



GUILDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS UPDATE



Wednesday 31 March 2010



HAPPY EASTER

TERM 1 FINISHES THURSDAY, 1 APRIL, 2010

TERM 2 STARTS TUESDAY, 20 APRIL, 2010



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This is the final newsletter for Term 1. I'm sure the students are looking forward to a couple of week's holiday. Holidays commence on Good Friday 2 April and will conclude for students on Monday 19 April. Teachers will be at school on Monday (School Development Day) however students do not return until **Tuesday 20 April**.

I would like to welcome one new permanent staff member to our school. Canan Ali is our new Kindergarten Lachlan teacher. She will commence in Term Two. Canan is well qualified for her position at Guildford and I am sure she will contribute significantly to student outcomes across our school. A special thank you to Marissa Edwards for all her hard work on Kindergarten Lachlan so far this year.

This has been a very busy term and it has been pleasing to see the majority of students working well in class. Last week, three new interactive whiteboards were installed. 4/5 Hawkesbury, 1 Franklin and 1/2 Warragamba now have interactive whiteboards. The teachers are very eager and excited to use these to enhance student learning programs.

We are currently updating our website monthly. The 2009 Annual School Report is now available as well as our recent newsletters. Please let us know what things you would like to see on our website. You can just Google Guildford Public School.

www.guildford-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Above Right: Mrs Byrnes and 4/5 Hawkesbury with their new whiteboard.



NAPLAN

National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy.

These major tests for Year 3, 5, 7, and 9 students are in **Week 4 Term 2**. Students in years 3 and 5 at this school have commenced daily preparation for these tests which all students across the country have to sit.

It is vital for each student in Years 3 and 5 to do their best in the tests. Students progress from Year 3 to 5 will also be a strong feature of the data received. Our school will be compared to all other schools.

Please encourage your son or daughter to practice skills in Mathematics, Reading and Writing and to continue during the coming school holidays. Every student in Years 3 and 5 will receive a booklet of activities for the holiday period. The timetable for the NAPLAN tests 2010 is:

	Tuesday 11 May	Wednesday 12 May	Thursday 13 May
Years 3 & 5	1. Language Conventions 2. Writing	Reading	Numeracy (Space, Number & Measurement)



Above: Some students with their Easter egg donations for Easter Mufti Day.

ANZAC DAY



ANZAC DAY is on 25 April. This year it falls on the Sunday at the end of Week 1 next term. **Monday 26 April** is a public holiday. We will hold our school ANZAC Ceremony on

Wednesday 28 April. This will be held in the hall at 2:00 pm.

Have a Happy Easter and a great holiday!

Ms P. Walpole
Relieving Principal

Ruby Awards

5/6M Yvonne Lariosa
5/6D Mayeesha Zahin



EMERALD AWARDS

2T Ziyi Tan
5/6D Younis Kurdi
5/6M Yvonne Lariosa
Rania Hussein

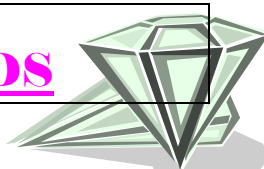


SAPPHIRE AWARDS

3/4/5S Hannah Huynh



DIAMOND AWARDS



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



KL Kirsty Nguyen
Fatima El Kassab
1F Hayne Khaung
Losa Tuuholaaki
1H Aydin Yag
Kaitlyn Flanagan
1/2W Caylib Biggs
Mohammed Al-Doukhi
3/4C Fadia El Fatayerji
Wesam Niem
3/4M Alex Taviniliu
Hanan Handullah
4/5H Mandy Vuong
Gihan Perera
Hassan Awick
Beyza Aslan
3/4/5S Vanessa Lam
Omer Nitelik
Community Languages
Alaa Agha
Mirna Abdulwahab

CONGRATULATIONS!

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

Ms Walpole

I HOPE TO SEE YOU NEXT WEEK!



Above: Hannah Huynh. Sapphire Award Winner 3/4/5 Snowy

FROM THE OFFICE



ALLERGY AND ASTHMA FORMS

Recently some parents/carers were issued with Allergy and/or Asthma Plans to be filled in by their doctor. It is *vitaly important* that we get these forms returned as soon as possible as we need to know how you wish your child to be managed if they have an allergic reaction or severe asthma attack.

Please return these forms, signed by a doctor as soon as you can! Additional Forms are available from the office.



SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND LATE STUDENTS

According to the DET School Attendance Policy, parents are responsible for:

- Ensuring their children attend school regularly and on time.
- Explaining the absences of their children from school promptly and within seven days to the school.
- Taking measures to resolve attendance issues involving their children.

Parents should also make sure their children attend school on time. If a child is late an explanation needs to be given to the office from a parent. Students that are consistently late will be referred to the Home School Liaison Officer.

Ms Wendy Coaldrake & Mrs Cindy Alterio

Dance Group

The first Dance Group practice for Term 2 is Tuesday, 20 April (first day back) Dance Group practice is every Tuesday after school 3 4pm. It is important that all students in the dance group attend these practices!



P. Walpole

Dance Teacher.

K-6 DISCO

There will be a disco for Kindergarten to Year 6 on **Wednesday 28 April** in the school hall. This will be supported by the SRC as a fundraiser and will be supervised by teachers.



Times: K-2 4:15pm – 6.00pm
3-6 6:15pm – 8.00pm.
Cost \$5.00 Covers entry, a drink and a packet of chips.

ALL students are encouraged to attend!

MILSON ISLAND

There are still plenty of spots left for your child to attend the Milson Island Camp. If you would like your child to attend this great excursion please return the permission slip, medical form, deposit slip and \$80 deposit in a sealed envelope to Mr Bennett



NEXT NEWSLETTER

29 APRIL 2010

PSSA SPORTS

Summer PSSA sport has finished for Term 1. Tryouts for winter PSSA teams will be this

Thursday, 1 April for Soccer, Netball, Newcombe Ball and OzTag. Winter PSSA sport is played on Fridays. Buses leave the school at 12.30pm and return by 3.00pm. Unfortunately the cost of buses has risen therefore PSSA will be \$5.00 each week.

Cricket PSSA

Over the last 2 weeks the Junior and Senior cricket teams have been competing in a 2 day cricket match against Granville Public School. The junior team found the competition challenging, however the seniors completed their first win of the season (74 to 61). Special mention needs to go to Ahmad Tahir (5/6N) for his great bowling and Shehan Wijesurendra (5/6M) for his all round effort. In the juniors, Thomas Batistic (3/4M) and Aidan Turner (3/4M) had two great weeks. I look forward to seeing the girls and boys in the junior and senior cricket teams in term 4 as winter PSSA teams will begin in term 2.

Mr Kranenburg

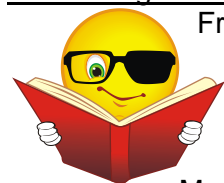
Whispers from the Library



Overdue books

Thank you very much for those people who brought back or paid for their over due books. It is important that students bring back their books on time. Every year during stocktake there are books marked as missing and this cost the school money. So it is important to return these books on time.

K/1 Darling and Year 1 swapping library days.



From Week 1 until Week 5 in Term 2, K/1 Darling will be having their library days on Tuesdays after lunch and Year 1 Hunter will have their library days on Mondays after lunch. Please make

sure this is marked down on your diary or notice board so that your child can bring their library bags on time.

Parents in Partnership



On behalf of the students and staff I would like to

say a big **'THANK YOU'** to all the wonderful mums who worked so hard on the Easter Raffle Baskets last Monday. We really appreciate the time that you have put into helping the students and staff at our school.

D Hemming

Parents in Partnership Coordinator.

MATHEMATICS WORKSHOP

Last Thursday, 25 March twenty-nine parents attended the Parents in Partnership workshop about Count Me in Too and helping your child at home with Mathematics. Miss Ali Khan presented some useful strategies for parents to use at home with their children. Parents also had the opportunity to view some useful internet sites and have a turn at some interactive whiteboard activities. Thank you to the parents who attended. Your support is very much appreciated. A big



thank you to Miss Ali Khan for her great presentation.

CLASS FEATURE CLASS FEATURE

Stage
Three



Maths Groups

As part of the Year 6 Transition to High School 5/6 Murray and 5/6 Neapean have been involved in team teaching Mathematics with Mr Ali Nagi from Granville South High School. Reciprocal Numeracy is a program involving students working in small groups to solve word based maths problems using prediction and a variety of strategies to help them become better prepared for Mathematics in High School.

Mrs McGrath
Year 6 High School Transition Coordinator



DATES TO REMEMBER ***TERM 2 2010***

19/4/10	Staff Development Day – No Students
20/4/10	Students Return
28/4/10	SRC – Disco - \$5.00 K-2 – 4.15pm to 6.00pm 3 – 6 – 6.15pm to 8.00pm
6/5/10	Mothers Day Stall
11/5/10 to 13/5/10	NAPLAN Tests – Year 3 & 5
21/5/10	Milson Island Camp – 2 nd Instalment of \$80 due
2/6/10	Granville School Spectacular – Choir Rehearsal – Granville South High School
30/6/10	Granville School Spectacular – Choir Rehearsal – Granville South High School
2/7/10	Last day Of Term 2



MERRYLANDS EAST

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

is a Holroyd City Council child care service. The service caters to school aged children aged 5 - 12 years. Hours in operation are before school care 6.30am - 9.00am and after school care 2.30pm - 6.00pm. If you would like more information or an enrolment package please contact Fadwa on:
9681 6411 or 0417 667869

**PLACES ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR BOTH
BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE
WE ARE ALSO OFFERING CASUAL CARE**

Harmony Day

22 March 2010

PANTOUMS - A Pantoum is a poem of 4 line stanzas with alternate lines rhyming.

Harmony Day

1. Harmony day is all about Peace
2. Accepting all kinds of differences
3. Respecting people for who they are
4. Treating others as sisters and brothers

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3 / 4 / 5 Snowy







**Learn Music on Keyboard at
Guildford Public School**

- 45-min lesson weekly. Small group.
- \$22 per session.
- Music material provided.
- Instrument not required initially.
- Beginners & children of all levels welcome.

Call to Enrol: 9411 3122 (VIP Music)

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