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Term 4, Week 9

11 December 2018

COMING EVENTS		
13 December	Year 6 Business Showcase	
14 December	Presentation Day, Years K-2 9.30–11am and Years 3-6 from 1–3pm	
17 December	Year 6 Dinner Dance	
	Stage 3 Pizza Party Picnic	
	SRC Can Drive, last day for collection	
18 December	End of Year Activities	
19 December	Talent Showcase	
	Last Day of Term for Students	
30 January 2019	1 st day of school, Years 1 to 6	
4 February 2019	1 st day of school, Kindergarten	

The Values We Share Week 7 and 8 Care & Compassion

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KE – Electra V/Julien O	KW – Leo A/Ethan C	KS – Freya B/Theo G
KF – Trent C/Evita B	KT – Ethan G/Asher C	1W – Jack A/Dylan C
1M – Darshan S/Valentina T	1S – Brandon Y/Lillian O	2G – Mia B/Maya T
2E – Sasha O/Daniel K	2W – Ava S/Keziah M	2/3R – Freya W/Sophia T
3F – Anika A/Aiden K	3H – Dorothy L/Jake Z	4R – Ava S/Hannah Y
4B – Peggy H/Caitlin M	4M – Oliver M/Roberto M	5P – Ethan C/Amelia L
5D – Leo A/Kate B	5K – Luca R/Gabriela ZB	6M – Alice R/Max S
6S – Bridget B/Aidan S		

End of Year Acknowledgement

As the year comes to an end, it is time to celebrate and acknowledge the amazing achievements and dedication of all our students, teaching and non-teaching staff and our wonderful parent community.

Every student at Gladesville Public school has grown and developed during the year and should be proud of their achievements, whether it be academic, in the sporting field, the arts, or socially. It is hard to believe that our Kindergarten students are ready to move into Year 1 and that our Year 6 students are soon heading to high school. I wish each of our Year 6 students, and other students who will be leaving Gladesville at the end of this year, the best for their future endeavours.



I must acknowledge the hard work and dedication of all our teachers, support staff and admin staff. Each of you have inspired and encouraged our students to be the best that they can be. Thank you to every one of you for your commitment to our students and school community.

I also thank our parent community for supporting our school through hosting events, attending consultation meets and fundraising this year. Your support has enabled the purchase and near-completion of the multipurpose court, additional staffing to support student needs, creative arts resources and the refurbishment of the play equipment. A special mention to our outgoing P&C executive Sarah, Ranika and Elizabeth, as well as our key supportive parents who finish at Gladesville this year as their children move into high school. Thank you parents.

Lastly, I would like to say a heartfelt thank you to the whole school community for welcoming me to the school in my first year as your Principal. I wish each and every one of you a safe and relaxing break.

Student Leadership

The 2019 Student Executive team have been announced. Congratulations to Isabel B, Alix BD, Lucy D, Anika W, Xavier BD, Charlie F, Ben S and Edward W. The school Captains and Vice Captains will be announced on Presentation Day this Friday. Last week we hosted a breakfast to congratulate the new executive team and to thank our current leaders, Mollie P, Keegan V, Lucas J, Amy TF, Emeline J, Alex G, Jake N and Samantha C. This was a wonderful opportunity for our current leaders to share tips with the new executive team. Thank you to our 2018 student executive team for your leadership and commitment to Gladesville Public School.





Multipurpose Court

The new multipurpose court on the small soccer field is near completion, with fences due to be removed any day. Thank you to the community for supporting this project over the past few years. It is wonderful to see the project finally complete and I look forward to seeing the children enjoying this new feature of our playground.



The Staffing Update

While planning is in the final stages for 2019, I would like to acknowledge our teachers who will not be returning to Gladesville Public School in the same capacity next year. Firstly, congratulations to Ms Butler McPhee who has successfully gained a permanent position at Orange Grove Public School starting next year. Thank you also to Mrs Lentros, Ms Towers and Ms Shearer for your support as classroom teachers this year. Unfortunately due to the nature of the staffing formula these three teachers will not be returning as fulltime class teachers, though we do hope that they will return in a casual capacity. At this stage, Mr Hodgetts will also not be returning for the 2019 school year.

Semester 2 Reports

Semester 2 Reports will be sent home in printed format. A pdf version will be emailed home on Monday of next week. Each child's report reflects their own academic and social achievements and growth in the key learning areas. This includes outlining student strengths and their next steps for learning. One notable change for this semester's Year 1-6 template ensures that assessment of achievement (overall grade: Outstanding, High, Sound, Basic, Limited) is graded using the department's five-point scale, whereas the assessment of learning (indicators of learning: Working beyond, Achieving , Working Towards) is described using a three point scale. If you have any concerns regarding your child's report you are encouraged to contact the class teacher.

Presentation Day

This Friday is the K-2 Presentation Day from 9:30 – 11:00am and the 3-6 Presentation Day from 1:00-3:00pm. Parents of students receiving awards have been contacted via email.



Homework Review



Thank you to all the parents who took the time last week to write on the graffiti wall in the playground or on the Google form. Your feedback is valued and the committee looks forward to collating the results to support the review of homework guidelines. As the term is coming to an end rather quickly, the committee will meet early in term 1 to ensure the new

guidelines are ready to provide to parents at the parent information evening (February 19).

Student Wellbeing Review

The final draft student wellbeing guidelines are currently being finalised. As this time of year is extremely busy for the school and families we have decided to wait until the start of 2019 before distributing the draft for parent review.





Sports Report - Weeks 7 and 8

PSSA finals - Friday December 7

Well done to our Junior Cricket team and our Junior and Senior Newcombe Ball teams on a fantastic effort in the PSSA finals last Friday December 7.

A huge congratulations to the Junior Newcombe Ball team and to Miss Stiglic for their win!

Thank you to Mr Gay, Mrs Pedersen, Miss Stiglic, Miss McVay and Mr Roberts for coaching the Summer PSSA teams this year.



Summer PSSA trials - 2019

Summer PSSA trials will take place at the beginning of Term 1 of 2019. Any student in Years 3-6 is welcome to trial. If you are interested in trialling, please take note of the following skills and attributes that the 2019 coaches will be looking for. Please note that exemplary behaviour is a requirement for all PSSA representatives.

Cricket - Years 3 - 6

- Bowling
- Hitting
- Fielding
- Running

T-Ball - Years 3 and 4

- Hitting a ball off a tee
- Running
- Fielding

Softball - Years 5 and 6

- Hitting a softball from a pitched ball
- Running
- Fielding

Newcombe Ball & Volleyball - Years 3 - 6

- Serving
- Catching
- Throwing/spiking



Genr 6 Electives

Business Studies

As part of our transition to high school program, Year 6 students have been participating in elective classes to improve their time management, organisation and collaborative skills. The Year 6 Business Studies groups have been busy researching their target markets, creating and analysing data, deciding on their product based on feedback and creating a marketing campaign to best sell their individual products. After preparing themselves adequately, students participated in a 'Shark Tank' experience with Mrs Hurst, Miss Barnard, Mrs Elsinga and Mrs Wanstall. The Sharks provided thorough feedback for the groups to continue to improve their product! We look forward to presenting our products at the Business Showcase this Thursday at 8:40 am!

Mythology

Year 6 students have also been exploring the fascinating world of Egyptian, Greek, Roman and Norse mythology. Through Art, Drama and English, they have learned about:

- The ever-fragile relationships between the gods and goddesses
- The terrors of a myriad of mythical creatures
- Dramatic myths that explain how the great ancient cities were established
- The varying creation myths that each culture used to explain how the Earth began

Year 6 have also realised just how frequently mythology appears in popular culture. They will be on the lookout for references to mythology in their favourite books, movies and TV shows from now on!







A reminder to all parents that 2019 enrolment information was sent home with students last week. If you would like your child to learn an instrument in 2019, please complete and return enrolment forms no later than 15 December to secure a place in our term 1 timetable.

Also a huge congratulations to George R for passing AMEB Piano Grade 2 achieving a 'Credit' (B). Well done George!

From Your P&C

Last month the P&C held it's AGM at which Sarah Hyland and Ranika Dawson retired from their positions of President and Vice President. Both women have tirelessly committed many years to serving a number of positions on the P&C and we thank them for their generous contributions. We also thank Elizabeth Shelley and Daniel Cohen, who retired from their roles of Secretary and Communications Coordinator.

New office holders have been appointed for 2019. They are Ellen Knoblanche (President), Inbal Luft and Lauren Bradshaw (Joint Vice Presidents), Katherine Zirn (Treasurer) and Alice Beer (Secretary). We also had a number of generous parents volunteer to be Subcommittee Coordinators (Uniform Shop, Band and Strings, Events, Communications, Grounds and GOOSH Liaison). Now that we have the key positions filled, it is safe for you to come to a meeting and not be fitted up for a role! We love to have new people join our meetings and any newbies are most welcome!!! Our first meeting for next year is on Wednesday 27 February 2019 at 7pm (school staff room, enter via carpark).

In some fun news, please save the date for the annual Greetings on the Green event, which will be on the evening of Friday 22 February 2019. This event is always a great opportunity to catch up with friends and welcome new families into our community. We are mixing up some of the formula next year and look forward to getting your feedback about the event.

Finally, thank you for all of the support that you have given the P&C this year. In particular, thank you to the many volunteers who have committed their time and energies to help make our P&C events and projects a success. We wish you a restful and enjoyable holiday and look forward to working with you next year.



THURSDAY 13 DECEMBER 8:40 - 9:10 AM



WE ARE SELLING:

MILKSHAKES, SLURPEES, POPCORN, CHOCOLATE COVERED STRAWBERRIES AND MARSHMALLOWS. CUPCAKES, EMOJI COOKIES, DOUGHNUTS, SLIME, JEWELLERY, PENCIL CASES, PENCILS, BOOKMARKS, NOTEBOOKS, CANDLES, LIP BALM, PAPERWEIGHTS AND MORE!

ITEMS WILL RANGE FROM 50 C - \$2 IN PRICE!

PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!