Term 3 Week 4 13 August 2014

Photo of the week:

**WHAT’S HAPPENING**

**11 August**  
BOOK FAIR BEGINS  
Monday – 3 to 3:20 (afternoon ONLY)

**12 August to 15 August**  
Tuesday to Friday 8.30 till 9am  
3 – 3.20pm each day

**13 August**  
Assembly hosted by 1/2S

**19 August**  
Back to Basics cooking

**20 August**  
Japanese Fun Day at Giralang

**22 August**  
CMAG Visit Seahorses

**26 August**  
Back to Basics cooking

**27 August**  
Assembly hosted by 3/4M 12:15

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**NOTES TO BE RETURNED**

K-6 Intensive swimming Scheme ASAP

Year 5-6 Combined band

Tuggeranong District Athletics

Back to Basics cooking expression of Interest

CMAG visit – Preschool Seahorses

Japanese fun day (for selected students)

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**BOOK FAIR GARDEN**

Gitch the reading bug!

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**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

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**Find us on Facebook**

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**Student Banking Every Thursday**

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**Term Dates 2014**

Term 1 31 Jan to 11 April
Term 2 28 April to 4 July
Term 3 21 July to 28 Sept
Term 4 13 Oct to 17 Dec

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**Direct Deposit Details**

Gilmore Primary School
Direct Deposit Westpac
BSB: 032 777

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**Student Banking Every Thursday**

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**No hat – Play in the shade**
Dear Parents

The Intensive Swimming Scheme takes place for our Kindergarten to Year 6 students in weeks 6 and 7 of this term. With summer not that far around the corner, these lessons are a timely opportunity to be ready when the warm weather arrives and people are likely to be visiting a pool or be at the beach. For only $6:00 per day your child will have the opportunity to take part in a small group swimming lesson and be transported to and from the pool. For anybody who may have enrolled children in private swimming lessons, you would realise that this is an absolute bargain. Places are filling fast so don’t miss out. Notes and payment should be returned to the front office.

Active Kids Challenge
We are now into week 3 of the Physical Activity Foundations ‘Active Kids Challenge’. ‘60’ minutes per day of physical activity. This doesn’t sound like much but it is something that can be easily overlooked. We are making sure that the children are being kept active …how are you going yourself?

It can be difficult to get kids to be interested in eating fruit and vegetables, especially when you are competing with all those sweet and salty processed treats available these days!
Get kids more involved with the shopping and preparation of the food they eat and they will be more likely to want to eat the end product. Ask your child to choose one fruit and one vegetable to add to the shopping basket- or more if they want! Also, let them help with the preparation where safe to do so, including washing, peeling, grating and serving up.
If you have a garden, or even just a small area to plant in pots, help kids see and learn where their food comes from. Vegetables may not be very appealing if they are just from the supermarket, but if kids can be involved with the growing and tending of even some of their food, they are going to be a whole lot more excited when it comes to dinner time!

The ‘Back to Basic’ cooking program started yesterday afternoon and runs till the ends of Week 8. It will be a great opportunity for some of our students to be actively involved in the preparation and eating of some simple but tasty meals. We look forward to sharing some of the recipes with you over the coming weeks

At school – on time – in uniform – in class ready to learn
Congratulations to our Term Three, Week Three winners:
Adam, Dylan, Joel, Brodie, Bella, Declan, Grace, Wesley, Jordan, Emily, Jamie, Bailey, Lucy, Ryan, Renee.

Lost Property
It has been very cold of a morning recently so please check the lost property for missing items of clothing. It helps to ensure that jumpers etc. are returned if they are clearly labelled with the student’s name.
Sometimes students forget that they have ridden a bike or scooter to school and leave them in the bike rack. If this happens they are collected and locked away overnight. Usually students remember to ask the next day but occasionally they don’t. If you are missing a bike or scooter, please check at the front office.

Upcoming happenings:
- 11 to 15 August Book Fair
- 13 August Assembly hosted by Yr 1/2 S
- 14 August Combined Year 6 Band @ Fadden PS
- 18 August Combined Year 5 Band @ Chisholm PS
- 20 August Japanese Fun Day @ Giralang

Andrew Geering
Principal
Gilmore Primary School
**Principal Awards**

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**You Can Do It Awards**

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**Gilmore Good Citizens Club**

Confidence Cooperation Organisation Persistence Resilience

The following children were awarded membership of the Gilmore Good Citizens Club in Week Two: Ryan O’Halloran, Taylor Leishman, Luke Boxall, Shayla Dyer, Maddison McKinless-Brown, Danté Costa and Faith Freshwater. They enjoyed a piece of sponge roll, a lamington and a cup of hot chocolate with Ms Lucas during recess on Monday.

These children were awarded membership in the “Gilmore Good Citizens Club” because they:

- contributed positively to the class learning community;
- worked collaboratively with and behaved in a friendly way towards classmates;
- been in the right place at the right time, ready to learn;
- tried their best, even when things were hard; and
- bounced back from challenges that popped up in the classroom.

Congratulations to our new members!

**From the Deputy**

**2014 Satisfaction Survey Frequently Asked Questions**

**How many people have completed the survey so far?**

As you are aware from the email sent to you on Monday, the 2014 Satisfaction Survey opened this week. We are pleased to have had nine surveys completed already. Thank you to those families who have taken the time to assist our school with forward planning by completing the survey. Unfortunately, this is only a 6% response rate and is not yet enough upon which to base future decisions about your child’s school. We encourage you to be a part of setting the direction of our school into next year by taking part in this short survey.

**Does the access code identify me or my child?**

A number of provisions have been made to ensure the access codes cannot be used to link survey responses to individual families. The access codes are randomly generated by the survey system and are not linked to survey responses.

**Is the survey confidential?**
Yes. Your responses will be completely anonymous. Any personal information you may provide is collected for the purpose of providing schooling systems and schools with information about perceptions of the quality of education provided, and will not be disclosed. Should you choose to answer the voluntary demographic questions, this may enable administrators to identify you, in some circumstances. If that is the case, your responses may be regarded as personal information and will be protected by applicable privacy laws.

Pamela Allen Unit

The children really enjoyed going to the performance of ‘Carnival of the Animals’ by the Canberra Symphony Orchestra. The bus was great fun. We listened to how the instruments could sound like different animals and tried to guess which instruments went with which animal. A huge thank you to Cassie, Deanne, Jen, Jodie, Kylie and Patricia who helped us on the excursion.

We have been exploring indigenous culture as part of NAIDOC. The children have done some fantastic bark painting and 3D art with bark paper. We also watched the story of the Rainbow Serpent. The Seahorses attended the NAIDOC assembly. We continue to investigate how to keep our bodies healthy and have been looking at keeping teeth clean by brushing twice a day and flossing. The children should have received a chart to tick off their cleaning and a new brush and toothpaste. They certainly enjoyed the superheros saving tooth city DVD.

The Dolphins also had a great visit from Kaye from the Canberra Museum and Gallery. She showed us some pictures from Sidney Nolan depicting the story of Ned Kelly. Each picture was like a page in a book helping to tell the story. Sidney Nolan used shapes in his painting so we also made a picture using shapes.

Reminders:
Seahorses - We have a visit by the Canberra Museum and Gallery coming up. Please return notes and money if you have not yet done so.

A few families have sent older siblings across to pick up the Preschool child. A reminder to families that policy and regulations state that we can only release Preschool children into the care of a responsible person over 16 years of age. Preschool children should also not play in the Primary school playground with siblings as the staff on duty do not have duty of care for Preschool children.

August is hats on again month. Please ensure that your child has a hat to wear whilst outside.

Preschool children are welcome to join the rest of the school for Breakfast club on Wednesday mornings from 8:30-8:50 in the May Gibbs building.

Your partners in Education
Kim, Kylie, Antonia, Leah and Dee
Alison Lester News

Congratulations to Mrs Sheehan and Year 1/2S for a very entertaining assembly. We particularly enjoyed the dance innovations the students produced based on the Every Chance to Dance program.

Library days-
Please remember to return Library books and borrow new ones.
Students need to bring a named Library bag ready for Library lessons.

K / 1 T Library day is on Friday. Year 1 /2S Library day is on Thursday.

Healthy Snack
It would be appreciated if the children could have small pieces of fruit or vegetables for their healthy snack. As we only have ten minutes to eat our snack mandarins, grapes and sultanas are ideal. Larger pieces of fruit like apples, oranges and pears need to be cut into small pieces and put into containers. It is enjoyable for students to have a selection of fruits and vegetables, as some students have been reluctant to eat their fruit snack.

Book Fair
Please remember that the Book Fair is being held this week. You can visit the Library before and after school to see the excellent selection of books for sale.

Jeannie Baker News

Over the last couple of weeks students in 3/4 Minshull have been working on a ‘Design, Make, Appraise’ of model of The Solar System. Firstly, students designed what their model would look like and planned what materials they would need to make it. Students are now up to building their models.

Linkin and Emmanuel colouring the planets for their Solar System model.

The Daily 5

Students have been working extremely hard with The Daily 5 in 3/4 Minshull. So far we have read to self for 322 minutes this term which is an average of 21 minutes a day! Research has shown that children who read for 17 minutes a day will read 1,168,000 words a year. Keep up the good work 3/4M!
Music News

On Thursday The Year 6 Band will be travelling to Fadden for a combined band rehearsal with Gowrie and Fadden bands. At 12 o’clock the students will be performing in a concert. All are welcome to come and enjoy the combined band performance. A big thank you to those parents who offered to transport students to and from Fadden on the day.

On Monday the Year 5 Band will be walking to Chisholm for their combined band rehearsal. This will be the first time they will perform in a concert with the other bands. Their performance will be at 12 o’clock and all are welcome.

It will be great to see parents, other family members and friends at these concerts to enjoy the music making of the children.

Cheers
Karen Owens

P & C News

The next Fete Planning meeting is this Thursday 2pm-3pm in the building inside the preschool gates. We are keen to get an idea of parents who may be able to assist on the day (Sunday 16 November) so we can confirm arrangements for each stall. Please call in if you can!

Avon orders - this is an ongoing fundraiser for the school and books and order forms are always available at the front office. Avon has some great value items for Father’s Day, birthday and Christmas gifts so why not check it out?

WINE FUNDRAISER COMING SOON - watch this space for more info in the coming weeks.

We are still looking for a treasurer. You don’t need any experience, just a willingness to help. Contact Donna for more info on 0402 790 089.

Regards,
Lauren Conron

Thank you for your support

Canteen News

The canteen appreciates the support of parents, carers and teachers. It is this support which keeps the canteen open and able to provide snacks and lunch to children three days a week. Thank you again to those who donate their time or donate food to the canteen. If you would like to help in the canteen give me a call on 0400 868 589 or if you are able to donate food items such as vegies, jelly, eggs, butter or margarine it would be a great help to the canteen

Last week I included some sweet popcorn recipe ideas so this week I have a few savoury recipes that sound delicious and would also be a healthy treat. Enjoy.

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Thank you Rachael
FOR CAJUN POPCORN
- 2 teaspoons paprika
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 2 tablespoons salt
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1 pinch cayenne pepper, (optional)

FOR CURRY POPCORN
- 1 tablespoon curry powder
- 2 tablespoons salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1 teaspoon turmeric
- 1 pinch of cayenne pepper (optional)

FOR ITALIAN POPCORN
- 1/4 cup finely grated (about 1/2 ounce) Parmesan cheese
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon crushed red-pepper flakes, (optional)

FOR SOUTHWESTERN POPCORN
- 1 1/2 teaspoons chili powder
- 1 tablespoon paprika
- 1 tablespoon ground cumin
- 2 tablespoons salt

COOK’S NOTE
For each of these mixtures, simply place all of the ingredients in a medium bowl; stir until they are combined, and transfer to an airtight container for storage.

http://www.marthastewart.com/315089/flavored-popcorn