Diary of Events

Wednesday 31 August
Faction Carnival (Jumps, Throws and Distance)

Thursday 1 September
Fathers’ Day Stall

Friday 2 September
Faction Athletics Carnival

Monday 5 September
Foodie Morning

Tuesday 6 September
Kindy Red Fire Engine Incursion
Uniform Shop Open

Wednesday 7 September
Kalamunda History Village
Excursion RM’s 10 & 12

Thursday 8 September
Kindy Blue Fire Engine Incursion

Friday 9 September
Community Assembly

2016 Term Dates

Term 3
Tuesday 19 July - Friday 23 September

Term 4
Tuesday 11 Oct - Thursday 15 December

Did you know that you can SMS the school if your child/ren is going to be absent or late? Just send an SMS to 0407 388 021 before 9.00 am.
Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members

Last Friday Guildford Primary School students and staff transformed into a colourful array of characters across a range of personal favourite books. From the Tin Man in Pre Primary to the BFG, the students and staff certainly enjoyed the fun of dressing as their favourite book character. Visitors to the school were also greeted at the front office by Mr Bump. Amongst the staff there was The Ladybird, Bob the Builder and his Apprentice, Cruella de Vil, Steve Irwin, The Cat in the Hat and The Hairy Nosed Wombat.

Congratulations to everyone, students, parents and staff who made our character dress up day a huge success.

**Athletics Events**
The jumps, throws and long distance events took place today in wet and muddy conditions. Congratulations to all the students who participated and tried their hardest in their events. A huge thank you to all the parents who assisted with the events today.
The Faction Carnival will take place this Friday 2 September. Classes will assemble in the undercover at 9.00am ready to march down to the oval. Thanks go to Mr Jorgensen for his commitment and time organising the carnivals and to all the staff for training the students during faction training every Friday.

**Staff Update**
Mr Jorgensen will be taking long service leave from Monday 12 September until the end of the year. Mr Konstantouras has been appointed to the Physical Education position for the remainder of the year. I am sure everyone will join me in wishing Mr Jorgensen an enjoyable time travelling and enjoying a well earned break.

**NAPLAN Reports**
NAPLAN results for our Year 3 and 5 students have been released. Student reports will be sent home Monday 5 September.

Parents/caregivers are provided with information about the performance of their child in relation to that of other Year 3 or 5 students in the same year group across Australia. Schools receive information on the performance of individual students and class groups in relation to that of other students in the same year group, in WA and across Australia. This allows for student and group performance to be measured on the same scale.

Teachers use the information, in conjunction with their own records, to inform their planning and classroom teaching in literacy and numeracy. Schools use the assessment results as part of their annual report to the school community. As NAPLAN results are reported on the same scale from year to year, schools are able to monitor their student's performance over time.

The NAPLAN information is part of a student’s overall assessment and complements teachers’ judgements. These results should be viewed with other information collected by the classroom teacher.

**Who makes a difference at our school?**
As part of the WA Education Awards 2016 we’re asking students and parents to vote for staff who make a difference in our school and give them a chance to win $1000. The People’s Choice Award recognises dedicated and talented staff in WA public schools. The staff member who receives the most votes will be awarded the People’s Choice Award at the WA Education Awards 2016 presentation event on Monday 28 November.

All school staff who receive a vote will be acknowledged in *The West Australian* on World Teachers’ Day on Friday 28 October. You can vote for more than one staff member.

To vote, visit education.wa.edu.au [http://www.education.wa.edu.au/home/detcms/navigation/about-us/programs-and-initiatives/wa-education-awards/people-s-choice-award/]. Voting closes at 5.00pm on Friday 23 September.

For more information about the WA Education Awards, visit education.wa.edu.au.

**Surveying the School Community**
We are seeking information about how parents view the school, and how they would like to see it move forward in the future. We will then be able to consider the wishes of parents as we plan future directions.

Completing this questionnaire will not take long, but your information will assist us to achieve our goal of providing the best possible education for our students.

We will carefully consider the results from these questionnaires. So please take the time needed to inform us of your feedback.

All questionnaires are anonymous. You do not need to write your name on it so please answer frankly. You can access the survey at https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/Rz6A4aMY. A hard copy of the survey is also available from the office.

The survey is available now. The final date for the completion of the survey is Friday 23 September, 2016.

**Assembly**
The next assembly for Term 3 will be on Friday 9 September. The children from Room 11 will be the stars of the assembly. Good work will be displayed and Honour Certificates presented. All parents, friends and relations are welcome to attend and also have a social chat over a cup of coffee or tea after the assembly.

Have a terrific fortnight.

Ms Webster
Principal
Happy Birthday

The following children were presented with birthday cards at the last assembly.

- Lachlan
- Keagen
- Abel
- Zichy
- Maddelyn
- Sophie
- Boston
- Locklahn
- Logan
- Joshua
- Samuel
- Kody
- Zack
- Lachlan
- Jackson

Honour Certificates

The following students have received Honour Certificates at the last assembly.

### Room 1
- Kaitlyn
- Charlie

### Room 2
- Ida
- Cohen

### Room 3
- Samara
- William

### Room 4
- Pippa
- Thomas

### Room 6
- Indigo
- Chloe

### Room 7
- William
- George

### Room 8
- Kai
- Elizabeth

### Room 9
- Ta-arne
- Ivy

### Room 10
- Holly
- Eddy

### Room 11
- Cooper McKechnie
- Bodhi

### Room 12
- Zara
- Finn

Good Work

Good Work was presented at the last Assembly.

### Room 1
- Aron
- Oliver

### Room 2
- Ida
- Cohen

### Room 3
- Ivy
- Veronique

### Room 4
- Neva
- Olivia

### Room 6
- Alexa
- Kaden

### Room 7
- William
- Oscar

### Room 8
- Mitchell
- Seb

### Room 9
- Ivy
- Ta-ame

### Room 10
- Hannah
- Caelan

### Room 11
- Joshua
- Amelia

### Room 12
- Sheena
- Oliver

Faction Athletics Carnival

The Faction Athletics Carnival will be held this Friday 2 September starting at approximately 9.00am.

- Pre-primary, Year 1 and 2 children will start at 12.15pm,
- while children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will start at 9.05am.

Parents are welcome to spectate, but please do not go into the bays.

Thank you
Mr Jorgensen (PE Teacher)

Notifying of Absences

Guildford Primary School uses SMS to communicate with parents about unexplained absences.

If you have forgotten to provide a reason to the school about why your child is away, you will automatically receive a text message advising you of the absence. To assist the school staff, please respond to the message in detail.

A phone call to the office or a verbal message to the classroom about your child’s absence still needs to be followed up with a written note or a text to the school. It is the Education's Department's policy that all absences must be in writing.

Please state your child’s name, room number, date of absence and reason for absence.

Book Review by Pippa (Room 4)

This morning an Australian author called Meg Caddy came in because it is Book week. The theme is Australian Story Country.

Meg Caddy talked about her life and how she loves to read and write and how all of her family loves to read and that her Dad is also an author too. She said ‘that sometimes she has to rewrite the story again’ because either she gets bored and her story gets boring or a character is boring and in the end she has to change a lot of the story.

Meg Caddy likes fantasy and gets old fairy tales and makes them scary and more modern. She has a noisy family because her brothers all play instruments and sometimes it’s hard to write. Her dad sings and he is really loud. Her dad also writes funny stories instead of fantasy.

She has written three books but not all of them are published. I liked Meg Caddy and when I’m a bit older I might like to read some of her books. I might even be an author just like Meg.
**Book Week**

Book Week was a great success! Thank you to everyone who came dressed as their favourite book character for the Friday Book Parade. We had a visit from Alyson Bezuidenhout from Scholastic, who congratulated the school for coming second in the National Read More in May Competition. Frankie and Sarskia received their $100 book vouchers for being in the top 20 readers in the state and the school received a $500 book pack. Well done to everyone involved!

Congratulations to Sienna who had the closest guess of how many Dalmatians Dr Higgie (as Cruella de Vil) had kidnapped/hidden in the library. There were 285 and she guessed 251. Sienna gets to pick a book from Dr Higgie’s prize cupboard.

**Story time in the Library**

During Book Week, older students have been reading CBCA award winning picture books to the younger students. It continues into Week 7, and we encourage all students to join us at lunch for a great story. There are still Book Week activities (including word searches and activity sheets) available in the library for students looking for something fun to do at lunch.

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**Community News**

**North Bassendean Little Athletics Club**

We are a small friendly Club with between 60-90 registered athletes each season. Our athletes learn and develop basic athletic skills with the aim to be the best they can be and build confidence through participation.

We offer training in a range of age appropriate running, throwing, jumping and walking events for children aged 6-17 years.

We train throughout the summer season (September-March) on Tuesday 4.30pm - 5.30pm and Thursday 4.30pm - 6.30pm at Jubilee Reserve, Eden Hill. Our athletes compete in a variety of track and field events each Saturday morning during the summer season at the Noranda Sporting Complex, Wylde Road, Noranda.

Our Club is registered with Kidsport. The 2016-17 Little Athletics season commences shortly with registration day on Saturday 3 September 2016, and first competition day on Saturday 1 October 2016.

If you are undecided about registering for Little Athletics, athletes are allowed 2 trial training sessions and 1 “Have a Go” competition day on Saturday 1 October 2016, before deciding to register for the season.

For more information on how to join our Club please contact: Karen Hewitt - Club Manager Ph: 0408 927 126 or Cyra Matutinovich – Registrar Ph: 0478 221 990. Web: https://sites.google.com/site/northbassendeanlac/