

Guise Public School

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Term 1 Week 8 2019

School Term Dates 2019

Term 1 Monday 28 January - Friday 12 April 2018

Term 2 Monday 29 April - Friday 5 July (Students return Tuesday 30 April)

Term 3 Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September (Students return Tuesday 23 July)

Term 4 Monday 14 October - Friday 20 December (Students finish Wednesday 18 December)

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Tuesday 26 March

Friday 29 March

Wednesday 3 April

Thursday 11 April

Friday 12 April

TERM 2

Monday 29 April

Tuesday 30 April

Assembly

Gala Day Back-up

P&C Meeting

Easter Hat Parade

Last Day of Term

School Development Day

First day back for students



Please report trespassing on school grounds, unlawful acts and vandalism to School Security on 1300 880 021

Principal's Report

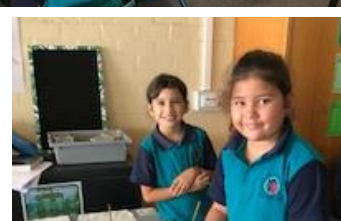
National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence

The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence (NDA) is an important day to mark Australian school communities standing together against bullying and violence. Last Thursday our school community rallied to share their commitment to say '**Bullying. No Way!**' which reinforced our anti-bullying program. This whole school event helped to raise awareness of how to prevent and deal with bullying.

On the day, we coordinated rotational activities across all classes with the theme of 'Bullying. No Way!'. The event was also linked to our annual Harmony Day, which celebrates Australia's cultural diversity and is about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. These themes link directly to the anti-bullying focus of the National Day of Action. Some of the activities included Harmony Day balloons, badges, handprints and kindness donut craft.

We also took an aerial photo of students K-6 organised on the school field to spell out the key slogan: '**NO**'.

The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence was a great opportunity for Guise PS and other Australian schools to highlight their everyday work to counter bullying and violence.



Tell Them From Me student feedback survey

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

More information about the survey is available at:

<http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au>

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. More than 6,300 schools in Australia and around the world have used *Tell Them From Me* to survey 5.4 million students. Capturing the voices of our students will help improve how we do things at our school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 11 March and 12 April.

Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey has been sent home with students. FAQs are available from:

<http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>.

School Ambassador

Each year our school chooses a student from Stage 3 to be our representative for the School Ambassador Program, who displays exemplary behaviour, leadership skills and is a positive role model for other students. This year it was decided that a worthy recipient of this important role would be Conner G, from 6D.

Next term, Conner will attend the School Ambassador Launch Day to officially start the program. On the day Conner will join with Student Ambassadors across more than 32 Glenfield and Liverpool area schools in various leadership activities.

As our School Ambassador, Conner will work with a group of 4 students of nearby schools to design a project solution to a problem in a school or the local community. At the launch day, Conner will be presented his School Ambassador badge that I know he will wear with pride here at Guise PS.



Smoking near school grounds

At Guise Public School, we take the health and safety of our students and wider community very seriously. A law was passed on 6 July 2015 prohibiting smoking within four metres of the entrance to any public buildings. This law also applies to the entry to our school grounds. All parents and community members who smoke outside of school grounds are required by law to be at least four metres from our school gate. Please find attached to this newsletter further information on the 'four metre law'. We thank you for your support and cooperation.



Assemblies

We are always happy to have families join us at our formal assemblies in Weeks 3, 6 and 9 and would like to continue encouraging you to do so. We understand that parents often have younger children or toddlers in their care when attending these events. To ensure all students remain settled and attentive during assemblies, we ask that you do not allow younger children or toddlers to sit with students and their class. They are most welcome to sit with you on the chairs set up at the back of the hall. We work extremely hard to ensure our students are focused and respectful during these special assemblies and would appreciate your support and co-operation.

Breakfast Club

Many children are joining other students and staff volunteers in the old hall to visit our Breakfast Club each morning. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to get a great start to their school day with a healthy breakfast that will fuel their body and mind for focused learning in class. Breakfast Club is open each morning from 8.30 - 8.50am.

Please remind your child that they must sit down and eat in the Breakfast Room, and they are not to take their food out to the playground.



Have a wonderful week!
Megan Predl



PRE-KINDER

Growing at Guise

IS YOUR CHILD STARTING SCHOOL IN 2020?

Guise Public School is offering a Pre-Kinder program that will help your child with the readiness they need to start school.

Once enrolled at Guise Public School your child will be invited to attend 2 sessions a week. The sessions will begin in Term 2 and will run on a Tuesday and Thursday from 9:15am to 12pm.



For further inquiries please contact the office on 9605 4397

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19 March 2019

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION SCHEME 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

While Public Schools do not ask parents to pay school fees, they are able to ask families for a contribution towards the funds used to run the school. For this reason, we are asking parents and carers for a voluntary contribution towards the educational needs of the children at Guise Public School.

We appreciate that these times are economically challenging and for schools it is the same. Voluntary contributions are used to purchase exercise books, pencils, art and craft supplies, paper and other necessities. This enables the school to purchase more teaching and learning resources to improve student outcomes.

At Guise Public School, we are asking for a contribution of **\$25.00 per child or \$50.00 per family** with two or more children.

Receipts will be issued for all donations. Every voluntary contribution made will be in the draw to win one of three excellent prizes!

- 1st Prize: School Voucher \$100.00**
- 2nd Prize: School Voucher \$50.00**
- 3rd Prize: Beyblade Burst Turbo – Sling Shock Set**

Prizes will be drawn Term 2 Week 9 at our whole school assembly!

With anticipated thanks,

Megan Predl
Principal

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GUISE PUBLIC SCHOOL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION SCHEME 2018

I enclose \$ _____, as my voluntary contribution to Guise Public School.

PARENT/CARER NAME: _____ (PLEASE PRINT)

ADDRESS: _____

PARENT/CARER of _____ Class: _____

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**PUBLIC
BUILDINGS**

No smoking near entrances to or exits from a public building (the 4 metre law)

THE FACTS

The *Smoke-free Environment Act 2000* makes a number of outdoor public places smoke-free. Smoking is banned within 4 metres of a pedestrian entrance to or exit from a public building in NSW. This law is called the '4 metre law'.

The '4 metre law' was delayed for licensed premises and restaurants until 6 July 2015. This delay was allowed to support consistent application of the smoking ban on commercial outdoor dining areas from 6 July 2015.

What types of public buildings are covered by the 4 metre law?

Smoking is already banned in enclosed areas of public places in NSW. The law extends the smoking ban to cover the area within 4 metres of a pedestrian entrance to or exit from a public building, such as:

- ✓ shopping centres, malls and plazas;
- ✓ schools, colleges and universities;
- ✓ childcare facilities;
- ✓ community centres, halls and places of worship;
- ✓ theatres, cinemas, libraries and galleries;
- ✓ accommodation hotels and motels;
- ✓ professional, trade, commercial and other business premises;
- ✓ fitness centres, bowling alleys and other sporting and recreational facilities; and
- ✓ Local, NSW and Federal Government premises.

and from 6 July 2015

- ✓ licensed premises including clubs and hotels;
- ✓ restaurants; and
- ✓ cafés.

What buildings are not covered by the '4 metre law'?

Buildings used only for residential purposes such as private houses or multi-unit residential accommodation (such as boarding houses, buildings in caravan parks and residential accommodation in community or strata schemes) are not covered by the '4 metre law'.

Buildings that have multiple uses, such as residential and commercial purposes, will be subject to the '4 metre law' only at those entrances and exits which are used for non-residential purposes.

Does the smoke-free law apply to someone walking along the footpath while smoking as they pass within 4 metres of an entrance to a public building?

No. This situation is not considered an offence, so long as the person does not remain in the smoke-free area while smoking. The purpose of the ban is to stop smokers from congregating immediately outside entrances to or exits from public buildings.

Will there be signage to indicate where smoking is not permitted?

The law does not require signs to be displayed to indicate that smoking is not permitted within 4 metres of a pedestrian entrance to or exit from a public building. This is due to the diverse range of public buildings that are captured under the law.

The law allows NSW Health to work with Local Councils and other Government departments to develop signage appropriate to the different public buildings. 'No smoking' signage is strongly encouraged to support public awareness of the smoking ban.

How will this be enforced?

NSW Health Authorised Inspectors can enforce the ban within 4 metres of an entrance to or exit from a public building under the *Smoke-free Environment Act 2000*.

On the spot fines of \$300 may apply to individuals who do not comply with the '4 metre law', including at hospitality venues from 6 July 2015.

Why is this Act in place?

The number of people who gather just outside the entrances of buildings can be significant. This has the effect of forcing people entering and leaving those buildings to walk through groups of smokers, exposing them to second-hand smoke. Also, smoke drift can easily occur from outside buildings to the indoor areas.

There is no safe level of exposure to second-hand tobacco smoke. This is the smoke which smokers exhale after inhaling from a lit cigarette and the smoke emitted from a burning cigarette

In adults, breathing second-hand tobacco smoke can increase the risk of heart disease, lung cancer and other lung diseases. It can worsen the effects of other illnesses such as asthma and bronchitis. Exposing ex-smokers to other people's tobacco smoke increases the chance of relapsing to smoking.

For children, inhaling second-hand tobacco smoke is even more dangerous. This is because children's airways are smaller, and their immune systems are less developed. These differences make children more likely to suffer health problems due to second-hand smoke such as bronchitis, pneumonia and asthma.

Creating smoke-free outdoor areas, such as smoke-free entrances and exits from public buildings, supports those who have quit and makes smoking less visible to children and young people.

How does this affect Local Council bans on smoking?

Many NSW councils, under the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993*, have introduced their own smoking bans. Where these bans are in place, they can continue to be enforced by Local Council rangers.

NOTE: This fact sheet provides general guidance on complying with the *Smoke-free Environment Act 2000*. Please refer to the exact wording of the Act and associated regulations concerning points of law.

For more information

Learn more or report a breach at health.nsw.gov.au/smokefree.

Call the Tobacco Information Line on 1800 357 412.

Non-English speaker?

Call the Translating and Interpreting Service on 13 14 50.



Health

Stay informed with the SkoolBag App



The SkoolBag app is the easiest way to stay up-to-date with school events, last minutes notices, newsletters and **all** school communications.

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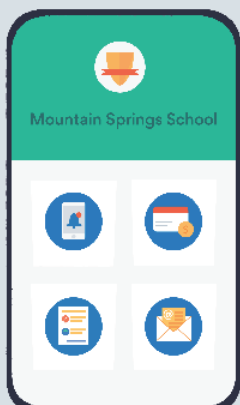
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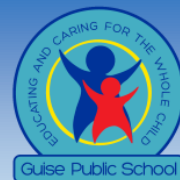
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School Planner Term 1 2019

Term One	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
Week 1		29 January Staff Development Day	30 January Years 1-6 students start	31 January	1 February	2 3 Feb
2	4 February 2019 Kinders start	5 February	6 February P&C Meeting	7 February	8 February	9 10 Feb
3	11 February	12 February Assembly	13 February	14 February	15 February	16 17 Feb
4	18 February	19 February	20 February	21 February 3.30pm Swimming Carnival	22 February	23 24 Feb
5	25 February Family Partnership Meetings (all week)	26 February	27 February	28 February	1 March Gala Day	2 3 Mar
6	4 March	5 March Assembly Grip Student Leadership Conference	6 March P&C AGM	7 March	8 March P&C Sausage Sizzle	9 10 Mar
7	11 March	12 March	13 March	14 March National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence	15 March Gala Day	16 17 Mar
8	18 March	19 March	20 March	21 March	22 March	23 24 Mar
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10	1 April	2 April	3 April P&C Meeting	4 April	5 April	6 7 Apr
11	8 April	9 April	10 April	11 April Easter Hat Parade	12 April Last Day of Term	13 14 Apr