NEWSLETTER NO 9 - 8 June 2016

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members

Maggie Dent Evening
On Monday 30 May the P&C hosted a Maggie Dent fundraiser for the Guildford School community. A packed house of 600 people attended the Swan Park Theatre for an informative, humorous and inspiring talk by Maggie addressing the importance of calmness in the lives of children. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the organising committee - Karen B, Shannon A, Robyn B and Melanie K - for the incredible amount of work that you did behind the scenes to make this event so successful.

Our school is very lucky to have a keen and supportive P&C that supports the education of the students at Guildford Primary School. Thank you.

Semester One Reports
This is a busy time for teachers and administration as we finalise and produce the student’s Semester 1 reports. Teachers are currently in the process of completing reports. These individual student reports will be posted home on Monday 27 June 2016.

Parking
Over the last week there has been a shortage of parking spots around the school during the afternoon when you are due to pick up your children. The City of Swan is aware of the shortage and will be doing routine checks of the school. I have also noticed more cars illegally turning left into Helena Street from Johnson Street at all hours of the day. This is of concern as when you are crossing the road from the front of the school you are not expecting a car to come from that direction. Please take care when crossing the roads at the busy drop off and pick up times.

After School
A reminder to parents that the school grounds need to be vacated by 3.20pm. There have been instances lately where children have been playing on playground equipment unsupervised after this time. The school gates will be locked at 3.30pm. The only exceptions to be on school grounds after this time are for after school music or if you have a meeting with your child’s classroom teacher.

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.
Cross Country
Friday 10 June will be a big event for all our students from Years 1 – 6 who will be competing in the Faction Cross Country Carnival. Despite the rain and muddy conditions, the students have been enthusiastically training. The cross country event is now in its 34th year and is destined to be an event not to miss. This year the Year 1, 2 & 3 students will start at 11.40am and will conclude at 12.45pm. The students will then break for lunch with the students from Years 4 - 6 starting their races at 1.30pm. Please note, all race times are approximate. We hope to see you all on our oval cheering the students on. I know all competitors will strive to achieve their personal best.

I would like to thank all the parents who have volunteered their time to assist with the day. Without your support this event would not be able to take place. On that note however, we are still in need of more helpers on the day. Please complete the slip on page 3 and return it if you can help. Parent helpers will be given faction points for their child’s faction.

Life Education Parent Information Session
The Life Education caravan will be visiting the school for classes in the final week of this term between 27 June - 30 July. The Life Education caravan will be open to parents and community members and this will be communicated to you once a session has been confirmed. This is an opportunity to find out about the things your children see, do and talk about during their visit to the Life Education caravan. You are welcome to visit the van at any time during the 30 minute session. See you there!

Assembly
Well done to all the children in Room 10 for their wonderful item last Friday. Congratulations to all the Honour Certificate winners and Good Work children.

Our next Community Assembly will be on Friday 17 June 2016. Room 7 will be hosting the assembly and performing their item for the audience. Room 7 invites all parents, friends and relations to attend and stay for a tea or coffee after the assembly.

PEAC
In the last newsletter I mentioned about changes to the PEAC testing for this year. The school has just received notification from the Education Department that a new test has been sourced and will be available for schools to use next term. Testing for all Year 4 students will take place between 1 August and the 19 August with the results to be communicated to parents by the end of Term 3.

I hope you have a fabulous fortnight.

Mr Beilken
A/ Principal
School News

Enrolments for 2017
Friday 22 July 2016 is an important date in your child’s education.

If your child is 4 or 5 years old by 30 June 2017, starting Year 7 or changing schools you need to apply to enrol them in a public school for 2017.

To apply to enrol your child in our school for 2017 for Kindergarten to Year 6 please visit the front office or go to our website www.guildfordps.wa.edu.au and complete an ‘Application for Enrolment’ form by Friday 22 July 2016.

Faction Cross Country Carnival
The 2016 Faction Cross Country Carnival will be held this Friday 10 June. 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.

Children in Years 1-3 will participate in their races from 11.40am - 12.50pm and children in Years 4-6 from 1.30pm -3.00pm.

Please note: All times are approximate.

Thank you.
Mr Jorgensen
P E Teacher

EMRC School’s Battery Collection Program
The next collection date for the EMRC School’s Battery Collection Program is Tuesday 21 June 2016.

If you have any used batteries please bring them to school and place them in the battery bin in the Hasluck Hall. Students from Room 1 will be coming around to classes to collect used batteries over the next two Thursdays.

Thank you.
Mrs Brescacin

Good Work
Good Work was presented at the last assembly.

Room 1 Olivia Isla Watson
Room 2 Max Isabelle
Room 3 Xenon Madeline
Room 4 Kirra Kayley
Room 6 Mia Shannon
Room 7 Hannah Helena
Room 8 William Noah
Room 9 Lachlan Oliver
Room 10 Sadie Eddy
Room 11 Abbey Kody
Room 12 Charlee Ross Owen

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

Room 1 Robbie Alex
Room 2 Max Isabelle
Room 3 Ivy Alex
Room 4 Grace
Room 6 Logan Will
Room 7 Tamzin Lily
Room 8 Kailin Richarda
Room 9 Lachlan Oliver
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Happy Birthday

The following children were presented with birthday cards at the last assembly: Eddy, Oliver, Quaide, Ishmeet, Evie, Robbie, Isla, Tex, Sophie, Kai and Trent.

Chickenpox

Chickenpox is caused by the Varicella Zoster Virus. In some children the illness will start with a fever or feeling unwell, but in others the rash will appear first. The spots usually start on the chest as red, itchy lumps. These will become fluid-filled blisters, which will burst and form a crust.

Chickenpox is very contagious and is spread when the person sneezes or coughs or when someone comes in contact with the fluid from one the blisters. Your child should have had the chickenpox vaccination at 18 months of age. **Vaccination is the best way to avoid chickenpox**, so make sure that your child is up-to-date with his or her vaccinations.

If your child does contract chickenpox, keep him or her home from school for at least five days after the first spots appear, and until after all blisters are dry. Give your child plenty of fluids and paracetamol or ibuprofen, if needed. If blisters are in the mouth, try a soothing mouth wash and don’t give foods high in acid or salt. Soothing lotions or oils for the bath can help the itch.

Diagnosis should be confirmed by a doctor as chickenpox is a notifiable disease (it must be reported). Please make sure the school is informed if the doctor diagnosis chickenpox.

Contact your local Community Health Nurse, Julie-Anne Jones by email julie-anne.jones@health.wa.gov.au for more information or see the fact sheet at www.public.health.wa.gov.au/.

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**2016 CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL - PROGRAMME OF EVENTS**

**Junior Cross Country Carnival**

11.40am Boys Year 1
11.50am Girls Year 1
12.00pm Boys Year 2
12.10pm Girls Year 2
12.20pm Boys Year 3
12.35pm Girls Year 3

**Presentations**

**Senior Cross Country Carnival**

1.30pm Boys Year 4
1.45pm Girls Year 4
2.00pm Boys Year 5
2.15pm Girls Year 5
2.30pm Boys Year 6
2.40pm Girls Year 6

**Presentations**

Please note: All times are approximate so please ensure you are here well in advance for your child’s race.