



GUILDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS UPDATE



Thursday 8 September 2011

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents & Carers,

We are now in Week 8 of Term 3. Spring has arrived and it's nice to feel the days getting longer and to see the flowers and new growth springing to life.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The photographers were here on Monday and the day ran smoothly with all classes having their photo taken as well as whole school, dance group, SRC, prefects, Our Spectacular and individual family photographs being taken. If you ordered photographs they should arrive by early next term.

CANBERRA AND SNOWY MOUNTAINS EXCURSION

64 students departed on Tuesday morning, very early at 6:30am for their 3 day excursion to the exciting and memorable locations of Canberra as well as a visit to the Snowy Mountains.

Accompanied by Miss Walpole, Mr Crowther, Miss Blewitt and Mr Norambuena, the students enthusiastically departed on this exciting learning experience.

I'm sure we will have some beautiful photographs and reports in our next Newsletter. Students should arrive back to school about 6:30pm on Thursday 8 September.

NAPLAN

As you know all Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students across the country sat the NAPLAN tests last May. The results should be arriving in the next week. Parents will receive a letter with the levels/bands their son or daughter scored in Literacy (Reading, Comprehension, Writing, Spelling and Grammar) and Numeracy. Overall school results will be

published later in the year on the MySchool Website.

In this Newsletter I'm including an overview sheet of the levels (Bands) for your information. Please note the band range is different for each year sitting the tests. Also note the levels required to be classified as Proficient (Top 2 Bands) and also the band that is above the national standard.

SCHOOL STAFFING INFORMATION

Over the next few weeks there will be some temporary staffing changes. Mrs Hemming (Support Teacher Learning) and Miss Racanelli (4 Rose teacher) will be taking a few weeks Long Service Leave. Ms Szymanczuk will take the Support Role while Mrs Bolton will take 4 Rose. These teachers will continue with the programs already developed for classes and individual student support.

Our new Assistant Principal, Mr Peter Hanna will be commencing at the beginning of Term 4. Mr Hanna comes to us, after merit selection, from Bankstown Public School. I am sure he will bring considerable expertise to the position of Assistant Principal.

I also would like to inform you that I will be taking 3 weeks Long Service Leave from 16 September through to 24 October (includes holiday period). Miss Walpole will be the Relieving Principal during this time.

A FOYER OR AN ART GALLERY?

If you were at the Book Week Parade you would have seen the incredible banners made by each class on the beautiful theme "Australia". These stunning pieces of art covering various artistic media have been hung in our school foyer. They have replaced the long standing 2000 Olympics banners that were showing their age. The Olympic banners are now hanging in the hall as

they represent a special time in our school's history.

The new banners are absolutely amazing! Students from K-6 with their teachers' support and direction have really created a most spectacular display. Thanks to all the teachers and students and to Mrs Ferguson for helping to coordinate the face-lift to our office foyer. Come and have a look!

BOOK PARADE PROMOTES LITERACY AND THE LOVE OF READING

Numerous students participated enthusiastically in last week's wonderful book parade. In this newsletter see some of the costumes and book characters presented. Special thanks to students, parents and teachers but especially to Mr Norambuena (Teacher/Librarian) for coordinating the event.

COLES & WOOLWORTHS COUPONS

Please keep sending to school your Woolworths receipts and Coles docket coupons. These will go towards free resources and sports equipment. Kindly put them in the two boxes in the office.

Have a great fortnight!

Mr Peter Lawless
Principal



CHICKEN POX

Parents are asked to be aware that there have been a number of children with chicken pox at the school. If your child contracts chicken pox please inform us and keep your child at home from the onset of the rash until the blisters have all scabbed over.

Symptoms include: slight fever, runny nose, a rash that begins as raised pink spots that blister and scabs.

Mrs Alterio SAO/First Aid Officer

FATHERS DAY STALL

Thank you to all the parents who supported our Fathers Day Stall. We made a profit of \$649.



ASSEMBLY STARS

Week 6

Yasmine Hamdan 4/5C

Hassan Awick 5WP

Reynold Sar 1/2P

Rabee Zreika KB

Week 7

Onyx Tautuhi 6C

Ajani Jayarathne 1CO

Tiresa Rees 2A

Fhiras Agha 5WP

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



KLP Richard Hosea,
Joelle Alameddine

1CO Ahmelia Katoa, Ruvimbo Sitima

2KP Jayden Christmas-Estephan
Meshwa Patel, Deloris Katoa

3B Nathan Tokabobo, Jeyda Olca

4R Mahmutjahn Olca, Amin Tara
Gideon Arok, Grace Taufu

4/ 5C Abdi mohammed, Long Zou

5W Fadia El-Fatayerji

6C Moustapha Ayad

CONGRATULATIONS!
KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

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

REQUEST FOR SIZE 8 UNIFORMS

The Office is asking parents to donate **size 8** boy's shorts, girl's dresses and shirts to have in our clothing pool for when accidents happen. If you could do this it would be sincerely appreciated. Thank You.

Mrs Alterio SAO

FEATURE CLASS

6 WARATAH

This term in Maths, 6 Waratah have been learning about volume and the different units we use to measure volume depending on the size of the space. To understand this further 6 Waratah made a model of a cubic metre out of cardboard. The students were able to see how big a cubic metre was. We were then able to name spaces that could be measured using cubic metres. Students in 6 Waratah enjoy hands on activities particularly in the area of Maths as this gives them real life experiences that they can relate to.

Miss Blewitt



Reminders:

Story Teller is on 19 September 2011. Please pay for this worthwhile event.

DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 3

12/9/11	NSW Cricket Clinic. K-6 (WEAR SPORTS SHOES)
13/9/11	Kindy Farm Excursion
19/9/11	Storyteller Donna Jacobs Sife
23/9/11	Last Day of Term 3
10/10/11	School Resumes

PARENTS IN PARTNERSHIP

Workshop

Thursday 22 September
9:10-10:30 am

Easy Home Maths Activities

Presented by

Miss Bryceland

The focus will be on short, sharp simple activities that will assist your child to develop and practise number skills. This will support what they have been learning in class.

The session will also explain how children need to progress through different stages to develop number skills so they can use them easily in real life situations.

It should be a fun morning to both learn and meet other parents in our community.

D. Hemming

Parents in Partnership Coordinator



Whispers from the Library- Book Week

Book Week Costume Parade Winners

Aboriginal Legends

Stage 2: 1st Maya Elsamad (3/4 E)



Multicultural Legends / Fairy Tales.

Stage 3: 1st Tooa Rees (6C)
2nd Nherrie Pillay (6C)
3rd Zuhour Dannawe (6W)



Stage 2: 1st Sharon Thio (4/5C)
2nd Jeyda Olca (3B)
3rd Maddison Biggs (4R)



Stage 1: 1st Connor Flood (1F)
2nd Jayden Christmas – Estephen (2KP)
3rd Skye Lepua (1F)



Harry Potter Theme

Stage 3: 1st Ricky Newell (4/5C)

Stage 2: 1st Samisoni Ikamanu (4R)
2nd James Dower Jr (3/4E)
3rd Frank Rees (4/5C)

Early Stage 1: 1st Peter Marona Puhotau (KD)



Manga/Anime Theme

Stage 3: 1st Angela Nguyen (5W)
2nd Fhiras Agha (5W)
3rd Faris Shuwayhat (4/5C)



CBCA Nominated Books/Characters

Stage 2: 1st Calyb Biggs (3B)
2nd Kobe Lepua (3/4E)
3rd Alaa Agha (4R)



Stage 1: 1st Joumana Ayouch (2A)
2nd Fatema Elsamad (1/2P)



Stage 1: 1st Favor Zeogar (1/2P)
2nd Akanesi Matakaiongo (1F)
3rd Phillip Baldacchino (1F)



Mr Norambuena
(Teacher Librarian).

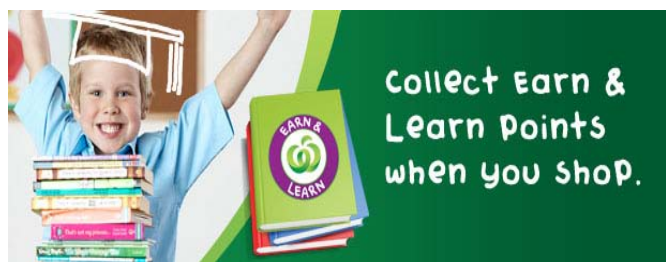


Early Stage 1: 1st Bryce Bouton (KLP)
2nd Zac Singca (KB)
3rd Sorina Georgis. (KLP)



Guildford Public School is collecting both Coles coupons and Woolworths receipts. So next time you go shopping please bring them in and place them in the box at the front counter.





FREE family fun day event for History Week at Parramatta Park



Colonial Kids Down at the Dairy

When: Sunday 11 September

Time: 10 am to 4 pm

Where: Parramatta Park, Salter's Field (Salter's Field is in the centre of the park)

Refreshments available

Join in this **FREE** family day where you can get right into the fun of colonial times. This year there will be a Colonial Market and *The Garrison* re-enactment group will be onsite to provide living history demonstrations including camp fire cooking, butter churning, wood turning with a pole lathe, music and dance and much, much, more.

There are fun activities for kids such as traditional colonial and aboriginal games. They can train to be a Macquarie era soldier with *The Garrison* or find out about life as a convict and may earn a "ticket of leave" through a treasure hunt. There will be sowing and planting demonstrations using colonial food crops that can be taken home and enjoyed once they mature, scarecrow making and even a fairy dell.

Media Contact: Chris Levins 8833 5002



Sunday 18 September
10am - 3pm
Holroyd Gardens
Corner Pitt and Walpole Streets, Merrylands
ENTRY: Gold Coin Donation
All funds raised go towards helping less fortunate animals

Kitty Korner
See PetFest's first Cat Exhibition
Enter your cat to win great prizes in each CATegory!

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Stage Program

10.00am	Official Opening by Mayor
	Introduce Poppy the Possum
	Competition Winners Announced
10.10am	Stockland Jack, Jess & Fetch Show
10.30am	Jack, Jess & Fetch meet & greet
11.00am	Holroyd Band
11.30am	Spot Meet & Greet
12.30pm	Cat Grooming (Kitty Korner)
1.00pm	Stockland Jack, Jess & Fetch Show
	Kitty Korner Competitions (Kitty Korner)
1.30pm	Dr Joanna Righetti – 'Pet Problems Solved'
2.00pm	Spot Meet & Greet
2.30pm	Flyball Trophies Awarded- Flyball

Arena Program

10.30am	German Shepherd Dog League
11.30am	Pet Passion for Fashion Parade
12.00pm	Competition judging
	- Best Dressed Pet
	- Most Unique Pet
	- Working Dog Award
	- Best Pet Strut
	- Pet Owner Look Alike
12.30pm	German Shepherd Dog League
1.00pm	Spot Meet & Greet
2.00pm	German Shepherd Dog League



Smile!

PetFest
Promoting Responsible Pet Ownership
2011

PetFest Paparazzi

PetFest 2011 Photography Competition

Complete the online entry form and
upload your photo.

Entries Close 5pm Friday 9 September.

Categories:

5 - 8 yrs / 9 - 12 yrs / 13 - 18yrs

Winners will be announced at PetFest on
Sunday 18 September at 10am.

Category winners will receive great prizes
and their photos will be displayed
at the event. All entries will be displayed
on Council's website.

To view the Rules and Guidelines, Photo Specifications and
to enter visit www.holroyd.nsw.gov.au/petfestpaparazzi

Cumberland County Fair and Markets

Parramatta Stadium –
FREE ENTRY

Every Sunday 9am – 3pm
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