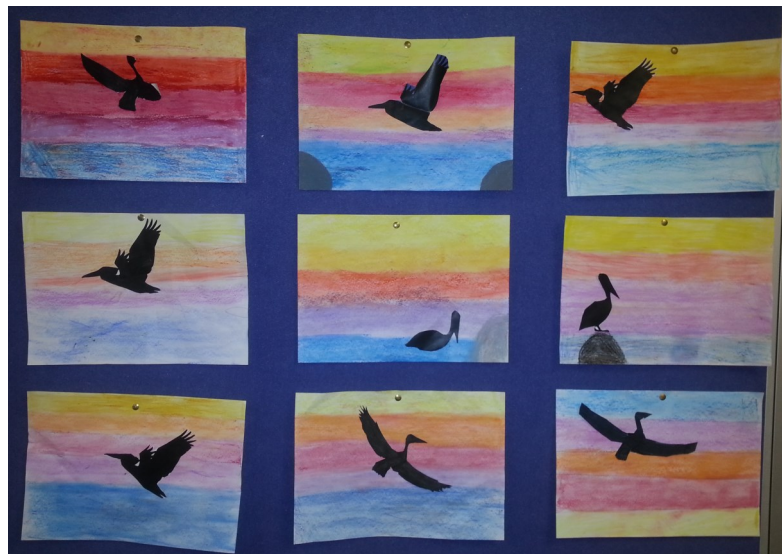


3 / 4E

Storm Boy Sunsets

3/4 E have been studying the book 'Storm Boy'. We have created an artwork to go along with this theme. The students used oil pastels that they have blended together to create a sunset. They also added their chosen pelican silhouette as one of the main characters from the book is a pelican named Mr Percival.

Well done on your beautiful artworks 3/4 E!



5 / 6 S

5/6S have been doing a Geography Unit on Antarctica and they have worked hard designing travel brochures.

The Penguins Will Keep You Company For Hours Non Stop!

The most popular tourist attraction in Antarctica, hands down. There aren't too many places in the world where you can be at arm's length away from thousands of penguins. You can walk among the massive colonies and even see penguin chicks during the right



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CREDITS

<https://www.Wanderingtrader.com>

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WELCOME TO ANTARCTICA

What to take

- A heavy winter coat
- Snow pants
- Water proof winter boots
- Wrap around sunglasses
- Head/ear/face protection
- Gloves
- Flexible, comfortable pair of clothes
- Two pairs of socks
- Sunscreen/sotion
- Very basic toiletries
- Camera
- Pillow and blanket
- Your passport

Best time of year to visit

The best time of year to visit Antarctica is December to early February. December and January are the months with the most sunlight (up to 20 hours a day). And daily temperatures are at their warmest.

Do's and don'ts


Antarctica is unique as it is an isolated land mass with no permanent human settlements. Surrounded by a wide, cold and stormy ocean. There are a few people who can perceive the benefits of Antarctica who also have clear opinions based on personal experience of continent. Don't leave any trace of your stay.

Attractions to see

The most popular tourist attraction hands down. There aren't too many places in the world where you can walk among the massive colonies and even see penguin chicks during the right time of year.

Extra Facts

Did you know that it is literally too cold to get changed into new clothes?



Ports of embarkation/routes

Antarctica is not an easy place to get to but increasing numbers of people visit Antarctica every year. Almost all go as part of organised expeditionary cruise.

Attraction To See

- Admire the hardy wildlife
- Climb the observation hill
- Ride in a helicopter for birds eye view
- Kayak around icebergs
- Kick back on a Antarctic cruise
- Run in the Antarctic marathon
- Send a postcard from port Lockroy
- View the night sky in all its glory




What to take

- Pillow
- Heavy snow pants
- Water proof boots
- Wrap around sunglasses
- Masks & pens
- Head, ear, face protection
- Face mask
- Knife & gloves
- A flexible & comfortable pair of pants
- Two pairs of socks
- Camera & 3-10 rolls of film
- Very basic toiletries
- Sunscreen, lotion, lip balm
- 2 prong adaptor
- Extra batteries



COME TO ANTARCTICA





Ports of Embarkation/routes

By far the most common way to travel to Antarctica is by a special cruise ship. These trips are very typically between 10 days & 3 weeks long. You can take various to the peninsula.


Depending on where you depart from. The advantages of these cruises are that everything is provided on the ship, and you can see Antarctica and it's wild life for an extended period of time.

There is a variety of ship sizes that you can travel on ranging from 45 passengers.



Do's and don'ts

Antarctica is simply a cold distant uninviting and dangerous place with little to offer the world so why protect Antarctica



Wild life

- Gentoo penguin
- Southern fur seal
- Cape pigeon
- Blue eyed shag
- Antarctic skua
- Kill

Credits

- World travel guide.com
- Cool Antarctica.com
- Astronomical tours.net
- Audley travel.com
- Wikihow.com

Wild life

- Emperor penguins
- Snow pelf
- Whales
- Orcas
- King penguins
- Weddell penguins
- Wandering albatross
- Southern elephant seal
- Adelle penguins
- Chin strap penguins
- Crab eater seals
- Leopard seals
- Great Petrel

Central Coast GATS Camp

Congratulations to the following students who were successful in being offered a place at the Central Coast Gifted and Talented Camp this year. The camp is to be held in the last week of Term 3 at Point Wolstoncroft Sport and Recreation Centre.

We had several students from Year 6 indicate that they would like to be a part of this camp and we thank them for their nominations, however there were only six students offered a place in the first round offers. These students are:-

Emma Dyer - English

Bailey Moore - Drama

Otis Millard-Jorda - Sports Science

Carter Van Eden - Science

Sean Gibson - Maths

Breanne Hickson - Visual Arts

Well done on your efforts and we look forward to hearing about your experiences.

S.Tangye





Multicultural Public Speaking News!

This week Stage 2 and 3 held their stage Multicultural Public Speaking finals. The standard of all finalists was particularly high and all students who made it to these finals should be very proud of their efforts.

The Stage 2 winners were Finn Jenkins and Brodie Miunsie.

The Stage 3 winners were Hayleigh-Shae Hughes and Amiah Thompson.

These students will be representing Gwandalan Public School at the Zone final to be held on Monday 20th June at Kanwal Public School. Congratulations to not only these students but to all who participated in the finals.

S.Tangye



Debating

This week we had our first debate against Lake Munmorah Public School. The team performed well, but unfortunately we lost. Our next debate will be against Budgewoi Public School here at Gwandalan. The students who participated included- Cameron Thurston, Emma Dyer, Ella Munsie and Samarra McHale.

Well done on your effort and commitment to debating.

S.Tangye



End of Term Disco

Theme: Pyjama Party

Wednesday 29th June



Yrs K—2 5:00pm—6:15pm

Cost: \$5.00

Yrs 3-6 5:00pm—6:15pm



PSSA Girls Soccer

Friday 27th May saw the local derby for the girls against Lake Munmorah. In a hard fought game the team won on the day 1 nil. The girls played with a lot of spirit and excitement. They kept their positions well and backed each other up. Ava and Olivia were strong in goals to not allow the ball in. Ella's strength and organisation in the back line kept all players on their toes. Throughout the game the girls never gave up and passed the ball well. There was a lot of positive talk on the field directing each other. Thank you to the supportive crowd on the day.



PSSA Boys Soccer

Last Friday our boys team walked to Tunkawallin Oval to play Tacoma in round 2. They were a very strong opposition with some great ball skills. However, we matched them at every opportunity. Gwandalan played with a lot of skill, great passing and even better talk on the field. Our backline was solid in defence. Thanks to Otis and Alex for sharing the goal keeping duties. With the final score being 3-3 at fulltime. Extra time was needed to complete the match. Early in extra time Carter scored another impressive goal, his third for the match. Jeffrey was our other goal scorer. As the match progressed in extra time the boys showed their skills in defence to keep the ball out. Well done on your efforts, a match you should be very proud of .



LEEK



In Season	All year round in the Australian Climate, preferring the cooler months.
What to Look For	Medium to small leeks, with firm, clean white stems and fresh green tops.
Nutrition	Excellent for vitamin K, good source of manganese, vitamin B6, copper, iron, folate, vitamin C and many more benefits.
Cooking	Leeks can be substituted for onion in a variety of dishes for a milder flavour. Steam, boil or stir-fry. Leeks are great for soups and quiches. Cut leeks in half lengthways clean well as dirt gets caught in the layers.
Storage	Airtight plastic bag in the refrigerator crisper
For more Information	http://www.freshforkids.com.au/veg_pages/leek/leek.html

LEEK & BACON PIE

- 2 leeks, cleaned and thinly sliced
- 1 large carrot, grated
- 1 large zucchini, grated
- 8 bacon rashers, trimmed & diced
- 1 cup of grated cheese, optional
- 1 tbsp butter, can substitute with any preferred oil



Pre heat oven to 160 degrees.

Melt butter in frypan on a medium heat add leeks and soften. Add carrot & zucchini cook for a further 5 minutes. Add bacon cook till bacon starts to brown.

Remove from heat mix in optional grated cheese and place evenly into an oven proof dish Pour over lightly beaten eggs.

Bake in oven uncovered till eggs cooked through.

CANTEEN NEWS

Meal Deal

Our next Meal Deal will be on Thursday 16th June.
The canteen will be closed on this day for normal lunch orders, if that causes any real problems for you contact the canteen asap.
Please note the cut off day is Tuesday 14th June, so we can process the many orders and manage preparations.
Looking forward to feeding all the hungry hippos.

Volunteers

Congratulations to two of our awesome volunteers on finding employment, we wish you all the best on your new adventures. You will both be missed.
I would again like to take this opportunity to thank all our beautiful parents and grandparents helping, your assistance and ideas are a vital part of our canteen success.
If anyone would like to offer a few hours help a month just pop into the canteen or leave your contact details at the office. The children love to see there loved ones being a part of their school.

Lunch Orders

Limited hot food is available at lunch times over the counter. If you would like to order from the Sandwich /Salad Bar or Hot Food Favourites please place a lunch order. This can be done at recess.

Lunch order bags

Strong large lunch bags can be purchased from the canteen for 10c each or a bundle of 25 for \$2
Bags should be clearly labelled with your child's name & class.
To help with processing the orders please use the correct change where possible, and avoid sticky tape and staples.

This weeks belly warmers are

Cheesy popcorn & salsa \$1
Broccoli & Leek Soup \$1.50 (please order)
Egg and bacon tarts for \$1

Woolworths

A special thanks to Woolworths Lake Munmorah for providing us with a fruit and veg box each week. Many of the children love to come and enjoy a free snack of fresh cut raw veggies at lunch and Free Fruit Fridays are becoming very popular.
Our school **gardening group** also provide us with fresh harvested goods.
So fresh & yummy.

Menus

New Menus are available at the school office, canteen or via the app.

Again, thank you for supporting your canteen.
Much love and happy taste buds to you all.
Jane

Gwandalan P&C

Is desperately calling for volunteers to assist with future fundraising projects.

It would be wonderful to see familiar and new faces volunteering with the Gwandalan Public School P&C in 2016.

It is hoped that 2016 will see many new faces join our fundraising team. P&C events are very important to our students and the school community. Without volunteers we cannot fund-raise.

The current Fundraising Co-ordinator Mrs Nicky Davis, has been attending to P&C fundraising events for a number of years now and feels that it is time to hand over Fundraising to a new group of volunteers.

In order to share the fundraising load it has been discussed at recent P&C meetings that rather than one person co-ordinating all events it may prove beneficial to the school community to have a number of organisers each of whom has a specific event to Co-ordinate.

We currently require fundraising volunteers for these events:

Father's Day Stall

P&C Trivia Night

Annual Gwandalan Public School Fete and Car Show

Nicky will be on hand to guide, advise and assist with any queries or concerns in regards to fundraising. If you would like to discuss the possibility of making a contribution to the P&C efforts as a volunteer or event Co-coordinator, please contact:

Mrs Nicky Davis, Fundraising Co Coordinator on 0409 469252 or Mrs Peita Vine, President Gwandalan P&C. on 0450 906669.

Alternatively you can contact the school office on 4976 1318 for further information.

Remember, one of the greatest gifts you can give s your time. What will your kids learn by seeing you volunteer?

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DATES TO REMEMBER



JUNE

Thursday 9th June	Under 10 Boys Rugby League Gala Day—POSTPONED DUE TO GROUND CLOSURE
Monday 13th June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Wednesday 15th June	Star Struck 2nd Major Rehearsal 7:45am-5:30pm
Thursday 16th June	Star Struck Technical Dress Rehearsal 8:00am—5:30pm
Friday 17th June	Star Struck Performance 1 - 8:30am—7:00pm Show times 10:30am and 7:00pm <u>Stage 1 Excursion—Wetlands</u>
Saturday 18th June	Star Struck Performance 2 - 12:30pm—10:00pm Show times 2:00pm and 7:00pm
Monday 20th June	Public Speaking Zone—Final Infants Assembly 2.15pm
Wednesday 22nd June	<u>Kindergarten Excursion—Blackbutt Reserve</u>
Friday 24th June	Sydney North Cross Country
Wednesday 29th June	Presentation Day Disco—Pyjama Party –Cost \$5.00 Yr K-2 5:00-6:15pm Yr 3-6 6:30pm-8:00pm Reports to go Home
Thursday 30th June	NAIDOC Day Celebrations
Friday 1st July	Last Day of Term