Wednesday 21st October 2015

Week 3 Term 4

Dear Families,

It is very exciting that our Community Art Show and Photography Competition is THIS FRIDAY.

The artworks created by students are fantastic and I have had a sneak peak at our photography entries. They are showing great promise for future photographers. Entries for the photo competition have been extended to Thursday.

Please come along, look at what our students can do, what our talented local artists are doing and what some of our Cardiff High students are producing. We look forward to seeing you on Friday between 3.00pm and 7.00pm.

We have printed a map of the layout for the art show on page 3. A huge thankyou to all our staff, in particular, Mrs McDermott and Miss Cootes who have co-ordinated this event.

Our swimming school students are enjoying great weather this year and are learning to be safe this summer.

Well done to Reegan Clark who made the semi-finals in the 200m at the State Athletics Carnival last week. An amazing effort from Reegan who also achieved 2 personal best times.

Our new 2016 kindergartens are enjoying their play dates this week. They are very excited to come to our wonderful school.

Monday’s P & C meeting only had 2 parents in attendance. As part of our 3 year plan I will be conducting a survey on communication. This survey will also ask about the best times for P & C Meetings. It was changed 2 years ago on a parent request to mornings. Please respond to this survey to help us help you.

Please start sending in your donations for our Christmas Raffle. All donations of in-date-non perishable food, Christmas decorations, paper cards or goodies will be made into hampers and drawn at the Presentation Day on Thursday 10th December. Tickets will be sent home later in the term. Thankyou in advance for your generosity.

Read about our great band!

Jo Swadling

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**TERM 4**

**Friday 23rd October**

Garden Suburb Community Art and Photography Show 3pm to 7pm.

**Monday 19th October**

P & C Meeting—9.10am in the Library, Pre-Schoolers welcome.

**Weeks 3 & 4 Kindy Play dates**

**Thursday 29th October**

Kindy—Teddy Bears Picnic

**Friday 6th November**

Grandparents Day  10.00am—11.30am.

**Monday 16th November**

P & C Night Meeting 6pm

**Friday 20th November**

2016 Leadership Nominations Due

**Thursday 26th November**


**Wednesday 2nd December**

Year 6 Orientation Day

**Friday 4th December**

P & C Christmas Disco

**Tuesday 8th December**

Cardiff High Musical

**Thursday 10th December**

Presentation Day

**Monday 14th December**

Year 6 Farewell

**Wednesday 16th December**

Last Day Out of Uniform
GSPS CONCERT BAND BEST AT THE FEST

It was an amazing day for the GSPS Concert Band last Wednesday. This group of excellent young musicians participated in the 2015 Bandfest competition at Lake Macquarie Performing Art Centre and managed to win their division!

“Our eleven young stars showed amazing persistence and skill to not only learn their pieces, but also play them at such a high level”, said Band Organiser Mr Mathews.

He continued, “Winning the competition was made even more satisfying by the fact that our school had the smallest band on the day, but still managed to overcome this and win”.

Our school hasn’t won the event since 2006, so it was an appropriate send off for Cameron and Charlotte who went on stage to receive the trophy at their last primary level Bandfest.

The Band represented GSPS proudly and will play their Bandfest set list at Friday’s Art Show.

If any students from years 2-6 are interested in trying an instrument or joining the GSPS Concert Band, please see Mr Mathews before the end of the year.

NEW MUSOS STRIKING A CHORD

This term has seen the start of guitar and keyboard lessons on Thursday afternoons. The Primary Music Institute is providing paid lessons for students interested in learning new instruments

During October in schools around Australia Nude Food is being celebrated. At Garden Suburb Public School we have ‘binless lunches’ every Wednesday to recognise the importance of bringing Nude Food to school and reduce our rubbish we throw away. From this Wednesday for a week, we will do the challenge of having ‘binless lunches’ everyday.

Aussie Backyard Bird Count is on 19th—25th October. Groups of students will be involved in this survey during this week. If you’re interested in completing one at home log onto: www.aussiebirdcount.org.au
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Looking for Co-ordination? Self Control? Confidence?
Looking for Flexibility? Speed? Respect? FUN?

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Thomas Street
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THE JUNCTION
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Tue: 5:45 – 6:45pm

WALLSEND
Collingham College
Cnr Minmi & Masconie St
Mon: 5:30 – 6:30pm

DUDLEY
Dudley Vintage Hall
96 Green Street
Tue: 5:30 – 6:30pm

HAMILTON
Hamilton South Public School
Jennier Pile
Thurs: 5:45 – 6:45pm

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