Granville South Public School
Directors Choice Award Leadership
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Newsletter
Term 3 Week 7

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE
School anniversary postponed
It has been such a busy week finalising preparations to make our 125 year anniversary a huge success. Unfortunately due to the heavy rain that we have received across the week, we have made the decision to postpone the event. The 125 year anniversary celebrations will now take place on Thursday 4 September. I apologise for any inconvenience that the change of date may have caused and truly hope that families can still join us next Thursday.

The celebrations will still kick off with an assembly under the COLA at 9:30am. You will be treated to performances from our Dance group, choir and Arabic Dancers. There will also be a performance from the Granville South Creative Arts High School band.

At 11am until 11:30am bring along a rug and enjoy a picnic with your family on the school grounds. There will be food stalls operating selling kefta wraps, sausage sizzle and a multicultural vegetarian dish.

Following the picnic, we will open the fete from 11:30am-2:30pm. There will be amusement rides, 2 free jumping castles, a petting zoo, face painting, craft activities, a side show alley, show bags and plenty more. There will be visits from the care flight helicopter, local police and firefighters, NRL Parramatta Eels and AFL clinics and even a visit from the library READasaurus!
Staffing News

Miss Gmaz on leave
Miss Gmaz will be taking leave to travel overseas and see her family. She will be taking leave from Monday 1 September and will return to school on Tuesday 7 October at the start of Term 4.
Mr Brendan Young will be teaching 5/6 Mint whilst Miss Gmaz is on leave. Mr Young has many years teaching experience and will ensure that the class teaching and learning program continues.

Miss Torrance on leave
Miss Torrance will be taking leave to travel overseas. She will be taking leave from Wednesday 10 September and will return to school on Friday 19 September at the end of Term 3.
Mrs Maria Vatos will be teaching 1/K Scarlet whilst Miss Torrance is on leave. Mrs Maria Vatos is a quality teacher with lots of experience teaching kindergarten and Year 1. She will ensure that high quality literacy and numeracy continues in the classroom.
As both teachers will be on leave during parent teacher interviews, both Miss Gmaz and Miss Torrance will be taking appointments during Week 2 of Term 4. Please book with these class teachers a time that will suit you for next term.

Our Spectacular
Next Tuesday our school choir will be performing at the Opera House in the Our Spectacular showcase. Thank you to Mrs Pollack who has been working hard with the choir and developing their amazing voices! We look forward to hearing about this wonderful event.

Warm wishes,
Ms Nicole Wade
Relieving Principal

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Do you have a child that is starting kindergarten in 2015?

It is now time to enrol students! Your child can start Kindergarten at the beginning of the school year if they turn five on or before 31 July in that year. By law, all children must be enrolled in school by their sixth birthday. We are running a transition to school program starting on Tuesday 26th August. Don’t miss out!

Parents making their children a healthy snack during our first kindy transition program session. The kids enjoyed fruit sail boats, traffic light kebabs and fairy wands pressed from fresh fruit.

Why is Transition Important?

Evidence suggests that children who have a positive start to school are likely to engage well and to experience academic and social success. Transition to School may be a child's first experience of social interaction with others outside their immediate or extended family. Children’s perceptions of themselves as learners, and as someone who belongs at school, are often formed early in their schooling. A Transition to School program can assist in achieving a positive start to school. Please see Mrs De Rome in the front office to enrol your child ready for next year and get the details of our transition program.
Zone Results for GSPS 2014

Congratulations to the following students for their terrific efforts at the zone athletics carnival. Thank you to Mr Bunting and Miss Gmaz for taking our students to the zone competition. Also a big thank you to Miss Smith who did all the behind the scenes organisation for our school team to attend.

Field Events
Senior Boys Long Jump 2nd Jacob Davis, 3rd Abdullahi Dauda
11 yr old Boys Long Jump 3rd Youssef Badr
11 yr old Boys High Jump 3rd Amir Rezai
Junior Girls High Jump 1st Yar Michaels
11 yr old Boys Shot Put 3rd Amir Rezai
11 yr old Girls Shot Put 3rd Jael Meki

Track Events
11 yr old Boys 100m 1st Youssef Badr
13 yr old Boys 100m 2nd Abdullahi Dauda
9 yr old Girls 100m 2nd Yar Michaels

School canteen closed next Friday
The school canteen will be closed next Friday 5 September. It will resume normal hours of operation following this day. The P&C apologise for any inconvenience.

FATHER’S DAY STALL
The P&C will be holding a Father’s Day stall next Friday 5 September. Students can buy a special gift for their father on this day. All gifts under $10.
School Pride!

We have always shown great pride in our school grounds and are extremely lucky to have such a wonderful setting to come and learn and play amongst each day. To commemorate our 125th anniversary, we have chosen to leave a special mark on the school. The COLA is where children happily play, where community meet and say hello of a morning and afternoon and where we hold many of our important school events. To bring a little more Granville South to this area, we are proud to officially unveil our anniversary garden.

The anniversary gardens have been landscaped and boast the proud lettering GSPS. We hope that this garden area remains a symbol of school pride in the years to come.

Our sign being constructed in the sheet metal factory.

GSPS Gets a Facebook Page

Parents have been asking for an official Face Book page for GSPS. Type in https://www.facebook.com/granvillesouthps to view page.

Please like our page and check it regularly for updates about school events and the wonderful learning that occurs in our classrooms.

Download our APP for free. User name = community Password = granvilles. The web address is - www.granvilles-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Commendations

1st Bronze
Lauren Bonwick
Kayhan Said
Abir Alameddine
Joel Diquattro
Ehsan Hossaini
Aran Boaza
Ahmed Abbas
Fatma Alsafar
Samiya Issak
Justin Clegg
Jennifer Fajloun

2nd Bronze
Soumaya Mohamed
Adam Abdulrahman
Mohammed Ajouz
Khaled Ajouz
Kiara Dunia
Fatema Salman
Sadaf Said
Rayan Arnaout
Evelyn Soe
Eman Rima
Reannah Hamdan
Solf Parker

1st Silver
Azar Khouri
Sage Zaineddine
Ramin Alizada
Mia Tafengatoto
Ofa Latu
Cameron Lamb
Noor Alzahraa Al-Ramahi
James Lamb
Rahul Naidu

2nd Silver
Gisele Faraj
Milad Mola Salehi
Jacob Davis