



Term 1 Week 6 Wednesday 1st March 2017

Mr. Osland's Messages

Welcome parents and friends of Gwandalan PS to another addition of our school newsletter. We continue to be impressed with how students are settling into their day to day activities. Many thanks to parents and carers who assist our students get ready each day-full of energy.

SCHOOL WELLBEING

Our school prides itself on providing a supportive learning environment for ALL stakeholders (students & parents)

If this is not occurring for your child we would like know about it. Have you had a conversation with your child's teacher or **COME IN** to see what we are doing to support learning? Our office doors are always open— we may not always agree but we will always do our BEST to create confident, productive and well supported learners— ready to achieve their goals. We actively promote constructive FEEDBACK and personal reflection.

Whole School Expectations linked to PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning)

At Gwandalan PS we embed the values of High Expectations across our school to students, parents & staff and we promote that we are all **STARS**.

We display **Safety**, we encourage **Teamwork**, we **Aim-High & Try our Best to Show Respect** (to ourselves, the environment and to each other) so that we can **SUCCEED**.

We hope to co-create an environment where our students:

- develop a love of learning and take pride in their work
- pursue excellence and high standards
- develop care and respect for themselves and others
- exhibit a strong sense of fairness and social justice
- have respect for and understanding of Australia's history and actively participate as positive citizens.

ALL students are expected to:

- Attend school every day, unless they are legally excused
- Be in class on time and be prepared to learn
- **Wear our school uniform (including black shoes)**
- **Behave safely, considerately and responsibly including when travelling to and from school**
- Follow class & school expectations, be a S.T.A.R.
- **Treat all members of the school community with dignity and respect**
- **Care for property belonging to themselves, the school and others.**

Any behaviour that infringes on other people's safety such as harassment, bullying or any illegal behaviour will not be tolerated at our school.

Any questions related to these expectations please come in and see us.

CLASSROOM / SCHOOL HELPERS

We do realise the busy world we live in, however if you have any time and wish to support our classrooms we would be greatly appreciative. Our classes generally have Literacy in the mornings between **9.00-11.00am** and Numeracy after recess between **11.30 and 1.20pm**.

If you have any time within these time slots we would love for you to come in. ANY SUPPORT or SKILLS to develop our students would be greatly appreciated. **PLEASE contact the school if you are interested in mentoring our students or to help out.**

SCHOOL ROAD SAFETY and PARKING

We like to remind **EVERYONE to please be careful** around our busy roads. LOOK BOTH WAYS when crossing and please take care. **We again ask that parents talk to their children about ROAD SAFETY and RESPECTFULLY PARK in the correct AREAS** to ensure we are looking after everyone in our community.

Newsletter Quote :

Learn everything you CAN –anytime you CAN—from anyone you CAN—there will always come a time when you will be grateful YOU DID. Sarah Caldwell

Infants Assembly Awards 2017 Term 1 Week 5

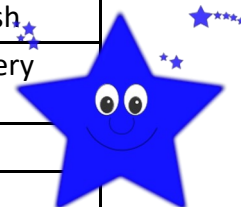
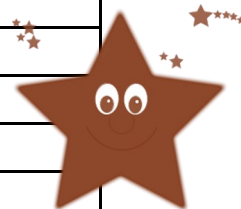
Class	Name	Reason for Award
K/1P	Alysha M	For trying hard to be safe around the classroom & school
K/1P	Mitchell C	For creative and insightful input during class discussions
K/1P	Felicity M	For effort in the presentation of her bookwork
K/1P	Tye G	Following school expectations particularly with sun safety
1J	Dennis V	Trying hard during 'Focus on Reading' lessons
1J	Izabella S	Fantastic effort during 'TEN' math lessons
1J	Lilly-June B	For being a good sport during fitness lessons
1J	Billy L	Being a great friend
1I	Jayden A	Improvement in listening
1I	Lily A	Always being organised and ready to learn
1I	Nate G	An excellent summary of 'Pig the Winner'
1I	Gemma H	Creating interesting, descriptive sentences
1/2P	Lara F	For an excellent story about a ginger bread man
1/2P	Noah J	For trying your best during literacy lessons
1/2P	Lyla M	Great book work
1/2P	Nathan J	Great book work
2T	Bryson C	Great comprehension and reading skills
2T	Tyson M	Being a fantastic line leader
2T	Charli Y	Kind and respectful at all times
2T	Skye S	Displaying excellent team work
2/3W	Erica S	Being a kind classroom member
2/3W	Charlie R	Always producing neat written work
2/3W	Nash W	Following instructions and always producing his best work
2/3W	Garbriela H	Working hard in reading groups

YOU CAN DO IT AWARDS

Getting Along	Tiana E
Confidence	Amber W
Persistence	Harmony B
Resilience	Max D
Organisation	Keira A

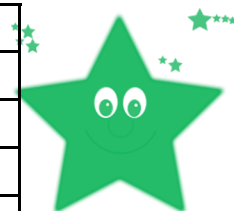
Primary Assembly Awards 2017 Term 1 Week 4

Class	Name	Reason for Award
2/3W	Karly R	Being an excellent classroom helper
2/3W	Cooper M	Being an independent worker
3/4E	Willy L	Producing high quality book work
3/4E	Heidi S	Aiming high in every task
3/4S	Beau W	Being a super classroom helper
3/4S	Haylee G	Being a persistent worker
3/4S	Lyndsie H	Being helpful and organised
3/4S	Beau W	Trying hard in all areas
4/5A	Danielle K	Excellent presentation of book work
4/5A	Thierry H	Starting the year with renewed committment
4/5A	Tori A	Always completing work to a high standard
4/5A	Zachriah W	Always doing his best
5/6W	Bailey W	Excellent work in Maths
5/6W	Molly P	Excellent work in Maths
5/6W	Mason B	Completing all of his work in Maths and English
5/6W	Jayden M	Always working hard and trying his best in every subject.
5/6V	Sophie S	A fantastic approach to all work
5/6V	Kodey BG	A great attitude and improved behaviour
5/6V	Mia Rose DB	A wonderful attitude and doing her best
5/6V	Jorja K	An outstanding start to 2017
5/6R	Jackson C	An excellent start to Year 6
5/6R	Zach W	An excellent self portrait
5/6R	Alicia C	Excellent note taking skills
5/6R	Georgia L	Outstanding book work



YOU CAN DO IT AWARDS

Getting Along	Alicia C
Confidence	Blake S
Persistence	Ashton M
Resilience	Krystal P
Organisation	





Gwandalan Public School is now an Early Action for Success School 2017!

What does this mean?

Early Action for Success aims to improve student's literacy and numeracy skills through a targeted approach in the early years of schooling.

EAFs is part of the department's implementation of the NSW Literacy and Numeracy Strategy 2017-2020. *EAFs* aims to improve students' performance through targeted support for primary schools in the lowest quartile of NAPLAN performance in literacy and numeracy. *EAFs* maintains and extends the focus on instructional leadership to develop the literacy and numeracy skills of at risk Kindergarten to Year 2 students.

EAFs Phase 2 strengthens the focus on:

- Early identification of level of attainment in literacy and numeracy of each individual child in K-2
- Differentiating teaching practice that focuses on the needs of the individual student
- Using targeted interventions in literacy and or numeracy according to need
- Ongoing monitoring of student progress against the Literacy and Numeracy continuums/Learning progressions.

What does EAFs in your child's classroom

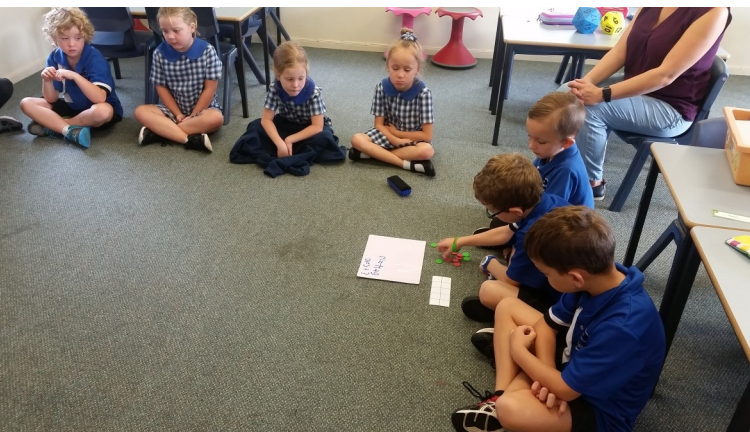
In your child's classroom this means that there will not just be the classroom teacher working with your child but other teachers who will work with students to design interventions to help all students achieve desired stage outcomes. All students in K-2 will be supported in the areas of Reading, Writing, Comprehension and Numeracy to reach the benchmarks for students in each year of learning from K-2. Learning is personalised to every child's specific needs in Literacy and Numeracy and linked to a three tier intervention. Most students are found in Tier 1, however some students require a more intensive program and this is where EAFs comes in, to work with those students in Tier 2 and 3 in small group and individual situations in their classes. We already have two teachers who are providing this intervention Mrs Soult and Mrs Couper.

What else is involved?

The program aims to provide professional training for classroom teachers K-2 in targeted pedagogies and programs such as TEN– Targeted Early Numeracy and L3. This particular program, L3 is already being used by our Kindergarten teachers. We will use these programs to provide quality interventions across Literacy and Numeracy. Mrs Ireland will be very involved delivering, leading and mentoring teachers in TEN and other numeracy strategies as well as monitoring data in numeracy K-2.

My involvement is leading teachers in targeted professional development K-6, interventions in literacy and monitoring of school data across literacy.

Sue Tangye (LAST/EAFs)



Positive Behaviour for Learning at Gwandalan Public School

At Gwandalan Public School we:

Display **Safety** (We are & feel safe and we care for others)

Encourage **Teamwork** (We work together as a team)

Aim High (We Try our Best)

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

So that we can **SUCCEED**

This way we can all be Gwandalan STARS

This year we continue to develop our **Positive Behaviour for Learning** strategies across all areas of the school. As part of this we have built upon our award and reward systems in the playground and in the classroom. As a result Gwandalan Public School students have displayed a positive start to 2017!

In the Playground PBL awards look like:

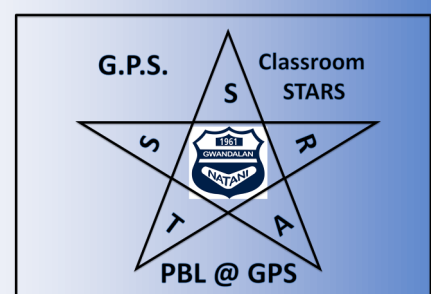
Playground STAR tickets being given out by teachers on duty to recognise the star behaviour qualities of individual students in line with our behaviour expectations. Students then put these into a raffle barrel and two students are drawn out at the recess assembly to receive a canteen voucher.



In the Classroom

These awards are given by the class teacher/s on a regular basis in the classroom recognising positive behaviour reflective of our school expectations.

In each classroom there will be a small pocket where they collect their class STARS.



These awards will be collected in sets of ten by the students and exchanged for a STAR ticket.



School Focus of Behaviour



In each class the reward system is different. An example is below:-

5 STAR tickets = CLASS award- negotiated with students e.g. 10minutes freetime, Prize draw. Students may choose to exchange their tickets for this but may also choose to save them for further prizes. Sticker for Gwandalan STAR chart.

10 STAR tickets= Freetime- 20minutes, Shoes off etc. Sticker for Gwandalan STAR chart

15 STAR tickets= Freetime, Ipad time- Sticker for Gwandalan STAR chart.

20 STAR tickets= Lunch- Sticker for Gwandalan STAR chart.

Class/School focus behaviour awards recognise students each day for a targeted/focused behaviour. Each class award is a different colour and are given at the end of each day. When the child receives this award a star sticker is stuck on their Gwandalan STAR chart.

Class awards colours include:

Safety-orange

Teamwork-green

Aim High-purple

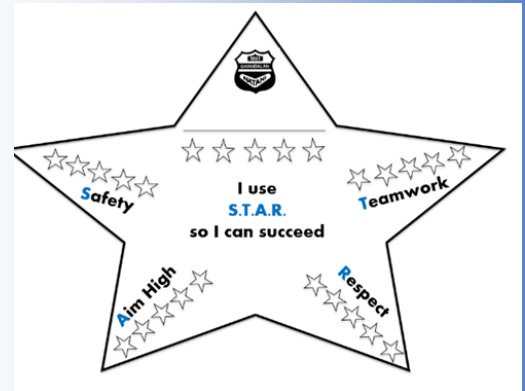
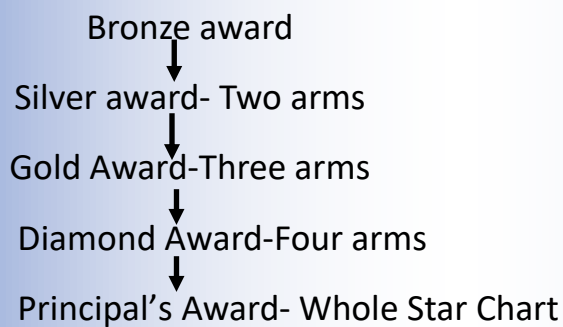
Respect-yellow

TEAMWORK

- ☐ Helping those around you
- ☐ Including others in games
- ☐ Taking turns
- ☐ Cooperating across the school
- ☐ Celebrating our schools achievements

Awarded to _____

When 'an arm' is completed there is a -



If a student completes the whole star chart they will be eligible for a STAR badge and a Principal's Award Certificate. The student will then start a new star chart.

What is Positive Behaviour for Learning?

Positive Behaviour for Learning, known as PBL, is an evidence-based whole school systems approach that:

- addresses the diverse academic and social needs of every student to support them to be successful
- supports students in early childhood settings through to senior years of schooling
- enables schools to establish a continuum of supports that are intensified to meet the needs of every student
- is team driven, using a problem solving approach (data, systems and practices) that engages students, parents and all school staff
- establishes positive social expectations for all in the school community
- provides a framework for the school and its community to collectively support the wellbeing of every student.

If you would like to know anything else about the PBL system approach we are using at Gwandalan Public School please have a look at the website below:

<http://www.pbl.schools.nsw.edu.au>



say cheese

School Photo Day is

20 March 2017

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)

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Watermelon Slushies

50c a cup



Our wonderful canteen ladies are beating the summer heat making Watermelon slushies and selling them for 50c a cup. These will continue to be for sale every Friday in Term 1.

FROM THE OFFICE

MONEY COLLECTING

2017

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.



Stage 2 Surf Awareness

On Wednesday 15th February 58 students from Stage 2 participated in a Surf Awareness day at Toowoomb Bay. Luckily, the weather was not too hot for a day at the beach. The students were proud to represent Gwandalan Public school with their behaviour, positive attitude and listening skills. They worked with a small group of instructors throughout the day to learn about rips, ride the nipper boards, rescue each other with tubes and beach games. The instructors were impressed with our students and praised them constantly. It was a fantastic opportunity for our students who live in such close proximity to the beach and the lake. More photos are available on the website.



Friday Sport

Friday sport is underway for the term. Please remember **ALL** students participating in sport must bring a school hat, sunscreen and wear appropriate shoes for walking and playing.

Individual sports need different equipment.

Kayaking—students must wear hat, swimwear, shorts, shirt, towel, sunscreen and covered water shoes.

Swimming— swimwear, towel, goggles, dry clothes.

Sailing—water shoes, swimwear, towel, shorts and shirt to wear on the boat.

Fishing—fishing rod (some are supplied)

Tennis—tennis raquet (some are supplied)



Uniform Shop

Our uniform shop is open and operating out of the official room!

The room is located next to the staffroom, opposite 2W's classroom.

This shop is run by the P&C Committee who volunteer their time to operate the shop.

Term 1 operating hours are:

MONDAY 8:30 AM- 9:30 AM

WEDNESDAY 2:30PM-3:30PM

FRIDAY 8:30AM- 9:30AM

For sales outside these times please complete an order form and give to the office staff. Your purchase will be available for pickup from our shop next opened day.

Can you spare an hour a month? Volunteers are an essential part of keeping the shop opened.

Please return the slip below to the office staff with your availabilities or drop in and see us.

MARCH UNIFORM ROSTER

MONDAY 6/3/17	Peita
WEDNESDAY 8/3/17	Peita
FRIDAY 10/3/17	HELP NEEDED
MONDAY 13/3/17	Ashlee
WEDNESDAY 15/3/17	Peita
FRIDAY 17/3/17	Nicky
MONDAY 20/3/17	Ashlee
WEDNESDAY 22/3/17	Nicky
FRIDAY 24/3/17	HELP NEEDED
MONDAY 27/3/17	Jane
WEDNESDAY 29/3/17	Peita
FRIDAY 31/3/17	Nicky

VOLUNTEERS NAME: _____ PHONE NUMBER: _____

DAY AVAILABLE: (PLEASE CIRCLE) MONDAY WEDNESDAY FRIDAY

Clean Up Australia Day

On Friday 3rd March our school will be participating in Clean Up Australia Day. This is an annual event which allows us to clean up, fix up and conserve our Australian environment. Classes will be allocated an area of the school to collect litter from with their class teacher. Please provide your child on this day with some disposable gloves to help clean our school. Thank you for your support of this important event.



P & C AGM

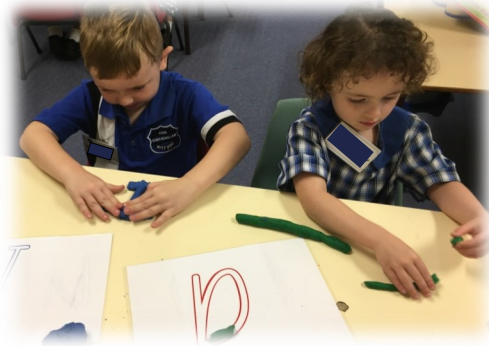
The P&C Annual General Meeting will be held Tuesday afternoon, 7th March. This is your opportunity to come along and get involved with your school community.

Date: Tuesday, 7th March 2017

Time: 3.15pm

Place: Community Room

All positions will be declared vacant. You can vote in your new team for 2017. We look forward to seeing old and new faces.

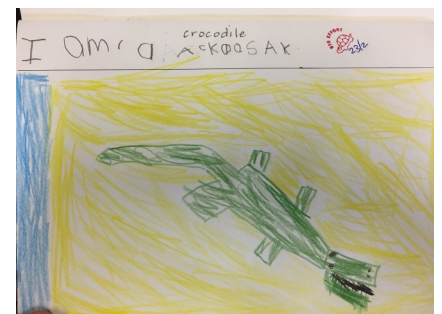
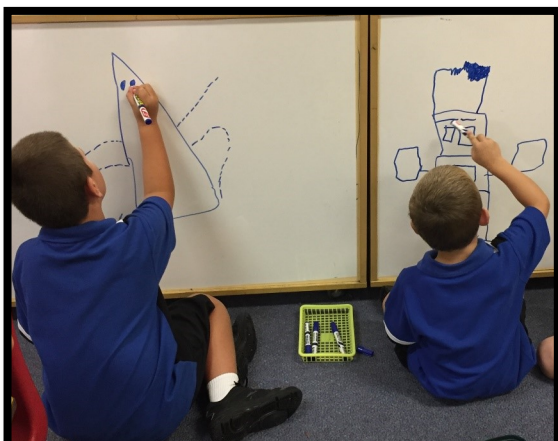


We are
K & **S**
Kind & Sensible

A great start to our "BIG" school adventure!



We have been learning
about all the new activities
we can do in
Kindergarten.



5/6 W Daily News

Daily

Monday, 27 Feb 2017

The Gwandalan Star

We are S.T.A.R.S



Surf Awareness Day 🏄🏻‍♀️🏄🏻‍♂️

In 5/6W, we focus on creativity,
critical thinking, communication and
collaboration ✓



We enjoy V.I.P. guests- Mark O'Meley 📺🐼



We have fun! 🎉



We set daily S.M.A.R.T Goals 🎯

We work hard 💪



And... We strive to be our BEST ⭐⭐⭐



Gwandalan Outside School Hours Care Centre INC

ABN 502 40546278

Gwandalan OOSH

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Enrolment is FREE.

Our Centre provides Before School, After School & Vacation Care for school aged children for working, studying and non-working families.

OPERATING HOURS

Before School 7-9am

After School 3-6pm

Vacation Care 7am—6pm

Easy steps to Enrol

Visit or call our centre to receive an enrolment pack and family hand book

Return completed enrolment form

CCB% (child care Benefit) can reduce your fees

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday Mar 2nd	Kindergarten Photos (snapshot of their start at school)
Thursday Mar 2nd	Primary Assembly
Friday Mar 3rd	Clean Up Australia Day
Monday Mar 6th	Infants Assembly
Tuesday Mar 7th	CAPA Groups
Tuesday Mar 7th	P & C AGM 3.15pm
Thursday Mar 16th	Primary Assembly
Monday Mar 20th	School Photos
Monday Mar 20th	Infants Assembly
Thursday Mar 30th	Primary Assembly
Monday April 3rd	Infants Assembly
Friday April 7th	Students Last Day

