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HERITAGE FESTIVAL CAKE STALL – HELP DESPERATELY NEEDED!
So far very few people have come forward to offer to help man the P&C cake stall at Guildford’s annual Heritage Festival, which takes place in Stirling Square on Sunday 3 April from 10.00am to 5.00pm – JUST A FEW DAYS AWAY!

At the moment it looks like our cake stall will be historic for all the wrong reasons (i.e. cancelled at the last moment due to lack of helpers!!) The morning is okay but 11.00am onwards is looking bleak. Hopefully we can make a historic last minute come back.

If you are able to spare an hour, please email hazel_6056@yahoo.com.au with your preferred time. Grandparents, teachers, aunties, uncles … all are welcome!
Donations of beautiful cakes and sweet treats will be gratefully accepted at the stall on the day from 9.00 - 9.30am.

HOLLYWOOD DISCO – THURSDAY 7 APRIL!
The Guildford Primary School Disco is on again, Thursday 7 April 5.30pm – 7.30pm. Open to all students Kindy - Year 6. This year it is a Hollywood theme, there will be a red carpet, movie stars, famous celebrities and paparazzi! This year we have the world famous DJ Trotsky D spinning the tunes and bringing the games.

Get your tickets on the door for $8 (family discounts apply 2x $15, 3x $20, 4x $24). Ticket includes a slice of pizza and a box drink. Bring a gold coin or two for cakes and treats on sale. See you there VIP’s!

MAGGIE IN MAY – BOOK NOW!
The P&C’s major fundraiser for 2016 is coming soon. You are invited to book seats for an evening with Maggie Dent on Monday 30 May. The event will be held at Swan Park Theatre. Doors open at 6.00pm. There will be wine and cheese platters before the show and tea, coffee and a slice available afterwards. Cost is $30. Tickets are selling fast, so get in quick. Tickets available from www.trybooking.com/JYQH. This year's topic is "The importance of calmness, silence and stillness in children's lives".

It is so challenging for modern parents to create calmness, silence and stillness in their homes but this is an important and inspirational life resilience skill for children to develop. In this seminar, popular parenting author, educator and resilience specialist Maggie Dent will help parents understand more about the main causes of childhood stress, anxiety and disruptive behaviour, and what they can do to prevent it. She will explore how to calm hyperactive children, how to change emotional states, and the best ways to maximise the brain’s capacity to learn in a safe environment. Calmness can be learned and this seminar explores its cognitive and emotional benefits, as well as being full of practical tips to get the magic happening in your home.

CRACKING EASTER RAFFLE
It was the biggest Easter raffle ever with 31 enticing baskets up for grabs. Many thanks to all those who donated Easter treats. A very special thank you to Cheryl, Lucy and Cat for organising the raffle and sorting donated goods into prize packs. The money raised will go towards school resources. Hopefully the lucky winners enjoyed their Easter feast!
RIP OAKIE
On Tuesday 22 March tree loppers arrived at the school to take down our much loved 116 year old oak tree, which sadly died due to disease. Oakie finally fell at lunchtime, so students were able to witness the last moments. The tree trunk will not be removed from the school grounds but will be incorporated into a nature playground, so a part of Oakie will always have a home at Guildford Primary School.
This picture of our beautiful tree, which has provided shade and shelter for generations of primary school students, was taken by our Ms Webster in 2012. Oakie’s story was placed on the P&C Facebook page and has attracted more than 5400 page views. Former students have shared their memories and paid tribute to Oakie.

MOTHERS’ DAY STALL – FRIDAY 6 MAY
Many thanks to Alannah who has volunteered to coordinate the Mothers’ Day stall early next term on Friday 6 May. Please stay behind after school drop off on the day if you are able to help.

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. The stall works on the simple principle that 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 $1.00 - $5.00.

Please note kids should not buy multiple gifts or buy something if a present hasn’t been donated from their family as we would soon run out of gifts and there would be lots of disappointed kids!

Please drop your donation off in the collection box in the office, something you wouldn’t mind receiving yourself! All proceeds go to the P&C to provide vital funds for the benefit of our students.

LEST WE FORGET
There will be an Anzac Day ceremony in Stirling Square on Monday 25 April. Please gather from 8.45am. We are organising for Guildford Primary School student representatives to place a wreath. Students who live in poppy plaque homes are encouraged to make or buy a poppy and bring it in memory of their Anzac.

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