Term 4 Week 3  5 November 2014

Photo of the week:

Robin Klein’s Big Day Out

WHAT’S HAPPENING

7 November  Parental requests for 2015 classes close
Buoyed up (Sailing)

11 November  Yr 5 Combined band @ Gordon Primary

12 November  “Every Chance to Dance” Assembly

14 November  Buoyed up (Sailing)

16 November  School Fete – Please help

17 November  Yr 6 Combined band @ Gowrie

18 November  Bandstrav @ Llewellyn Hall

25 November  Bushwahzee Concert

8 December  Yr 6 Graduation Assembly

11 December  Yr 6 Dinner Disco

NOTES TO BE RETURNED

Year 6 Combined Band
Year 5 Combined Band

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

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

Direct deposit details
Gilmore Primary School
Direct Deposit Westpac
BSB: 032 777
Acc: 001324

Student Banking Every Thursday

No hat – Play in the shade

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Dear Parents

Ride or Walk to School Program starts in 2015
Our school has signed up to the very exciting Ride or Walk to School program for the next 3 years.
Staff members have been undertaking training sessions outside of school hours in readiness and everyone is most impressed with the quality of bikes and helmets that are being provided for our students to use over the three years of the program. We are really looking forward to the opportunity to further expand the range of programs our school has on offer.

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

At school – on time – in uniform – in class ready to learn
Congratulations to our Week Three winners: Christopher, Keira, Latrell, Bella, Jarrad, Ryan, Mason, Ceelan, Lachlan, Nate, Maggie, Linkin, Natalia, Bailey, Mikayla, Declan, Megan, Oliver.

Upcoming happenings:
- 7 November: Parental requests for 2015 classes close
- 12 November: Every Chance to Dance assembly
- 16 November: P & C Fete
- 18 November: Bandstrav Concert, Llewellyn Hall
- 25 November: Bushwahzee Concert
- 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.

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 is being provided with the newsletter this week. In addition, those people living within Gilmore and surrounding suburbs should also have received one in your letterbox. Additional copies can be obtained at the front office.

BUSHWAHZEE
Once again our P & C Association is generously funding the return of Bushwahzee on Tuesday 25 November. The Bushwahzee performers put on a concert for all of our students (P to 6) first thing in the morning and then work with classes throughout the day to put together each section of the show which will then be held in May Gibbs that afternoon.
The Seahorse Preschool group have received a separate note about coming in on the Tuesday as an ‘extra’ day that week so they can also be part of the BIG SHOW.
Entry to the concert will be by gold coin donation.
The P & C will also be selling food/drinks at the canteen prior to the show

ARE YOU COMING TO OUR BEACH PARTY?
Bushwahzee will visit Gilmore again on TUESDAY 25 NOVEMBER. They will work with all students to put together a show for you to come and see from 6:00 - 7:30 PM.
The surf and music of the 60s will be the go!
‘Oh let’s twist again ...like we did last summer.......’

Emergency procedures
Schools regularly undertake trial runs of evacuation procedures so that we know everybody is ready in case there ever is a ‘real event’.
Don’t panic if your child comes home later this week to tell you that the alarms went off and they had to leave the building. It will just be a practice.

Andrew Geering
Principal
Gilmore Primary School
What is Wherever Wednesday?
During Term 3, a number of children in Years 3-6 expressed a desire to play in the junior playground and vice versa. In response to these requests we are currently trialling “Wherever Wednesday” each Wednesday recess period. During this time the children are able to play across the three designated play spaces. The playground rules remain the same, as do supervision ratios.

The trial is proving most successful and children are enjoying being able to connect with their younger/older siblings, extended family members, neighbours and peer support buddies. In particular, the sand pit is very popular with the older children and ball games on the black-top are very popular with the younger children.

In addition to this, all children are able to participate in the quiet activity in the COLA. This is also available at recess each Tuesday and Thursday. Last week the children created with the wooden pattern blocks.

Please speak to our deputy, Vicki Lucas if you would like more information about this initiative.
Program:
Last week we looked at the lifecycle of a butterfly. We read an information book on the lifecycle of a butterfly. It told us about how a butterfly spins into a pupa and a moth spins a cocoon. The children did a butterfly painting, made egg carton caterpillars and learnt a caterpillar poem. Please feel free to look through your child’s portfolio and see their progress through the year.

Canteen Visit:
A reminder that the Preschool children will be going to the canteen to purchase snack/recess next week. This forms part of our transition program and allows the children to experience lining up and buying from the canteen. We ask that families send their child with $1 on the day. Please see the separate note.
Dolphins: Wednesday 12th November
Seahorses: Thursday 13th November

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 3th December (week 8).

Commemorative tea towels:
The commemorative tea towels are ordered and should be back in a fortnight.

Reminders:
We would appreciate any donations for tombola’s and the second hand stall for the school fete. 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
The Unit is a very busy place at the moment as we are conducting our assessments for report writing. Everyone is working very hard.

As you would be aware, our school fete is only a week and a half away – Sunday 16th November between 11:00am and 3:00pm. We would be very grateful for any assistance with items for the White Elephant stall. There is a yellow tub inside the courtyard doors of our Unit, where donations can be placed. This can include toys, books etc, but no clothing please.

Many children are still bringing whole apples to eat at snack time. As this break is only about ten minutes duration, we are asking that all fruit be cut into small pieces so it can be finished in given time please.

It is school policy that “No hat, no play” is enforced each day. Hats are not worn strictly at recess and lunchtimes, but also for other curriculum activities such a sport, observation yard walks, painting of the murals, etc. Please ensure your child has their hat - bucket, broad brim, NOT caps – each day with them so they can be part of these activities.

Next week – Wednesday 12th November, the whole school will be involved in presenting and showcasing the second and final “Every Chance To Dance” Assembly in May Gibbs. This programme has been taught throughout the year and it has been wonderful to watch the skill growth and enjoyment of the students as they participate in the weekly lessons. Parents and Carers are most welcome in joining us.

Tuesday last week, we were delighted and entertained by “Shekere Beats”, a performance of African drums and other musical instruments. The children in Year 1/2 S have written their thoughts and opinions about the performance, supported by their reasons. Following are a selection for you to enjoy:

**Tara:** I liked the show because it had lots of jumping. He (the presenter) had a funny laugh. It was interesting.

**Kaleb:** It was a very cool performance. He had drum instruments. It was awesome.

**Jarrad:** The drums were pretty good. The other instruments were cool. The sound was kind of bad, but cool.

**Charlie:** When we went to the African drums, I had fun so I liked it. I liked the music and the sound. He was a good singer and drummer and dancer.

**Declan:** The drums were so, so good. I liked the music. I liked the instruments.

**Jake:** I liked it because it was funny. I liked the drums because they were loud. It was interesting.

**Kaylee:** The drumming show was good. I liked the drumming show so much. I danced. It was great.

**Brodie:** I do not like the drums because they are too loud.

**Mariah:** I did not like it because it was too noisy.

**Ryan:** I liked the drums because they were loud and he taught us new things. He was very funny. I like the rhythm. It was interesting. It was a good performance.

**Kian:** I liked the drum performance because it was fun to watch and to learn about the African people. It was fun to dance to. I liked the laugh the drummer made. I also liked the rhythm.

Narelle Tait, Anne Sheehan - Alison Lester teachers
Jeannie Baker News

Students in 3/4M have been learning about how to locate the position of states, territories and countries using grid references and compasses.

Students have learnt the names of the cardinal points (north, south, east and west) and have also learnt the names of the intermediate points. Why not have some fun with your child and see if they can name the points that go between north, south, east and west?

3/4M’s marble jar is extremely close to being filled once again. Once it’s filled as a class we will decide on a reward. 3/4M fills the marble jar by showing getting along, persistence, resilience, organisation and confidence while completing work in the classroom. Keep up the great work 3/4M.

P & C News

JUST OVER ONE WEEK TO GO UNTIL THE FETE!

A reminder to please bring in your scratchie ticket for the raffle prize, tombola prize container, chocolate blocks and ride and food package order forms!

NEEDED good quality second hand donation for the White Elephant stall – time to have that spring clean and donate your good quality items to the school. Take the opportunity to re-home your good quality second hand goods, or any new unused unwanted items you may have which could be used as a raffle prizes. Please no clothes.

Please also put your name down for a shift on one of our stalls or fill in the attached slip to let us know your availability.

Thanks for your ongoing assistance, it is much appreciated. Any help you can provide will assist

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

Cookie Dough Fundraiser - Our P&C would like to thank the families that help support our school through the Cookie Dough Fundraiser. $352 was raised! Every bit of money raised goes towards the kids. Hope you all are enjoying the cookies!

Thank you for your support
We will have Apple crumble yogurt and banana and milo smoothies for sale over the counter at recess and lunch. $1.20 for Apple crumble yogurt and $2 banana milo smoothie.


Apple crumble yoghurt

Ingredients
(Serve 12)

- 1.2kg reduced fat plain yoghurt
- 2 cups canned pie apple
- 2 cups natural style muesli or rolled oats
- 12 plastic cups
- 12 disposable spoons

Method
1. Spoon 100g yoghurt into each cup.
2. Top each cup with 2 tablespoons pie apple and 2 tablespoons of muesli.
3. Keep in fridge until time to serve.
4. Serve with a spoon.

New summer menu went out last week. You may have noticed a few new things added to the menu, such as, tuna, fried rice (vegetarian available) hommus and meatball sub.

Thank you,
Rachael

Have we got your up to date contact information?

It is important that you advise the front office of any changes to personal details or emergency contacts.

This includes changes to your email, the gazette, updates and reminders are sent out via email.

Current and correct details enable us to make quick contact in case of emergencies and help keep our families and community up to date and informed on what is happening at Gilmore.

Thank you for your attention in this matter
Gilmore Primary School Fete
Sunday 16 November
11am – 3pm

Thank you to the few parents who have donated their time. More help is required to make this fete a huge success. Areas you can help with are:

**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). Please no clothing

- **Family blocks of chocolate** 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, through our Gazette and Facebook page?
- **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, etc.
- **Cake Stall** – baked goods will be accepted at the cake stall on the day. Please include a list of all ingredients. 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 any 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

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 *

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

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

Family Name: ____________________________________________
Contact phone: ____________________________________________

Number of packages required: ____________________________________________

Child’s name: ___________________________ Class: ____________________________

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Payment enclosed (cash): ____________________________________________

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Name: ____________________________________________
Contact: ____________________________________________
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Please circle
Other: ____________________________________________