



Governor Philip King Public School 'Our school exists for children'

Week 7 Term 2
11 June 2013

From the Principal...

P&C Meeting - Please note that the P&C meeting this week will occur on Thursday evening (not Wednesday as usual) at 7pm in the staffroom.

Multicultural Day - Thursday 20 June is our school Multicultural Day. This day celebrates and recognises the diversity of cultures we have across our school. Classes are busily preparing displays for our students to visit, and activities which will take place throughout the day. Please note, due to our shared lunch, where children bring in food, the canteen will not be in operation for the day.

School Public Speaking Finals - This Wednesday we are holding the finals of our school public speaking competition. The students participating have been progressed from their grade finals completed recently. We wish the participating students the best of luck.

Kids and Phone Bills - Ever seen the monthly phone or internet account and felt sick? It's called "bill shock", and there are many new ways families accidentally rack up hundreds of dollars in costs each month. Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/using-technology/avoiding-bill-shock>

Figures of Speech - How do you explain the difference between metaphors, similes and other literary devices? Is "pigs might fly" an example of an oxymoron, sarcasm, hyperbole....or something else? Here's a cheat sheet for when your kids need help with English homework. <https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eppcontent/glossary/app/resource/factsheet/4090.pdf>

What makes a good book? - Books with vivid imagery, exciting stories and strong characters will not only entertain your child but set them up to enjoy reading for the rest of their life.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/zh/homework-and-study/english/my-book-club/what-makes-a-good-book-for-young-kids>

Making Friends - If children are happy socially they tend to be more engaged in their learning. Teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/how-friendships-boost-your-childs-learning>

Values Education - The value for Weeks 7 and 8 is Sharing. Sharing is an act of allowing others to use something which belongs to us or giving a portion of our possession to others out of love and kindness. It is being generous with others who may not have the same good fortune. Sharing can also mean participating in an activity. It is giving love, help and service. Mrs S. Kumar, Student Engagement.

P&C News - GPK has recently seen the successful launch of the Harmony Garden. Mayor Carbone was impressed with the garden and the hard work put in by all involved. Thanks to all the parents that came along. See photos of the Harmony Garden Launch on Facebook - Check out our Facebook page at Governor Philip Public School - P&C Association and "Like" us for regular updates.

Our next P&C meeting will be held this Thursday, 13 June at 7pm. We will be selecting Fathers' Day gifts and planning for exciting upcoming events.

The P&C have planned a mufti day for Wednesday 26 June. Please bring a gold coin donation.

SUPPORT OUR KIDS AT GPK. P&C President - Mark Cavanaugh.

Newsletter

Special Swimming Scheme 2013 - Our Special Swimming Scheme takes place in **Term 3 (Weeks 5 & 6), from Monday 12 August to Friday 23 August 2013**. It is open to students Years 2 - 6 pupils. It will be held at Tides Aquatic in Smithfield. It is a privately owned pool, not open to the general public. The scheme will be held for ten days, the total cost being **\$60.00 (\$6.00 per day for a 45 minute lesson with fully qualified swimming instructors)**.

The first 60 students from each session will be allowed to attend - Group 1 - Years 5 & 6, Group 2 - Year 2 and Group 3 - Years 3 & 4. If you would like your child to attend, please return note completed with all details and the full amount due by **Friday 28 June 2013**. Place money and permission/medical note, in an envelope and place in the office with your child's name and class on the front. Thank you. Mrs S Richter.

Safe, Respectful Learner Program

Dear Parents / Carers,

The safe, respectful learner rule for this fortnight is '**Be Safe, share the playground**'. Please help your child to become a safe, respectful learner by reinforcing this at home.

Anna Dolz and Student Engagement Committee.

PSSA Results Round 4

Team	Results		Player of the Match
	W/L/D	Score	
Year 3 Netball	W	13-0	Breanna Clark
Year 4 Netball	W	7-2	Patricia Moser
Year 5 Netball	W	16-5	Alicia Phuong
Year 6 Netball	W	7-6	Nhu Dinh
Year 3/4 Boys Soccer	W	3-0	Angelo Masso
Year 5 Boys Soccer	L	2-5	Savio Shaba
Year 6 Boys Soccer	W	3-1	Alex Pham
Years 3-6 Girls Soccer	L	0-2	Nicolette Talevski
Years 3/4 Boys/Girls Basketball	W	18-10	Shyla Kumar
Years 5/6 Boys Basketball	L	8-21	Derik Phan
Years 5/6 Girls Basketball	W	10-6	Isabelle Baluyot
Junior Rugby League	W	20-4	Jai Woodbury, Sebastian Ribero
Senior Rugby League	W	48-10	Liam Luschwitz, Joseph Scarcella

This week Years 4 & 6 Netball will play against Prairievale, Years 3 & 5 Netball will play against Fairfield West and Rugby League will play against Canley Heights at Endeavour Park. Soccer will play against Prairievale at Stockdale Reserve and Basketball will play against Harrington Street at GPK.

NSW PSSA U/11's State Championships - Last week, Jerome Williams, 6SR, represented the Sydney South West Region at the NSW PSSA U/11s State Championships in rugby league. The team played over three days and were defeated by Sydney West in the grand final, making them runners-up. In an exciting semi-final Jerome scored the winning try, in extra time, against Sydney North. Congratulations to Jerome for this achievement and in the way you not only represented your region but GPKPS as well. Mr Hamilton.



Upcoming Events -

Week 7

12 June - School Public Speaking Finals

13 June - P&C Meeting - 7pm in the Staffroom

Week 8

20 June - Multicultural Day

Have a great week!

Jason Corcoran

Principal

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Public Show Day - Sunday, 16th June, 2013 8am to 3pm at the Museum of Fire, Penrith, NSW (Charity Event)

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