



GUILDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS UPDATE

Thursday 29 July 2010



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Hope you all had an enjoyable winter holiday? The students have returned refreshed and appear happy to be back at school. The students K-6 look spectacular in their school uniforms. We are one of the best schools in the Granville School Area for wearing with pride a neat and tidy school uniform. It really raises the bar and shows the community that we are a Quality School. Thank You for your support. Please always let me know if you have any financial difficulty providing winter uniforms for your children. I am happy to assist you if you need support in this area. Come and see me.

Let's hope Term 3 will be another productive term at Guildford Public School. We have a lot on! It started on Thursday with a very successful Athletics Carnival (see photo display in this newsletter). Other important events this term include Education Week and our Multicultural Day, Our Spectacular at the Opera House, Learn to Swim School, Debating, PSSA and of course day to day Quality Teaching and Learning.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Congratulations to the students K-6 who participated so enthusiastically in this year's Athletics Carnival at Peel Street Oval last Thursday. Special thanks to Mr Crowther (Year 5/6 teacher and sports coordinator) for organizing and coordinating the day. Also, thanks to all the teachers and Mrs Tye (Canteen) for their tremendous support.

Thanks to all the parents who attended. We were down in parent numbers on past years however those in attendance were most enthusiastic with their cheering, especially during the finals and relay races.

Results of Carnival and names of students who made the finals will be in the next Newsletter.

MULTICULTURAL PUBLIC SPEAKING

At the end of term 2, two students from Stage 2 and Stage 3 represented our school in the District division of the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition. Many schools throughout NSW

enter this competition. It aims to heighten awareness of multicultural issues among primary school students at the same time as developing their public speaking skills. Congratulations to these students who presented interesting engaging speeches!

Stage 2

Hannah Huynh and Sharon Thio

Stage 3

Victoria Salerno and Maggie Cava

A special mention goes to Hannah Huynh (*Below*) who won the Stage 2 local final. She will now be representing our school and the district at the Regional Finals on the 11th August. We wish her all the best in this exciting competition.

Miss Ali Khan



EDUCATION WEEK AND MULTICULTURAL DAY

Next Wednesday I hope to see you all at our Multicultural Food Fair and Entertainment. Please arrive at 9:15am for Education Week Open classrooms which will be followed by the Multicultural food fair.

Please read the information (on separate note) going home soon, regarding the times and organization for the day. Small plates of food (samples only of cultural food) will be sold for \$1.00. We have a sausage sizzle too (Halal) for \$1.00. Students, teachers and parents will

hopefully sample a variety of foods from different cultures.

Parents serving need to serve only small samples of food. Vouchers for plates of food will be on sale in the morning. Cultural foods should be sent to the office and staffroom on Wednesday morning from 8:30 to 9:30am.

The Entertainment session starts at 1:15pm. Students and parents participating need to be ready for this time. Remember all students and parents are encouraged to wear National Costumes. Don't forget Raffle Ticket draw at 2:30pm! Have you bought a ticket? Good Luck!

Have a great fortnight!

Mr P. Lawless
Principal

DIAMOND AWARDS



3/4/5S Jason Ly

Michelle Chen

5/6D Mursal Sedaqatyar



Above Award Winners: Hassan Awick, Modassir Hussaain, Tisiola Mayakaionga, Nighat Hussain, Zahra'A Qanber Ali.

Ruby Awards



1F	Rayyan Arbess
2/3E	Kathy Tran
3/4C	Nisharth Patel
3/4M	Mostafa Qanber Ali
3/4/5S	Kareem Mawass
4/5H	Omid Amiri
5/6M	Victoria Salerno - Meiojas
5/6N	Fatima Hasna Mohamed Chaouk

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



KS	Mahdi Mansoor, Linda Trieu Phu
K/1D	Mayset Elhaj, Tiresa Rees
1F	Ali Akbar Moosawi, Tara Nogueira
1/2W	Conner Dalton
2/3E	Abigail Lay, Natalia Wang
3/4C	Yakub Kahraman, Amar Elnour
3/4M	Thomas Batistic, Niha Pillay, Sayed Moosawi
3/4/5S	Zayne Krupowicz, Carria Xie
5/6M	Zoe Turner
5/6N	Mitchell Sihapanyaxey, Jake Ghamrawi

EMERALD AWARDS



2/3E	Natalia Wang Sayed Moshref
3/4C	Amal Elhaj

SAPPHIRE AWARDS



3/4C	Zahra'a Qanber Ali
3/4/5S	Carria Xie
4/5H	Nighat Hussain Hussan Awick
5/6M	Modassir Hussaain Tisiola Matakaiongo

CONGRATULATIONS!

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

Mr Lawless

I HOPE TO SEE YOU NEXT WEEK!

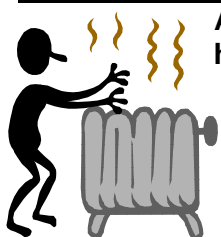
BE ALERT: PHONE SCAM

Concerns have been raised by parents about phone calls from cold callers, pretending to represent Microsoft, who attempt to scare people into believing that their computer has been infected by a virus. This type of call is a scam. These scammers have nothing to do with the Department or Microsoft. The best thing to do is to hang up on these callers. See Sydney Morning Herald article for more information about these scams:



<http://www.smh.com.au/technology/security/pay-up-or-your-pcs-toast-20100630-zm8i.html>

WINTER HEATERS



Avoid danger when using heaters this winter.

The Children's Hospital at Westmead recommends these top tips to help your children avoid burns, falls and electrocution:

- Make sure your heater meets Australian Standards
- Use a guard
- Keep your heater on a level floor surface
- Ensure your heater isn't blocking any exits or high traffic areas
- Do not dry clothing items by placing them over an electric heater
- Ensure you install and maintain at least one smoke detector on each floor of your home

More information at

www.chw.edu.au/parents/kidshealth/safety_factsheets/pdf/heaters_and_fireplaces.pdf

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Do friendships make learning easier?

Your child's ability to make friends will affect their interest in learning - how can you help?



- **Help them to learn self control**
- Show them how well you treat other people, so they can learn from you
- If you are concerned, speak to your child's teacher about it.

More details at:

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/news/ezine/yr2010/issue03/index.php

THE NEW SCHOOL RULES

With the return to school, this term, has come the wonderful school rule signs. These signs clearly remind all students, parents and staff of the ways students should behave at Guildford P.S.

The new signs are located

- on the hall wall
- above the canteen windows
- outside the library
- under the C.O.L.A.
- on the Kindergarten building wall and
- on the courtyard side wall of the administration building

These signs certainly brighten up the playground. It would be greatly appreciated, that if at any time you observe someone damaging the new signs, please let a staff member know.



This term the students will be learning about the rule "Respectful". We are looking forward to the time when all students at Guildford Public School have completed the lessons on all four rules.

Ray Bennett
Assistant Principal

Choir News



Thank you to those parents who have already signed permission notes and paid for T-shirts. The order for these went in a few weeks ago and the shirts should be available early this term (Term 3).

Students attending the Opera House have received a CD and booklet to help them practice so that they can thoroughly learn all the words.

Dot Hemming Choir Coordinator

Parents in Partnership

The parents have finished covering new sets of novels for Stage 2 and 3. These are now available for the students to use in their reading sessions.

Over the past few weeks, there has been much fun and games as those parents in attendance checked out Maths activities and games, by playing and doing, to ensure that the instructions are parent friendly.

In coming weeks they will be assisting with preparations for Multicultural Day which will be held on Wednesday 4 August.

D Hemming Coordinator

FROM THE OFFICE

Please be reminded that money for excursions WILL NOT be accepted on the day of the excursion.

Can parents check their child's bag each afternoon for notes or information that may have been sent home with your child? Too many extra notes are being copied for children that have lost or damaged their notes!

ENROL NOW FOR 2011

If you have a son or daughter who turns 5 before 31/7/2010 they are eligible to start Kindergarten next year. Enrolment forms are available from the office. Make sure you have original copies of:

- Birth certificate or passport
- Proof of residency, eg rates, rental agreement, electricity or gas bill
- Immunization Certificate
- Any family law or court orders (if applicable)

If your child is not a permanent resident you will also need:

- Passport or travel documents
- Current visas and previous visas (if applicable)

In addition, if your child is a temporary visa holder you will also need to supply:

- Authority to Enrol (form available from the school)
- Authority to Enrol or evidence of permission to transfer
- Evidence of the visa the child has applied for. (If the student holds a bridging visa)

Ms Wendy Coaldrake & Mrs Cindy Alterio

PSSA SPORTS

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PAY YOUR \$5.00 ON THURSDAY MORNINGS FOR THE BUS.

NETBALL SPORT RESULTS

26/6/10

Guildford vs Granville East

Juniors: 0-12 Granville East won

Seniors: 3-15 Granville East won

Junior Player of the Week: Neha Pillay 3/4M

Senior Player of the Week: Zuhour Dannawe 3/4/5S

23/7/10

Guildford vs Blaxcell St Blue

Juniors: 2-0 Guildford won

Seniors: 18-11 Blaxcell St won

Junior Player of the Week: Hannah Huynh 3/4/5S

Senior Player of the Week: Nehrie Pillay 3/4/5S

EXCURSION REMINDERS

Kindergarten Swan
&

Kindergarten Lachlan
FAIRFIELD CITY FARM
TUESDAY, 10 AUGUST, 2010
\$25.00

**PLEASE SEND IN
PERMISSION SLIP AND
PAYMENT BEFORE
30/7/10**



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)

Dance Group

Dance Group has practice every Tuesday afternoon after school 3:00pm – 4:00pm.

P. Walpole Dance Teacher.



MILSON ISLAND CAMP

FINAL PAYMENT

DUE 10 SEPTEMBER 2010

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 money in a sealed envelope.



Whispers from the Library



This Term's Lessons

This term, the classes are going to be doing some new and interesting lessons.

Kindergarten's topic will be "Farm Animals". In this topic we will focus on various farm animals. We'll be reading various books about these animals.

Kindergarten/Year 1's topic will be "Creepy Crawlies" which will focus on insects and animals that live in small places. We'll be reading various books about these animals.

Year 1H, 1F, 1/2 W and 2T will be doing a theme on "Celebrations" which will focus on different types of celebrations in the year for various different cultures. We'll be reading various books about this topic.

Year 2/3E, 3/4C, 3/4M, 3/4/5S and 4/5 H will be working on another big book titled "Culture Connections". The book will cover different cultures and their various



traditions, events, food, etc. This fits in well with Multicultural Day.

Year 5/6D, 5/6M and 5/6N students will be introduced to the novel called "The Indian in the Cupboard". This book has been a real success in the past and teaches the children about tolerance, harmony and friendship. There will be an assignment associated with this book which will be given in week 4.



Book Week 2010

- Across the Story Bridge.

It's book week again! This year's theme is *Across the Story Bridge*.

The teachers and students have already given the competitions child are able to participate in. Please look at the competitions and encourage your child to participate (especially students in Yr 5/6.)

Book Fair 2010


As usual, there will be a book fair during Book Week. Please save up some money to spend at our book store which will be set up in the library. Last year we used a company called Central Books who supplied books as cheap as \$1. This year we've decided to stick with this company and hope you will be happy with the books they have for sale.


Book Week Competitions.

Kindergarten / Year 1

 **Colouring Competition**

Year 1/2 to Year 2/3

 **Colouring Competition**

 **Poster Creation using the theme title: Across the Story Bridge.**

Year 3/4, 4/5 and 5/6.

- 📖 Poster Creation using the theme title: Across the Story Bridge.
- 📖 Story Writing using the theme title: Across the Story Bridge.
- 📖 Design your own shoe for Shuman the Shoeman (one of the books nominated for Picture Book of the Year.)
- 📖 Design your own Garden for Isabella's Garden (one of the books nominated for Picture Book of the Year.)
- 📖 Design a postcard from Paris for Mr Chicken goes to Paris (one of the books nominated for Picture book of the Year).
- 📖 Redesign a book cover for one of the books nominated for Picture Book or Early Childhood Book of the year.
- 📖 Design a brochure or pamphlet for
 - Paris (Mr Chicken goes to Paris), OR
 - Northern Australia (To The Top End) OR
 - The Seaside (Bear and Chook Goes to Sea)

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED BY
THE END OF WEEK 6
(Thursday 26th August)

Winners will be
announced by Week 8 at
either morning assembly
or Wednesday afternoon
assembly by Mr
Norambuena and Mr
Lawless.

Entries will be judged by the Book Week
Committee.

Children's Book Council Award Nominees



Nominations for Picture Book of the Year



Nominations: Early Childhood Book of the Year



(Teacher Librarian).

DATES TO REMEMBER *TERM 3 2010*

30/7/10	Third Instalment of \$80 for Milson Island Camp
2/8/10 – 6/8/10	Education Week
3/8/10	University English Competition
4/8/10	Multicultural Food Fair & Entertainment .Open Classrooms
10/8/10	K Swan & K Lachlan – Fairfield City Farm excursion
11/8/10	Choir Rehearsal – Granville South High School
16/8/10	University Maths Competition
17/8 10	Zone Athletics Carnival
19/8/10	Our Spectacular – Sydney Opera House
23/8/10 – 26/8/10	Book Week – Book Fair
30/8/10 – 10/9/10	Swimming Scheme
10/9/10	Final Instalment of \$80 for Milson Island Camp
24/9/10	Last Day of Term 3

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 22 JULY 2010



Winners Are Grinners







