Term 4 Week 2 22 October 2014

Photos of the week:

Getting set up for the fun to come
Great fun had by all more pictures next week.

Radio GPS
Be in the know
Gilmore Primary’s own radio station
Keep up to date on school events and news
Access via Facebook or
http://www.spreaker.com/user/radio.gps

Student Banking Every Thursday

Direct deposit details
Gilmore Primary School
Direct Deposit Westpac
BSB: 032 777

TERM DATES 2014
Term 4 13 Oct to 17 Dec

TERM DATES 2015
Term 1 2 Feb to 10 April
Term 2 27 April to 3 July
Term 3 20 July to 25 Sept
Term 4 12 Oct to 18 Dec
Principal’s Message

Dear Parents

This week you will find a flyer attached to the newsletter regarding a Trivia Night being organised by some former Gilmore students who are taking part in the ‘World Challenge – trip to Borneo’ in 2015. They are showing much initiative in participating in this fantastic opportunity to experience a world far removed from life in Canberra but also in fundraising to support the journey.

Building Maintenance

Work is underway on the upgrading of the Senior Toilet. This work is expected to take the remainder of this term. During this time ALL STUDENTS will be using the Junior Toilet block. The contractors, where possible, will undertake ‘noisy’ work outside of school hours. They will also be accessing the school site from the back of the school to avoid adding further to car park congestion at those peak times both before and after school.

We look forward to having new toilet facilities across the school.

Artist in Residence update

The student’s will again be painting this week (as the weather allows). It is most important that all students have an art smock at school as the paint will not wash out of clothing. They also need a hat as the work is being undertaken outside. We are planning to have an ‘unveiling’ event later this term.

At school – on time – in uniform – in class ready to learn

Congratulations to our Week One winners: Levi, Rashonda, Christopher, Brodie, Jarrad, Declan, Liam, Brooke, Shayla, Emily, Bailey, Rebecca, Berkay, Chloe, Renee

Outstanding Effort!

Congratulations and three big cheers to Charli (Yr 5) who has been offered a position on the ACT Athletics Team which will be travelling to Tasmania for the National School Championships at the end of November. That is truly awesome Charli! All the best as you compete at the highest level that a primary school students can in Australia

Upcoming happenings:

- 22 October: Yr 6 ‘Fun Day’
- 24 October: ‘Buoyed Up’ sailing summer program starts
- 28 October: ‘Shekere Beats’ performance
- 29 October: Assembly hosted by K/1 T
  School Board / P & C meetings
- 3 November: Book club orders due
- 5 November: Robin Klein’s “big Day Out”
- 12 November: “Every Chance to Dance” Assembly
- 16 November: School Fete
- 8 December: Yr 6 Graduation Assembly
- 11 December: Yr 6 Dinner Disco
- 17 December: Last day 2014 school year.
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. Caps are not suitable headwear at school as they provide no protection from the sun to the ears, neck area, or the cheek area of the face.

Planning for 2015
It may seem a long way away but planning is already underway for the 2015 school year. A ‘request for Class Placement’ form was distributed with the newsletter towards the end of last term. It would be greatly appreciated if parents of Preschool to Year 5 students could please complete and return by no later than **Friday 7 November 2014**.

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)
A new SOCs voucher sheet will be distributed in Week 3. Additional copies can be obtained at the front office.

Our school has signed up to the very exciting Ride or Walk to School program for the next 3 years.

**Take a look at this short video about the program:**
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aD86fP4Sc9I

**Before we start implementing we need to survey parents so we can understand what barriers our school might have and give everyone a chance to have input into the program.**

**Please take a few minutes to complete this short survey:**
https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/PPParent2014

Andrew Geering
Principal
Gilmore Primary School

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**Pamela Allen Unit**

**Program:**

This week we have started learning about lifecycles. We have read a few books from the ‘See how they grow’ series. Our tadpoles are here and we are enjoying looking watching them swim and grow. We have also been exploring beat in our music program. The children clapped the beat independently then with partners. After reading ‘A is for Aunty’ several of the children used the letter cutters to make their names in the play dough.
Dolphins and Seahorses:
Thank you to those families that signed up to assist in the making of the children’s stuffed dolphins and seahorses. They are underway with the children painting them this week. If there is any outstanding sponsorship money from the sports day at the end of last term could that please be dropped off at the school office.

Commemorative tea towels:
You should have received a note about the preschool commemorative tea towel. Please see the office if you did not get one. This year’s template and previous examples are on display. Please return your orders by Tuesday 28 October (week 3). A reminder that no extra tea towels will be ordered this year. The orders will be sent on Wednesday the 29 to ensure that we get them back in time.

Reminders:
A reminder to try and return library books each week. A few children have had books for several weeks. Library days are Tuesdays for the Dolphins and Fridays for the Seahorses. Please check for school books at home.

With the warmer weather fast approaching please remember to send your child with an appropriate sun hat (not a cap). A few children have not returned from the holidays with their hats.

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

Jeannie Baker News

Students in Miss Minshull’s maths group will soon be learning about volume and capacity. It would be much appreciated if you are able to donate clear plastic containers/bottles of any size so student can have hands on items to help them learn about volume and capacity. We will need the containers/bottles by Monday 28th of October. Thank you in advance if you are able to help.

Last week students in Jeannie Baker learnt about time. They were taught how to
• Tell the time using digital and analogue clocks
• Identify minutes past and to the hour
• Convert between minutes and hours
• The difference between a.m. and p.m.

Here are some students in Miss Minshull’s maths group matching digital and analogue times using time dominoes.
**Robin Klein News**

Term 3 is going to be action-packed for the Robin Klein Unit. This Wednesday is the annual Fun Day, which helps the Year 6 students to raise money for a graduation gift for the school. Sailing is on again and starts this Friday.

**Dates for the diary:**
- Wed 5 Nov: Robin Klein’s Big Day Out (forms were sent home last week and are due back by Friday 31 October)
- Sun 16 Nov: The P&C School Fete (Yr 6 will be selling drinks to raise money for their graduation activities)
- Tue 28 Nov: Bandstrav (Year 6 Band)
- Mon 8 Dec: Year 6 Graduation Assembly
- Thu 11 Dec: Year 6 Dinner and Disco

Tasteful Tuesday will be running again this term. A note was sent home last week with further information.

If your child is absent from school please send a written note confirming that they were absent with your permission when your child returns to school. Alternatively, you can lodge an online absence form via the school website: [http://www.gimoreps.act.edu.au/parent_information/student_absences](http://www.gimoreps.act.edu.au/parent_information/student_absences)

Mrs Van Eyk and Miss Dearden

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**Canteen News**

**Special lunch next Friday 31 October – Sausage sizzle + Halloween treat $3.50**

Canteen helpers – A huge thank you to the parents/grandparents who have offered to volunteer at the canteen. The canteen relies on parent help to assist in serving at the counter, making lunches, baking, making jelly etc. Children/toddlers are most welcome. Lunch is provided. If you feel you may be able to help, even for an hour, please contact me on 0400868589 or leave your number at the front office.

Thank you Rachael

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**Head Lice**

We have had a report of head lice at school – With the weather warming up please check hair regularly and remind not to share hats brushes etc.

Thank you
Our fete will be on Sunday 16 November! See below for all the information and how you can support our school - also the prepaid ride order form!

Uniform shop will be open Friday 1 Nov - 2:45 – 3:15 pm

New Avon brochures are out now and are available from the front office.

Thank you for your support
Gilmore Primary School Fete
Sunday 16 November
11am – 3pm

Thank you for your generous support of our fete!
We need each family to assist in the following ways to help make it a success:

DONATIONS REQUIRED – items can be left at the front office or enquiries can be directed to Donna (0402 790 089) or Lauren (0407 703 089).

- **Chocolate blocks** for one of our game stalls.

- **Raffle Prizes** – please donate a scratchie ticket for the “scratchie tree” prize. Also, do you know any businesses that may be able to donate goods or services in return for sponsorship recognition?

- **Tombola** – please fill this container with small prize items for our Tombola stall. Some suggestions are lollies, pencils, crayons, stickers, craft items, nail polish & cosmetics, small toys, balloons.

- **Second hand Stall** – seeking only QUALITY pre-loved goods in working order. Books, DVD’s, household items, toys, bric-a-brac, clothing etc.

- **Cake Stall** – baked goods will be accepted at the cake stall on the day.
  Unfortunately we cannot accept foods containing fresh dairy eg. custard, cream, quiche etc. or anything containing nuts. Cakes, slices, biscuits, jams, pickles and jelly cups are all welcome! A plate will be provided to each child the week of the fete.
HELP ON THE DAY
A roster is posted at the front office for you to add your name to assist at one of the stalls. There are three shifts available – **10am-12pm, 12pm-2pm and 2pm-4pm**. The early and late shifts allow time for helping set up or pack down.

CRAFT STALLS
Private stalls are available for crafts, plants, homemade goods etc.
Prices are **$30 for a stall** and the stallholders retains all profits on the day.

Display stands are also available for **$10** for businesses who may wish to display sample products, catalogues or advertising materials.

ADVERTISING
Please spread the word to friends and family and post the school’s Facebook link to your own profile.

PRE-PAID RIDE AND FOOD PACKAGES

UNLIMITED ALL-DAY RIDES !!!
Giant Slide, Super Cha, “Big Kids” and “Little Kids” Jumping Castles

Only $25, including sausage and juice box

To book, please complete the attached form and leave at the office with your payment. Additional order forms are also available for family, friends and neighbours.
This package is available for pre-order only; otherwise rides must be paid for individually on the day.
Packages are $25 per child and are non-transferable. Wristbands can be collected on the day.

I am Available to help out at the fete:

Name: ___________________________________
Contact: ___________________________________
Time available: 10am – 12pm // 12pm – 2pm // 2pm – 4pm
Please circle
Other: _____________________________________
SCHOOL FETE – Sunday 16 November
PRE-PAID PACKAGE DEAL ORDER FORM - $25.00 each

UNLIMITED ALL-DAY RIDES, SAUSAGE SIZZLE & JUICE BOX *

*One package per person only. Not transferable. Participants will be issued with a wristband on the day.

Please leave forms and money at the office by Friday 14 November

Family Name:_______________________________________________________________________

Contact phone:_____________________________________________________________________

Number of packages required:_________________________________________________________

Child’s name:___________________________________ Class:_______________________________

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Child’s name:___________________________________ Class:_______________________________

Other name/s (friends, family, neighbours etc):
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Payment enclosed (cash):_____________________________________________________________

I am Available to help out at the fete:

Name: ___________________________________

Contact: __________________________________

Time available: 10am – 12pm // 12pm – 2pm // 2pm – 4pm

Please circle

Other: ___________________________________