COMING ALONG AND JOIN IN THE FUN

Gilmore Primary’s ‘Bushwahzee’ BEACH PARTY performance featuring the students from Preschool to Yr 6.

Tuesday 25 November from 6:00 - 7:30 pm in the May Gibbs building.

Entry per person by Gold Coin donation.

*The P & C will be selling Sausage Sandwiches & Egg/Bacon Rolls from the canteen from 5:00 pm till show time.

*They also will have show bags for sale.

*Year 6 will have soft drinks / bottled water for sale as well!

Student costumes:

‘Beach Gear’: Board shorts, t-shirt, thongs/sandals, Hawaiian shirts, skirts, hats etc.
It is daunting to be getting ready for the new school year but with ONLY 4 weeks left of this year it is going fast.

Book Pack lists were sent out to all students. To take advantage of the early bird price orders need to be received by 12 December. You can find a link to the book pack order forms on our web page: http://www.gilmoreps.act.edu.au

Packs that are ordered and paid for can be delivered to your child’s class ready for the first day of school or you can have your pack delivered to your house.
Dear Parents

A great big hand for our P & C executive; parent and staff helpers who worked so hard to make the Gilmore P & C Association Fete such an outstanding success on Sunday. The weather might have been wet and miserable to start the day but that didn’t stop people coming along and supporting our students by spending up at the various stalls, raffles etc.

As a result the P & C made in the vicinity of $6000 plus donated 141 very good quality books for the school library.

Your children are certainly the winners from all of this hard work.
Thank you so much for your support!

ACT Secondary Bursary Scheme
Each year this scheme provides financial assistance to eligible families with students attending ACT Public or non-government secondary schools.
Application forms are available from the school front office; Centrelink; The Smith Family; or online at: http://www.det.act.gov.au/school_education/.../financial_assistance_for_families

NO HAT – PLAY IN THE SHADE.
Please make sure that your children bring a broad brimmed or bucket hat to wear at school each day.

Don’t forget your SOCs?
Our P & C is actively engaged in the SOCs fundraising activity which brings benefits (through discount vouchers) to you. Don’t forget to, where possible, support the businesses which are supporting your P & C (in turn supporting YOUR children through providing addition resources for them to use at school)

Artist-in-Residence program
You might have taken the opportunity at the fete on the weekend to look at some of the seven murals that the students have been working on with our Artist-in-Residence – Dan.

One you might not have seen is in the courtyard garden off the staffroom. We are in the process of organising an official ‘unveiling’ of the works at the end of the term
Support a future champion
Next Friday 21 November we will be holding an ‘out of uniform day’ with a difference. Come dressed as your favourite sports person and make a gold coin donation to help our year 5 student – Charli attend the Australian Schools’ Athletics Championships in Tasmania. This is like the Commonwealth Games for school athletes. Competitors will have competed at their school; then district; then state/territory championships before being selected as a state representative at the National Titles. It is a fantastic effort but having the competition interstate can be an expensive business with transport and accommodation costs.

Bring a gold coin donation and come dressed as your favourite sportsperson! Your donation will support Charli as she heads to Tasmania with the ACT Athletics School Sports Team to compete at the Nationals.

Thank you – from Charli Wyatt

Andrew Geering
Principal
Gilmore Primary School

Pamela Allen Unit

Program:

Last week we continued to look at how plants grow. Some enjoyed the interactive plant game. We are growing our own cress. We have enjoyed watching them sprout. Our tadpoles are becoming big and we are hoping that they will turn into frogs soon.

We really enjoyed going to the canteen and buying our recess/snack
Kindergarten Information Night and Transition Program:
An Information night for families with children attending Kindergarten in 2015 will be held on Thursday 4th December. Further details will follow with a separate note.

The Dolphins will have a transition morning in Kindergarten on Wednesday 26th November (week 7) and the Seahorses will have a transition morning on Wednesday 3rd December (week 8).

Bushwahzee Concert:
Our end of year whole school concert will be held on the Tuesday 25th November. The Seahorse children are invited to attend for the day to practice with the company on their item. Please return your form to say if your child will be attending on the day or not to ensure staffing is sufficient.

THEY ARE STILL ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PERFORMANCE IN THE EVENING EVEN IF THEY ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE REHERSALS DURING THEY DAY.

We hope to see as many families there as possible from both groups. Last year was very successful with lots of positive feedback. The P&C will be serving food: sausage sandwiches, bacon & eggs. There will be soft drinks and bottle water for sale as well. Patient

End of year graduation concerts:
Each group will have a little graduation concert between 2:30 and 3:00. The children will showcase some of their learning and then they will be presented with their portfolios and stuffed seahorse or dolphin. Families will receive a formal invitation next week. Save the date – Dolphins Tuesday 2nd December at 2:30pm
Seahorses Friday 5th December at 2:30 pm

Request:
One family has already told us that their child will be finishing up next week as they are going on an extended overseas holiday. If your child will be finishing early PLEASE let us know so that we can ensure that you have all their work and keep sakes.

Things that made us laugh

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<td>Child C</td>
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We then discussed the difference between a Prime Minister and a Principal

Your Partners in Education
Kim, Kylie, Antonia, Leah, Dee and Zuzette

Alison Lester News

Thank you to all parents/carers and students for all the support at the fete on Sunday. It was a fabulous event enjoyed by all members of the community. We would like to send a special thank you to everyone for making our fete such a successful event.

Another big thank you to Mrs Sandra Shepley for all of the wonderful work in the K/1T classroom. We wish you every success in your future career as a teacher. Congratulations Sandra!

Please return Library books and readers by Friday 28th November.
Also please check the lost property box if you are missing any belongings as we have a pile of tops in the Unit.
Students are asked to keep toys at home. Recently some students have forgotten this rule and brought toys to school which have either become lost or damaged. This is very upsetting for everyone so we ask that all toys remain at home. This includes balloons and cars. Thank you for your assistance.

Kindergarten would appreciate Christmas wrapping paper and cards.

Some dates to remember:
Friday 21st November- Please dress as a sports star and bring a gold coin donation to assist Charli.

**Bushwahzee will take place next Tuesday 25th November.**

On Thursday 4th December at 4.30pm a meeting will be held in the Alison Lester Unit to explain procedures and provide information to the parents of 2015 Kindergarten students.

Buddies in K/1 T

Year Six students listen to their K/1 Buddies read.

Lachlan and Cooper

Oliver and Jim

Thankyou from the Alison Lester teachers.

**Jeannie Baker News**

Students in 3/4 Minshull have been learning about friction and forces in our *Smooth Moves* Science Unit. Last week they began an experiment where they used an elastic band and a match box filled with paper clips. The aim of the experiment was to push the matchbox across the room using the force from the elastic band. Students conducted this experiment on different surfaces, measured the distances travelled using a ruler and recorded their findings in a graph.
During our Colour Cultures Integrated Unit, students in 3/4 Minshull have been practising using reference books (dictionaries and atlases) to learn about Australia and its surrounding countries. Last week 3/4 Minshull used these reference books to find out the definition of a continent and island and the continents of the world.

Robin Klein News

Notes have gone out for the Year 6 Graduation dinner disco on Thursday 11 December also invitations for year 5 students to join the celebration by attending the disco.

Year 6 will be selling drinks at Bushwahzee on Tuesday 25 November to raise funds for graduation activities

P & C News

The P & C would like to extend a huge thank you and congratulations to the entire Gilmore community on the success of Sunday’s Fete. Despite the inclement weather and lack of amusement rides, large crowds still turned out and helped us to raise several thousand dollars for the school!

All the kind donations we received assisted in raising the following:

- Almost $1,000 from raffle ticket sales
- Almost $800 from the spectacular cake stall
- $500 from the White Elephant stall
- $560 from the chocolate trailer
- An extra special thankyou to the teachers who got sponged and helped to raise a further $200!

Thanks again to the wonderful families, staff, students and sponsors who volunteered their time and contributed in many different ways to keep the show running on the day – we could not have done it without you.

Thank you for your support
New Summer Canteen Menu

Reminder: New menu DOES NOT have goodie bags, hot dogs or focus sports drinks. HEALTHIER ALTERNATIVES: Muffins, cookies, slice, jelly, meatball sub, fried rice (vegetarian option available), spaghetti Bolognese, fruit juice, flavoured low fat milk, milo shake.

I hope you enjoy trying the new menu options,

Janelle’s Banana Bread
This recipe was supplied by Janelle Bloom from Fast Fresh & Fabulous and adapted to meet the Fresh Tastes Strategy.

**Ingredients (Serves 10)**
- 2 cups self raising flour
- 1 tsp bicarbonate of soda
- 1 tsp ground nutmeg
- ½ cup brown sugar
- ¾ cup blueberries (fresh or frozen)
- 1 cup reduced fat milk
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup mashed banana (see cooks tip below)

**Method**
1. Preheat oven to 180°C. Grease and line 7cm deep, 13.5x24cm (base measurement) loaf pan.
2. Sift the flour, bicarbonate of soda and nutmeg into a large bowl. Stir in the sugar and blueberries.
3. Combine the milk, eggs and banana in a bowl and stir gently into the dry mixture.
4. Spoon into loaf pan and smooth the surface. Bake 45-50 minutes or until a skewer inserted into the centre comes out clean. Stand 5 minutes in the pan before lifting onto a wire rack to cool.
5. Slice and serve.

**Tip**
1 cup of mashed banana is about 2 large bananas. This recipe is best made with soft overripe bananas.


Thank you Rachael