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**Guildford Heritage Festival - 3 April**

Guildford’s annual Heritage Festival takes place in Stirling Square on Sunday 3 April, 10.00am – 5.00pm. The P&C will run a fundraising cake stall. A roster is being prepared. If you are able to give up some time, even just half an hour, please email hazel_6056@yahoo.com.au with your preferred time. Donations of beautiful cakes and sweet treats will be gratefully accepted at the stall on the day from 9.30am. A note will be sent home with each student as a reminder. The stall will include a display showcasing highlights of our school, the oldest in WA. The organiser is encouraging everyone to dress up in a costume from their favourite era. Retro-loving old timers will be excited to hear that Johnny Young of Young Talent Time fame will be appearing at the festival. How’s that for heritage!

**WELCOME TO THE 2016 P&C COMMITTEE**

It was great to see some new faces at the P&C AGM on Monday. We are pleased that Andrew K is continuing in his role as President. Andrew brings a lot of energy and commitment to the position.

Pat R is our new Vice President, replacing Bruce C. Tim F is the new Treasurer, replacing Liam S. Shannon A is the new Secretary, replacing Hazel B. Many thanks to the outgoing office bearers for their years of hard work, and thanks to those who have been prepared to take on these important roles.

Volunteer positions include Robyn B (WACSSO coordinator), Michelle V (School Banking), Brad B and Siobhan D (Grants Coordinators), Natalie P (Food Coordinator) and Hazel B (Newsletter). Andrew is the Pre Primary rep and Siobhan is the Kindy rep. Andrea J is the Year 6 fundraising coordinator.

**STILL VACANT – UNIFORM SHOP COORDINATORS**

Tamara and Jodi are still looking for replacements. If you think this role might be of interest you are welcome to join the ladies in the shop for a morning just to get a taste of it and see if it might be for you. Contact Jodi – 0419 626 389 or email jodidodd@hotmail.com

**P&C FACEBOOK ADMIN**

Bruce would like someone to take over as admin of the P&C Facebook page. If you know your way around social media and are interested in helping us get information out to parents in this way, please send him a message via the Facebook page.

**Easter raffle – drawn 24 March**

Please return raffle stubs and money to the P&C box in the office by this **Friday 18 March**. Tickets should include the student’s name and contact phone number. Winning tickets will be drawn on Thursday 24 March at the community assembly. Donations are still being accepted, please place Easter eggs or novelties in the collection box in the front office.

**MOTHERS’ DAY STALL – FRIDAY 6 MAY**

As soon as the collection box in the office has been cleared of Easter goodies we will be starting to collect for our annual Mothers’ Day Stall. Mothers’ Day falls at the beginning of term 2 on the second Sunday after the holidays. So we will be starting our collection before school breaks up. The stall has become a long running tradition, helping students find a lovely gift for the special lady in their lives. It is one of the highlights of the year for Guildford Primary
children. If each child brings in one low-cost gift to be sold, there will be enough items so that each child will be able to buy one gift of their choice ranging in price from $1 - $5. All proceeds go to the P&C to provide vital funds for the benefit of our students.

**REWARDING RETAIL**
The parent who used to run the Mothers’ Day stall is no longer at the school, so we need someone to volunteer to coordinate the stall. It’s actually a really nice and easy job. You just have to turn up on the day with a few helpers, set out all the donated goods and enjoy the cute spectacle of the kids very seriously trying to find the best gift for Mum. It is the perfect job for parent(s) who want to help out the P&C without making a big time commitment. Please email hazel_6056@yahoo.com.au if you are interested.

**MAGGIE IN MAY – TICKETS ON SALE 21 MARCH**
Please put Monday 30 May 2016 in your diary for an evening with the fabulous author and educator Maggie Dent. Tickets for Guildford Primary School parents/family will go on sale on Monday 21 March via Trybooking. The event will again be held at Swan Park Theatre. Doors open at 6.00pm. Maggie’s topic – believed to be a FIRST for WA is “The importance of calmness, stillness and silence in children’s lives.” There will be wine and cheese platters before the show and tea, coffee and a slice available afterwards. Cost will be $30. Maggie is an author, educator, parent and resilience specialist with a particular interest in the early years and adolescence. Maggie is a passionate advocate for healthy, common sense raising of children in order to strengthen families and communities.

**SAVE THE DATE – 9 JUNE**
Want to attend a free course guaranteed to stimulate and inspire you? WACSSO (the support body of all P&Cs in Western Australia) are running a course for parent’s right here at the school in the LOTE room on Thursday 9 June from 9.30am – 12.00pm. Schools from surrounding areas will also be invited, so it is a good chance to hear the experiences of other P&C members. The course helps P&C’s run efficiently and answers everything you ever wanted to know about fundraising, encouraging volunteers and working with the school. Mark the day in your diary!

**NATURE PLAY UPDATE**
Three more parents have joined the P&C sub-committee to explore options for nature play areas for both the kindy and school sites. The group will be checking out a couple of nearby schools for ideas and getting together a shortlist of designers.

**WAYLEN CLEANS UP!**
This year’s Clean Up Australia Day was another success. Thank you to all the students and their parents who took part in this great community event on Sunday 6 March. It was wonderful to see 32 Guildford Primary students among the local residents there. Each participating child earned 500 points for their faction. Pratt earned 5000 points, Meares earned 5,500 and Waylen earned 6000. Well done to all the students who took part. Numerous bags of rubbish were collected from around Guildford. One enterprising group filled a discarded shopping trolley full of rubbish. Thanks to Transition Town Guildford who organise this annual event which helps develop our children’s community spirit and caring for the environment.

**CAKE STALL**
Year Six students held a fundraising cake stall and raised $96.05 for their school camp. Thanks to Liesl, Harriet and Andrea for baking and Jo, Adrienne and Helena for working at the stall.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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*The P&C is grateful for the continued support of our families, friends and sponsors – Thank you!*