

## $\mathcal{A}$ picture says a thousand words...



## Principal's Message

## GPPS PARENTS AND CARERS

 CONSULTATIVE BODYLast year parents and carers participated in a survey to assist GPPS in setting up a consultative body for 2016. I would just like to flag that the first meeting will be held on Wednesday 1 June at 6.30 pm . Parents, carers and community members are welcome to attend. We look forward to discussing the direction of this group and how it can best meet the needs of our students.

## ROAD SAFETY

As we have continued to experience problems at both the front and back of the school, I have contacted the Rangers and asked for their assistance. They have assured me that they will be making an appearance at some point in the next week.

## CAKE STALL

Thank you to all who supported the cake stall last week. I am pleased to share that we raised $\$ 330$. Every dollar counts when we are supplementing our budget for educational resources.


## HARMONY DAY MONDAY 21 MARCH

Harmony Day, 21 March celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

It is a day for all Australians to embrace cultural diversity and to share what we have in common. The central message for Harmony Day is that 'everyone belongs', reinforcing the importance of inclusiveness to all Australians.

The theme for Harmony Day 2016 is 'Our diversity is our strength'.

This year our school has invited 'Drum Beats', a musical group, to participate in our celebration. Each student will be involved in a hands on show involving drums, singing, languages from around the world, rhythms in our environment and body percussion.

The cost of the show is $\$ 6.00$ per child.

Students may come to school dressed in traditional multicultural clothing or choose to wear the colour orange which represents Harmony Day.

Parents are welcome to come and share a picnic lunch with their children at 1 pm . The Canteen will be offering a special Harmony Day lunch deal. If you want to order the lunch consisting of a hot dog, large slushie and popcorn please send your order into the Canteen directly by Thursday 17 March.

## VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Each year public schools ask parents/carers for a small monetary contribution. This contribution greatly assists us to enhance our school resources. Last year a high percentage of our families paid the contribution and the money was used to purchase a large number of iPads. As a result of this money, every classroom now has its own bank of iPads and we are grateful for this.

This year my aim is to use the contributions in conjunction with the money donated by last year's Year 6 to purchase an electronic sign for the front of our school.

The 2016 rate is $\$ 50$ per child, with a maximum of $\$ 100$ per family (ie. families only need to pay for the first 2 children as the subsequent kids are included in the family payment).

Please complete the slip on the final page of this newsletter and send in to the office along with your payment. If paying online, please use the reference: VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION.

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PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY
On Thursday 31 March we will be holding our school Cross Country Carnival. All primary students will participate in the event which will be held on the school grounds. Now is a
 great time for students to start getting in some practice for the run!

## K-2 EASTER HAT PARADE

Parents are invited to attend the Easter Hat Parade on Thursday 24 March 2016.

Children have been busy making their hats in class and are looking forward to showing off their creations during the parade.

The parade will begin at 12.00 pm in the school hall and will be followed by the Easter raffle. All parents are invited to have a picnic lunch with their children after the Easter celebrations.


Children are to wear normal school uniform. We look forward to seeing you there.

## EASTER RAFFLE

Raffle tickets for our annual Easter raffle have been distributed to students. Cost of tickets is 50 cents for one or three for a $\$ 1.00$. Additional books of raffle tickets are available through the school office with the final draw occurring at a special assembly on 24 March.

Each year the Fundraising Committee has between 40-50 Easter egg baskets donated through the
 generosity of our school community and this year will be no exception.

Donations of Easter eggs, chocolate bunnies or bilbies are gratefully accepted through our school office.

## SILVER AWARD

 WINNERS Blake 10Isabelle 10 Mia 2D
Luke 2D
William 2D
Taylor 2P
Cailyn 2P
Aidyn 2L
Izzie 2W
Emma 2W
Cohen 2W
Aleksander 3E
Parys 3E
Lucy 3E
Fatimah 3M
Katie 3M
Zac 3M
Hayley 4NR
Dylan 4NR
Lincoln 4NR
Chelsea 4NR
Kaelem 5H
Brock 6C
Ashley 6M
Maddisyn 6W
GOLD AWARD WINNERS Cohen 2W
Anthony 3E Jack 4B Dylan 4NR
Chelsea 4NR
Molly 5H
Rhys 6C
"FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE"
Most notes sent home from school can be found on the Glenmore Park Public School website-either in
"Newsletters" or
attached to an event in the "Calendar"

Additionally the fundraising committee welcomes donations of cellophane for wrapping to assist in the preparation of prizes．

## CAKE STALL WEDNESDAY 30 MARCH

Our next Fundraising Committee cake stall is being held on Wednesday 30 March at 11．00am． KD，KP，KW and 6M parents are asked to drop off donations under the Hall COLA before 9.00 am ．


The stall is operated during recess，from 11.00 am－ 11.20 am ．All students K－6 have the opportunity to buy a treat．Cakes sell from 50c to $\$ 1$ ．

## EARTH HOUR 2016

On Saturday March 19，millions of Australians will take part in Earth Hour from 8：30－9．30pm to show their support for low pollution，clean energy future，one in which we can continue to enjoy the best of nature and our great Aussie outdoor lifestyle．At school we will choose an hour for our classes to not use electricity． During this time we will discuss the impact we all have on our environment and discuss ideas and solutions to reduce our impact．


## GOLD AWARD WINNER PROFILES

## Chelsea 4NR

My name is Chelsea．I am in 4 NR ．I am 8 years old．I am one of five kids．My interests are Tee－ball and physie．I have two brothers and two sisters．My favourite colours are blue and purple．

## Molly 5H

I am so honoured to be getting this award．It is my first gold award and I am so excited to be getting it on our item day．My mum will be so proud of me．My friends are Zoe，Zarra and Kayla．I am in class 5H with Mrs Hughes and I really enjoy our class．

## Dylan 4NR

Hi my name is Dylan．I am in class $4 N R$ ．I am extremely excited to be getting my first gold award．My favourite subjects are Science and Maths．I also love reading．I like soccer，cricket and tennis．


## What makes Dive In Different

－Qualified Teachers who hold current Working With Children Licence and CPR
－Additional Qualifications include Competitive Strokes and Infant and Preschool Aquatics
－Accredited Swim Australia Centre and Family owned business
－All staff attend Professional Development throughout the year
－Experienced teachers for ADD，ADHD，ASD and ODD along with other special needs
－We recognise and understand the family dynamic and support parents


## Services

－LEARN TO SWIM
－SQUAD TRAINING

Located at 122 Blaikie Road，Jamisontown
（Close to Glenmore Park，M4，Mulgoa）



## Cool Kids Music Co． <br> Keyboard 』 Guitar 』 Drums 』 Singing 』 Ukulele <br> $1^{\text {st }}$ lesson FREE to new students who enroll now for Term 2＊ $\Omega$ Group music tuition at your school $\quad \cap$ Certificates and prizes，once a term Music Olvmpics f Caters for Year 1 to 6 <br> I Parent recitals and reports available on request I Equipment included for use during the lesson ת Instruments available for purchase for home use＊ $\Omega$ Music books included A Sibling or multiple instrument discount available＊



TERM 1, 2016

| WEEK 8 | 14/3 | 15/3 | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { 16/3 } \\ \text { Dance2BFit } \end{array}$ | ```17/3 K-2 Assembly 9.15 am Paul Kelly Cup``` | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline 18 / 3 \\ \text { PSSA } \end{array}$ |
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| WEEK 9 | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline 21 / 3 \\ \hline \text { Harmony Day- } \\ \text { Drumbeats } \end{array}$ | 22/3 | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline 23 / 3 \\ \hline \text { Dance2BFIt } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $24 / 3$ <br> K-2 Easter Hat Parade and raffle draw | $\begin{array}{\|lll} \text { 25/3 } & \\ & & \\ & \text { GOODD } \\ & \text { FRIDAY } \end{array}$ |
| WEEK 10 | $\begin{array}{\|rr} \text { 28/3 } & \\ & \text { EASTER } \\ \text { MONDAY } \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 29/3 } \\ & \text { Soclal Reports } \\ & \text { home } \end{aligned}$ | 30/3 <br> Dance2BFIt <br> KD, KP, KW and <br> 6M Cake Stall | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline 31 / 3 \\ \text { Cross Country } \\ \text { (Years 3-6) } \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline 1 / 4 \\ \text { Last day for PSSA } \end{array}$ |
| WEEK 11 | 4/4 | 5/4 <br> Student ANZAC <br> Ceremony-Penrith Paceway for Captains and Prefects | 6/4 | 7/4 $3-6$ Assembly 9.15 am | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 8/4 } \\ & \text { Last day of Term } 1 \end{aligned}$ |

TERM 2, 2016

| WEEK 1 | $\begin{array}{\|ccc} 25 / 4 & & \\ & \text { ANZAC } \\ & \text { DAY } \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 26 / 4 \\ & \text { Staff Development } \\ & \text { Day } \end{aligned}$ | 27/4 <br> Students return for Term 2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 28/4 } \\ & \text { K-6 Assembly } \\ & \text { School ANZAC } \\ & \text { Service 9.30 am } \end{aligned}$ | 29/4 |
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| WEEK 2 | 2/5 | 3/5 <br> Year 4 CARES (4B attending) | 4/5 <br> Year 4 CARES (4C attending) | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline 5 / 5 \\ \text { School Photos } \end{array}$ | 6/5 <br> Mother's Day Stall Zone Cross Country |
| WEEK 3 | $\begin{aligned} & 9 / 5 \\ & \text { Year } 4 \text { CARES (4NR } \\ & \text { attendlng) } \end{aligned}$ | 10/5 | $\begin{array}{\|l} 11 / 5 \\ \text { 10, 1H, 6C and 6W } \\ \text { Cake Stall } \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline 12 / 5 \\ \hline \text { K-2 Assembly } 2 \text { pm } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 13 / 5 \\ & \text { Winter PSSA } \\ & \text { begins } \end{aligned}$ |
| WEEK 4 | 16/5 <br> Year 3 Excursion to Mt Annan | 17/5 <br> ICAS Digital <br> Technologies test 8.30 am | 18/5 Disco K-2 5 to 6 pm 3-6 6.15 to 7.30 pm | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline \text { 19/5 } \\ 3-6 \text { Assembly } 2 \text { pm } \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 20/5 } \\ & \text { PSSA } \end{aligned}$ |

## VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION

Eldest child's name: $\qquad$ Class: $\qquad$
$\square \quad$ I enclose $\$ 50 / \$ 100$ for the voluntary school contributions.
$\square \quad$ I have paid $\$ 50 / \$ 100$ online to cover the cost. My receipt number is $\qquad$

