



GUILDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS UPDATE



Thursday 21 October 2010

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As this the first newsletter for Term 4 I would like to welcome everyone back for what, I believe, will be a particularly exciting, colourful and busy term. We have lots in store for all the students, parents and teachers over the next two months.

ENROL NOW FOR KINDERGARTEN 2011

Now is the time to enroll your son or daughter for Kindergarten 2011, if you haven't already done so. We need to know student numbers **NOW!** in order to have sufficient staff available to take classes.

GOING ON HOLIDAY OR LEAVE

If you are going away early, please let us know so that your son or daughter can be placed in a class for 2011. If you will be late back after school returns next year we need to know as well so that we keep your child on our records.

Please ask office staff for an Exemption Leave form if student is going away from school for more than two weeks.

If you are leaving the Guildford area and your son or daughter is transferring to another school, we also must know as soon as possible.

I look forward to your support with these important matters.

A BUSY TERM AHEAD

Apart from the Stage 3 Excursion and our Annual Concert, the term ahead will feature Reporting to Parents, Presentation and Awards Ceremony Assembly, Kindergarten 2011 Transition to School, Kindy 2011 Playgroups, Whole School Evaluations, Creative Arts after school group (Tuesdays) and 2011 Planning, Year 6 Farewell, Parent Helpers Morning Tea and many other important day to day events.

We will keep you informed of dates and times.



STAGE 3 MILSON ISLAND SPORT AND RECREATION CAMP

53 Students (Year 5 & 6) and 3 teachers namely Mr Bennett, Mrs McGrath and Mr Crowther will be attending this exceptional excursion next week. Students will participate in numerous activities including archery, orienteering, abseiling, canoeing, dancing, bush walking, rock climbing etc.

Students sleep in beautiful and comfortable lodges with their own toilet, shower and sleeping bunk. I know they will be cared for extremely well, by our wonderful teachers and also teachers who work at Milson Island.

I expect that their behaviour, attitude and participation will be exemplary and bring great credit to themselves, families and our school.

Have a fantastic time and take lots of photographs.



STAGE 3 ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM

Students not going to Milson Island must attend daily at Guildford. Mrs Hemming and Mr Gadd have co-ordinated a wonderful alternative program covering cooking, camping skills, creative arts etc.

It will be a great week for all Stage 3 (Year 5 & 6) students.

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOLS FOR 2012

This year, for the first time parents with Internet access are requested to apply online.

Online application will be available from 25 October to 22 November 2010. Application form is available on the DET internet.

Any enquiries regarding Selective High Schools please phone 9707 6249.

For parents without Internet access a limited number of printed application packages will be available next week at the school.



Sapphire Award Winners: L-R Kimberley Irving, Karen Tran, Jasmine Lepua, Sherif Awick, William Mendoza



Diamond Award Winners: L-R Neha Pillay, Modassir Hussaain, Paul John Ghoundar

REHEARSALS ON TRACK FOR GREAT SHOW!

All students K-6 are rehearsing for our annual concert which will be on stage on 10 November. This year our show is titled **“THAT’S ENTERTAINMENT”** and as usual is bound to be fantastic.

There will be a full dress rehearsal (student audience only) on Tuesday 9 November, then two public performances on Wednesday 10 November at 11.30am Matinee and 7pm Evening Performance.

Tickets will remain at \$5.00.

Don't miss this year's performance of dance, song and acting in **“That’s Entertainment”**.



NOTICE TO PARENTS – WHOOPING COUGH

The Sydney West Public Health Unit has advised that there has been a recent increase of whooping cough (pertussis) cases amongst primary school age children in Sydney.

Whooping cough starts with a runny nose and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. Whooping cough spreads easily from person to person. It is a very serious disease in young babies, and has caused two recent deaths in newborns in Australia.

The public health unit has advised:

If your child has a cough it is very important to keep them away from babies.

If your child has any of the symptoms of whooping cough, such as a dry, persistent cough that comes in bouts please see your doctor and take this notice with you.

Antibiotics given early in the illness are effective in preventing spread to other people and may reduce the duration of cough. If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough please advise the school and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics.

Information on whooping cough is available at

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/factsheets/infectious/pertussis.html>



TOUGH TEETH

Protect your child's teeth by encouraging them to eat well:

- Enjoy a wide variety of nutritious foods
- Enjoy healthy snacks
- Avoid snacking on sugary and sticky foods and sweets between meals
- Milk-based foods help protect your teeth
 - Chew sugar-free gum to help protect your teeth.



Looking for a dental health clinic? The NSW Centre for Oral Health Strategy recommends calling (02) 8821 4300 during business hours and quoting your suburb. From there, parents will be given the contact details for their local oral health service.

SPAM - HOW TO AVOID SPAM (JUNK MAIL IN YOUR INBOX)

- Keep your email address private. Only give out your email address to people and groups that you know and trust.
- Don't reply to any emails if you don't know who they are from.

Source: www.cybersmartkids.gov.au

SUN SAFETY - FIVE WAYS TO BE SUNSMART THIS SUMMER

The Cancer Council recommends these five ways to protect against sun damage when the SunSmart UV alert is 3 or above:



- Seek shade
- Wear protective clothing that covers your arms and legs and body
- Wear a broad-brimmed hat that shades your face and neck
- Wear wrap-around sunglasses
- Apply SPF30+ broad spectrum water-resistant sunscreen every two hours.

Find out more at www.cancercouncil.com.au/

PRACTICAL TIPS FOR KIDS DEALING WITH AN ONLINE BULLY

- Tell the bully in simple terms to leave you alone. Tell them not to contact you again. Log off immediately and stay offline for at least 24 hours.
- Do not reply to any future mail from the bully. Do not reply to taunts, emails or gossip written about you. By ignoring taunts, you take the power away from the harasser and refuse to play their game. You are now in charge.
- Never give your password or logon details to anyone, even your best friends. It's really easy for someone to log on to your Facebook, Bebo or MySpace site and post any kind of rubbish if they know your password.
- Stay out of chat rooms where you don't feel comfortable.
- Keep all harassing emails (and any replies you've made) as evidence.
- If you feel you are in physical danger or if the bully has made physical threats against you, tell your parents immediately and they can decide if it's appropriate to contact authorities.

For more great tips on staying safe online, see www.schools.nsw.edu.au/click

Have a great fortnight!

Mr P. Lawless
Principal

Ruby Awards

1H

Amir Awick

EMERALD AWARDS

1F

Hayne Khaung

2/3E

Frank Rees

SAPPHIRE AWARDS

2T

TJ Cooper-Reynolds

2/3 E

Kimberley Irving

DIAMOND AWARDS



SPECIAL STUDENTS SENT TO SHOW GOOD WORK TO THE PRINCIPAL THIS FORTNIGHT.



KL	Kirsty Nguyen, Connor Flood
KS	Emma Allawi, Mahdi Mansoor
K/1D	Charlie Hosea, Tiresa Rees Phillip Baldacchino
1H	Sarah Tarabiya, Ahmed Taleb
1/2W	Oscar Yau
2T	Lennyx Tautuhi, Alma Afu
3/4C	Ritika Garg, Zehra Khany Stefania Minotto
3/4M	Thomas Batistic Faith Aljaberi
4/5H	Aida Mesanovic Iman Abdulrahman
3/4/5S	Zuhour Dannawe Nherrie Pillay
5/6M	Liam Payne
5/6N	Ahmad Tahir
ESL/STLA	Adut Deng
Community Language	Mouaminah Abdulrahman Iman Abdulrahman

CONGRATULATIONS!
KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.
Mr Lawless
I HOPE TO SEE YOU NEXT WEEK!

FROM THE OFFICE

Parents are asked to remind students that when they come to the office to see staff, could they please come to the front window **FIRST**. Students should not be wandering down the hallways to look for members of staff!

Ms Coaldrake & Mrs Alterio

5/6 DAINTREE, 5/6 MURRAY AND 5/6 NEPEAN ALTERNATE PROGRAM IN CAMP WEEK

An interesting alternative program has been arranged for students who are not able to attend the school camp during week 3. Some camp type activities will be part of the program. Please ensure that your child attends to gain the benefit from this program.

D. Hemming Coordinator



SRC Report

The SRC "That's My Team" fundraiser was held on Tuesday 21 September. Students participated in the fundraiser by wearing their favourite team clothes and having fun. People were dressed in all kinds of sport jerseys. Some of them were basketball jerseys, soccer jerseys and football jerseys. It was great seeing lots of students in their favourite team clothing. See Photo Below
By Aida Mesanovic 4/5 Hawkesbury



PARENTS IN PARTNERSHIP

This term we need parents to come and assist us to prepare resources for the Transition to School program for the 2011 Kindergarten students. It would be great to see some new faces.

D Hemming

Parents in Partnership Coordinator.

PSSA/Sport Report

Summer PSSA

Softball and Teeball will be played at Webbs Avenue each week. Cricket will be playing at Progress Park for the first 2 weeks 22/10/10 and 29/10/10 then at Princes Park, Auburn for the 2 weeks after that (29/10/10 and 5/11/10).



Please ensure that your child pays the \$5.00 for bus fare every Thursday morning.

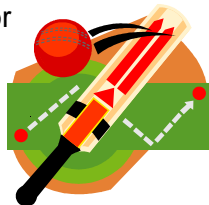
N.Crowther

PSSA Coordinator

IN 2 CRICKET WITH GUILDFORD LEAGUES CRICKET CLUB

Inviting all boys and girls 5 to 10 years old join us Friday nights 6.00pm to 7.30pm and have a fun time learning the great game of cricket. Season starts Friday 15 of October and runs for 10 weeks. A \$55.00 fee includes a cricket kit, BBQ and drink each week.

For more information call me, David Robertson, Junior Secretary on 8704 1625 or 8863 4812 for more details. You can even visit the In 2 Cricket website for even more information, just Google In 2 Cricket and follow the prompts.



Learn Music on Keyboard at School

- * Music theory
- * Instrument playing
- * Ensemble practice
- * Fun music games
- * 45 mins lesson weekly, small group
- * \$22 (gst incl.) per session
- * Music material included
- * Instrument not required initially



Smart Kids Love Music!

Call to enrol: **9411 3122**

(VIP Music est. 1984)

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

Sports Gear for Your School!!

**REMEMBER TO COLLECT
VOUCHERS**

Students need to place vouchers in the COLLECTION BOX in the office.

The more vouchers we collect the more sports equipment we can win.

If you shop at Coles please collect the vouchers for us. Available until 31 October 2010.

DATES TO REMEMBER *TERM 4 2010*

25/10/10 To 29/10/10	Stage 3 – Milson Island Camp
0/11/10	School Concert K-6 'THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT' Theme
18/11/10	Kindy Transition to School Day
25/11/10	Kindy 2011 Playgroup
2/12/10	Kindy 2011 Playgroup
8/12/10	K-6 Presentation Assembly
9/12/10	Parent Helper Morning Tea
10/12/10	Diamond/Sapphire Xmas Party
13/12/10	Year 6 Farewell
14/12/10	Class Parties
15/12/10	Last Day of School - ☺
31/01/11	Students Return to School ☺
1/02/11	Kindergarten Start School ☺

My Holidays

On Tuesday the 5 of October, my cousin and I excitedly went to Homebush Pools because we planned it four days before we went. We got there by car it only took us 15minutes to get

there because she lives close to the pools.

Firstly, I went into the river which is a whirl-



pool. Every time I tried to get out it would pull me back in. I kept getting drawn back in the whirlpool five times before I could swim out.

Secondly, I went to the playground they'd just built and I went down the water slide that was connected to the playground. It was built very cleverly because the slide has water running down it and you splash down into the water.

Thirdly, the bucket that was connected to the playground fell on me four times when it filled up. It had bell that would start off slowly and get faster and faster. Then it would pour onto you really hard.

In addition, I went in the spa to relax and have a good time.

Finally, on the way home I felt tired and fell asleep in the car because I was feeling exhausted. My cousin had to wake me up because we arrived at home.

I had a wonderful time at Homebush Pools with my cousin. It was worth going. I have some excellent memories of that day.

By Brittany Hough 5/6 Murray

LEARN TO SWIM

ENROL NOW FOR SUMMER

Bring this coupon to receive a

FREE SWIM LESSON

When booking in for Term

- Babies to Adults
- Beginners to Champions
- School Carnival Practice
- Holiday Intensive Program
- Qualified Swim Teachers
- Heated Indoor Pool



BE SAFE this Summer!
ENROL TODAY!

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