



GUILDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS UPDATE



Thursday 17 November 2011

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

9TH ANNUAL SCHOOL CONCERT AN AMAZING AUSSIE HIT

As you all know last week we staged our 9th Annual School Concert "Australiana". Our nearly 400 students performed magnificently and every teacher across the whole school was involved in the production. Our office staff too was invaluable in helping with ticket sales, program design etc.

As I said at the end of both the matinee and evening performances, I am extremely proud of the outstanding effort and enthusiasm demonstrated by both students and teachers. As an audience, I'd say from your applause and excitement that you too really enjoyed the show. In this newsletter is a selection of photographs representing every individual group or class performance. You can also view a comprehensive selection of School Concert photographs on our school website at www.guildford-p.schools.nsw.edu.au.

Unfortunately a few students across the school failed to attend the evening performance. This was a real shame as it affected the unity of the class performance, as teachers had not been informed and spaces and gaps appeared. However, at least 95% of students attended and to each of them I absolutely applaud them for their school spirit and loyalty. Thanks again to all concerned for a marvelous "Australiana" concert.

PSP SURVEY 2012

IDENTIFYING PRIORITY SCHOOLS FOR THE NEXT FUNDING PERIOD

Priority Schools Programs provide additional funding, staffing and consultancy services to identified schools. The schools identified for priority schools programs are known as Priority Schools.

Priority Schools are those which serve communities with the highest concentrations of low socio-economic status families. Priority Schools receive additional resources for literacy, numeracy and participation programs for students. A new list of Priority Schools is identified every four years by a voluntary survey of families. The next survey of families will occur in March 2012 for the next funding period.

In 2012 I will be surveying families again with the intention of applying for Priority School Funding to help support Literacy, Numeracy and Student Engagement across our school. Over the past seven years Guildford Public School has benefited from this initiative. Extra funding and staffing has been invaluable.

SURVEY RESPONSES NEEDED

We always appreciate your responses to School Based Surveys as it helps us to improve further. Once again I seek your responses to our Annual School Concert Survey. Please complete and send back to school by next week. I'm looking into providing air conditioning for the hall and have already obtained a reasonable quote. I need to get two other quotes before deciding.

Have a great fortnight!

Mr Peter Lawless
Principal

**ASSEMBLY
STARS**

No stars because
of the School Concert.

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



KB Mary Jane Meteka, Rabee Zreika
Zac Singca, Brian Lolohea.
1/ 2P Gideon Mensah, Reynolds Sar.
2A Christina Borg, Shanil Wijesurendra.
5WP Ziyad Kassem, Hassan Awick,
Thomas Batistic, Fadia El-Fatayerji.
6C Christian Aquino,
Shehan Wijesurendra.

CONGRATULATIONS!
KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

Mr Lawless.

I HOPE TO SEE **YOU** NEXT WEEK!



PBIS: Learners

Being a good learner is not just
about getting answers correct but

also contributing to lessons/discussions, taking
pride with your work, being neat and also trying
your very best. Throughout the year many students
have shown Mr Lawless excellent school work.

There are also many other outcomes for being a
good learner at school like:

- Receiving a GPS star award
- Being acknowledged at the school assembly
- Receiving a merit award and other types of
certificates

Students who are encouraged to do their best and
learn have higher self- esteem and usually want to
learn more!

Mrs Panagos PBIS Team

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FEATURE CLASS

1 COOKTOWN ORCHID

This semester, 1 Cooktown Orchid have been
working hard in Creative Arts. Last term we
looked at Aboriginal Art and experimented with a
range of painting techniques to create some great
artworks, including our class banner which is
hanging in the front office. We enjoyed painting
real leaves and were impressed with how long
they have lasted. This term we have been busy
rehearsing for our class item which involves a lot
of singing, dancing and drama. All of the students
have thoroughly enjoyed learning simple dance
routines and have made a big effort to bring their
own individuality into their costumes, moves and
ideas for props. They loved being able to show off
their talents to all of the parents last week.

Miss Melodie Bryceland



HEAD LICE

Head lice is an ongoing problem at school. It is a constant battle to keep this in check at school. **IT IS THE PARENT'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT THEIR CHILD IS CONSTANTLY FREE OF HEAD LICE SO THAT OTHER CHILDREN ARE NOT BEING INFECTED.** Departmental regulations recommends that children are to be treated with medication from a chemist until ALL THE LICE AND EGGS ARE DEAD AND REMOVED FROM THE HAIR. **Medication will not remove the eggs (attached to the hair) Parents should remove the whole hair strand to remove the egg.** You may decide it necessary to keep your child home until it is treated. It would be appreciated if all parents could check their child's hair in natural sunlight at least once a week, every week.
Cindy Alterio. Office



DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 4

24/11/11	Kindy 2012 Transition Day
1/12/11	Kindy 2012 Transition Day
22/11/11	Captain & Prefect Voting
25/11/11	Book Club Due Back
1/12/11	Last Scripture Day for 2011
6/12/11	Parent Helpers Morning Tea
8/12/11	Presentation Assembly K-6
13/12/11	Year 6 Farewell
16/12/11	Last Day for Students
30/01/12	School Resumes for 2012

Year 6 Fundraising: Mufti Day and Ice Cream Spiders

To raise funds toward our Year 6 end of year gift to the school, Year 6 will be selling Spider Drinks at school on Friday 25th November (Week 7). This will also be a mufti day so all students from K-6 can attend school wearing appropriate clothing. Our year 6 students are asking for a \$2.00 coin donation which includes a spider drink. Spider drinks will be sold on the day at \$1.00 if students are not wearing mufti at school. Please come prepared on the day to bring in your donations to support our year 6 leaders in purchasing a great end of year gift as they farewell Guildford Public School.



Thanking you for your support.

*Mr Hanna Stage 3 Assistant Principal
Mr Crowther Year 6 Correa Teacher
Miss Blewitt Year 6 Waratah Teacher*



Whispers from the Library.

Please return all books by Friday 2 December 2011.

Stock-take will commence in Week 8 (Monday 5 December 2011) and continue through to the end of Week 10 (Thursday 15 December 2011). It is VERY IMPORTANT that all students return their books by Friday 2 December 2011. Please have a good look all around the house, in your car, your neighbours house, and especially in, around, under, behind and above household furniture. Make sure you have a good look.

I will be issuing overdue notices in Week 7 to those students who have not brought any books they may have borrowed. Please if your child is sick, not at school on their library day or you are leaving the area or going overseas, it is IMPORTANT to bring in their library books. You can bring in the library books any time. Deliver them at the front office or at the library.

Thank you
Mr Norambuena
(Teacher Librarian).





Senior
Choir:
I Still Call
Australia
Home



Above & Below: 1 Flannel Flower Aussie Jingles

Mortein (Louie the Fly) and Vegemite



Below: 1 Cooktown Orchid – Year 1 Rock





Above: Junior Dance Group – Robot Number 1

Below: Senior Dance Group – My Sharona and Party Rock Anthem



Right: 1 Flannel
Flower Aussie
Jingles -
Aeroplane Jelly





Left: 4/5 Cassia – Kylie fever

Middle: 4 Rose – Aboriginal Compilation

Bottom: Kindy Daisy – Move Your Body





Left: 2 Kangaroo
Paw -
Come On
Aussie, Come
On

Below: 2 Acacia
Home Among
The Gumtrees



Right: 6
Waratah -
Treaty





Left: 3
Bluebell -
Locomotion



Below: 3/4
Eucalyptus
Eagle Rock



Above: Kindy Banksia
Here Come The Wiggles



Right: Kindy Lilly Pilly
Thunderstruck



Top: 5Wollemi Pine – Under The Southern Skies

Middle: 6 Correa – That's My Team



Above: 1/2 Persoonia – New Sensation