Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members

Welcome back to the final school term. I hope all families had an enjoyable break with their children. Term 4 is certainly a very busy term with children undertaking various assessment tasks to complete the gathering of evidence for final Semester Reports. We also have swimming lessons for our junior students, graduation for our Year 6 students, a night at the Zoo for the students and teachers in Rooms 6 and 9, the wonderful finale to the school year with the presentation of book awards and a bush dance, many sporting events, excursions, plus all the learning programs within the classrooms. As you can see the journey of learning is a busy and exciting one for us all.

Term 4 is a term in which children are expected to be independent and responsible for being organised for their learning and their personal achievements. They need to be able to do things for themselves and not have parents do it for them. I am positive that all parents will value the school’s philosophy and support teachers in developing the potential of their child. There is a wonderful Chinese Proverb that we should all take heed from; “Teachers open the door, but you must enter by yourself.”

Staff Update

Mrs Nye is on leave for the first four weeks of this term. The school welcomes back Mrs Keller who will be teaching the students whilst Mrs Nye is on leave. Mrs Keller is very excited about returning and working with our wonderful children.

Ibu Sarah is on leave until Monday 14 November. Mrs Baker will continue the lessons in Indonesian whilst Ibu Sarah is on leave.

Open Morning

As part of the reporting process at Guildford Primary School, the staff and students invite you to our school Open Morning on Friday 21 October. Classrooms will be open straight after the Community Assembly until 10.30am. The Open Morning is about your children proudly showing you their work, their classroom and their school. It is a morning of sharing and celebration and one we as Educators trust you will enjoy.

There will be no formal interviews held at this time. If parents have any concerns they should make an appointment to see the teacher at a mutually convenient time. Biscuits and lamingtons along with a cup of tea or coffee will be available for all to enjoy.

Cricket Nets Opening

The long awaited opening of the school cricket nets will be held on Friday 28 October at 9.00am. Mr Matt Neves, Regional Cricket Manager, Midland/Guildford District will be attending along with a guest cricket player to open the nets. All parents and guardians are welcome to attend the opening and join in with a batting or bowling experience with our students and guests.

Graduation Photos

Next Tuesday 18 October at 9.00am the Year 6 students will be having their graduation photo taken. All Year 6 students will need to wear their leavers shirt for the photo. If your child does not have a leavers shirt then the red Guildford Primary School uniform shirt must be worn. The Year 6 students will receive a copy of the photo at their end of year graduation ceremony.
Favourite Sports Team Colours Day
On the last Friday of Term 3 the school was ablaze with colour as students and staff wore their favourite sports team colours. The money raised was donated to the Royal Life Saving Society of WA. A total of $177.15 was raised. Thank you to all the students, teachers and parents for their support and participation.

Assembly
Congratulations to the students from Room 9 and to Mr Morris for their musical assembly that showcased the talents of the students at our last Community Assembly. The first Community Assembly for Term 4 will be next Friday 21 October. The wonderful students from Room 12 will be the stars of the day. Good Work will be displayed and Honour Certificates presented. All parents, friends and relations are welcome to attend.

Hats
Term 4 requires all students to wear a wide brimmed or bucket style school hat. Caps are not acceptable as they do not offer enough protection. Students who do not have a hat will not be able to play in the open areas. Remember… NO Hat = No Play.

The Missing Cost
Missing a day of school here and there seems harmless. Evidence shows that for many parents and children, ‘mental health’ days or days to celebrate birthdays and special events are becoming more popular. But these occasional absences can come at a real cost.

When you add it up, a student who misses five days a term from Years 1 to 10 will miss around one whole year of school in this time. This increases to four whole years of school missed by being absent one day a week. Remember, “It is not ok to stay away.”

Have a terrific fortnight.

Ms Webster
Principal

School News

Physical Education News
On Monday 19 and Wednesday 21 September 2016 children from Guildford Primary School were involved in the Interschool Athletics Carnival.

The results were:
1st Maylands Primary School 1673 points
2nd Guildford Primary School 1649 points
3rd Eden Hill Primary School 1606 points
4th Bassendean Primary School 1402 points
5th Bayswater Primary School 787 points

Congratulations to the following children who received a medallion:
Elizabeth, Tiahna, Will, Rosie, Thomas, Max, Samara, Max and Asia.

Story time in the Library at Lunch!
Last term the senior students were asked if they’d like to be storytellers during Term 4. Dr Higgie received 25 applications (over 50 students!) and had to pick only 7 (with some help from the teachers). Our storytellers this term have wonderful stories to tell (and some surprises too!), so please encourage your children to join us on the following days:

1.00pm Thurs 13 Oct: Hairy Maclary from Donaldson’s Dairy read by Dyan and Lachlan.
1.00pm Thurs 20 Oct: Giggle Giggle Quack read by Evie and Cerise.
1.00pm Thurs 27 Oct: Hey Hippopotamus Do Babies Eat Cake Too? read by Reon and Daniel.
1.00pm Thurs 3 Nov: The Emu that Laid the Golden Egg read by Jane, Ebony M and Marnie.
1.00pm Thurs 10 Nov: Little Quack’s New Friend read by Zeke and Aaron.
1.00pm Thurs 17 Nov: Invisible Me read by Mitchell and Kai.
1.00pm Thurs 24 Nov: The Day the Crayons Quit read by Tahlia and Tahilia.

Thank you to every student who applied. It was very difficult to decide as every application was excellent. Look out for more storyteller opportunities next year!

Poetry Competition – Celebrate Reading!
The library is celebrating reading with a poetry competition. Students are encouraged to submit a poem about books, reading or libraries. The three winning poems will be awarded a Book Fair voucher. Entry forms are available in the library. Submit your poem by Wednesday 2 November!
Happy Birthday
The following children were presented with birthday cards at the last assembly. Zara, Leon, Maddyson-Lee, Tahilia, Tom, Violet, Ruby, Jake, Ryan, Oliver, Haazyl and Ivy.

Battery Collection
Did you know that dead batteries can be recycled and turned into pots and pans, steel for stainless steel products like golf clubs or fridges and even new batteries? Next Tuesday 18 October will be our final Battery Collection for 2016. If you have any old batteries that no longer work, please bring them in and place them in our Battery Recycling Bin, which is located in the Hasluck Hall on your right as you enter. Students from Room 1 will also be coming around to classes to collect them.

It is very important that batteries are disposed of correctly as the hazardous materials inside of them can get into the water, land and air and become harmful to humans and wildlife.

Mrs Brescacin and Miss Lydiate
Sustainability Team

Information Evening for Gifted and Talented Secondary Selective Entrance Programs
Information regarding the application, selection and placement processes for Gifted and Talented Programs in 2018 will be presented this year at Governor Stirling Senior High School.

Who: All Parents/Guardians of students interested in 2018 entry (Years 7, 9, 10 and 11)
Where: 25 Third Avenue Woodbridge, in the Lecture Theatre, Entrance through main Administration Block
When: Tuesday 15 November 2016
Time: 6.00pm (duration approximately 1 hour)

Information will be presented by the Gifted and Talented Selection Unit from the Department of Education. The presentation will include information on all Gifted and Talented Secondary Programs, not just Governor Stirling Senior High School’s Academic Program, and we welcome all parents/guardians to attend. Children are also welcome to attend.


Visit the Gifted and Talented Programs website to find out more information. RSVP to this event is essential. Register your attendance by emailing jennifer.lumia@education.wa.edu.au.
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- Enrolments close Monday 28 November 2016

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- Enrolments close Monday 5 December 2016

**Short program**
- 35 minute lessons
- Every day from Monday 9 to Friday 13 January 2017
- Enrolments close Monday 28 November 2016

**Early start program**
- 45 minute lessons (Wheelsat certed)
- Every day from Saturday 17 to Friday 23 December 2016
- Enrolments close Monday 14 November 2016

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