

Grahamstown Public School News

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I would like to thank everyone for making me so welcome during my short visit to Grahamstown Public School. It was certainly a different experience to my small school of 5 classes where I teach Kinder 3 ½ days per week! This is a lovely school and you should be proud of being part of it! The teachers work hard planning a variety of learning activities as well as many other opportunities that cater for a wide range of student interests and talents. The students all have lovely manners and when I visited classes they were all focussed on their work. It was also good to see so many community members visiting the school and helping to celebrate Education Week and Book Week.

Thank you again for this wonderful experience!

Sharon Palmer

Welcome back Mrs Kane!

Stranger Danger

An incident has been reported to our school about a child in Raymond Terrace being approached by a man in a car last week. The teachers have been made aware of this and will revise 'Stranger Danger' with their classes. Could you please also have this discussion with your child/children. Thank you.

Notes in Circulation

- **Stage 2 Sleep-Over Camp**
- **Stage 3 Girls Talk**
- **Wetlands Stage 1 Excursion**

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

Tues: 4th Sept: Cathy Hedges

Wed: 5th Sept: Sharlene Grant

Thurs: 6th Sept: Janet Allen, Fiona Brown

Fri: 7th Sept: Tracey Singleton, Danielle Piening

Mon: 10th Sept: Sue Ryan, Simone Adam

A huge thank you to Kris O'Brien, Sue Ryan, Fiona Brown and Sue Van Hoof for all their hard work on Friday to get the lunches out on time due to the power blackout.

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 3

September 12th	Wetland Excursion Yr 1 / 2
September 18th	Nuf Nuf Day
September 20th	Grandparents Morning 9-12

Surprise Raffle

The raffle will be drawn on Grandparents Day, Thursday 20th September 2012. All money and tickets need to be returned to the P & C box in the school foyer by Wednesday 19th September 2012. Tickets can also be purchased from the uniform shop and they will be sold at the Book Week Parade. If you require more tickets please see the ladies in the office.

Water

Tap water makes the best drink!

Not only is it thirst quenching, but also contains fluoride which helps make teeth stronger. Here's what water has to offer:

We should all aim to drink between five to eight cups of water a day. In the warmer months it is important to keep well hydrated. Always have water available when children are active.

Encourage them to drink water regularly, even in cooler months.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS 31 AUGUST 2012

KA	KF
Caylee	Hayden
Ashlynn	Lilly
Alexys	Cayden
Charli	
KH	K/1W
Reuben	Kayden
William	Tyrach
Halimah	Luis
1K	1R
Chloe	Alice
Chelsey	Byran
Kaytlin	Carly
2B	2M
Caitlin	Eleanore
Piper	Alana
Tavis	Ethan
3C	3S
Daniel	Zac
Emily	Tom
Zoe	Keenan
4/5R	4K
Sarah	Angel
Breanna	Brian
Zahli	Tasmyn
4P	5/6W
Luke	River
Tahlia	Sabrina
Hannah	William
5S	6F
Will	Morgan
Kaile	Andrea
Makenzi	Adrian
6S	
Jack	
Jesse	
Garry	

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

PERSONAL HYGIENE

Sweating is the body's mechanism to cool down. The average person has about 2.6 million sweat glands. Sweat has no odour, the familiar unpleasant odour is caused by bacteria that live on our skin and hair. These bacteria metabolize the proteins and fatty acids from our sweat, causing body odour.

As an adult, most of us apply deodorant or antiperspirant at least once per day. One is expected to prevent or mask body odours, and as a result deodorants / antiperspirants have become a part of our lifelong personal hygiene regime for many of us.

For the young adults in Stage 3 and some in Stage 2 this may be a good time to begin developing a personal hygiene routine. While aerosols are not permitted, roll on or pump pack deodorants and antiperspirants are certainly being encouraged.

Tournament of Minds

On Sunday the 26th August, 14 students went to the Newcastle University to perform in front of the Tournament of Minds judges. There were 2 groups consisting of seven students that were in years 4-6. Each group had to prepare a long-term challenge which was rehearsed for 6 weeks at school. However, on the day, the groups each participated in a spontaneous challenge where they were given a problem and had 4 minutes to think of a creative answer and 1 minute to present their answer. Both teams performed very well and enjoyed working as a team. We all had a lot of fun.

By Zac, Ashleigh and Kiara.

Big Arvo

Team GPS was a great fitness activity that we got to do during Big Arvo. Some of the activities included sit ups on a fitness ball. We had to do push ups and lots of running. If you want a six pack join Team GPS next year!

By Jacob & Lochie 5/6S

In the past 4 weeks of Big Arvo 15 students have been busy scrapbooking. This has been very successful and hopefully students can participate in this activity next year. All the 15 students who participated this year enjoyed it very much

By Eleanor & Brooklyn 6F

Masterchef 2012 was the best cooking experience that we have had so far at school. Week 1 in masterchef we made a croquen bosh. Week 2 we made strawberry milkshakes, muffins and pikelets, Week 3 we made granita with snowegg, Week 4 we made omelettes and rocky road. All of those wonderful foods were made by perfectionists Junior Masterchef. All of the food was delicious and wonderfully beautiful. We would like to thank Ms Saville, Mrs Ross and most of all Kris O'Brien.

By Katie and Harlley

BIG DANCE

Every Tuesday I've been participating in Big Arvo. I was in Big Dance. We had great fun!!! The dances we learnt were Contemporary, Hip Hop, Latin and Ballet. I loved learning all of them, but my favourite would have to be Hip Hop. That was AWESOME!!! And I think we should all give a BIG THANKS to Miss KOK!!!

By Madison (3S)

MOVIE MAGIC

In Movie Magic we got to make a movie. I made a movie with Synara and Lachlan. It was lots of fun. Mr Collier and Mr Tobin were lots of help. I'm really glad I got to be in Movie Magic. It was fun!!!

By Jemma (4/5R)

Kindergarten expo 2013

For all Kindergarten 2013 Students from the Raymond Terrace Community

When: Wednesday 12th September

Time: 4pm-6pm

Venue: Irrawang Primary School Preschool

For more information contact your local Primary School, Childcare Centre or phone 49876784

Kaizen Ryu – Freestyle Karate

Tuesday & Thursday
United Church
William Street
Raymond Terrace

If you want to get fit, have fun
and learn self defence call
Debbie 49335790
0401212061

NOW OPEN TO YEAR 3

Expression of Interest for swimming (Year 3 students only)

A majority rule will determine transport to and from the venue. Thanks to all Year 2 who returned their EOI. This will now be open to Year 3. If enough Year 3 students do not take up the offer of swimming lessons the offer will be extended to Year 4.

Please tick the appropriate section

Parent/ Caregiver's Name:

Child's Name: _____

Class: _____

I would like my child to attend swimming lessons during Term 4 _____

I would like my child to walk to the pool _____ (free)

I would like my child to catch a bus to the pool _____ (\$2 per day \$20 total for bus travel alone)

I understand that pool entry is in addition to bus fare. _____

Signed: _____

FUTURE MARKET DATES

15th September: Pets Day Out

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