Diary of Events

Monday 29 February - Friday 11 March
Swimming Lessons
Rooms 4-9

Monday 7 March
Labour Day Public Holiday

Friday 11 March
Community Assembly

Monday 14 March
P&C AGM 6.30pm
P&C Meeting 7.30pm

Wednesday 16 March
Newsletter

Term 1
Monday 1 February – Friday 8 April

Term 2
Wednesday 27 April – Friday 1 July

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? Just send an SMS to 0407 388 021 before 9.00 am.

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members

We are almost at the end of our fifth week of school and the excitement of seeing old friends and making new ones begins to lose its shine. This can lead to some children being less tolerant and respectful of others. At Guildford Primary School it is an expectation that all students aim to follow the five simple guidelines of;

1. Respect for self and others.
2. No put downs.
3. Attentive listening.
4. The right to pass (sometimes people just want time to themselves, so please leave them be).
5. Do my personal best.

As we know younger students are developing their problem solving and social skills. Here at school we work hard with our students to develop their resilience.

When things go wrong staff use the following restorative questions;

- What happened?
- What were you thinking at the time?
- What have you done since?
- Who has been affected by what you have done? In what way?
- What do you think you need to do to make things right?

I am sure you will find the above questions useful to use at home.

If your child comes home with an issue that has arisen at school we advise strongly that you deal with such issues in the following way.

Firstly, we advise making an appointment with the classroom teacher in the first instance, in order that the school can work together with the parent/child on a resolution. Usually information needs to be collected and evaluated (the facts).

Many issues fall into the category of a misunderstanding between, child and child or teacher and child.

We work on the principle that there are at least two sides to any story and listening to both sides forms a big part of the solution.

Finally all of these issues need to have a resolution which is possible given good will.

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) Testing

The National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be conducted in the third week of Term 2 from the 10 – 12 May 2016.

An information brochure for parents of students in Years 3 and 5 will be sent home today.
The results of the National Literacy and Numeracy Assessments provide an important measure of how all students are performing in language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation), writing, reading and numeracy (number, algebra, function and pattern, space and measurement and chance and data). The performance of all students will be monitored against nationally established proficiency standards, including the national benchmarks.

Students with particular needs
All students are encouraged to participate in the assessments. For some students, a formal exemption may be granted. The forms for withdrawal or exemptions are available through the school office. Please contact the Principal or Deputy Principal for more information.

Governor General of Australia Visit
The Governor General of Australia, Sir Peter Cosgrove and Lady Cosgrove will be visiting Guildford Primary School on Wednesday 16 March 2016. The purpose of the visit is to see first-hand the physical education program in the Pre-School & Year 1 area and then to make a presentation of certificates to all the Year 6 students acknowledging Guildford Primary School as the premier primary school for fitness and skill levels.

In 2015, Guildford Primary School was identified as the leading Australian primary school in physical education and fitness. The current Governor General is very keen to continue the work of promoting positive physical activity started by former Governor General, Dame Quentin Bryce. Dr Garry Tester CEO of Sports Challenge Australia will be showcasing Guildford Primary School and its students to Sir Peter Cosgrove and Lady Cosgrove.

Swimming
Swimming lessons for students in Rooms 4 - 9 commenced on Monday. The students are enjoying the change of venue at Bayswater Waves. All students are encouraged to undertake the lessons as they are valuable to ensure all our students stay safe in and around the water.

Clean-Up Australia Day
This Sunday 6 March is Clean-Up Australia Day. Guildford Primary School families are encouraged to join in the family fun between 8.00am and 10.00am and earn 500 faction point for your faction team.

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.

I would also like to remind parents that teachers require down time and family time as everyone is entitled to. Emails sent late after hours and on weekends will not be responded to until the following working day.

Front Office Etiquette
A reminder to parents, guardians and students that the front office is not to be used as a thoroughfare to enter or exit classrooms before and after school. Please use the breezeway or green gates.

Have a very enjoyable long weekend with family.

Ms Webster
Principal

Student Leaders for 2016
**Subway/Sushi Lunch Day Friday 11 March 2016**

To place an order for Subway or Sushi please complete an order form, put it in envelope with the correct money and place it in the letterbox located in the front office by Friday 4 March 2016.

No late orders will be accepted and correct payment is required as no change can be given.

Additional order forms are available from the front office.

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**Honour Certificates**

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

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**Happy Birthday**

The following children were presented with birthday cards at the last assembly. Isabella, Lucinda, Nicholas, Oliver, Odette and Ella.

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**2016 Winter Uniform Pre Orders**

Get yourself a discount and pre order your winter uniforms now! The Uniform shop only holds limited stock, so pre ordering your uniforms will guarantee your child has them for winter.

Pre order forms can be obtained from the front office or downloaded from the Guildford Primary website [www.guildfordps.wa.edu.au](http://www.guildfordps.wa.edu.au). Orders close on Friday 1 April 2016.

Payment can be made by cash, cheque or direct deposit.

NB: direct deposit is ONLY available for pre-orders.

Account Name: Guildford Primary P&C Uniform A/C
BSB: 066 109
ACCOUNT: 100 16851

Please enter your full name on the payment details and put receipt number on the order form.

Pre orders will be delivered to your child’s classroom.

The Uniform shop will next be open on Tuesday 5 April, 8.30 - 9.00am.

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**School Photographs**

Kindy Red, Pre Primary Rooms 11 and 12 will have their photographs taken on Tuesday 22 March. Kindy Blue and Years 1 - 6 will have their photographs taken on Wednesday 23 March. Pre-paid envelopes from Photo Hendriks, formerly Classic Studios West explaining the ordering process will be sent home shortly.

Please ensure correct change is placed in envelopes (NO CHANGE will be available at the school office), one cheque may be used to cover a family but each child must return their envelope. The envelopes must be returned to the school on Photo Day with payment included. Family photo envelopes are available from the school office. Family photos will be taken only on Wednesday 23 March. It is essential that the children wear their school uniforms for the photographs.
Community News

What to do if you ever feel threatened or unsafe on public transport:
- If available ask a Transit Officer or Transperth staff member for help or just stand near them for safety.
- Call 9220 9999 - save this number in your mobile.
- On a bus, speak to the bus driver.
- On a train, push the emergency button to speak to the driver.
- On a train station, push the emergency button on an information kiosk to speak to our Central Monitoring Room.
- On train stations, stay in well-lit areas in view of security cameras.

Other safety tips:
- If possible, have someone come to meet you, or tell friends or family when you expect to be home.
- On train stations, stand back from the yellow line on the edge of the platform. When trains go past they create a powerful draft that can unbalance you.
- Use only the proper access routes when you enter or exit train stations.

Speech and Language Disorders
A speech disorder is when a child has difficulty pronouncing sounds correctly for their age. If it is not corrected, it can affect the ability to read and write. It may be necessary to seek help for your child if he or she:
- has trouble moving or coordinating his or her mouth;
- is six months or more behind the approximate age range for speech sounds;
- speaks very immaturity compared to other children the same age;
- gets frustrated about speaking;
- has hearing loss, and/or;
- is poorly understood by people who don’t know your child.

A language disorder is characterised by delays in learning to talk and understand language. It is different to a speech disorder – a speech disorder is when children have difficulty pronouncing words correctly. It’s important to remember that children learn to speak at different rates, but if you do have concerns about your child’s speech and language development, talk to your local Community Health Nurse Julie-Anne Jones on 0404894312. Go to www.raisingchildren.net.au for more information.

Physical Education Tips
Throwing is one of the main skills children of all ages need to master, as it is used in a wide number of games and sports.

To throw small objects such as bean bags or tennis balls the thrower needs to;
1. Stand facing partner or target.
2. Ball/object held in fingers.
3. Using a bent elbow the ball is held behind the shoulder.
4. Opposite foot to throwing hand is forward
5. As the object is released the elbow straightens and thrower steps forward onto the same foot as throwing hand.

Mr Jorgensen
PE Teacher

Governor Stirling Senior High School - Specialists Programs
Go to www.govo.wa.edu.au.
Click ‘Specialist Programs’ under the Quicklinks (Right hand side of screen).
Click the particular specialist program on the left side.
Click on the link to download an application form.

Please note that first round applications close 8 April 2016.

ANZ NetSetGo
Is an introductory program to the wonderful sport of netball aimed at 5-10 year olds. It is a great way to learn fundamental skills, encourage physical activity and make friends in a fun and friendly environment.

Every Friday for 8 weeks, starting 6 May from 3.45pm - 4.45pm.
Every Tuesday for 8 weeks, starting 10 May from 3.45pm - 4.45pm.
$110 per participant (GST inclusive). For more information call Amy on 9380 3732 or visit netballwa.com.au/netsetgo to register.