Wednesday 26th August

Week 7 Term 3

Dear Families

In line with Department’s policy for attendance and a Royal Commission investigation we have been directed to tighten our procedures for absences, roll marking and following up on unexplained absences.

Some changes are shown on the included sheet. We at Garden Suburb Public School are currently looking at areas that we need to strengthen in relation to these procedures.

1) Catching up on all unexplained absences from Semester 1. Notes will go home and need to be returned with an explanation for the absences. If these are not returned then the Home School Liaison Officer (H.S.L.O) may be notified to contact you as they will remain as unjustified.

2) Students arriving at school after the bell need to report to the office with a parent / carer for a late note. Parents must provide a reason for being late either by phone, in person, note or the Skoolbag App or it will be marked as unjustified. Reasons for this are, we need to know that you know your child has been late. Our records can be subpoenaed by the courts. Eg—child is dropped to an “Uncles” place. Child is late regularly. Now in court relating to Child Protection issues. Rolls subpoenaed and used as evidence. If procedures at school had included, asking why the child was late, that child may not have experienced a traumatic situation daily. (Royal Commission Investigation).

3) No exemptions can be given for holidays during school time. If you are taking your children out of school for an extended holiday, please come and see me so I can fill in the correct paperwork to support your decision. Children will then be marked as a justified explained leave.

Please bear with us as we work through our procedures to support your child’s attendance at school.

Don’t forget the Fathers Day stall on Friday. Any child without money can see Mrs Swadling on Monday to pick a gift if any are left over. At this stage only 1 gift per student. Donations will still be gratefully accepted. Gifts are $1, $3 and $5.

Enjoy your week!
Jo Swadling
Principal

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

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| **Friday 28th August** | 9.30am Fathers Day Stall  
Volunteers needed                                       |
| **Monday 31st August** |  P & C Meeting at 6pm in the Library                             |
| **Wednesday 2nd September** | Great Aussie Bush Camp  
Yrs 3 & 4                                                          |
| **Thursday 3rd September** | Kindies 2016 Orientation Day                                       |
| **Friday 4th September** | PSSA Finals, Senior Soccer and Netball teams                     |
|                    | Canteen at the soccer run by our school, volunteers needed. See Terrie |
| **Tuesday 8th to Thursday 10th September** | Bathurst Camp Yrs 5 & 6                                           |
| **Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th September** | Touch Footy Gala Days                                              |
| **Friday 18th September** | Fun Run and Sausage Sizzle                                         |

**LAST DAY OF TERM 3**
Fathers Day Stall
The P&C will be holding a Fathers Day Stall this Friday 28th August. Gifts will cost $1, $3, and $5. Donations are still being accepted for this stall. Please note we can not sell any items that have a knife or blade in them. (eg. BBQ packs, disposable razors and army knives etc). Please send these donations into the school office.

OOSH Parents
If your child normally attends OOSH and you decide to pick them up from school please let the OOSH and the school office know.

PAYMENT REMINDERS
Great Aussie Bush Camp $245
Bathurst Camp $300 ($50 Deposit) remainder $250 due by Friday 28th August

Kinder Enrolments 2016
If you have a child or know of a child who will be starting school next year that is in our zone, please contact the school office on 4943 4898.

CANTEEN ROSTER
Thursday 27th August
J. Spink / L. Packer

Friday 28th August
N. Semple / C. Stewart / T. Moss

Monday 31st August
T. Clark

Tuesday 1st September
T. Clark / G. Campbell

Wednesday 2nd September
T. Clark / L. Johnson

STELLAR SEASON ENDER FOR PSSA STARS
Last Friday saw the final round of the PSSA regular season with our GSPS stars visiting Cardiff South. With Finals spots on the line, both sides were eager to get the result. Our Junior Netballers have had a difficult season but have tried their hardest and learnt a great deal of new skills. This week was no exception as they fought hard to the end, losing 20-3 to Cardiff South Juniors. Marni Roberts worked hard to get the team going and was this week’s best and fairest.
The Senior girls needed a win to make it into the finals and they took it to the wire against Cardiff South’s girls. A dramatic back and forth game and some amazing play from Charlotte Cusack saw the GSPS girls finish on top of their opponents, booking their spot in the finals on September 4th.
The Junior soccer team pushed Cardiff South to the limit in the first half. Countless shots and chances but they ended the half 0-0. Knowing they needed a win to have a chance of making the finals, the boys kept pushing till the end and finally scored before full-time. The 1-0 win wasn’t enough to make the finals though, with goal difference costing them a spot in the top four.
Our Senior stars ended their season in style, solidifying themselves as title chances with a 6-0 win over Cardiff South. Two goals each from Samuel McClymont, Jacob Turnbull and Mabor Kariom were enough to do the job. The team finished in second place and are bound for the finals on September 4th. Samuel McClymont was the best and fairest.
The Finals series will be held on September 4th. Soccer is at Federal Park, Wallsend and Netball is at Nancy Dwyer Courts at Cardiff.
The canteen and BBQ at Federal Park will be run by GSPS. If any parents can help please see Terri or Mrs Swadling. Funds raised will go to the school and the band.
Good luck everyone and well done on a great season.
Mr Mathews.

Good luck to our Hunter Region Athletes competing this Friday.
Reegan, Finnegan, Emily and Izaeaje.

Years 3 and 4 are off to the Great Aussie Bush Camp on Monday, stay safe and have fun!!!
Thank you to Tony Harris for Wonderful Wombat Stories.
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