



# Governor Philip King Public School

'Our school exists for children'

Week 9 Term 1  
20 March 2012

*From the Principal...*

**Raffle Ticket Scam** - Late last week I received an email from our relieving School Education Director outlining a scam involving fundraising which has affected a school in the Liverpool/Hoxton area. Please see excerpt from the email below:

Bringelly Public School has become caught up in a Raffle Ticket Selling Scam. A number of very angry members of the public have contacted and complained to the school. Bringelly Public School is not running a raffle and is rightfully concerned the school reputation is being tarnished by what is happening.

A woman, with two children in tow, allegedly wearing a Bringelly school top, aged between 8-10, is selling raffle tickets in the Liverpool / Hoxton area. They have sold tickets in Wetherill Park, Hoxton Park, Casula Mall, Horsley Park, Heckenberg, Liverpool and Moorebank. The mother says she is fundraising for Bringelly. In one street a complainant said she collected over \$100. The woman is also visiting industrial sites and items, for example, mobile phones have disappeared from the premises during her visit. Green Valley Police have been contacted by people caught up in the incident and have had several conversation with the school. The Principal does not believe the woman or children belong to the school. No tickets have been sold in the immediate Bringelly area.

**Homework** - Governor Philip King Public School has a very clear policy on homework which I have included in this weeks' newsletter. This policy was evaluated and refined in July 2011. Our homework policy is very clear in the purpose, guidelines and expectations for homework. Across our school homework takes on a variety of forms in what is sent home, however, the purpose is the same: to build on what has been learnt at school. Please ensure you read our homework policy and if there any further questions do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

**Staff car parks** - Parents are reminded that the two staff car parks (located at the front and back of the school) are not areas to drop off students in the morning or collect students in the afternoon. Our car parks have limited space considering the large number of staff we have here at Governor Philip King. We are requesting that parents do not drive into the school in the morning or the afternoon. This includes collecting students from Active Challenge sessions. Parents are requested to find parking on the street to collect or drop students off. The safety of our students is our number one priority. Parents driving in and out of the car park pose a significant risk to both students and parents using the pedestrian access.

**Holiday dates** - Please note the last day of first term is 5 April with school resuming on 24 April. Easter public holidays run from 6 to 9 April.

**Annual School Report** - Each year schools are required to complete an Annual School Report. This report is a summation of our school achievements, targets and goals. The Annual School Report is a means by which our community gains further insight into the activities of our school. The report also contains information about future directions and students' achievements. The school undergoes an evaluation process of identified areas. Part of this process included surveying staff, students and parents last year. The 2011 Annual School report will be ready and available from the beginning of term two. This report will be available on our school website. The report will also be available in a hard copy for community members. If you would like a copy sent home please complete the slip below and return it to the front office by the end of term.

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I am requesting a hard copy of the 2011 Governor Philip King Annual School report.  
Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Newsletter

**Road safety** - It's important to remind children, especially younger ones, of the need to be vigilant when out and about. Talk to your child about road safety and model good behaviour yourself. For lots of good safety reminders, Kidsafe NSW has an informative website with a number of free brochures and fact sheets on maintaining a safe environment for your child and teaching them about staying safe. They are also available in several community languages. [www.kidsafensw.org](http://www.kidsafensw.org)

**Grandparents' Day** - To honour all grandparents, GPK will be hosting a grandparents day tomorrow. You are welcome to visit your grandchild's classroom from 10a.m. and stay for recess at 11a.m. Year 6 will be holding a cake stall with prices starting from 50 cents. We look forward to seeing you.

**Easter Hat Parade** - The Easter Hat Parade for students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 will be held on Thursday 5 April at 9:30a.m. This will take place in the primary pavilion and netball court areas. All students are expected to participate in the parade and will need an Easter hat which is to be made at home over the next few weeks. Parents may choose to make a hat or decorate an existing one with coloured paper and toys such as small yellow Easter chickens or Easter bunnies. Please don't use chocolate eggs as they tend to melt and fall off the hats. The Easter Bunny has promised to visit during the parade.

Parents are invited to watch the parade. Please bring your picnic rug or chair to use on the day. The Easter Hat Parade should finish by 10:30a.m. Thank You. Mrs Sarkees.

**GPK's 2012 3 -6 Athletics Carnival - CONGRATULATIONS to Sirius**, the winner of GPK's 2012 3-6 Athletics Carnival! All students, staff and parents had a great day last Wednesday. We really appreciate and would like to thank all the amazing parents who helped throughout the day. Running with the tracks marked was a great experience for the students. The final results were: Sirius - 367; Supply - 321; Scarborough - 315; Alexander - 302.

**Active Challenge** - Next week is the last week for Active Challenge. Please remember to park outside the school gates when collecting your children. Thank You.

**School Photos** - If you ordered a mug as part of your photo package and have not received it yet it is available from the office. Please collect as soon as possible.

**Girls Winter Pinafore** - We are now taking pre-paid orders for the girls' winter pinafores. Please try these on the children before ordering as there will be **NO** refunds or exchanges. Orders will be taken on Uniform Sales days, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 7:30a.m. to 2:15p.m.

**P&C Meeting** - A reminder that there will be a P&C meeting on Wednesday 28 March at 7p.m. in the staffroom. All welcome. J Brkic. P&C President.

**P&C Mufti Day** - A mufti day will be held on Wednesday 28 March. Please bring a cold coin donation and wear your favourite colour. J Brkic. P&C President.

**Area Swimming** - Area Swimming Results. We had 14 students from GPK represent Horsley Zone at the SSW Area Swimming Carnival last Tuesday.

The following students finished in the top 10 placings which was a great effort considering the standard of competition.

Senior girls relay team. Claudia Ong, Nikolina Milanovic, Stephanie Filippin, Leyla Yilmaz finished 6th.  
Claudia Ong finished 8th in Butterfly, 9th in Breaststroke.  
William Ha finished 7th in 50M Freestyle, 5th in Backstroke.  
Darian Luc finished 7th in Breaststroke.  
Zachary Sairlao finished 6th in Breaststroke.

Congratulations to all 14 swimmers on reaching this level and thank you to all the parents for helping with transport. Mr Hoyle.

**Values Education** - The value for Week 9 is Understanding/Tolerance. Understanding of oneself and others is the knowledge that we all have equal worth. We all play a valuable part in the world. Each individual is unique with his/her own talents.

Tolerance is the appreciation of diversity and the ability to exercise a fair and objective attitude towards those whose opinions, practices, religion, nationality and so, on differ from one's own. It is the quality of accepting other people's differences, opinions and rights.

## PSSA Round 5

Team	Results		Player of the Match
	W/L/D	Score	
Junior Newcombeball	W	2-0	Vivian Nguyen, Suriya Sisopha
Senior Newcombeball	W	2-1	Saane Tapa, Vivian Tran
Year 3/4 Cricket	W	164-79	Samuel Sisounon
Year 5/6 Cricket	L	87-110	Kye Brunetta
Years 5 & 6 Boys Softball	L	0-3	Leonardo Lin
Years 5 & 6 Girls Softball	L	3-6	Kaylin Huggins
Boys T-ball	W	9-8	Logan Cotton
Girls T-ball	L	12-16	Chelsea Bainisavu

This week we play against Cabramatta West at Endeavour Reserve.

## Upcoming Events

Week 9


21 March - Harmony Day

Grandparents' Day.

Have a great week!

Jason Corcoran

Principal



**25th Annual Penrith Working TRUCKSHOW**  
 Celebrating 25 YEARS 1988-2012  
 Sunday 25th March 2012 - 8am-5pm  
 Australia's Best Value Family Day  
 Held At MUSEUM OF FIRE  
 "Learn, Don't Burn"

**The Best In Country Music**  
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 Troy Cassar-Daley, McAlister Kemp, Buddy Goode, Amber Lawrence, Dan Murphy, Mark Shag, Plus much much more

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**WALE**  
 Held at Museum of Fire, 1 Museum Drive, Penrith. Phone: (02) 4731 3000  
 The Museum is a registered charity and all funds raised are directed towards saving our families from the dangers of fire while preserving the heritage of our communities bravest.  
 Follow us on: [www.museumoffire.com.au](http://www.museumoffire.com.au)  
 Sydney Classic & Antique Truckshow on 17th June, 2012 (See website for more details)

- Direct access from Penrith Station
- Unlimited FREE amusement rides all day (18 rides)
- Concert sound & full stage
- Specialist trade stalls & displays
- Entertaining games & competitions
- Free Balloons & Fairy Floss
- Free face painting
- BBQ, drinks & beer tents
- Major prizes & trophies
- Price includes entry to Museum
- Adults \$25, up to 3 Children FREE with paying adult (Children under 16, Students 16 required if over 16 years)

## HOME TUTOR

### PRIMARY

HOMEWORK HELP  
 ENGLISH, MATHS,  
 NAPLAN & MORE

### HIGH SCHOOL

ENGLISH, MATHS, HISTORY,  
 GEOGRAPHY  
 & BIOLOGY

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