



## GUILDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL

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# NEWS UPDATE

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## Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Term 4 is flying! We are now half way through it. In this fortnight's newsletter you will see a selection of photographs from our recent and absolutely outstanding 'Around the World' concert. Once again congratulations to everyone involved. All our 430 students are STARS!

## Congratulations-Regional Art Winner



**Deya Daoudi**, a year six student, recently received a prestigious Visual Art Award at the South Western Sydney 'Directors' Choice' evening. Congratulations Deya!

## Typhoon Haiyan destroys thousands of children's lives.

We have all seen the news or read in the newspapers the devastating aftermath of Typhoon Haiyan that has brought destruction and catastrophic damage to hundreds of villages and towns across the Philippines.

Once again our school will dig deep to support the School Aid campaign through the state's '[Save the Children](#)' appeal.

On Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November we encourage students and staff to wear **BLUE** and donate a gold coin.

## The children of the Philippines need our help!

Funds raised will go 100% to the 'Save the Children' appeal. If every school in NSW donated \$1 per student we would raise \$1 million. Wouldn't that be wonderful?

For our lovely Philipino families of Guildford, we hope and pray that your homeland and relatives there find some hope after this terrible event.

## Absences a Big Concern

Kindergarten, once again has topped the scale with the most absences this year. Term 3 was particularly bad with 169 one day girl absences and 151 boy absences. That's just kindergarten term 3. Other terms are slightly less but still some alarming statistics. Monday is often the worst day for absences.

Unless very sick, students should not miss school. It is your responsibility to ensure children attend school every day. Students, who miss school, clearly lose LEARNING TIME and all fall behind.

Some students are struggling in class and it's often due to poor attendance.

Be tougher on the boys and girls who pretend to be sick. I know some do! Parents don't fall for it. Be stronger and insist they go to school.

It's about their futures! Attending school is investing in a productive future.

## Important Information Requested

Our student enrolments continue to increase. We are now up to 430 students K-6. However, we have about 100 Kindergarten enrolments, so far, for 2014.

I need to employ teachers to fill any vacancies. Consequently, it's vital I know now if your son/daughter is not returning to Guildford Public in 2014. I have to work out our teacher entitlement based on a formula of student numbers – which is different for each grade.

Please send a note in now if you are moving, so that we can factor this into our projection of classes for 2014.

This is very important!  
Thanks!

Have a great fortnight!

Mr P Lawless Principal



## STAR AWARDS

KE Sione Tuifua, Mirna  
Khaled, Ana Fifita

1L La-Teesha Maisema, Kristina  
Gierke

1R Justin Phan

1/2G Jonah Massoud, Zach Keogh

2K Sytori Noble, Saif Abdul Rahman

2W Danny Eng

3BW Huazhen Liu

3BS Adam El-Bertol

4NM Nakita Whaanga, Heame Khazma

4A Selena Tan, Serkan oksuz

4/5S Mena Moosawi, Halley Fu

5/6B Imran Chakari, Nassar Hasna, Grace  
Taufa, Mahdi Salman, Issa Arbess

5/6L Salvador Castillo-Gomez, Oscar Yau



Joshua Barlow

### *20 Guildford stars, 2<sup>nd</sup> Superstar*

1R Mariam Elsamad, Lorima Rokosuka

2WW Austin Flood, Samuel Malafu

4NM Chay-Lee Howarth

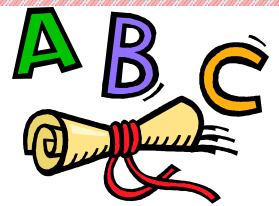
4A Tiresa Rees, Sarah Tarabiya

### *30 Guildford stars, 3<sup>rd</sup> Superstar*

5/6B Jeyda Olca, Sayed Ahmed-Moshref

I HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL NEXT WEEK

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



KC Mehwish Jaffery, Yasmin Ebrahimi,  
Mikayla Howarth

KE Ghazal Mahdavi, Hayat Handullah

1/2G Norah Ayouch, Aimen Zraika

1L Ahmed Ahmed

1R Jessica Masters, Genessa Rivera

1/2P Avantika Karikalan, Yousif Al Hesany,  
Richard Hosea

2K Sybelle Alameddine

4/5S Rania Lingard, Luke Dannawe

5/6B Imran Chakari, Villi Ravouvou

5/6L Farah Al-Tamimi, Joshua Barlow,  
Adam Santoro

5/6P Ahmad Elias

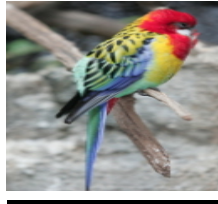
CL Razzan El Kassab, Mariam El Kassab,  
Amal El haj, Yousif El Hesany, Jana El-  
Ranlawie, Sybelle Alameddine.

CONGRATULATIONS!

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

Mr Lawless

# Feature Class – 1 Rosella



This term 1 Rosella have been very busy learning great new things in ICT. We have been learning new skills using the ipad with Miss Paterson. Our project was to map out the life cycle of a minibeast with text labels and annotate how mini-beasts grow and change using the iMotion app. IMotion is an app used to take pictures using animation technique which makes a physical manipulated object look like its moving on its own.

We all worked in small groups and had assigned group roles that we shared. These roles included cameraman, director, props and set designer. Groups recorded their life cycle animation to make a smooth animation movie with at least 25 frames.

We had a great experience using the ipads in our classroom thank you Miss Paterson.

## **How to make a fabulous iMotion video:**

We listened to our partners, we worked together and took turns at using the ipad. We had different jobs creating our movie. Good team work (Justin )

We made sure we followed the rules and didn't put photos of hands or classroom things (Muhadesa)

We moved the ipads carefully and held the ipad still when taking photos (Mariam)

We practiced at home with the ipads (Mohammed)













