

Grahamstown Public School News

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From the Principal

Reports

All students whose parents made an appointment time for interviews had their reports sent home on Thursday. If you did not make an appointment time your reports will be sent home at the end of the term.

Fun- O-Thon

Weather permitting the Fun-O-Thon will be held on Thursday 21st June. Please keep collecting sponsors and come along on Thursday to join in the fun.

Due to there being two other activities taking place on Thursday the times for events have changed. Years 3-6 will have their activities for Fun-O-Thon between 9:15 and 10:30am. This will be followed by an **early lunch** and then the K-2 group will have their activities between 11:30 am and 1:00pm.

After Fun-o-Thon is over sixty Stage 3 students will travel to Irrawang High School to attend a science afternoon. They will leave school to arrive at Irrawang at 1pm and will return to school by 2:45pm. Selected Year 5 students will be participating in GATS interviews between 9 and 11am.

Presentation of prizes for the Fun-O-Thon will take place on Thursday 28th June at 2:30pm in the hall if we have been able to hold the event on June 21st.

Fun Day

The **second last day of term** (Thursday 28th June) will be **sausage sizzle day**. Orders for sausage sizzle are attached at the end of this newsletter.

The last day of term will be **reward day**. Any child who has been to discussion room for their behaviour **will not** be involved in the activities planned by their stage as this is a reward day for making it through the term without breaking our school rules.

If your child has been removed from the playground or has been suspended they also **will not** be invited to participate in the activities. However if your child has been to discussion room as a witness they are still able to be involved in the reward day events.

You will receive a letter to confirm if your child **will not** be participating.

Spare uniforms

If you have any uniforms that your child/children have grown out of, that you no longer require, we would be very appreciative of any donations made to our spare uniform pool. At present we have very few articles of clothing available to change children into if they require a clean set of clothes.

If you have anything in the way of uniform that you are able to donate please send them to the office so the ladies will be able to use them for children in emergencies.

All clothing in our spare clothing pool is clearly labelled "**Grahamstown Public School**" in an endeavour to have them returned once they have been provided for emergencies.

Tissues

The cold and flu season is upon us. Many classes are running short of tissues. If you are able to provide a box of tissues for your child's class it would be very much appreciated. Send any donation of tissues to your child's classroom. Thank you.

Interviews

Interviews start this week so be sure to check your time and **come to the office area** to be advised of where your interview will take place.

Term 2 ends on June 29th.

Have a good week

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 2

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| June 19th | Stage 3 Excursion Blackbutt Reserve |
| June 21st | Fun – O - Thon |
| June 28th | Sausage Sizzle |
| June 29th | Mufti Day Last day school |
| July 3rd | Hunter Art Show |

Notes in Circulation

- **Mathletics 2012**
- **Sport In Schools Australia**
- **Fun-A-Thon**
- **Parent Teacher Interviews**

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

Canteen News

Roster:

Tue:19 June: Sally Douglas, Vanessa Henderson

Wed: 20 June: Barbara Govan

Thurs: 21 June: Tanya Picot, Sharmaine Connor

Fri: 22 June: Susan Martin

Mon: 25 June: Cathy Hedges, May Lawson

Athletics Carnival Trophies and Ribbons

There has been a slight hold up at the trophy place but we now have the trophies for our athletics champions and will be presenting these at assembly on Friday June 22.

2012 GPS FUN-A-THON Space Invaders

This year's GPS FUN-A-THON will be held on Thursday 21st June 2012. The P & C have already purchased some fabulous prizes for students who collect sponsors. If you are able to assist on the day please see your child's class teacher. Last year's event was a huge success and we are looking to make it even bigger and better this year.

Surf Fun Safe Program

The beach is a big part of the life for many Australians. Grahamstown has accepted an opportunity for 60 Stage 3 children to participate in a program that teaches students how to negotiate the surf, catch waves, paddling techniques and safety aspects. Students will also be shown how to identify a rip.

This program will cost approximately \$25 per participant and is scheduled for Wednesday December 5, 2012. Due to the fact that December is a busy and expensive time of year we are giving parents and caregivers advance notice. Keep your eyes out for permission notes that will go home in November.

SPECIALTY GROUP PHOTOS

Individual letters were sent home to students who were photographed for the Captains/Prefects and Sport Captains photos. If you wish to place an order, please complete the order form attached and return it with a cheque/money order or credit details. Cheques payable to **MSP Photography**. Closing date for orders is Friday 29 June 2012.

Thanking you

Jacque Perry – School Office

Sport In Schools

Just a friendly reminder that all payments for Sports In Schools were due last Friday. Only students who have made the payment in full will be allowed to continue with the program. If you have not already done so, it would be appreciated if you could complete your payment as soon as possible. Thank you for your support.

Next Monday, 25th June, you are invited to come along and watch the children participate in the Sports In Schools Program. The session times are as follows:

9.00 – 9.40 a.m.: 4/5R, 5S, 5/6W, 6F, 6S.

9.40 – 10.20 a.m.: 2B, 2M, 3C, 3S, 4K, 4P.

10.20 – 11.00 a.m.: KA, KF, KH, K/1W, 1K, 1R.

The 3 make-up sessions for our Sports In Schools Program will be held next term on the Mondays of Weeks' 2, 3 and 5.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS 15 JUNE 2012

| 4P | 3C |
|----------|-----------|
| Kaylah | Lachlan |
| Lachlan | Jack |
| Natalie | Tiahlee |
| KH | 3S |
| Halimah | Keenan |
| Kenneth | Grace |
| Lilly | Dylan |
| KF | 4K |
| Riley | Gabrielle |
| Hayden | Ethan |
| Dakota | Brian |
| K/1W | 4/5R |
| Jessica | Cooper |
| Cameron | Briony |
| Kayden | Eliza |
| 1R | 5S |
| Macleay | Phoebe |
| Liam | Charlotte |
| Codie | Eric |
| 2B | KA |
| Tavis | Alexys |
| Haylee | Declan |
| Christie | Jordan |
| 2M | 6S |
| Eleanore | Jack |
| Jack | Michelle |
| Aaliyah | Lochie |
| 6F | 1K |
| Dakota | Chelsey |
| Joel | Tayah |
| Rebecca | Azhure |

| 5/6W | |
|----------|--|
| Sabrina | |
| Brittany | |
| Michael | |

*"Congratulations to all students
who received Merit awards"*

Sports in Schools

Today our class went down to Sports In Schools!!!

When we got down to the playground we were put into groups. Our class was put into Matt's group.

When we started, our first equipment was the stepping stones. They were colourful semi-circles with heaps of air in them. When we stepped on them all of the air came out. They were a bit hard but heaps of fun.

The second piece of equipment was the blue hop 66. They were big bouncy balls with long handles at the top of the ball. They were super bouncy and lots of fun.

The next piece of equipment was the dizzy boards. They were round boards that you had to stand on and spin round and round.

The last piece of equipment was the rockets. They were rockets that had air in them. You had to push all the air out and then they would fly right up to the sky. They were my favourite piece of equipment.

I had an awesome time at Sports In Schools.

(Ellie, 3S)

Today our class went to Sports In Schools!!!

When we got down to the playground we were greeted by our class instructor Matt. He was a great guy. When we started our first equipment, it was the stepping stones. They were colourful and went up to 6.

My partner was Grace. The stones were diagonal. It was hard.

The next piece of equipment was the hop 66. We had to get on the hop 66 and then hop on the grass around the cone. My colour of the cone was green. It was also hard.

The next piece of equipment was the dizzy board and the last piece of equipment was

the air rocket. We had to shoot a rocket in the air. I was partnered up again with Grace. The colour of the rocket was red and black. After that we got walked back by Matt. Chris then talked about water safety. I had a great time!!!

STAR STRUCK 'THE TIME MACHINE' 2012

Mrs Blake, Mrs Anderson, Mrs Fuller, Ms Shepherd and Mrs McDermott would firstly like to congratulate the 32 children involved in Star Struck 2012, for their amazing performances on Friday and Saturday. We would also like to commend them on their commitment to rehearsals and behaviour throughout the entire process.

Thank you also to the parents for their commitment and assistance with costuming and transporting children to and from events. This made Star Struck an enjoyable experience for everyone involved. A great time was had by all.



GPS ART COMPETITION

Theme: Summer Olympic Games

GPS School Parliament are running a whole school Art Competition to celebrate the upcoming Olympic Games. Students are invited to enter a piece of artwork based on the theme of the Olympic Games.

Students artwork will be displayed in the hall, prizes will be allocated to winners on a stage basis.

Students are able to use variety of materials to complete artworks, which can be drawings, paintings and collages. Students will need to complete artworks at home and return to school by Friday 20th of July (week1 Term 3).

GPS Parliament & Mrs Blake

Contact numbers

Changed your mobile phone number recently? Please inform the school office of any changes in your contact details so we can have up to date information.

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Grahamstown Public School P&C Association Sausage Sizzle – Thursday 28th June 2012

ORDER FORM

Please place your order below-

☐ Sausage Sandwich QTY _____ @ \$1.50 each

☐ Juice \$1.50

☐ Water \$1:00

Total Paid \$ _____

Name: _____

Class: _____

Orders with **correct money** in an **envelope** or **bag** must be paid to the **office no later than Monday June 25th**.

No late orders will be accepted

(Please note: No refunds will be given if
this student is absent from school on
June 28th)
