



# Governor Philip King Public School

Striving for Personal Excellence

Week 6 Term 1  
7 March 2024

## *From the Principal...*

Welcome to Week 6, where we have been busy in classrooms, establishing new routines and enjoying being back at school. Our students are well into the swing of the 2024 school year, with some amazing learning, lessons and activities taking place across the school. Our newest students in Kindergarten and our support classes have settled in extremely well and are highly engaged in our school environment. From my perspective as the Principal, it has been a very pleasing start to the school year!

We have had a busy few weeks here at Governor:

On Monday (4 March) we held our first whole school assembly for the year. It was great to see so many of our students recognised with their Citizen of the Month awards. These students are identified by their teachers as demonstrating the qualities of outstanding citizens across our school.



On Tuesday we held our Parliament Induction assembly. This is where our students who have been elected to Parliament are officially sworn into their leadership roles for 2024. We also welcomed and introduced our class representatives who will be the voice for their classes in bringing ideas and suggestions to parliament meetings for discussion. These roles give our student leaders an opportunity to discuss and debate ideas as well as bring the student voice to the attention of the senior executive team. As the Governor General of the Parliament, I am always proud of how our sessions are conducted and the discussions I get to have with students about their ideas to improve GPK.



Yesterday afternoon we hosted the 'Welcome BBQ'. It was great to see a huge turnout of parents and students. This event provides an opportunity for parents to come along and meet their child's teacher as well as a whole variety of staff who work with students across the school. It was also wonderful to welcome our new families to Governor. Thank you to the many parents who were so positive about the school we have the privilege of working at every day. We are certainly lucky to have an amazing community of parents, students, and staff. We look forward to working with you throughout the year.



I forgot to welcome our newest staff member in the last newsletter. We extend a very warm welcome to Mrs Price who is our Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction. Mrs Price comes to us with a high level of experience in a variety of school settings. She is a welcomed addition to our executive team. Mrs Price will be working with many teachers and classes across our school K-6.

Reward Day has been locked in!! We will be having our whole school reward day on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May. Students must demonstrate our core rules. Remember this includes being at school every day and on time; unless they are genuinely sick. Reward Day is always a surprise however, as I mentioned at assembly; it will be a delicious treat!! Make sure you mark this day on your calendars and keep collecting tokens to add to the box in the front foyer.

#### Governor Philip King Core Rules:



Be Safe

Be Respectful

Be a Learner

Be at School

Congratulations to the Governor community on our increase in students wearing full school uniform each day. It is so pleasing to see students taking pride in wearing their uniform each day. It has been wonderful to see a huge increase in students wearing black shoes to school. At the whole school assembly, it was amazing to see a majority of students wearing the correct uniform. Let's keep up the great work!!





Our school gates are kept closed throughout the day to ensure the safety and security of all students. Access throughout the day is via the pedestrian gate where you will be buzzed in by the office staff. If you need to be on school site during the day, please follow our school processes and procedures, do not open access gates as we need to know who is on site at all times of the day. All school visitors are required to report to the front office area to sign in.

Congratulations to our school leaders who attended the Leadership by the Cowpasture Network day. Our students demonstrated exemplary leadership and the feedback was how outstanding our students were throughout the day. This initiative provides opportunity for student leaders to develop a project which they will implement at school and then report back on over future leadership days. Over the course of the day our students listened to a variety of guest speakers and engaged in activities to highlight and further develop their leadership skills. We are very fortunate to have outstanding leaders across our school.



Our attendance rate of students at the moment is outstanding!! We have a number of classes who are going for a record of consecutive days with every student in attendance and arriving on time!! The challenge is on Governor!! We are looking for 100% attendance and students arriving on time each day.

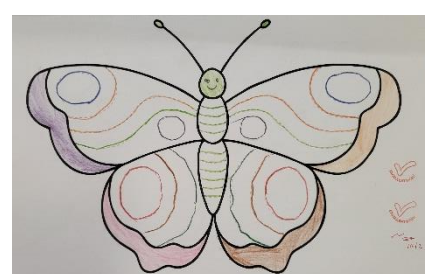
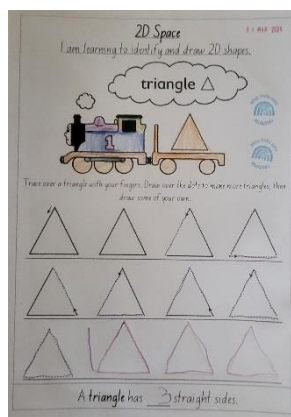
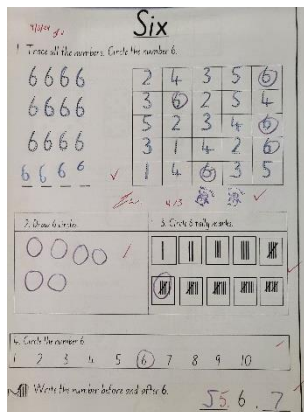
- Remember the only day off students should have is if they are genuinely unwell.
- Our bell goes at 8.50am; everyone should be inside the gates before the morning bell rings.
- Don't miss out on important learning and messages by arriving late.

Mr Jason Corcoran  
Principal

### *Deputy Principal's Message ...*

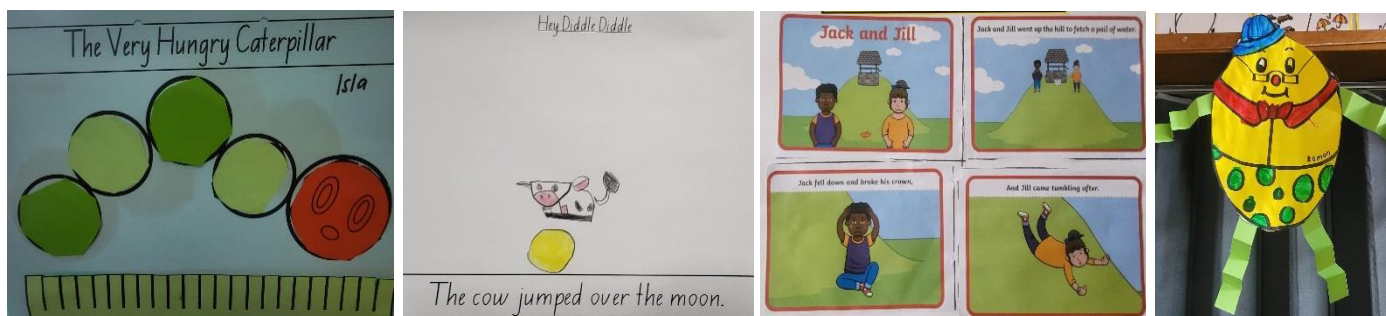
It seems crazy that our students are halfway through Term One already! It has been wonderful to see how well our youngest students have commenced their school journey. A big thank you to all of our community, especially our new parents and carers, for making the start of the school year a smooth one.

Our 2024 Kindergarten students are one month into their educational journey, and they have been very busy. Look at some of the amazing learning experiences they have been engaged in...



Handwriting and Fluency

Mathematics, such numbers 1-10 and 2D Shapes.



Understanding and Responding to Literature, including activities such as directed drawing and sequencing.



Creative Arts, with a focus on fine motor skills.

2024 is even now looking to be a busy year and the Term One school activities calendar is filling quickly. Some activities that have already occurred, or will occur, include Summer PSSA, Little GPK Athletics Program, Meet the Teacher BBQ, Horsley Zone Swimming Carnival, Year 6 Dance Program, Clean Up Australia Day, Jersey Day, Whole School Assemblies, Years 2-6 Athletics Carnival and the K-2 Easter Hat Parade.

It was great to see our students return to the sporting field on Friday to kick off Round 2 of PSSA for Summer. Our school makes every endeavour to keep costs to a minimum for our families. It is very important that payments are submitted when due. Our school is extremely lucky we have teachers that are very enthusiastic and interested in providing this opportunity for our students. Good luck to all our teams for the remainder of the term.

Sport	Opposition	Venue
T-Ball	Fairfield West PS	Avery
Cricket	Fairfield West PS	Avery
Touch Football	Cecil Hills	Brenan
AFL	Bye	

We are very fortunate to have subscriptions to Reading Eggs (K-2), Phonics Hero ((K-2), Scholastic Literacy Pro (3-6) and Mathletics (K-6). Please encourage your child to utilise these programs as they reinforce concepts that have been taught in class. If your child has lost their username and password, you can contact their teacher via the front office.



The GPK Little Athletics program for students in Year One and Year Two commenced this week (Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March). This is a wonderful opportunity for our younger students to develop and improve specific skills while being physically active with their friends. This program will continue every Thursday at 8:00am in Term One and will recommence in Term Four. If your child attends this program, please ensure they are wearing their Sport uniform every Thursday and have their school hat.

The K-2 Easter Hat Parade will be held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024. An invitation for parents/carers to attend this event was sent home earlier this week. All students need to wear an Easter hat which is made at home. This is an exciting opportunity for students to select their Easter decorations and make their hat with their family.



Arriving on time is important for our students as vital information is given to them first thing in the morning. Their learning starts every morning from 8:50am. The morning routine for all students is an imperative consolidation of what is being taught. If students are running late, they will need to access the school via the Allambie Road entry. All other gates are locked at 8:50am.

It is crucial that children establish good routines and habits in preparation for the rest of their lives. Punctuality is a life skill that they need to develop whilst they are young. Every minute counts.....



# EVERY MINUTE COUNTS....

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 1½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ a year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2½ weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
½ hour a day	½ a day of learning a week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1 ½ years of learning
1 hour each day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year.	Over 2 ½ years of learning

*Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day...*

**Check the time your school starts.  
DON'T BE LATE!**



**Remember, school starts at 8:50am every day!**

Have a great week!

Mrs Heidi Hosking  
Deputy Principal



## Book Club

If you would like to order from Book Club please use the online LOOP system.

Orders are due to Scholastic no later than **Wednesday 27th March 2024**.

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MASCOT FOR	ROLE MODEL	MASCOT FOR
<b>SIRIUS</b>	<b>GIDLEY</b>	<b>SCARBOROUGH</b>
		

**Introducing.....**

Gidley and Marana, our school's newest Role Models. They are members of the Safe Respectful Learner program at Governor Philip King Public School. Gidley was named after Philip Gidley King, our school's namesake, and Marana means 'first' in Dharug language.

Gidley and Marana are strong and compassionate leaders. They are honest, innovative, influential and proactive. They are excellent communicators, problem solvers, collaborators and educators. Together, they are here to remind our students of the type of person that they should strive to be.

Last year our school community participated in a number of surveys that revolved around our current house groups. An overwhelming majority voted to keep our school house names the same. Every student in our school also voted for an Australian Animal to become their house groups' mascot.

**The Sirius house mascot: The Red-bellied Black Snake.**

**The Scarborough house mascot: the Wedge-tailed Eagle.**




**The Supply house mascot: The Saltwater Crocodile.**

**The Alexander house mascot: The Great White Shark.**

These four characters don't have a name yet. Students chose these characters, and now we need our students to choose their name. This week, students will suggest names for our mascots.

Stay tuned for their reveal.

Mr Lorello

MASCOT FOR	ROLE MODEL	MASCOT FOR
<b>SUPPLY</b>	<b>MARANA</b>	<b>ALEXANDER</b>
		

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**Hosted by:**  
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Authorised by Dal Le MP, 270 Canley Vale Road, Canley Heights 2166

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