Term 3 Week 3 - 6 August 2014

Photo of the week:

Gilmore Good Citizen Club

WHAT’S HAPPENING

6 August  Board meeting 5:30
8 August  Book club orders due back
11 August  BOOK FAIR BEGINS
           Monday – 3 to 3:20 (afternoon ONLY)
12 August to Tuesday to Friday 8.30 till 9am
15 August  3 – 3:20pm each day
12 August  Back to Basics cooking
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

NOTES TO BE RETURNED

K-6 Intensive swimming Scheme
Year 6 Combined band
Tuggeranong District Athletics
Back to Basics cooking expression of Interest
CMAG visit – Preschool Seahorses

BOOK FAIR
GARDEN
Catch the reading bug!

Student Banking Every Thursday

No hat – Play in the shade
Dear Parents

Our students have really taken on board the GPS Lunchtime Learning Program with sessions each day being fully subscribed. You can catch up with photos from the daily activity sessions by checking the school’s Facebook page.

Gilmore Good Citizens Club is also proving to be a great hit. This is a slightly different way to acknowledge the contribution of our school’s ‘Good Citizens’ who go about each day being organised, cooperative, persistent, resilient, and getting along with others. They exemplify the 5 keys and show that they CAN DO IT! An outstanding effort by all concerned.

Active Kids Challenge
Last week all of our students from Preschool through to Year 6 started taking part in the Physical Activity Foundations ‘Active Kids Challenge’. From now through to the end of Week 8, students will be focussing on completing at least 60 minutes of activity per day. In addition they are being encouraged to eat fruit / vegetables and drink water every day. Following this plan will help to develop healthy lifestyle habits to carry into later life.

The Physical Activity Foundation’s resident kid’s expert Dr Warren has answered one of our parent’s questions.

Parent: My child is not interested in sports, how can I help develop her skills?
Dr Warren: You don't have to be interested in sports to develop basic co-ordination skills (I assume by developing skills you mean hand-eye and eye-foot co-ordination). The best way to do this is by catching, kicking and passing a ball. Get them used to handling a ball to start with and play games that require them to catch, pass or kick a ball. Parents should play with their children to develop these skills.

The other aspect of physical activity is basic cardiovascular fitness. Walking, running, or riding a bike are fun things children can do to develop their fitness. Make it part of their lifestyle- for example, get them to walk to and from school. Walk or ride a bike with them and make it a family activity wherever possible!

Parents are children's first role models and children will often develop habits that reflect their parent’s habits. If you do things with your child there are benefits for both parents and children, both physically, as well as the interaction of all involved!

At school – on time – in uniform – in class ready to learn
Congratulations to our Term Three, Week Two winners:

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.
Upcoming happenings:
- 6 August: School Board meet; P & C meeting @ 7:00 pm
- 11 to 15 August: Book Fair
- 12 August: Tuggeranong District Athletics
- 12 August: Back to Basics cooking group starts
- 13 August: Assembly hosted by Yr 1/2 S
- 14 August: Combined Year 6 Band @ Fadden PS

Notes to be returned:
1. K to 6 Intensive Swimming Scheme
2. Year 6 Combined Band
3. Tuggeranong District Athletics

Andrew Geering
Principal
Gilmore Primary School

Principal Awards

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You Can Do It Awards

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The following children were awarded membership of the Gilmore Good Citizens Club in Week Two: Christopher Lim, Mariah Waltisbuhl, Paige Leishman, Jordan Hienl, Bailey Wyatt, Lucy Coles, Kiara Carter, Maree McGuire and Ainslie Gilliland. They enjoyed a piece of chocolate mud cake, a muffin and a cup of hot chocolate with Ms Lucas during recess last Friday.

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.

Please note that Tara Vasu was awarded membership in Week One but was omitted from the article in last week’s gazette. This was a reporter’s error.
2014 School Satisfaction Surveys
The 2014 School Satisfaction Surveys will be conducted during the period 11-29 August. Parents and carers, school staff and students (in years 5 and 6) will be asked to participate in these important surveys. The survey results will contribute to the school improvement process, which aims to achieve high standards in student learning, innovation and best practice in ACT public schools. The surveys include nationally agreed parent and student items and our 2014 School Board Report will include a summary of our school survey results for these national items.

Although the survey is voluntary, we hope you will want to participate. It won’t take much of your time and it will help us understand areas where we are doing a good job and areas for further development. A letter or email about the parent survey will be sent to you this week.

The key results from the 2013 School Satisfaction Surveys have been published in a brochure which is available at www.det.act.gov.au under publications.

Alison Lester News
In the gazette last week 1/2S shared some writing. This week K/1T would like to share their recounts of the Wiradjuri legend ‘The Little Black Snake’.
**Robin Klein News**

The year 6 fundraising starts next week. On Tuesday they will be selling yummy treats from the canteen during recess. There will be cupcakes, slices and muffins; it is a gold coin donation per treat. The year 6 students would like to express their thanks for your support.

**Peer Support News**

From week 2 – This week in Peer Support the children shared the things they enjoy in life and had an opportunity to discuss their favourite activities. This session enabled children to recognise what makes them happy. Discuss with your child what their favourite activity. You could also discuss what your favourite activities are.

**Canteen News**

A huge thank you to Kym McCann for filling in for me last Friday while I was away. It was much appreciated and I am sure the kids enjoyed seeing her in the canteen again. I will be selling hot milo and soup at recess and lunch. Popcorn is a great healthy snack so I thought this week I would add a few different recipes as examples of flavours to add for a nice change to plain popcorn. I will be making cinnamon popcorn to sell in the canteen this week 😊

Thank you Rachael

Cinnamon popcorn

Ingredients

- 10 cups popcorn (popped without salt or fat)
- 2 tablespoons light brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons butter, melted
- Cooking spray

Preparation

1. Place popcorn in a large bowl. Combine brown sugar, cinnamon, and salt in a small bowl.
2. Drizzle popcorn with butter; toss to coat. Coat popcorn generously with cooking spray. Sprinkle with sugar mixture; toss well.
3. Kids Can Help: While the popcorn pops, kids can measure the cinnamon-sugar mixture and then toss it with the popcorn and butter.

http://www.yummly.com/recipe/Cinnamon-sugar-popcorn-337328

COCOA POPCORN

INGREDIENTS

- 10 cups plain unsalted popped popcorn
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 teaspoons unsweetened cocoa powder
- 2 tablespoons melted butter

DIRECTIONS

Place popcorn in a large bowl. Combine sugar and cocoa powder. Drizzle melted butter over popcorn, tossing to combine. Sprinkle with cocoa mixture, and toss.


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.

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Fun activities during lunchtime at Gilmore

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Meet in reception | Library | Library | Oval | Alison Lester Wet Area |

WANTED!
Do you have bits and pieces you no longer have a use for but could be inspiration for the children in the Creativity Club? We are looking for the following for ongoing projects:

- ribbon
- clean odd socks
- wool
- bottle tops
- small cardboard boxes
- old greeting cards
- CDs
- bread bag ties
- corks
- gift wrapping
- shells
- clean odd socks
- buttons
- artificial flowers
- old keys
- fabric scraps
- glass stones

We can also those small things that find their way into the bottom drawer in the kitchen such as odd earrings, plastic toys from lolly bags, texta lids, mystery pieces from board games that you don’t even own, etc.

Donations can be made in the box in the reception marked “CREATIVITY CLUB”. We appreciate any donations – thank you for supporting the Lunchtime Learning program!

STOP PRESS!
The Building Buddies would like to announce that Zane, Bailey, Declan and Liam have been elected to the official international committee on BOWLF. Please let reception know if you would like to play BOWLF during our weekly lunchtime club each Tuesday.

It’s Book Fair time! August 11th – 15th we will have a large display of exciting books on display to buy in the library. Come on in in the mornings from 8.30am to 9am and after school until 3.20pm to browse and purchase a large variety of books from Scholastic Australia. The children are having competitions to win vouches to spend at the fair and invitation brochures are coming home over the next couple of days. We would love to see you pop in, even if just for a browse and a chat.