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Photo by Lily Haney Year 1 GPS Paparazzi Club 2014

Term 4 – Week 1

Monday, 17 November

A reminder that parents are always welcome in the school whether to assist with school programs or to speak with teachers. If you would like to know how to best assist your child's education just contact the teacher of your choice or the school office on 63741622.

This Week

Swimming School starts - November 17 -28
Gulgong Markets this Saturday 8.30 -12.30 Circus & Paparazzi Team

Home Reading is now finished for the this year, please return all folders to your classroom teacher as soon as possible



Coming Up

Ten Dollar Circus "Cinema Under the Stars" Saturday 29 November (permission notes required)
Christmas Disco Thursday 4 December
Year 6 Farewell Wednesday 10 December
Presentation Day Tuesday 16 December
Last Day Wednesday 17 December – Pool Party



Principal's Message

Congratulations

To: all the Year 5 students who nominated for prefect for next year. The speeches were outstanding. Any of the candidates would be worthy prefects and captains.

To: Lily Haney in Year 1 who took the photo for the new header on our newsletter.

To: Isabelle Davies and Madeline Jackson whose photos were chosen for the Gulgong Post Office "message in a bottle" promotion.

Thank You

To: those parents who have returned their School Culture Survey. There are still more than 50% out there – please return them ASAP.

Consultation Survey

In order to assist our planning for the next three years I need parent and community ideas. Last week I attached to the newsletter a one-page "Consultation Survey" which will give me some feedback about our school's operation. Your opinions and ideas are valued. Please take the time to respond ASAP.

Prefect's Elections

Congratulations to the 26 students who gave their speeches on Friday. All those students deserve accolade for a job well done in very nerve-wracking circumstances. As always I am thoroughly impressed with how mature the students were in their speeches. Well done.

All of the students who stood for election would be very worthy prefects in 2015 and all will still have a leadership role to play as mentors for younger students.

The prefects elected in alphabetical order are:
Samantha Barnes, Samuel Camelleri, James Cheesewright, Isabelle Davies, Olivia Holt, Summer McPhail, Matthew Papworth, Tayla Pennell, Emily Riley, Logan Scrivener

The two captains will be announced on Presentation Day when all the prefects will be given their badges of office.



Ten Dollar Circus

The Ten Dollar Circus has been booked for a variety of jobs coming up. I appreciate the support parents give to this program in our school and say thank you for getting your children to our gigs.

Coming up:

- *Saturday November 22 – Coronation Park Markets 8.30-12.30am (+ Paparazzi please)*
- *Saturday November 29 – “Cinema Under the Stars” Glen Willow Mudgee 5.00-6.00pm*
- *Saturday December 13 – Gulgong Christmas Party in ANZAC Park*
- *Saturday Sunday December 27-28 Folk Festival TBA*

Notes with specific details about these events have been sent home. Many thanks in anticipation of your support in getting your children along to these events, especially on the weekends.

Presentation Day

This year's Presentation Day will be held in the high school gym on Tuesday December 16 and will be one event, K-6. Estimated duration is around 90 -100 minutes and we will commence around 11.00am.

Enrolments for 2015

Enrolment forms for Kindergarten 2015 are now available at the school office.

Enrolment with our school for 2015 in any grade from Kindergarten to Year 6 can be made at the school office at anytime. Please contact the school office on 63741622 if more information about our school is required



If you know of anyone thinking about enrolling at our school or leaving our school please encourage them to contact us ASAP so our planning can be more effective.

Kindergarten 2015

The 2015 Kindy Kapers has concluded. I hope that everyone who attended enjoyed their sessions. We certainly enjoyed having the new Kinders around for the last few weeks. Contact the School Office on 63741622 for more information about Kindergarten for next year.

Selective High School Year 7 in 2016

Application by current Year 5 students for entry in 2016 are now open.

Go to www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement.

Read the application information and submit an application online.

Parents without internet access can apply at a public library or contact the school for advice. If parents have a disability and cannot use a computer they can contact the High Performing Student Unit on 1300 880 367 or contact the school for advice.

Applications close on 17 November 2014.

TODAY No late applications will be accepted.

The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on 12 March 2015

School Self Evaluation Program

Each year the school evaluates its programs and processes. The usual manner of gathering information is through surveys to parents, staff and students.

This year the major areas for evaluation include School Culture and English.

The English Survey will be sent home soon. Please assist the school by completing and returning the surveys ASAP.

No names are attached to the surveys so you may be quite frank in your comments.

P&C News

P&C meets on the first Wednesday each month at 5.30pm in the Staffroom. The next meeting is Wednesday December 3rd and will be the Christmas Party. Venue TBA

The minutes of each P&C Meeting are posted on the school's website.

Canteen

The Canteen operates on a volunteer basis under Managers Tina Doherty & Maree Papworth. More volunteers are always sought. If you can spare any time to help in the canteen just contact Tina or Maree on 63 741060. You can also just walk in and make yourself known at any time.

School Web Site

The Gulgong Public School Web Site is at the following address:

www.gulgong-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Alan Walker

Principal

SCHOOL NEWS



Healthy Bites

"Believe it or not, you have a very sophisticated body that signals you to eat when nutrient quotients are low. If you are constantly eating empty foods manipulated by man then the body will never be satisfied and neither will your hunger." Cyndi O'Meara, Changing Habits Changing Lives.

Zucchini Slice

½ cup maize flour
½ cup unbleached flour
2 tsp baking powder
1 tsp salt
1 tsp rosemary
3 cloves garlic, crushed
3cm piece ginger, grated
1 onion, finely chopped
1 red capsicum, finely chopped
2 cups grated zucchini
2 small carrots, grated
½ cup grated cheese
5 eggs, beaten
¼ cup macadamia oil



Pre heat oven to 180C

Combine dry ingredients in a bowl, then add all other ingredients and mix well.

Pour into a greased baking dish and bake for 40 minutes or until golden brown on top.

Library News

Book Club **due this Wednesday 19/11/14** – orders will not be taken after this Wednesday.

This is the final week for borrowing books from the library.

THIS WEEK'S VIRTUE:

LOYALTY

What is Loyalty?

Loyalty is staying true to someone. It is standing up for something you believe in without wavering. It is being faithful to your family, country, school, friends or ideals - when the going gets tough as well as when things are good. When you are a loyal friend, even if someone disappoints you, you still stand in there with them. Loyalty is staying committed.

Why Practice It?

You cannot count on disloyal people to stay friends, because when problems happen, they go away. They often change their minds about what they believe to be important. When you practice loyalty, people know they can count on you. People who are worthy of your loyalty can trust that they will never stand alone. With loyalty, you build friendships that last forever.

How Do You Practice It?

You practice loyalty by committing to a person, or a belief. Choose your friends carefully, so you can be friends for a long time.

If someone tries to use your loyalty for a bad purpose, or hurts you over and over, you need to decide if it feels right to go on being loyal. Stand up for your family and friends when others act unjustly. When you are loyal you are worthy of trust.

Affirmation

"I am loyal to the people and ideas I care about. I am a friend through good times and bad. I am loyal to what I know is right. I do not allow friendship to lead me into trouble."



This week's "Keys to Success"

CONFIDENCE

How can I be confident?

- Raise my hand to answer a difficult question
- Do hard work and try hard before asking for help
- Share a new idea with the class, my teacher or my parents
- Introduce myself to someone new
- Speak loudly and clearly when asking or answering a question in class
- Greet adults with good eye contact and use their name
- Offers to take responsibility for organising a family event



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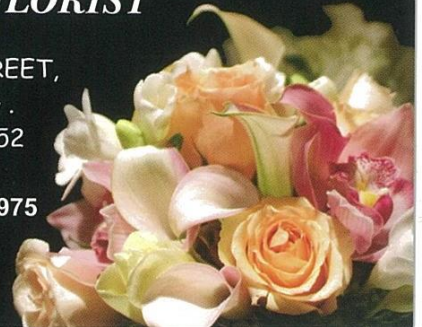
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