GRANDPARENTS DAY
It was lovely to see so many Grandparents attend this special day. Well done to Year 6 for the amazing morning tea that they made themselves!

SCHOOL SATISFACTION SURVEYS
These surveys are now available on our web site (for a limited time only). Please take a few minutes of your time to complete the survey. We value your input. Student surveys are also available, however, the children will complete their survey at school. If you require a printed copy of the survey, please request one from the Office.

MOBILE PHONE APP
We have just purchased an App called Skoolbag that will be accessible for parents with iPhones or smart phones. Staff are currently undergoing training. Eventually you will be able to access the newsletter, forms, permission notes for excursions and any other information pertinent to our school. Please don’t be alarmed if you can’t access the App, as all information will still be available in hard copy.

YEAR 6 ACTIVITY DAY
Year 6 are busy organising many fun activities for this day which will be held on Friday, 7 November. The children are asked to bring a small amount of money (tickets are only 20 cents) to purchase food, drinks and to participate in the activities.

MUSIC COUNT ME IN
All of our students will come together in the hall to sing “Paint Me a Song” this Thursday at 12 noon. This is an Australia wide initiative for all schools to promote Music Education. Each year a song writing competition is held for students to select the song to be sung. This will be our sixth year of participation.
SCHOOL NEWS

PICTON SCHOOL BAND
The Band will be performing for us at 10am on Wednesday, 19 November. Parents are welcome to attend. Last year they were fantastic!

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOLS
Please note that letters of interest have been issued to all Year 5 students. Applications are due by Monday, 17 November. Parents can apply online or obtain a hard copy from the Office.

STUDENTS LEAVING AT THE END OF YEAR
Parents please notify the school office if your child/children are leaving at the end of 2014 as early as possible so next year’s classes can be organised. This does not pertain to our year 6 students.

BOOK CLUB
All orders are to be returned to the brown box in school office tomorrow (Thursday).

LIBRARY NEWS
We will be holding a Scholastic Book Fair on Tuesday 18, Wednesday 19 and Thursday, 20 November 2014. A large variety of books will be available. Book prices will start at $6. We will not be able to accept credit cards. Cash and Cheque ONLY. The Book Fair will be held in the Library from 8:45-3:20 on those days. Our school Library will receive a book commission for holding this Book Fair. Books are a great idea for Christmas gifts, do your shopping now! All welcome. Thank you on behalf of our Library staff.

LIBRARY BOOKS
Library books need to be returned to the Library for the end of year stock take. Parents please ask your child/children to check around the home for any books that might have been missed throughout the year. Thank you for your help in this matter.

A BIG THANK YOU
Mrs Hancock & Mrs Devlin would like to thank Thomas Creative for their donation of materials towards our recycle bottle cap craft project.

ARCHIBULL 2014
Our 2014 Archibull Journey is coming to its final stages. On Monday we had a visit from Wendy, the art judge and Lynne, the program coordinator. Five year 6 students Enya, Fudail, Max, Aleksandra and Oliver presented our Archie ‘Maizee Moo’ and all that we had learnt while doing the Archibull. The judges were impressed with our finished artwork, how knowledgeable the students were and how much fun they had being apart of the journey.

The final event is the announcement of the winning schools which will take place on Friday, 14 November at Homebush.

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Congratulations to the following students

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Reporters from The Advertiser also came to visit on Monday and there will be an article in an upcoming issue of the paper.

**Grandparents Day**

It was great to see all of those grandparents and family members that attended Gwynneville’s Grandparents. The smiling faces of all the children working together doing lots of fun activities was very rewarding.

The morning tea was a huge success and it was enjoyable catching up with so many families.

A great big Thank You also goes out to Years 5 and 6 as they spent a lot of Monday and Friday morning preparing the slices, pikelets and the strawberry jam. For the strawberry jam we used fresh strawberries from our garden and it tasted delicious.

**Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program**

You would have recently noticed the grounds at the front of the school slowly transforming. Years Five and Six with the help of Mr Burns and Sue have been designing, planting and mulching an area at the front of the school. This is to be another area where we will be able to grow seasonal produce for our kitchen program.

Please take a few minutes to admire the hard work of our students and volunteers in our gardens around the school.

As a part of the Kitchen Garden Program we entered a healthy lunch box competition where we had to make something with the produce from our garden. We made a vegie burger, beetroot and chocolate cake with fresh strawberries.

We taste tested the finished product and got the thumbs up from year 6.

We will find out how we went in early November.

**Active After Schools Program**

Our Term four program for Active After Schools will be starting again in Week 6. Our sports for this term are frisbee and hockey. If you’d like your child to participate in this program for term 4.

Tuesdays for children in Kinder – year 2 and Wednesdays for children in Years 4 – years 6

Please complete the expression of interest and return to Mrs Devlin.

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**Expression of interest**

I would like my child_____________________

in __________class to participate in the Term 4 Active After Schools Program.

Signed: ______________________________

Date: ______________

**Central Wollongong PSSA Gala Day**

The Gala Day will be held on Friday, 21 November for all students 3-6 and will be participating in cricket and dragon tag.

This was the day that was set in Term 1 and was postponed.

A note will go home next week. Those who have not paid will be notified.

**2014 Talent Show**

This year we will holding our annual Talent Show during the last week of term and it will be a little different as there will be two shows.

The first show will be on Monday, 15 December for Years 3-6 and the second show will be on Tuesday, 16 December for Kindergarten–Yr 2.

For all those very talented boys and girls at Gwynneville who can sing, dance or act and would like to be a part of this years Talent Show. If you could please fill out your name, class, who is in you act and what you would like to perform at The Talent show and give it to Mrs Devlin by Friday, 14 November.

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**Talent Show 2014**

Name:______________________________

Class:_____________________________

Performance:_______________________

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Group

Members:__________________________

Mrs Devlin

**P & C Disco**

A reminder for all notes to be returned AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Food will be available including Halal sausages and Vegan. Also a slushy machine will be in place for the purchase of $2 a slushy.

Please send in your song requests.

PARENTS you must send us written permission if you would like other parents to pick up your child from the Disco and give to the teachers.
SKOOLBAG APP FOR SCHOOL COMMUNICATION FOR PARENTS

If you are a parent and your school has Skoolbag, you can install the app on your phone or tablet device by following these instructions:

For IPHONE & IPAD users:
1. Click the “App Store” icon on your apple device.
2. Type school name in search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click “free” then “install”.
4. If iPad, change the drop list to “iPhone Apps”, your school will then be visible, click “free” then “install”.
5. When installed click “open”.
6. Select “ok” to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the “more” button on the bottom right of the App, then “setup’.
8. Toggle on the push categories that are applicable to you.

For Android users:
You must first have signed up with a Google A/c before installing the app.
1. Click the “Play Store” button on your Android device.
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search
4. Click the “install” button.
5. Click “accept” for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click “open” when installed.
7. Click the “more” button on the bottom right of the App, then “setup’.
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“Honour is the practice of calling out the best in one another.” Danny Silk