

Guise Public School

"Educating and caring for the whole child"

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TERM 3 WEEK 2 2015

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Staff Development Day

Many thanks to our wonderful parents and caregivers for supporting the learning of our teachers on staff development day (pupil free). The teachers got through a massive amount of work on the day. We were able to treat our teachers as deep learners by exposing them to new learning around student wellbeing through a program known as You Can Do It. This program will underpin our new playground rules and classroom expectations. We also worked on a new action research approach known as Spirals of Inquiry and spent the afternoon considering quality learning environments. To be a great teacher you must also be a wonderful learner and we appreciate your support of us in this endeavour.

Education Week – Celebrating Local Heroes

Next week is Education Week in NSW Public Schools and we enthusiastically seek your support in celebrating this important occasion with us. On Monday we are holding our K-6 Athletics Carnival with both track and field events being held on the school oval. Mr Carr has worked hard to design a program that will involve as many children as is possible participating at all time slots throughout the day. Special menu items and a meal deal will be available so please make a family day of it. On Tuesday afternoon the teachers are attending an event titled Le Tour De Fields at Sarah Redfern Library. This program is professional learning designed to offer teachers some highlights from our recent Teaching Practices Network. Clare Elliott will be sharing her expertise in formative assessment during this initiative. On Wednesday we will hold open classrooms in combination with Grandparents Day. This opportunity will see us share exemplary student learning with you and allow us all to play some playground games from yesteryear. We will conclude Grandparents Day with a Devonshire Tea for all parents and Grandparents in our school library. On Friday we will be holding a Parent Forum on Parental Participation and the Positive Parenting Program. It promises to be a great week.

School Uniform

Our children look magnificent in the new school uniform. If you want additional numbers of these items please fill in an order form available in the office and return to the school with your payment. These orders can be done at any time throughout the week. Your orders can be dropped off at the office with payment and they will be processed and available for pick up on Fridays. **The cost for additional polo shirts and fleece jackets are \$20 per item.** Additional items relating to the new school uniform are black tracksuit pants and or black shorts. Both of these items are available at the clothing store at the Glenquarie Centre for \$12 or are readily available from K-Mart, Target or Lowes. We expect that it will take some time for students to be in full uniform and it is satisfactory to wear our current mid blue or grey shorts/pants until you are able to source and purchase the new black garments. I'd also like to acknowledge our wonderful P&C who are ensuring that uniform orders are filled and ready for pick up each week.

P&C Fun Day

We would like to thank you all for your excellent support of our P&C Fun Day at the end of Term Two. We raised around \$1000 for the school and the children had heaps of fun! Would you believe that over 90% of children attended school on the last day and nearly every child attended the disco and purchased a Meal Deal. Way to go Guise! Claire Trill and the team had a blast and did magnificent work on behalf of all families. Last Friday Claire, Nicole Vetemotu, Regina Dumont, Mackr Moc, Chrissy Jones and Jacinta Crummer spent nearly a full day setting up what will become a Drop in Centre for all parents and a place for P&C Meetings in the future. Stay tuned for a number of other important P&C happenings soon.



CALENDAR

July

24th	Gala Day
27th	Athletics Carnival
	Battle of the Arts
28th	Tour De Fields—Teachers
29th	Grandparents Day
31st	Parent Forum - Partnerships
	<u>August</u>
3rd	PaTCH Graduation
	Sports and Y6 Photos
	K-6 Assembly
7th	Zone Athletics
10th	Primary Spelling Bee

2015 CLASSES

KE	-	Mrs Elliott
K/1S	-	Mr Neilson (DP)
2/3C	-	Mr S. Carr
3/4H	-	Mr L. Carr
5/6M	-	Mrs Mullen/Miss Bullock
K/2C	-	Mrs Crichton
3/6C	-	Miss Capps
		Mrs Davies (AP)

Support Teachers

Mrs Kitsoukili
Miss Bullock
Miss Anson

Learning Support Officers

Mrs Swadling
Mrs Harris
Mr El-aali

Aboriginal Education Assistant

Miss Bell

Office Administrators

Mr Stevens
Mrs Ball
Mrs Ballantine

Principal Mr Diamond (Rel)

Security

If you suspect someone is unlawfully on the school grounds. **Please call School Security**

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TERM 3 Wk 2 BRONZE AWARD/Student of the Week WINNERS

KE - Noah Bestwick, Teoe Henry
K/1S - Ellie Mae Polsen, Geoffery Henry/Hailey Killeen
2/3C - Bryce Dufor, Paris Ioane, Brayden Crittenden, Lata Tufui
3/4H - Marlie Usher, Benji Vetemotu
5/6M - Fehoko Tuimoala, Jayden Talataina, Frank Muipu, Shiane Brady
K/1C— Wyatt Dell and Albert Gearsides 2/6C Ryan Wheeler



Phoenix is the school's first Gold Award

Fire in the Fields

I must commend Miss Bullock, Mrs Chrissy Jones and Mrs Jacinta Crummer for their excellent work in preparing our huge group of Polynesian dancers for Fire in the Fields. The kids Rocked! They demonstrated enormous confidence and pride as they danced with flair and teamwork. We are developing well rounded, happy humans here at Guise PS and opportunities offered by our brilliant teachers and community such as this are pivotal to our success. The Fire in the Fields team sewed costumes, edited music, choreographed dance moves and practised for hours on end and we can't thank them enough for their investment in our children!

Guise Principal Position

An expression of interest will be generated next week for a Relieving Principal for Guise PS for the remainder of the year. I will keep you updated with the progress we make in filling this vital role. A school leader will be sought with significant, successful experience in a similar school.

OC Tests

Good luck to the two Year Four students who are sitting the OC Test at Macquarie Fields HS on Wednesday! This is a rigorous test of literacy, numeracy and general capability and is in place to support the application process for these gifted and talented classes in local Public Schools.

Playground Upgrade

We are delighted with the progress being made in lifting the appearance and function of our very large (grounds size) school. New gardens, sporting fields, staff facilities, vegetable garden and poultry space etc. are starting to take shape and are setting the tone of the school as a place of quality teaching and learning. We have also spent nearly \$5000 on new equipment for each class to build a stimulating classroom environment. Watch this space...

NAIDOC

Congratulations to Miss Bell and the team for organising a very hands-on approach to NAIDOC Day. The students enjoyed some engaging rotational activities including jewellery making, boomerang design and throwing, Indigenous Games, Johnny Cake baking and so on. All classes also presented excellent research on indigenous issues at our K-6 Assembly that was partly led by Zane and Alyah Pera.

New Students

Six new students commenced at Guise PS on Monday. Welcome to you all! Suzana, Zubede, Jack, Jay, Hannah and Vaiolla have all made a super start at Guise and I would like to wish them successful learning.

Mark Diamond - Principal

You Can Do It News

This week during our You Can Do It lessons, students explored the nine values seen to be important to being a good citizen with good character. These nine values are :

Caring, Doing Your Best, fair Go, freedom, Honesty, Doing the Right Thing, Respect, Responsibility & Accepting Others. Further lessons will continue to explore these values and they will be displayed around the school. Don't forget to ask your child about the nine values and how they have used them at school & home.

Mrs Karen Davies—Assistant Principal



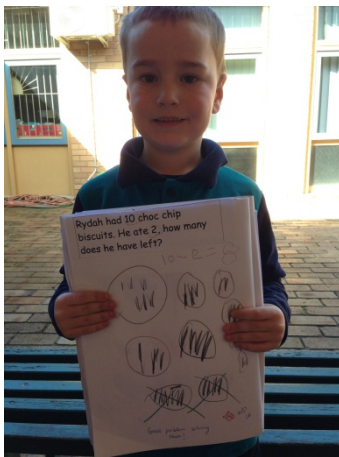
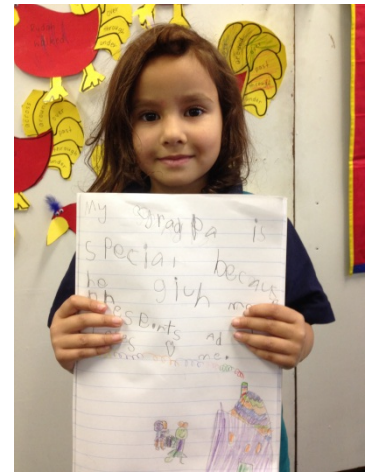
Learning at Guise

It's been wonderful to see all students settling back into school routines and being highly engaged in deep learning. I've had visits from many students throughout the last fortnight who have proudly showcased the work that they have been completing in class. As an educator, it motivates me to see such high quality, varied learning experiences taking place across all our classes. Students at Guise Public School are working hard to achieve their learning goals and act on feedback given by their teachers to improve their work. I encourage all families to talk to their children about their learning. Ask them; What are you good at? What do you need more help with? How can I help you to improve? What is something you have already improved in? Share this valuable information with your child's teacher so that we can work together to ensure your child continues to achieve.

Have a look at some of the awesome work our students have been doing!

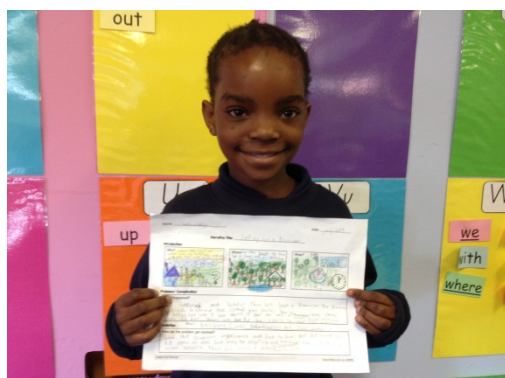


Yasmina KE - Writing about her grandpa using lovely spaces between words.



Noah KE - Solving the problems of the world with pictures!

Riley K/1S - I've been learning to "go back and fix up my mistakes" when reading.



Suzana 2/3S - In the planning phase of the writing process. Suzana is planning to write an imaginative text.

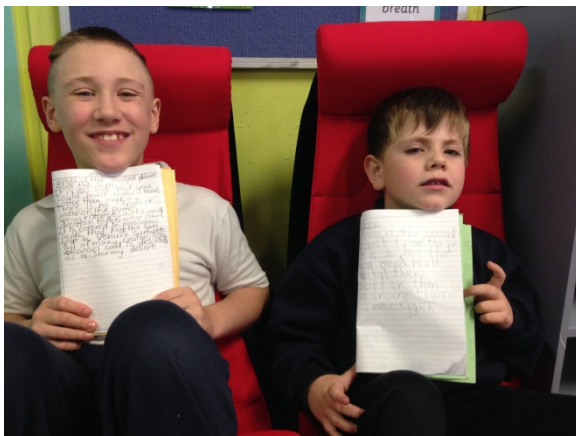
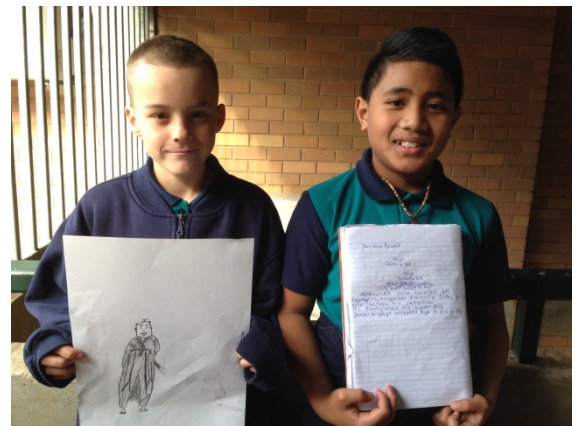




Lloyd and Douglas 3/4H - Learning about composition in portraiture.

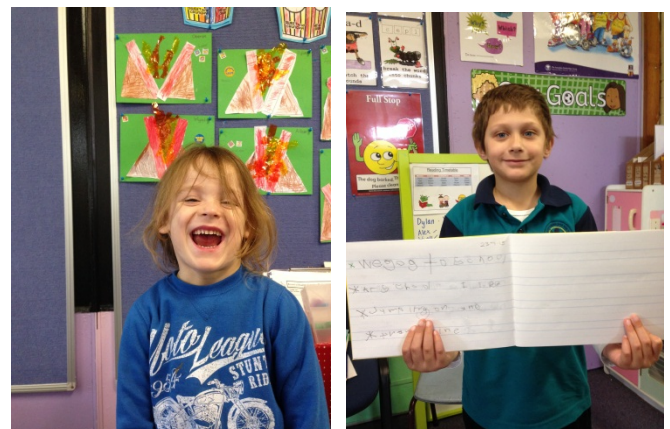


Jacob and Frank 5/6M - Summarising a narrative using a 'Narrative Pyramid' and using information to visualise characters.



Matthew and Ryan 2/6C - Researching and recording interesting facts about Venus.

Wyatt and Albie K/1C - Our fine motor skills are developing beautifully. We can colour in the lines and form our letters correctly.



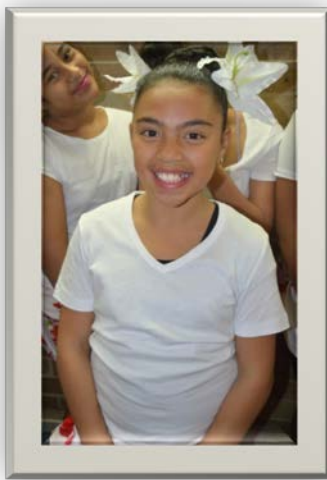
Keep working hard to reach your goals, Guise Public School!

Nathan Neilson
Deputy Principal



Wonderful Fire and Field

Performers



Our End of Term P&C Fun Day

