

Grahamstown Public School News

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From the Principal

Parent Helpers Afternoon Tea

Hopefully as many of our parent helpers as possible will be able to attend our special afternoon tomorrow afternoon at 2:00 pm. It's an opportunity to say thank you to parents for their wonderful support during 2011.

007 Training

Our Stage 3 boys had a challenging day and a half of developing team and leadership skills. They learnt the value of earning trust and learnt that there is a time and place for many types of behaviours.

The boys challenged themselves to set goals, work toward achieving them and the rewarding feeling of success.

Among all of the hard work the teachers and students managed to have a lot of fun.

Thank you to Mr Mort and Mrs Phillpot for organising such a rewarding training session for all the boys.

Environmental Awards

Grahamstown Public School has received recognition for its excellent environmental program yet again.

Port Stephens Council has awarded the school a certificate for Social and Civic Participation in recognition of all the environmental projects in which the school is involved.

Sam from 3S has also received recognition for the excellent pamphlet he prepared to inform us of our responsibilities in keeping our water catchment areas free of pollution. All families should have received a copy of the informative pamphlet which was well researched and illustrated. Well done Sam.

Enjoy your week

Principal
Sue Kane

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4

December 6 th	Parent Afternoon Tea
December 9 th	Recognition Assembly
December 12 th	Presentation Day
December 13 th	Year 6 Farewell
December 16 th	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
- Stage 2 Reward Day

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

ADVANCE NOTICE- Stage 3 Camp 2012

In 2012, Stage 3 will be going on a 4 day overnight excursion to the Outdoor Education Experience at Morisset. The camp will take place from Tuesday October 9 to Friday 12 October 2012 (Week 1 Term 4). **It is anticipated that this camp will cost approximately \$250 - \$300. Your expression of interest will be a \$50 deposit which will be required no later than March 9, 2012. The final date for full payment will be September 21, 2012.** This excursion aims to prepare students for High School. Responsibility and independence are included in the aims of this excursion and as a result parents are not invited on this excursion.

CANTEEN NEWS

ROSTER:

Tues 6 Dec – Leslie Palmer

Wed 7 Dec – Di Soper

Thurs 8 Dec – Symone Gorry, Tanya Picot, Jayde McCulloch

Fri 9 Dec – Kris O'Brien, Fiona Brown

Mon 12 Dec – Skye Noffke

Tues 13 Dec – Cathy Hedges

Wed 14 Dec – Melany McLean, Di Soper

Please put your name down for the 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.

- As we will be running down stock there will be no healthy days for the rest of the year. All items available every day (stock permitting).
- Canteen Meeting Tues 6th Dec. This will be the last one for the year so please bring a plate. All welcome.
- Bills will go out by Fri 9th. Please have them paid by Thurs 15th Dec.
- A huge thank you to the people on roster this year. A special thank you goes to Melany McLean, Diane Soper and Christine Herbert who have all done canteen for 7 years. Without their help over these years, the canteen wouldn't have been able to run as smoothly as it has.

HEY KIDS! SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN! FREE GOLF LESSONS AT KARUAH GOLF CLUB

Day: Wednesday,

Thursday & Friday

Date: 11-12-13/01/2012

Time: 9am-12pm

Free sausage sizzle on Friday at the conclusion of the clinic.

For bookings please phone Mandy at Karuah Golf Club or leave a message on answering

Machine Phone/Fax 49975 693



STAGE 2 ASSEMBLY MERIT AWARDS

<i>Mr Clayton</i>
<i>Hannah</i>
<i>Taylor</i>
<i>Gabrielle</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>
<i>Tyler</i>
<i>Brodie</i>
<i>Mrs South</i>
<i>Megan</i>
<i>Cooper</i>
<i>Tasmyn</i>
<i>Emily</i>
<i>Zake</i>
<i>Clare</i>
<i>Mrs Parker</i>
<i>Jenny</i>
<i>Phoebe</i>
<i>Lachlan</i>
<i>William</i>
<i>Maddison</i>
<i>Teeya</i>
<i>Mr Kelly</i>
<i>Sarina</i>
<i>Jessica</i>
<i>William</i>
<i>Jack</i>
<i>Caleb</i>
<i>Zackary</i>

YOUR CHILD CAN SEE A SPEECH PATHOLOGIST AT SCHOOL.... LANGUAGE DIFFICULTIES COULD BE PRESENT IF THE CHILD HAS ANY OF THE PROBLEMS

- Dislikes school, says school is boring, poor cooperation, disrupts others; Struggles with work
- Shows reluctance, avoidance of discussions/questions; few friends; teased
- Has problems re-telling events with the events in logical order
- Has trouble following 3 part instructions e.g. 'Get out your handwriting book and your lead pencil and turn to the first page'.

Speech Pathology is available... with Fiona Wood Speech Pathologist B.App.Sci.M.S.P.A.
Ring 0402 242 209 or 4960 2251