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NEWS UPDATE

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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This will be the last newsletter for Term 1. Thank You for your support and enthusiasm this term. It has been an enjoyable and productive term. Students resume for Term 2 on **Wednesday 1 May**. I hope you all have an enjoyable two weeks with your family and friends.

OUR BEST HAT PARADE EVER

Congratulations to all our students and teachers who got involved in this year's Easter Hat Parade. It was a fantastic effort and perhaps our best hat parade ever.

The Easter hats were amazing! The five different categories certainly encouraged some creative thinking and craft work. Thanks to the many interested parents who attended under the COLA. Special thanks to Mr Norambuena and his

committee for coordinating the event.

Congratulations to all the category winners who received a nice Easter egg and certificate. Congratulations as well to the many winners of our Easter Egg Baskets. The donations of chocolate eggs was outstanding as well as the effort from our Parents in Partnership group who prepared the baskets for the raffle.

Finally, thanks to everyone who sold tickets and bought tickets in the raffle. The school made a profit of **\$1595.00** which will go towards library books.

2012 ANNUAL REPORT

I am pleased to present to you our 2012 Annual School Report. I am sending one copy to each family. I commend this report to you and hope you enjoy reading the many achievements from last year. All schools are expected to produce an Annual School Report each year. You will also find



it attached to our school's website, www.guildford-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/ as well as reports from previous years.

As well as outlining many of our achievements it also features:

- Student information
- Survey results
- Staffing
- Financial summary
- NAPLAN graphs and progress
- School Programs and Initiatives
- Progress on 2012 Targets
- School Priority Areas for 2013, etc

If you would like to discuss any areas of the Annual School Report, please contact the office to make an appointment to see me. I am happy to hold a public meeting on the Annual School Report if we have a number of parents interested.

PURPLE DAY

I would like to encourage students to wear **PURPLE** next Tuesday and donate a gold coin. The Purple Mufti Day is to create awareness of the disorder of Epilepsy. Epilepsy is a common neurological disorder characterised by seizures. In many cases a cause cannot be identified. About 50 million people worldwide have epilepsy, with nearly 80% of epilepsy occurring in developing countries. All money raised will be donated to Epilepsy Australia. Please Help!

RAINCOATS REQUIRED

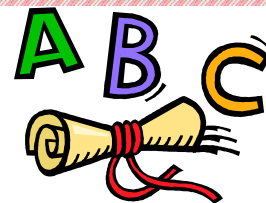
All students from K-6 need to have a plastic raincoat in their school bag. Plastic raincoats are very inexpensive and are easily rolled up and kept in a student's bag. Rain can occur at any time while walking to and from school. Too often students arrive wet on rainy days. The past week has been very wet and many students who had to walk to Guildford Pool for the Swimming Scheme didn't have a raincoat or umbrella. We prefer raincoats as they are much safer. Umbrellas can be dangerous, especially with poking injuries from the spikes. Please ensure your son or daughter has a RAINCOAT in their bag in case of rain. Thanks!

Have a Great Holiday!



Mr Peter Lawless Principal

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



KC Misti Sheth, Rasheed Allawi, Mirna Khaled
Adam Abdalla, Dayton Fuimaono

1G Talya Kanj, Rowan Oymak

1/2P Loelle Alameddine, Kimmy Chung,
Yousif Al Hesany

2/3K Jessics Trieu Phu, Mahdi Mansoor

3B Katherine Tran, Linda Trieu Phu,
Thomasi Kolinitonga, Fatima Algastrani

3/4S Ali Barri, Rayyan Arbess

4A Losa Tuuholoaki (For RFF Art)

4N Chaylee Howarth, Tamara Barlow

5/6B Vanessa Lam, Sonia Lingad

5/6L Saleh Eslami Natanzi, Micha Collis

Community Language

Mayset Elhaj, Emma Allawi

CONGRATULATIONS!

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

Mr Lawless

I HOPE TO SEE **YOU** NEXT TERM

***** ASSEMBLY STARS *****

Adam Abdalla KC
Katherine Tran 3B
Ahmad Elias 5/6P
Richard Hosea 1/2P
Calvin Kay 1L

Lorima Rokosuka 1R
Alaa Agha 5/6P
Abbir Taleb 5/6B
Mahek Mehta 3/4S
Tamara Barlow 4N

SUPERSTARS



Superstars are pending!!

Stewart House

Many thanks to the Guildford families who contributed a donation towards our Stewart House Annual Fund Drive. This year our school collected ninety-four dollars.

Deb Ferguson. Stewart House Coordinator

STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Teachers have been off their class to learn in the following areas:

- On Monday 25 March, Ms Walpole, Ms AliKhan, Mrs Haider, Mr Hannah, Mr Lawless, Ms Blewitt, Ms McGrath, Miss Smith, Miss Bryceland and Ms De Marco developed their leadership skills, led by Miss Paterson, as part of the Team Leadership for School improvement.
- On Wednesday 27 March, all teachers participated in 2 hours of Focus on Reading training, led by Miss Smith, Mrs Edge, Ms McGrath and Mrs Byrnes.
- On Wednesday 2 April, Mrs Hemming attended professional development in her role as Learning and Support Teacher.

Ms Sophie Paterson HAT

Websites of The Week

School zone safety

. School zones exist for the safety of children and families; they will operate on Thursday 28 March, then resume on Tuesday 2 April. Forty-kilometres-an-hour school speed zones operate across New South Wales at all school sites on gazetted school days, which are all days the school is open, even pupil-free days. Find out more:

<http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au/roadsafety/children/schoolroadsafety/schoolzoneprogram.html>

Practise to be a journalist

This website could definitely make practising writing and spelling more interesting for all of us. Make a newspaper clipping with your own headline and story.

<http://www.fodey.com/generators/newspaper/snippet.asp>

Safety locks

Between 2011 and the end of 2012, 39 children aged nine or younger were hospitalised in NSW as a result of window falls. New lock laws in apartment buildings will soon help to keep our kids safe. Child safety locks are now required to be installed on apartment windows.

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/news/breaking-news/new-window-lock-laws-for-nsw-stratas/story-fn3dxiwe-1226596394666>



NATIONAL EPILEPSY AWARENESS

Tuesday 9 April will be Purple Day at Guildford Public School for Epilepsy Awareness. All students are encouraged to wear purple clothing and donate a gold coin. The donations collected will be given to Epilepsy Australia.

Did you know?

- Epilepsy is the world's most common serious disorder affecting the brain.
- It is estimated that 0.4%-0.8% of all children will have a type of epilepsy by 11 years of age.
- 220,000 live with Epilepsy that is 1:100

The reason Guildford Public School is raising awareness and supporting this cause is because Epilepsy Australia provides education, information and assistance to Australians living with epilepsy.

They actively deliver counselling, support and information to all who access their services and Epilepsy Australia is committed to raising awareness and understanding of the very real issues faced by those living with epilepsy. The unpredictable nature of seizures can force people to stay at home, fearful of a seizure occurring in public. Would you know what to do if you saw someone having a seizure?

A goal of Epilepsy Australia is for every household in Australia to be seizure aware. Have a look at the Epilepsy first aid information sheet.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at Guildford Public School wearing purple and donating a gold coin for a great cause!

Thank you for your support,

Miss Ali Khan

EASTER HAT PARADE WINNERS

Easter Theme

Early Stage 1:	1 st Sophia Obeid (KO) 2 nd Majd Mahmoud (KO) 3 rd Hadeel Kerdi (KO)
Stage 1:	1 st Samuel Malafu (2W) 2 nd Zac Singca (1/2P) 3 rd Joelle Alameddine (1/2P)
Stage 2:	1 st Ivy Tran (3B) 2 nd Akanesi Matakaiongo (2/3 K) 3 rd Phillip Baldacchino (3B)
Stage 3:	1 st Vanessa Lam (5/6B) 2 nd Francis Asabre (5/6L) 3 rd Jane Waqa (5/6P)

Superhero Theme

Early Stage 1:	1 st Rafael Lingad (KO) 2 nd Zaynab Sediqi (KC)
Stage 1:	1 st Jack Waddington (1/2P) 2 nd Nadeem Battal (1/2P) 3 rd Zakaria Tobbieh (2W)
Stage 2:	No entries
Stage 3:	1 st Mohamed Chaouk (5/6L) 2 nd Viliame Ravouvou (5/6B) 3 rd Frank Rees (5/6B)

Fairy Tale Theme

Early Stage 1:	No entries
Stage 1:	1 st Nora Ayouch (1G) 2 nd Nicole Tan Terles (2/3K) 3 rd Zachariah Abdulwahab (2/3K)
Stage 2:	1 st Rania Lingad (3/4 S) 2 nd Aydin Yag (4A) 3 rd Shauna Dower (4N)
Stage 3:	No entries

Multicultural Theme

Early Stage 1:	No entries
Stage 1:	1 st Raheela Hassan (1R) 2 nd Saif Abdul Rahman (2/3K) 3 rd Yousif Al Hesany (1/2P)

Stage 2 & 3 Combined

- 1st Sonia Lingad (5/6B)
- 2nd Joumana Ayouch (4A)
- 3rd Natalie Batistic (5/6P)

Space Theme

Early Stage 1:	No entries
Stage 1:	1 st Austin Flood (2W) 2 nd Exodus Rees (1/2P)
Stage 2:	1 st Luke Whaanga (2/3K) 2 nd Asahak Ahmed (4N) 3 rd Aphirak Nawara (4A)
Stage 3:	1 st Betoul Alameddine (5/6P) 2 nd Frank Rees (5/6B)

Teachers' Hat Parade: Miss Sophie Patterson.

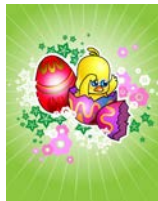
Mr Norambuena Library Teacher

EASTER RAFFLE WINNERS

1. Joumana Ayouch 4A
2. Clint Thomson c/o Alexandra Floyd 2W
3. Jayden Christmas-Estephan 4A
4. Andre Meauli 5/6L
5. Tara Nogueira 4A
6. Norah Ayouch 1G
7. Marie Masters c/o Jakob Masters 4A
8. Philip Baldacchino 3B
9. Rowan Oymak 1G
10. Miss Smith 3/4S
11. Shayal Prakash 3/4S
12. Mahmutjahn Olca 5/6P
13. Abbir Taleb 5/6B
14. Kanwar Singh 1/2P
15. Vili Ravouvou 5/6B
16. Rangipene Wikotu 1R
17. Vanessa Lam 5/6B
18. Muhammed Tobbieh 5/6P
19. Jayden Christmas-Estephan 4A
20. Maria Harada c/o Paul Charbel 5/6B
21. Ivy Tran 3B
22. William Lam 5/6B
23. Jack Waddington 1/2P
24. Anjie Kerdi 2/3K
25. Hilda Djapari c/o Joyzender Jap 3B
26. Hayne Khaung 4A
27. Maria Harada c/o Paul Charbel 5/6B
28. Hala Ayouch 5/6L
29. Andre Meauli 5/6L
30. Jayden Christmas-Estephan 4A
31. Colin Newcombe c/o Adam Santoro 5/6L
32. Aleya Okan 1L
33. Lucia Perez 5/6L
34. Philip Baldacchino 3B
35. Rima



36. Joshua
37. Jan Riggs c/o Jakob Masters 4A
38. Blessing Marona c/o Peter Marona Puhotau 2/3K
39. Bluey Masters c/o Jakob Masters 4A
40. Amira El-Assaad 1/2P
41. David Reyes 2W
42. Mark Riggs c/o Jessica Masters 1R
43. Tooa Rees c/o Terisa Rees 4A
44. Hadeel Kerdi KO
45. Andre Meauli 5/6L
46. Palavi Kamoda 2/3K
47. Lucia Perez 5/6L
48. Kabir Thapa 2W
49. William Lam 5/6B
50. Manal Kerdich
51. Jayden Christmas-Estephan 4A
52. Cindy Alterio c/o Office
53. Hilda Djapari c/o Joyzender Jap 3B
54. Frank Rees 5/6B
55. Zainab Hussain 1/2P
56. Jamie McDonald
57. Zainab Hussain 1/2P
58. Connor Flood 3/4S
59. Michael Vazquez
60. Fadia c/o Maya Elsamad 5/6B
61. Leo Fele 2/3K
62. Fadia Farhat c/o Hassan Farhat 1/2P
63. George Duwai
64. Philip Baldacchino 3B
65. Gus Rees c/o Frank Rees 5/6B
66. Calvin Kay 1L
67. Terancis Moaga 5/6L
68. Cindy Alterio c/o Office



TERM 1	DATES TO REMEMBER
2/4/13 – 12/4/13	Special Swim Scheme Years 2-6 
9/4/13	Wear Purple for Epilepsy
12/4/13	Last Day of School Term 
29/4/13- 30/4/13	Staff Development Days
1/5/13	School Resumes for ALL Students

Feature Class

1 Galah – Ms McGrath

1 Galah has been learning to talk as 'Thinking Partners' during class activities. During 'Thinking Partners' time:

- We sit Eye to Eye
- We sit Knee to Knee
- We listen to each other
- We take turns to talk and show respect
- We are active listeners

We have used 'Thinking Partners' to discuss our predictions before we read big books. We then take turns to report back to the class and explain what our partners predictions were using a loud, clear voice and full sentences.

We are very proud of how we show respect to each other in 1 Galah!





EASTER
HAT
PARADE





SEIZURE FIRST AID

Tonic Clonic Seizure

Convulsive seizure with loss of consciousness, muscle stiffening, falling, followed by jerking movements.

1

Time the seizure.

Protect from injury, quickly remove any hard objects that could cause injury.

Protect the head as best you can - place something soft under the head.

Do not attempt to restrain the person or to stop the jerking.

Do not put anything in the mouth.

2

Gently roll the person onto one side as soon as it is practical to do so. This will help keep the airway clear.

Stay with the person until the seizure ends naturally.

3

Calmly talk to the person until they regain consciousness. Let them know where they are, that they are safe and that you will stay with them while they recover.



Complex Partial Seizure

Non-convulsive seizure with outward signs of confusion, unresponsiveness or inappropriate behaviour. Can be mistaken for alcohol or drug intoxication.

- During a complex partial seizure you may need to gently guide the person past obstacles and away from dangerous places.
- As the seizure finishes, calmly talk to the person and ask if they are OK.



In the event of a seizure follow instructions in the individual's seizure care plan. However if you do not know the person, or there is no seizure care plan:

Call an ambulance – 000

- ✓ If the seizure lasts more than **5 minutes** or a second seizure quickly follows.
- ✓ If the person remains non-responsive for more than **5 minutes** after the seizure stops.
- ✓ If the person is having a greater number of seizures than is usual for them.
- ✓ If the person is injured, goes blue in the face or has swallowed water.
- ✓ If the person is pregnant.
- ✓ You know, or believe it to be, the person's first seizure.
- ✓ You feel uncomfortable dealing with the seizure.

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