Principal's Message

Learning in the classroom
It is my pleasure to watch students as they interact with their teacher and other students as they learn new ways of learning and knowing. Three examples of this are:
1/2 Rockhampton were actively investigating the concept of ‘capacity’ and ‘estimate’
3/4 Kalgoorlie students, Ranim Saleem and Anjie Kerdi visited me this week to explain how they are improving their Arabic by constructing sentences on an iPad.
5/6 Townsville students articulated how working together in comprehension groups enabled them to share their understanding of text and the opportunity to clarify ideas.

Staffing
Kindergarten Darwin teacher, Mrs Dawson, will begin leave next Monday. We wish Mrs Dawson the very best for the birth of her first child. Miss ElKhalad will teach KD for one week, after which Miss Orker will teach the class for the remainder of the year.

Book Week
Book Week is that time of the year to reflect on the purpose of reading and books in general. Book Week is an opportunity to appreciate the wonder of books, whether they be picture books, novels, non-fiction or illustrated comics. All classes are engaging with a book a day during Book Week and I encourage parents to ask their children, “What book did you learn from today?” An enormous thank you to Mr Norambuena for leading staff in coordinating Book Week activities and providing Guildford PS students with a rich collection of books to read from. I encourage parents, carers and other family members to attend next Wednesday from 2pm for the Book Week parade in which children will parade their costumes.

NAPLAN reports
Year 3 and 5 students were handed their 2015 NAPLAN report envelopes on Wednesday. I encourage parents and carers to look carefully at each section: Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation, and Numeracy. The description column on the report provides an explanation of the skills or knowledge required to complete each question correctly. A summary of Guildford Public Schools 2015 NAPLAN results will be presented at the next P&C meeting.

Grandparents Day
Grandparents often play a significant role in children’s lives, their learning and play. At Guildford PS, we would like to celebrate Grandparents Day by acknowledging the contribution of our students’ grandparents with a barbeque on Monday 26 October. I will post more details in the weeks leading up to this day. In the meantime, ensure you write this in your grandparent’s diary so they don’t book anything else.

Staff Feedback
Staff recently participated in focus groups in which they had the opportunity to provide evidence of what is working well at GPS and what could be even better. Staff feedback has provided valuable and insightful evidence and observations which will assist the school in planning for 2016.

Parent Feedback
Parents will be asked to contribute their observations and thoughts at the next P&C meeting. Again, this will also assist the school in planning programs and initiatives for 2016.

Fundraising
Thursday, 3 September is ‘That’s my Team’ and ‘Cake Day’. Students are encouraged to wear their team uniform and donate a cake. All proceeds will go to the charity organization Red Cross. Thank you to the SRC for initiating both these activities which will see funds going to struggling families through the Red Cross.
SPECIAL STUDENTS
SENT TO SHOW
GOOD WORK
TO THE PRINCIPAL
THIS FORTNIGHT

1B Kianan Cogger, Soman Saleem, Kim Ivan, Esther Boima
1CH Jasmine, Sahib Singh, Aarshan Noor, Adam Hamdan
1/2R Rubaba Ebrahimi, Hassan Al Jabiri
3/4P Janan Elramlawi, Kimmy Chung

COMMUNITY LANGUAGE
3/4K Ali Naaman
3/4W Nadine Yasseer

CONGRATULATIONS!

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

Mr Christopher Haberecht (Principal)
I HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON!

Super Awards

Silver - Term 3 Week 6

Cnarj Beazley KD
Noah Awick KD
Emmanuel Luna KD
Neev Doshi KH
Milad Barati KH
Brayden Borg KH
Blake Goller 1AS
Christian Bull 1AS
Safiyah Jubb 1AS
Brendan Ma 1B
Kelly Vuong 1B
Hayder Al Anesy 1B
Rania Waqas 1B
Kiana Cogger 1B
Soman Saleem 1B
Ali Ebrhimi 1CH
Angelina Sok 1CH
Rahilla Moosawi 1CH
Brandon Law 1M
Zeyjian Olca 1M
Alexander Moaga 2B

Welcome to Our Kindergarten Transition Program for 2015

Dear Parents and Caregivers

It’s that time of year again where we need to start organising our Kindergarten Transition program for 2015 which will run in Term 4. If you have a child that will be starting Kindergarten next year, you will need to come in and pick up an enrolment form as soon as possible to enrol them in the school. This will ensure that you won’t miss out on information and dates regarding our Kindergarten Transition Program in Term 4. If you also know of relatives or family friends who have children that will be starting school next year and they live in the area, please let them know that they will need to enrol them at the school as soon as possible.

S. Haidar
Kindergarten Assistant Principal

Please refer to www.guildford-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au for more exciting news about our students, and dates of up and coming events.
The Cancer Council will be attending our school on Thursday 17 September to run a workshop on how to make easy, time saving, healthy meals. Parents who attend will receive a free recipe book. You can place your registration at the front office by returning the slip with the note that went home earlier this week, by 14 September. Please do not register for the workshop by calling the front office or going online. There are spare notes in the front office foyer.

We hope to see you there for this very exciting workshop!

Mrs S Haidar

Fruit and Veg Sense Workshop coordinator
Whispers from the Library

“PLEASE REMEMBER”

Book Week 2015: “Books Light Up Our World”

*Please remember* - Book Week is in Week 7, Term 3. During this time, there will be many different events happening to celebrate it. *Please remember to enter the competitions, Book Week Parade, Book Fair and in Class Literacy Programs* based around the nominated books for the CBCA Award for Picture Book of the Year and Early Childhood Book of the Year. I hope all the students will participate in the competitions and enjoy the literacy program.

**Book Fair**

Just like every year, we’re using Central Books Supplies for the Book Fair this year. I like to stick with this company as they sell quality books at decent prizes. As usual, there will be books ranging from $1 up to $25. I hope students will purchase. These books will only be sold at Lunch and after school.

*Book Fair will commence on Monday 24 August, Term 3 and end on Wednesday 3 September Term 3.*

Please come at these times.

**Monday to Thursday:** 1:10pm to 2:00pm and 3:00pm to 4:00pm.

Thank you 😊

Mr Norambuena
(Teacher Librarian)
**GUILDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C**

**FATHERS' DAY STALL**

**THURSDAY, 3 SEPTEMBER, 2015**

Many lovely gifts will be on sale at our Fathers' Day stall for Fathers, Grandfathers, Uncles or a special friend.

Prices range from $2 - $10.

Please send a plastic bag along for your child to bring their gift home.

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**A Great DAD**

makes memories
GOES ON GREAT ADVENTURES
always puts his family first
MACHES SACRIFICES
IS PATIENT
always has the time for his kids
IS A GREAT TEACHER
LOVES HIS KIDS & THEIR MOTHER
UNCONDITIONALLY

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**Celebrating Fatherhood**

Please Join us at

**Breakfast**

for

Fathers, Grandfathers & their Children

**When:** Saturday 29th August 2015
**Time:** 9.30 am — 12 pm
**Where:** Auburn Centre for Community
Corner Macquarie & Hutchinson Rd Auburn
**Cost:** Free

*For catering reasons, please make booking by Friday 21 Aug.*

For more information or booking, please contact Jennifer or Joanne on 9649 6955.

Free food • Meet new friends • Lucky door prize • Outdoor activities