NEWSLETTER NO 7 - 11 May 2016

P&C Mothers’ Day Stall

The students enjoyed choosing a special gift for their Mum at the P&C Mothers’ Day stall last Friday.

The staff of Guildford Primary School thank the P&C for organising this wonderful event for the students of our special school. Your gift of time in supporting our school and students is priceless.

Diary of Events

Thursday 12 May
NAPLAN Testing - Years 3 & 5

Tuesday 17 to Thursday 19 May
Bookfair

Thursday 19 May
Barry Peters Incursion
RM 8

Friday 20 May
Barry Peters Incursion
Rooms 6, 7 and 10
Community Assembly

Wednesday 25 May
Barry Peters Incursion
Rooms K, PP, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 9

2016 Term Dates

Term 2
Wednesday 27 April - Friday 1 July

Term 3
Tuesday 19 July - Friday 23 September

Term 4
Tuesday 11 Oct - Thursday 15 December

SCHOOL ETHOS

Teachers use Cooperative Learning strategies (tactics) to develop in the students an understanding that everyone has the right to feel valued, be safe, and understand their rights and obligations to behave responsibly.

Did you know that you can SMS the school if your child/ren is going to be absent? Just send an SMS to 0407 388 021 before 9:00am.

If you send a text explaining your child/ren’s absence you do not need to send a note.
Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members

Guildford Primary School continues to be a busy place with much happening since our last newsletter. This week our Year 3 and 5 students are sitting the nation wide NAPLAN testing. The teachers have worked very hard since the commencement of the school year with the students to prepare them for the test. It is not an easy task for the teachers and the students, as the word ‘test’ has a stigma attached to it! However, through much hard work our students are taking the testing in their stride. I would like to thank the teachers for their dedication and commitment to the education of our students. A big thank you is extended to parents who have also been assisting their children at home with their reading and class homework. Your support is greatly appreciated.

The results of the testing will be available to schools in September 2016. A report to parents will be supplied in Term 4. Results from the tests will be used for system-level reporting, and for nationally-comparable reporting in the National Report on Schooling in Australia.

School Council
The first School Council Meeting for 2016 was held last term on Thursday March 31. At the meeting Mrs Alban vacated her position as Chairperson on Council. I would like to thank her for her support and work on the Council over the past 6 years. Thank you also to Mrs Vinning who has vacated her position as P&C member on the School Council. She has done a commendable job on the Council and I thank her for her efforts. I would also like to thank Mrs Mahon for her work on the School Council over the past three years. She is unable to continue on the School Council and has had to resign from her position.

I would like to welcome Ms Brown and Ms Bishop to the School Council. Both ladies were elected unopposed. I am sure they will find their position on the Council a rewarding one.

The 2016 School Council parent members are Mr Leclezio, Ms Brown and Ms Bishop. Staff members on the School Council are Mr Bender, Mrs Gilpin and Mr Beilken. The role of the Principal on the School Council is as the ex-officio.

The School Council is formed with the purpose of enabling parents to engage in activities that are in the best interests of students and that will enhance the education provided by the school.

The functions of the School Council are to;

Take part in;
- Establishing and reviewing the school’s objectives, priorities and general policy directions
- Financial planning to support the priorities and objectives
- Evaluating the school’s performance in achieving these
- Formulating codes of conduct for students
- Promote the school in the community
- Determine in consultation, a dress code for students

Approve;
- Charges, contributions and fees
- Extra cost of optional components of the school’s education program
- Items for personal use on the educational program
- Advertising and sponsorship arrangements

Teacher Interview Times
Parents are welcome at any time to request an interview with the teacher to discuss their child’s progress. It is not appropriate for parents to expect this discussion before school when the teacher is preparing the lessons for the day or the children are in the classroom. Parents can send a note to the teacher requesting a time be set for an interview or the school can be contacted by email through guildford.ps@education.wa.edu.au or by telephoning 9377 3255. Parents can be assured that if there is a problem with their child’s education they will be contacted.

Dress Code Policy
Winter tends to be the time when different colours, especially in jumpers appear. Parents are reminded that the school uniform is royal blue jumpers or windcheaters. The same colour applies to pants. Jeans are not acceptable. Guildford Primary School has a Dress Code Policy which all students attending our school are expected to wear.

Copies of the School Dress Code Policy are available from the office.

Have a wonderful fortnight.

Ms Webster
Principal
Interschool Sport
The first round of interschool sports fixtures were played on Friday afternoon. The results were:

Football -
Guildford 10:14 = 110 defeated Bayswater 3:1=19
Soccer - Guildford 10 defeated Bayswater 0
Netball A - Bayswater 21 defeated Guildford 8
Netball B - Bayswater 2 defeated Guildford 0

Thank you to Ms Bryce and Mrs Buckland for umpiring the netball. Our next fixture will be played at Guildford Primary School on 20 May 2016.

Cross Country
Training for the Cross Country Carnival will commence next week.

There will be optional practice for children in Years 3-6 at 8.30am on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings. Parents are welcome to join us, however we do need to start at 8.30am.

All children in Years 1-6 will need to participate in training during Physical Education classes. Children will need to bring old clothes, shoes and a towel as the track will be wet and muddy. Children should withdraw from training if they are sick or injured, and need to give a note to their class teacher if they need to be excused.

The Faction Cross Country Carnival will be held on Friday 10 June 2016. We still need parent volunteers to assist as course officials and place judges. If you are able to assist please complete the form below and return it to me via your child.

The times will be:
11.30am - 12.50pm - Years 1-3 all children and Year 4 girls.
1.30pm - 3.00pm - Years 5-6 all children and Year 4 boys.

I ________________ am able to assist on with the Cross Country Carnival on Friday 10 June 2016.

☐ Years 1 - 3
☐ Years 4 - 6

Contact details:
Phone ______________ Mobile________________________
Email ________________________________
Signed ________________________________

Happy Birthday
The following children were presented with birthday cards at the last assembly:
Lachlan, Dellas, George, Charlie, Madison, Sultan, Laughlin, Albert, Roxy, Dominic, Kate, Ruby, Caelan, Lucca, Oscar, Ella and Seb.

Good Work
Good Work was presented at the last assembly.

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

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Library Notices

Monster Book Fair
Date: Tuesday 17 May - Friday 20 May
Time: 8.00-8.45am and 3.00 -3:30pm
Venue: Library

Our book fair features books, posters and stationary for all ages. Books as cheap as $1 will be on sale, so get in quick! Every sale helps raise funds for the Library.

We Need Book Fair Volunteers!
The fair can’t run without your help. I need help setting up the fair and selling books. If you’re free during the fair, please let me know at rebecca.higgin@education.wa.edu.au. If you can only do a single morning or afternoon, it would still be a great help. Thank you!

Book Fair Competition
We have a monster colouring competition in the Library to promote the fair. Get your monster colouring sheet from the Library and return it to Dr Higgie by Tuesday 17 May for the chance to win a $10 Book Fair Voucher. Three winners will be picked from Pre-Primary, Years 1-3 and Years 4-6.

Scholastic ‘Read More in May’ Competition
Students who are keen to challenge themselves and win a $100 book voucher are encouraged to join the ‘Read More in May’ competition. Grab a reading log from the Library, fill in your minutes each day in May, and then hand in your log to Dr Higgie on 1 June. The student who reads the most in the school will win a prize. The students who accrue the most hours in the state will win 1 of 20 $100 book vouchers. You can see more details on your Book Fair flier, which will be coming home at the end of this week, or at http://www.scholastic.com.au/schools/bookclub/competitions/nfrm.asp.

Community News