

# Grahamstown Public School News

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## From the Principal

### End of Year

The end of the year is close upon us. The term seems to have flown by so quickly. In the next couple of weeks your children will be bringing home many of the books etc that they have worked on during the year. A plastic bag in their school bag could be handy for them to transport their books home.

Year 5 and 6 have been excited about their end of year activities. They have also had warnings about some of the silly behaviour that has been occurring too regularly of late. We have a zero tolerance of name calling, spreading rumours and physical violence. Those who choose to continue these behaviours will have privileges taken away. They can lose the opportunity to attend the end of year fun day, the Year 6 farewell and time with their friends in the playground. Fortunately this only applies to a few and most students are keen to play well together and to abide by school rules.

### Parent Helper Thank You

We are looking forward to thanking the wonderful volunteers who assist in so many ways throughout our school. If we have missed sending you an invitation please accept our apologies but feel welcome to attend. The afternoon tea is to be held at 2:00pm on December 6<sup>th</sup>. If you are attending please let the office know by December 2<sup>nd</sup> for catering purposes.

### 2012

We are asking for all children in years 1 through to 6 to provide their own stationery, other than books, for 2012. It would be of great assistance also if each child could provide a box of tissues, soap on tap and a

roll of paper towel for class use. All of these items are of use for children to keep their hands clean after play, before eating and for runny noses during the winter cold season. The provision of these items is appreciated by classroom teachers and they are widely used by your children in class.

Enjoy your week.

Sue Kane  
Principal

## COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4

<b>December 1<sup>st</sup></b>	Boys 007 training
<b>December 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Boys 007 training
<b>December 6<sup>th</sup></b>	Parent Afternoon Tea
<b>December 9<sup>th</sup></b>	Recognition Assembly
<b>December 12<sup>th</sup></b>	Presentation Day
<b>December 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Year 6 Farewell
<b>December 16<sup>th</sup></b>	Last Day of term

## Notes in Circulation

- Stage 1 End of Year Celebration
- Christmas Craft early stage 1 & stage 1
- Year 6 Farewell
- Stage 3 End of Year Celebration

Extra copies of all notes are available from the front office. Please remember to send notes and payments in together by the due date.

# CANTEEN NEWS

## ROSTER:

**Tues. 29 Nov** – Vanessa O'Connell

**Wed. 30 Nov** – Bev Pegg, Julie Evans

**Thurs. 1 Dec** – Fiona Brown, Leslie Palmer

**Fri. 2 Dec** – Susan Martin

**Mon. 5 Dec** – Melany McLean

Please put your name down for canteen roster for 2012, all we require is 3 ½ hours per month and we are finished by 12 noon. See Sherri at the canteen. Please have lunch orders in by 9am to allow time to make and cook the food.

## DEFENCE SCHOOL TRANSITION AIDE NEWS

The Buzz Newsletter contains helpful information relevant to local defence families and is available at [www.thebuzznews.webs.com](http://www.thebuzznews.webs.com). If you are interested in reading this newsletter and unable to download it, there are some hardcopies available in the school foyer.

Terrace Buddies are having an early Christmas get-together on December 6<sup>th</sup> from 9.30am. The first event for the New Year will be on the Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at Fighter World from 10am. All defence partners welcome. Please contact [terracebuddies@bigpond.com](mailto:terracebuddies@bigpond.com) for further details.

The **RAAF Christmas Treat** will be **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December**, from 12-5pm, with Santa arriving via helicopter at 4pm. The tickets for children are \$10 which includes sausage sizzle, drink, icy poles and free rides. Tickets are available from Frontline, ADCU and Defcredit. Adults admitted free.

Thank you

Deborah O'Donoghue

Defence School Transition Aide

### *Volunteers' Thankyou Afternoon Tea* *2:00pm Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2011*

The school will be holding an afternoon tea to say thank you to all our wonderful parent helpers and volunteers. Invites were sent out last week and we hope we didn't miss anyone. If we have unintentionally overlooked you we would love to have you attend on the 6<sup>th</sup> December. Please simply call the office by Friday 2 December so we can add you to our list.

## STAGE 3 ASSEMBLY MERIT AWARDS

<i>Mrs Saville</i>
<i>Kaylan</i>
<i>Tianna</i>
<i>Joel G</i>
<i>Joel C</i>
<i>Andrea</i>
<i>Mrs Shepherd</i>
<i>Joshua</i>
<i>Jessica</i>
<i>Sam</i>
<i>Grace</i>
<i>Katelyn</i>
<i>Miss Russell</i>
<i>Austin</i>
<i>Cameron</i>
<i>BJ</i>
<i>Monique</i>
<i>Caitlin</i>

## *Year 6 Girls Camp*

**The year 6 girls had a lot of fun on their camp. They enjoyed activities from the Great Aussie Bush Camp which they visited during the day. The camp that the girls stayed at was called The Smith Family Camp. The activities that the girls did were: High Ropes, Archery, Pioneering, Flying Fox, Mud World, Vertical Challenge and The Giant Swing. All the girls enjoyed the camp very much but I'm sorry I'm not able to give you more information because what happens on camp stays on camp!**

**By Victoria Herbert**