



Governor Philip King Public School

'Our school exists for children'

Week 2 Term 3
24 July 2012

From the Principal...

Mini Olympics - Organisation for our Mini Olympics is well under way. Weather permitting the Mini Olympics will take place on **Wednesday 8 August**. We currently have a countdown happening in the courtyard area and fun 'Olympic style' activities are being organised. Each class will represent a country and will be asked to come dressed on the day in the colours of particular countries. The day will include an official opening ceremony with a variety of entertaining items planned as well as a march past by students. As this is the major P&C fund raiser for the year we hope that students are collecting lots of sponsors and money. There are some wonderful prizes students will have a chance to win including an iPod touch, movie vouchers, Big W vouchers and class pizza parties. Please ensure all sponsorship forms and money are returned to school by **Tuesday 31 July**.

P&C Meeting - Parents are reminded that the next P&C meeting will take place this Wednesday (25 July) in the staffroom starting at 7pm. It would be appreciated if all financial members could attend this meeting as there will be a vote in regard to the use of funds from the Mini Olympics for a major school purchase. Of course all community members are always welcome to attend.

School attendance - Did you know that if your child misses as few as eight days in a school term, by the end of primary school they will have missed a whole year of education? By law, you are required to send your child to school every day. If your child has to be away from school for any reason, please either tell your child's teacher or send a signed note explaining the reason for the absence, as soon as possible. If your child arrives at school late, or needs to leave early, you will need to go to the office to sign your child in or out. If you're having problems getting your child to attend school regularly and on time, please talk to your child's teacher or principal.

Please be aware that any student who was absent from school on Wednesday 27 June must provide an absent note. As was outlined in a note sent home and in the newsletter of that week, although there was industrial action occurring Governor Philip King Public School was open and operational. Any student who does not provide a note with a valid reason for being absent will be marked as having an unexplained absence.

For your obligations under the school attendance guidelines, please go to:
www.det.nsw.edu.au/policies/student_admin/attendance/sch_polproc/PD20050259.shtml

Applications for Exemption - A reminder to parents that regulations from the Education Department require families to apply for an exemption from school if a child is to be absent for more than 15 days. Whether it is through illness or essential overseas travel an exemption must be approved **prior to taking the leave**. Families are requested to ensure this paperwork is completed 2 weeks in advance of overseas travel. If exemption forms are not completed prior to travel enrolment of students can be affected. Should the situation arise for your family please contact the school so that we can assist you with your application.

National Tree Day - Sunday 29 July 2012 is National Tree Day, Australia's biggest community tree-planting and nature care event. Join with thousands of others and plant a native tree to help improve the environment in which you live. To find out where your local tree-planting site is and for further information go to: <http://treeday.planetark.org/>

Healthy kid friendly recipe - The Healthy Kids website has a range of nutritious, tasty and easy to prepare recipes for young chefs. The website is packed with information and resources and ideas on physical activity and healthy eating for children and young people.

Go to: <http://www.healthykids.nsw.gov.au/recipes.aspx?category=kidfriendlyrecipes>

Newsletter

Special Swimming Scheme 2012 - This will take place in Weeks 5 & 6 of Term 3. We still need children from years 2 and Years 5 & 6. You can still pay up until this Friday, 27 July. It is very important to learn how to swim. It is only \$55-00 for 10 lessons (45 minutes each) with qualified instructors. Please pay at the front office. S. Richter.

Woolworths Earn and Learn - As of Monday 23 July, we have collected 26,970 points in stickers! This is sure to buy us some great resources for our school. Keep collecting. The program closes on 12 August. If you end up with leftover stickers please put those into the box as we sometimes receive cards with missing stickers and we use the spares to complete the cards. More Earn and Learn charts are available from the front office. Thank you for your support so far.

Values Education - The value for Week 2 is TRUST/TRUSTWORTHINESS. Trust is a confidence in, and reliance towards others. It involves respect and belief in others' goodness and good intentions. Trustworthiness is when others are dependable and can be relied on. Students need to be able to build trust in others as well as be trusted themselves by others. They can develop trust and become trustworthy by learning from stories and other peoples' experiences. The activities they have completed in their values lesson this week on Trust should allow them to understand how to develop trust and become trustworthy. Please have active discussions with your child/children about Trust. Mrs S. Kumar, Student Welfare. Mrs S Kumar. Student Engagement.

Years 5 & 6 Canberra Excursion Payment Reminder - If any parents are experiencing difficulty with Canberra payments the school may be able to offer some help. Please see Mrs Wignell at the office to enquire about support.

Canberra payments need to be finalised as soon as possible.

Scholastic Book Fair - The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school during Education Week: Week 3, Monday 30 July - Tuesday 7 August, 2012.

All classes will be timetabled to view the books for sale on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday of this week and will be filling out their wish lists. Books will be on sale from Monday 30 July until Tuesday 7 August. The library will be transformed into a book store, and we will be selling all day, every day during Week 3 and into Week 4. Everyone is welcome to purchase books and other knickknacks we have for sale. All proceeds will be redirected into the library to purchase books and other much-needed resources.

Donations purchased from the book Fair will be greatly appreciated.

Come along and support the school's Book Fair. For every purchase over \$20.00, your name will be placed into a lucky draw. The prizes will be: 1st Prize - \$25.00 Book Fair Voucher, 2nd Prize - \$20.00 Book Fair Voucher and 3rd Prize - \$15.00 Book Fair Voucher.

Come along and have some fun!

PSSA Results - Round 8

Team	Results		Player of the Match
	W/L/D	Score	
Year 3 Netball	W	8-1	Chelsey Bainisavu
Year 4 Netball	W	7-4	Lina Youkhana
Year 5 Netball	W	15-2	Kayla Huggins
Year 6 Netball	W	44-2	Vivian Tran, Holly Maniti
Years 3/4 Boys Soccer	D	1-1	Nicholas Libri
Year 5 Boys Soccer	W	7-2	Ramsin Dallo
Year 6 Boys Soccer	W	6-1	Kye Brunetta
Years 3-6 Girls Soccer	W	2-0	Natalie
Years 3/4 Boys/Girls Basketball	W	10-6	Ethan Sam
Years 5/6 Boys Basketball	W	61-8	Derik Phan
Years 5/6 Girls Basketball	No Game		
Junior Rugby League	W	26-10	Logan Cotton, Joseph Scarcella
Senior Rugby League	W	30-6	Vince Romeo, Lorenzo Giordano

This week Years 3-6 Netball and Rugby League play against Prairievale at Endeavour Reserve. Soccer play against Prairievale at Powhatan Reserve and Basketball play against Canley Heights at GPK.

**Governor Philip King Public School
Education Week 30 July - 3 August, 2012**

“NSW Public Schools - creating the future”

Book Fair is open in the Library every day this week
Student Work Displays in the Assembly Hall

Monday 30th July

8.20 - 8.45 Breakfast Club
8.50 - 9.00 K-6 Fitness - top pavilion

Tuesday 31st July

8.20 - 8.45 Breakfast Club
8.50-9.30 Year 1 & 2 Fitness - top pavilion
9.00 - 9.15 Kindergarten Singing - front pavilion
9.00 - 9.30 Year 3 Fitness - assembly hall
9.15 - 10.15 Class Visits
10.00 - Year 4 Fundamental Movement Games
12.00-12.30 - Choir Performance at Edensor Park Plaza
Parliament 2.00pm - 3.00pm in the hall

Wednesday 1st August

8.20 - 8.45 Breakfast Club
Year 1 Excursion to Featherdale Park
8.50 - 9.00 K-6 Fitness - top pavilion
9.30 - 10.00 Choir Performance at Edensor Park Plaza
10.15-Year 5/6 Assembly
2.00 - Kindergarten Assembly

Thursday 2nd August

8.50 - 9.00 K-6 Fitness - top pavilion
Group Photo Day

Friday 3rd August

8.50 - 9.00 K-2 Fitness - front pavilion
11.35 - 12.30 Year 1&2 Assembly
12.30 - 3.00 Year 3/6 School Sport

Breakfast Club- a healthy eating initiative from the GPK PS Welfare Team.

Missing breakfast can inhibit a child's physical, mental and emotional development. The Breakfast Club will operate *Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings (8.20- 8.45am) in the 5MD/ 5SM wet area* and provide a safe and nurturing place where children can have a healthy breakfast to get the best possible start to their day. The program aims to increase physical wellbeing, improve learning and reduce social isolation of students.

Initially we will supply whole meal toast with margarine, Vegemite/ jam/ honey plus a piece of fruit. As the Club becomes more established, this menu will change and expand to include cereals.

We welcome any students to join us for breakfast. Due to many students having allergies, the permission note being sent home this week must be returned and completely filled in for your child to access the Breakfast Club.

We would like to extend our sincere appreciation and thanks to Sydney Baseball Lions Club, King Tomislav Croatian Club, Starr Partners Real Estate Fairfield and Kellogg's Australia for their very generous cash donations. Also to Marconi Club, Woolworths Stocklands and Coles Edensor Park for their financial support. Without this support, the GPK PS Breakfast Club would not have been established.

If you have any questions, please contact Karen Parmenter or Colleen Mackay.

Have a good week!

Jason Corcoran
Principal



Coles Sports for Schools Vouchers

Our tally up to 23 July is **10,903**

Please keep collecting!

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GARAGE SALE: Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 July from 9a.m. - 5p.m. at 89 Sweethaven Road, Edensor Park.
Baby furniture and goods, girls clothing from newborn to size 4, books, DVDs and knickknacks.

