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NEWS UPDATE

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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Guildford Public School for Term 3. This is the first newsletter for the new term. Welcome to a number of new families who have joined our school community.

I wish all the students every success with their continued learning this term and encourage each student to strive to develop their skills across all Key Learning Areas. Each week students who have shown great improvement or have presented outstanding work in their classrooms from Kindergarten to Year 6 are sent to my office. Generally one student from each class is chosen each week. It's always wonderful to see them proud of their achievements. These students have their names entered in the newsletter and usually leave my office with a sticker, magic pencil and rubber, and hopefully a tremendous smile of satisfaction. They usually give me a big smile too as for a teacher, as I am, the best thing is seeing student success and usually makes my day.

Athletics Carnival Applause

On the Tuesday of the last week of Term 2 we held our annual Athletics Carnival. As usual it was a tremendous success with the vast majority of students attending, engaging and really putting their 'best foot forward' to pun a phrase. Although a cold day the sun kept shinning threw as student after student ran their hardest for their team. We had some amazing times and the competition was particularly strong in our final races and relays. The K-2 students enjoyed a day of fun athletics activities. Please see our special

spread of photos in this newsletter with many more photos on our schools' website.

Last week we held our field events including high jump, long jump, and shot-putt. Again the students performed their best effort with some excellent results. Special thanks to Miss Smith who co-ordinated the Athletics Carnival this year.

Star Footballer in the Making

Congratulations for Joshua Barlow from Year 6 who received a trophy award for being the best player in the back line. Joshua plays for Wentworthville Magpies in the under 12's division. He thoroughly enjoys training with the team twice a week as it keeps him fit as well as supporting the development of his skills. Joshua would love to one day play first grade for Parramatta Eels.

Keep up the great work Joshua.



Punctuality Problems

As you know school commences at 9am daily. Unfortunately we have a chronic issue with many students arriving after the bell.

Monday is generally the worse with over 60 students late on Monday 21 July. This is clearly most unsatisfactory. All students should arrive at school between 8.30am and 8.50am. This gives them time to order lunch at canteen or go to the toilet.

Students arriving late miss learning time and also create extra work for the office staff who have to issue late-notes.

It's also good training for when students grow up to have them understand the importance of **PUNCTUALITY**.

Poor punctuality can include:

- Arriving late to school,
- Arriving late to work,
- Arriving late for an appointment,
- Arriving late for your train or bus (obviously missing it),
- Arriving late for the movie or theatre (missing the start and disturbing those on time),
- Arriving late to pick up children, etc

Remember the quote from William Shakespeare, "Better three hours too soon than a minute late."

Or perhaps you prefer the quote from Lord Nelson, "I owe all my success in life to having been a quarter of an hour before my time."

FAREWELL TO OUR WONDERFUL MRS FERGUSON

After a career as a Quality Teacher for more than thirty five years, Mrs Ferguson has announced her retirement. Her last day at Guildford Public School will be on Wednesday 6 August.

Students, staff and community are certainly going to miss her. She has spent the past twenty years at this school where her contributions to the Guildford Public School Community will be long remembered.

On a personal note, I will certainly miss her as she is a treasured member of our community. Mrs Ferguson cares about Public Education.

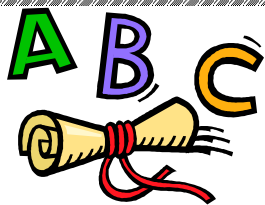
Her caring and professional nature, combined with a wonderful sense of humour and strong work ethics, has brought her considerable respect from both students and other teachers.

We know we will see her sometimes perhaps doing some casual teaching and she has promised to assist in helping us prepare for our 100th Anniversary Centenary early next year.

I'm pleased to advise that Miss McCleod will take over class 3 Coolamon. We will have a farewell assembly For Mrs Ferguson, on Tuesday 5 August at 12 noon under the COLA. All parents are welcome. This will be in place of the usual Wednesday assembly.



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



KB – Fiona Chen, Alisina Nazari
KW – Eray Yilmaz, Lucas Ramsey
1Y - Amelia Piu
2/3B - Zainab Hussain
**3C - Mansoor Tamaki, Alan Wen,
Madison Osekerita, Ahnaf Tanvir**
**3W - Sybelle Alameddine, Ali Nabizadah,
Yousif Al Hesany, Yousif Tarabiya**
5B - Ali Moosawi, Harnoor Brar
6J - Salvador Castillo
**RFF - Aarshan Nour KB, Samuel Paseka KB,
Layel Jbara K1/W, Zahraa Alghizi
1/2B**

CONGRATULATIONS!

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

Mr Lawless

I HOPE TO SEE YOU NEXT FORTNIGHT

Have a great fortnight!

Mr Peter Lawless
Principal



KW – Talia Donmez
**1P - Ali Sajad Jafari
Nicole Irving**
**1/2B - Mariam Elsamad
Danny Berisha
Calvin Kay
Austin Pan
Shabar Raza**
**3C - Sarina Georgis
Jana El Ramlawi
Mansoor Tamaki**
**5B - Rokya Al Jebori
Ian Rivera
Diloris Katoa**
**5C - Tiresa Rees
Rania Lingad
Bella Afu
Mohammed Naseri**
**6J - Jesi Organ
Mahdi Salman
Xavier Osekerita
Issa Alhalabi
Cullen Rollo**

Silver:

3W - Ranim Saleem
4B - Huazen Liu
5C - Ilaisa Saukuru
6B - Halley Fu
6J - Salvador Castillo-Gomez

Gold:

**5B - Dennis Boima
Zimraan Anjum**

ACTIVE AFTER-SCHOOL COMMUNITIES SPORTS PROGRAM

A note was sent home last week about the After School Sports Program. Please be aware that Kindergarten, Year One and Year Two are on Tuesday afternoon and Years 3 to Years 6 is on Thursday afternoons.

Miss Karamaneas
AASC Co-ordinator

Sport News



Our **PSSA teams** played against **Guildford West** in round 5 of the competition.

Our **junior netball** team won their game and the score was 12-0. The senior team had a draw and the score was 11-11.

Our **junior newcombe** ball team won in their game and the score was 42-33. The senior team won and the score was 53-50.

Comment: Competitive games and a great win by the juniors and seniors.

Our **junior soccer** team won in their game and the score was 5-0. The senior team had a draw and the score was 1 all.

Comment: Great game by the juniors, well deserves win! Seniors defended well to earn a draw.

Our **boys league** tag team was defeated in their game and the score was 8-4. The senior team won and the score was 10-5.

Comment: Need to improve their defence.

Our **girls league** tag team didn't play their game as they had a bye.

Our **PSSA teams** played against **Auburn North** last week in round 8 of the competition.

Our **junior netball** team won their game and the score was 3-1. The senior team won and the score was 13-4.

Comment: Well done juniors and seniors. Keep up the excellent teamwork!

Our **junior newcombe** ball team won in their game. The senior team was defeated in their game.

Comment: A fabulous win by the junior team. Keep focused and make sure you never give up seniors- a close score.

Our **junior soccer** team drew in their game and the score was 3 all. The senior team won and the score was 5-1.

Comment: The juniors fought hard for a draw and the seniors were unlucky to lose by that much.

Our **boys junior league** tag team won in their game and the score was 8-0. The senior team won and the score was 15-0.

Comment: Fantastic defence and communication.

Our **girls junior league** tag team played against Rosehill P.S. and won in their game the score was 6-0. The senior team drew in their game and the score was 3-3.

Comment: Juniors had an awesome win and only 7 players. Great work girls!



Guildford Stars at Assembly- Term 2 : Week 8

- ★ AJ Floyd- KM
- ★ Amelia Piu – 1Y
- ★ Adam Zraika – 1Y
- ★ Ryan Lolohea – 3C
- ★ Aimen Zraika – 3W
- ★ Ibrahim Alhalabi – 3W
- ★ Hope Coombes – 4B



Bravehearts

Ditto's Keep Safe Adventure!

The Bravehearts Education Program will be coming to our school on Tuesday 29 July. All students in K-2 will be participating in this program, which will teach children the basic principles of personal safety and will provide them with strategies to stay safe. These concepts are taught through games, songs and a character called 'Ditto'. It also complements our Child Protection program that was taught last term across the school.

S.Haidar

K-2 Assistant Principal



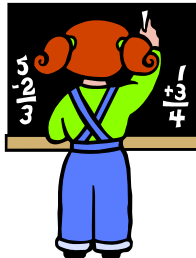
Enrol now for Kindergarten-2015



Dear Parents and Caregivers

It's that time of year again where we need to start organising our Kindergarten Transition program for 2015 which will run in Term 4. If you have a child that will be starting Kindergarten next year, you will need to come in and pick up an enrolment form as soon as possible to enrol them in the school. This will ensure that you won't miss out on information and dates regarding our Kindergarten Transition Program in Term 4. If you also know of relatives or family friends who have children that will be starting school next year and they live in the area, please let them know that will need to enrol them at the school as soon as possible.

S.Haidar
K-2 Assistant Principal



Attendance/Late To School

It is becoming a concern that many students on a daily basis are attending school late. Students are expected to attend school anytime between 8:30 and 9:00.

As a parent, it is your responsibility to ensure that your child attends school and arrives on time. The morning session is the most important time of your child's education and by arriving late, his/her learning is impacted. Please ensure that you leave home on time to transport your child to school by 8:55am.

Please make sure you:

provide the school with an explanation if your child is late or away (preferably a doctors certificate)

- arrange doctor/dentist appointments out of school hours
- arrange personal shopping trips with your son/daughter or birthday celebrations out of school hours
- do not allow your child to stay at home unless they are genuinely sick

Teachers are looking for students in classes who are constantly on time at school and have a good attendance rate each term to award class certificates.

Thanking you for your support

Mr P Hanna
Assistant Principal



TERM 3	DATES TO REMEMBER
30 July	Education Week Open Day
5 Aug	UNSW Maths Test
13 Aug	Zone Athletics
18 Aug	Book Week
19 Aug	Premiers Spelling Bee Stage 2

Feature Class – K Mallee

K Mallee love to **READ!** The students in K Mallee have been learning about the different strategies they can use when reading. While enjoying their fruit and water during 'Crunch and Sip' time they listened to stories being read to them before participating in the many fun activities.

The 'Super Six' strategies we have been focusing on are predicting, summarising and visualising. We used sentence stems to help us predict what the story might be about, role play, sequencing and a web of understanding to summarise the story and drawings to visualise.

Predicting



Sentence Stems

Visualising



Summarising



Web of Understanding



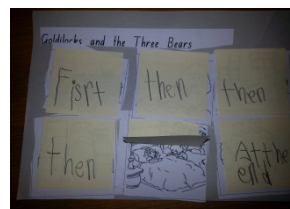
Role Play



Drawings



Sequencing



Guildford Public School is



Celebrating 100 years!

When: Saturday 28 February 2015

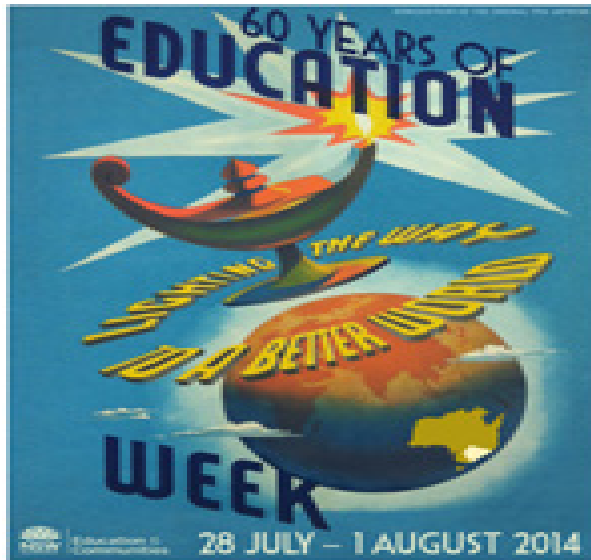
STALLS AVAILABLE **FOR HIRE**

If you would like to hire a stall to sell any item of your choice at our centenary celebration please see Mrs Sheehy in the office.

There is a set price of \$150 to reserve a spot at our Centenary celebration. Stall holders will need to provide their own tables on the day. Any profit made is for the stall holder to keep!



<https://www.facebook.com/guildfordcentenary>



Education Week 2014

Monday 28 July – Friday 1 August

Public Schools NSW – “Lighting the way to a better world”

Education Week is an opportunity to showcase our school's achievements which comprises of our inspirational teachers, staff, students and community members. 2014 marks the 60th anniversary of the first Education Week and is an ideal opportunity to have a look at how education has changed over the last 60 years.

The tagline for the original, 1954 Education Week was: "Lighting the way to a better world". The Department of Education has adopted that slogan for this anniversary celebration and the artwork from the 1954 poster has also been adapted.

The day will consist of a whole school assembly under the COLA which will begin at 10.00am and conclude at 11.00am. Parents are welcome to stay in the playground with their child for Fruit Break and Morning Tea (coffee/tea will be available at the canteen).

Parents and caregivers are invited to visit their children's classrooms from 11.30am – 1.00pm, to see class displays and witness quality teaching and learning. Try to spend a while in each of your children's classes. They will certainly enjoy showing you their work.

We hope that you can join us on this special day and we look forward to seeing you on Wednesday 30 July to help us celebrate our successes and achievements at Guildford Public School.

Education Week Coordinator

S.Haidar

Assistant Principal

Athletics Carnival

Athletics Carnival



Go Wattle!



Go Bluegum!



Go Waratah!



What a Great Day!

