**GWYNNEVILLE PS**

**NEWSLETTER**

Term 4: Week 8 | Issued: Wednesday, 27 November, 2013

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**SCHOOL CALENDAR 2013**

**TERM 4—NOVEMBER/DECEMBER**

**Wednesday 27/11**
Active After School Activities
K to Year 2—3:30-4:15pm

**Friday 29/11**
Assembly—Hall at 2:30pm

**Tuesday 03/12**
Active After School Activities
Years 3 to 6—3:30-4:15pm

**Wednesday 04/12**
Year 6 High School Orientation
Active After School Activities
K to Year 2—3:30-4:15pm

**Thursday 05/12**
Global Highway—Years K-6

**Monday 09/12**
Presentation Day—9:30am in the Hall

**Tuesday 10/12**
Jamberoo Park Excursion—Years 5 & 6
Botanic Gardens—Years K-4

**Thursday 12/12**
Talent Show
Mufti Day—Gold Coin
Cake Stall and raffle draw

**Tuesday 17/12**
Year 6 Farewell

**Wednesday 18/12**
Last Day for Students

**Wednesday 29/1/14**
Students Years 1-6 return to school—a new year begins

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**THE PRINCIPAL**

**PARENT HELPER AFTERNOON TEA**

This is an invitation to all of our wonderful parents who have assisted us in so many ways throughout the year. We thank you for all of your outstanding work in helping to make GPS the great school that it is. The Afternoon Tea will be held in the Library on Thursday, December 5, at 1:30pm.

**PRESENTATION DAY**

Our Presentation Day will be held in the Hall on Monday, December 9, at 9:30pm. Parents of students receiving awards on the day have been contacted by phone, however, regardless of whether your child is receiving an award, we would love to see you there to celebrate with us another successful year at GPS.

**BUS ZONE**

Please do not park in the bus zone during the morning and afternoon times 8:00-9:30am and 2:30-4:00pm. Please keep the disabled parking free for those who are entitled to it.

**LOST PROPERTY**

As the year is approaching its end please ensure you have checked the lost property for any clothing/items your child might be missing. Thank you.

**MONEY COLLECTION NEW CHANGES**

All money will need to be clearly labelled with your child’s name, class and the activity and placed in the wooden box in the Office on arrival at school before the first bell. Please have correct money in the envelope as we do not have change facilities.

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**IMPORTANT**

GWYNNEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL IS A NUT FREE ZONE

NO NUTS OR NUT BASED PRODUCTS CAN BE BROUGHT TO THE SCHOOL

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**P & C MEETING**

GWYNNEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL - STAFF ROOM

NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

WILL RESUME 19/2/14
AFL
Once again a big thank you to Stuart for organising the six weeks AFL Program. Next year we will be providing a morning program, most likely a Thursday morning which will be starting in Week 2, 8am - 9am, that will run for six weeks. The cost will be $10 and all children will receive their own AFL ball and bag. If you think your child would be interested in participating please let Mrs Devlin know asap.

ARCHIBULL PRIZE 2013
On Monday, November 18, four Year 6 students Maria, Emma, Alex and Dom, attended the Presentation Day for The Archibull Prize.
Gwynneville Public School was placed as Primary Champion and fourth over all out of all the High Schools and Primary Schools that competed in The Archibull Prize. There were 44 schools that competed throughout Queensland and NSW. I think that it was an amazing achievement from a small school to have competed and beaten many large High Schools or schools that are Agricultural schools. Well done Gwynneville! Next year we would like to take out Grand Champion.
A big thank you again to every one who helped and supported us along the way.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOLS PROGRAM
Next week will be our last week for the Active After Schools Program. Thank you to all those children who have participated over the past year. I hope to see you all back for next year. Some of the sports that we are looking at for Term 1 are Tennis and T Ball.

TALENT SHOW
Rehearsals have started this week (Wednesday and Thursday lunchtimes) for the talent show. Please check the schedule on Mrs Eshman’s window to see what day you are on. Please make sure you have your music or if it is needed see Mrs Devlin as soon as possible.
“Gwynneville’s Got Talent 2013” will take place on Thursday, December 12, (Week 10). The show will begin at 12 noon and conclude by 1:30pm. This will be followed by recess and then everyone will return to the Hall for the P & C Christmas Raffle. Parents/Grandparents/Carers are welcome to attend. Cakes will be available to purchase at recess time for an average cost of 50c, so please give your children some ‘spending money’.

Mrs Devlin

A FRIENDLY
REMINDER…
PLEASE JOIN US ON THURSDAY, 5 DECEMBER, 2013

Parents,
Please don’t forget our mini-GLOBAL HIGHWAY. Each class has organised some cultural activity (a story, art/craft or a game) and some delicious food from a country represented in our school community. Students will visit four classrooms in their ‘special event’ groups. The visits will be 10:00-10:30am, 10:35-11:05am, (Lunch Break 11:10-11:55am), 12:00-12:30pm, 12:35-1:05pm, (Recess Break).

If you have offered your assistance with books, pictures, artefacts or food from a country, could you please let that teacher know when those items will be brought to school? Perhaps you could send a message with your child.

Thank you for your kind offers of assistance,
Mrs Thorne, ESL Teacher

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Parents and Guardians please notify the office of any medical conditions that your child may have developed over the time your child has been attending our school. There is a medical form to fill out in Office. If you have already completed a medical form recently there is no need to complete another one.

Examples of illnesses are: Asthma, Allergies, hospitalisation for a medical problem, diabetes and Epilepsy.

Congratulations to the following students

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Congratulations to the following students who received Silver Awards at the last assembly 15/11/13

5B Abdul Alaini, Mohammad Ghazali, Xi Liu, Ye Liu, Mason Mavridis, Lachlan Pallier, Isabella Thew

Medical Information

The school library has now closed for stock-take. Could you please encourage your children to return all school library books and home readers as we must account for all our resources.

Wollongong City Library offers free membership and children can participate in the Summer Reading Club over the holidays.

Thank you
Mrs Cathie Hancock
Illawarra Junior Representative Trials 2014

Saturday 23rd November
Sunday 24th November 3:00 – 5:00pm (Under 18 Girls Only)

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Saturday 30th November 2013
Under 12 Boys and Girls: 12:30pm – 2:00pm players born 2003 and after
Under 14 Boys and Girls 2:00pm – 3:30pm players born 2002 & 2001
Under 16 Boys and Girls 3:30pm – 5:00pm players born 2000 & 1999
Under 18 Boys and Girls 5:00pm – 6:30pm players born 1998 & 1997

Illawarra Basketball Stadium ‘Snakepit’
Players of all standards are encouraged to trial for the teams.
Selected players will receive coaching and development to improve their overall fitness, skills, ability and knowledge of all aspects of the game.
Contact Basketball Illawarra office on 4225 9999 if you have any further enquiries

Dear Parents,
You are warmly invited to the Gwynneville Public end of year Christian SRE Assembly!
Tomorrow (28th) 12:30-1:30

FREE healthy lifestyle program for 7-13 year olds.
Is dinner time a war zone between you and the kids?

We can help.

Register now for Figtree’s Term 1 program:
4-6pm every Monday and Thursday 3 Feb - 10 April
Figtree Community Hall, Princes Highway
Call 1800 780 900
SMS 0409 745 645 for a call back
go4fun.com.au

You may have to fight a battle more than once to win it. Margaret Thatcher

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