



Governor Philip King Public School

'Our school exists for children'

Week 4 Term 2
15 May 2012

From the Principal...

Student collection after the 3pm bell - Just a reminder that school finishes at 3pm and children need to be collected as close to that time as possible. If you are detained or have an emergency and know that you will be late, please phone our school office so we can make alternative arrangements for your child. Children who are not collected at 3pm are required to wait in the front office area. Children are not to wait out in the school playground or outside the school gates, including Allambie oval, for parents who are late. This is a safety issue for your child.

Approaching Your School - From time to time issues and disagreements occur between students. Last week we had two different parents who approached another parent's child in the playground in regard to issues between students. **No parent should directly approach another person's child.** Any issues should be discussed with your child's class teacher firstly, and then the supervisor of your child's grade if necessary, so that the issues can be solved in the appropriate manner. If you need to speak to a grade supervisor after you have spoken to the class teacher, the grade supervisors are as follows:

Kindergarten-Ms Dolz
Year 1-Mrs Sarkees
Year 2-Ms Halabe
Years 3 and 4-Mr Hamilton
Years 5 and 6-Miss Usher

Lost property - Now that the colder weather is with us, students will be wearing jumpers and jackets to school in the mornings. During the course of the day it may become warmer and they take these off. To prevent your child losing these, please use a permanent laundry marker to label all clothing as well as hats and other belongings. Remember to go through your child's bag with them each night to ensure they have all belongings. If something doesn't come home, check the classroom firstly and then lost property which is located in 5/6SU wet area. This is the classroom closest to the canteen.

Visitors Signing In - It is a DEC and school requirement that all visitors during the day sign in to the school. It ensures the safety and security of our students and staff, and ensures everyone is accounted for in an emergency. Recently we have had a few parents arrive to deliver lunches, homework books, jackets etc to students and have not signed in. Please follow the school policy of signing in at the front office on arrival at the school during the day. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Earn and Learn - Don't forget to ask for your stickers from Woolworths when you shop there. Every \$10 spent earns one sticker. Put them on your sticker card and return it to school when it is full. New cards can be obtained from the office. Thank you for helping our school earn points towards equipment for the school.

2012 Kindergarten Enrolments - Kindergarten enrolments are now being accepted for next year. If your child turns 5 before 31 July, 2013, he/she is eligible to be enrolled in Kindergarten next year. Applications are available from the Office.

OC Class Applications - Parents of 2012 Year 4 students who are intending to apply for an Opportunity Class Placement (Year 5, 2012) are reminded that all applications, on-line (www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement) and paper ones, close on May 18. No late applications will be accepted. Thank you. Mr. Hamilton.

Newsletter

Multicultural Playgroup - The Multicultural Playgroup at GPK will now be located in the school hall on Monday mornings from 9am-11am, starting next Monday 21 May.

Values Education - The value for Week 4 is Responsibility. Responsibility is being able to take care of your duties. We need to be reliable and honest. It is an accountability that commits us to fulfill our obligations and be trustworthy to carry out a course of action. Ecological responsibility relates to what we do and do not do to sustain, conserve and enhance our natural resources.

Please teach your children to take responsibility for their actions by having discussions about this value and the importance of knowing how to live responsibly. Mrs S Kumar. Student Engagement.

Years 5 and 6 Gold Day 2012 - On Wednesday 9th of May, the whole of stage 3 were transported back in time to 1855 to experience what it was like on the goldfields. On that day we came to school dressed for the occasion, wearing old clothes, sturdy foot wear and brimmed hats. We started the day by reciting the miner's oath as the flag ascended, and we were allowed onto the goldfields.

There were a variety of ways to earn money, such as working as a shopkeeper, in the kitchen preparing and cooking the stew for lunch, writing a news report, entertaining the miners on the stage, working as a trooper collecting fines or working in the bank changing gold for \$\$\$\$. During the day the teachers - town officials - would also nominate a student to become a bushranger for 15 minutes. Students went into a frenzy to find gold, although there were some downsides. If you weren't quick enough you would miss out on a tonne of gold thrown by the teachers into the goldfields and there was always a chance that a bushranger would steal your gold. Many groups bought claims together and set up huts to protect their gold and possessions. You could dig, hunt or even pan for gold, but it was hot and dirty work.

At midday the students ate a delicious stew that the workers in the kitchen made for them, using the vegetables that we all brought in. After that, the students resumed their positions back on the goldfields.

At the end the day, the students again recited the miner's oath and went back to class to complete a certificate for all their experiences. All Year 5 and 6 students enjoyed the goldfields experience and many were lucky enough to leave with bags full of gold.

The Town Officials would like to congratulate all the amazing Year 5 and 6 students for their realistic participation and their fantastic attitudes!



Upcoming Events

Week 4

16 May - Years 3 & 5 - NAPLAN Test - Reading

17 May - Years 3 & 5 - NAPLAN Test - Numeracy

18 May - Walk Safely to School Day.

Week 5

24 May - Night Disco

25 May - Zone Cross Country

PSSA Results Round 2


Team	Results		Player of the Match
	W/L/D	Score	
Year 3 Netball	W	6-0	Georgia Chamoun
Year 4 Netball	L	23-0	Emelia Small
Year 5 Netball	W	13-4	Olivia Bogic
Year 6 Netball	W	28-0	Angel Loau, Ashley Lo Monaco
Years 3/4 Boys Soccer	W	5-0	Samuel Sisounon
Year 5 Boys Soccer	W	9-2	Gabriel Freeman
Year 6 Boys Soccer	W	2-0	Omar Aslan
Years 3-6 Girls Soccer	D	1-1	Brodie Bilotta
Years 3/4 Boys/Girls Basketball	W	42-0	Wilson Flancia
Years 5/6 Boys Basketball	W	26-20	Maverick Flancia
Years 5/6 Girls Basketball	W	34-16	Lyllian Clarke
Junior Rugby League	W	36-12	Richard Gray, Joseph Scarcella
Senior Rugby League	L	22-4	Brandon Barillaro, Liam Luschwitz, Vince Romeo

This week Year 4 & 6 Netball play against Edensor Park and Rugby League play against Smithfield West at Endeavour Reserve. Years 3 & 5 Netball have a bye. Basketball play against Harrington Street at GPK. Soccer play against Edensor Park at Allambie Reserve.

Have a good week!

Judy Power
Relieving Principal

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CLOTHING COLLECTION FOR STEWART HOUSE

Stewart House is asking for our help to collect clothing that your family does not need anymore. They collect and use this clothing with the Smith Family to raise money to support their programs. Stewart House provides health care and short-term respite care for children in need who are enrolled in public schools in NSW and the ACT. It is called a "Preventorium" because it aims to prevent chronic health problems. In 2011 they received \$25 000 from these collections - a vital part of their income.

A limited number of bags are available from each class teacher and must be returned by Friday 25 May 2012. If you don't have a bag, please donate in any plastic bag. Stewart House will be collecting them Tuesday morning. Please send all bags to class 5/6SU.

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