

GWANDALAN PUBLIC SCHOOL



Principal: Don Begg
Mini Newsletter Term 1
Week 9 - 24th March 2009

Harmony Day

Many thanks to parents who were able to support Harmony Day by providing Orange clothing. Visitors from Lake Munmorah PS were impressed with our assembly and Aboriginal Dance Group items

Stranger Danger/Safer Routes To School

News headlines in recent times have reported incidents where young children have been approached by strangers and asked to get into cars etc.

Please remind your children that they **only get a car ride** with family and known neighbours.

I have concerns about students cutting across bushland between the old Grammar School and Summerland Point. It is longer **but** much safer to stay close to the road and walk/ride to the roundabout. Students are asked to walk directly to and from school and not wander on their way.

Winter School Uniform

A reminder that as the cooler weather approaches students will need to be wearing warmer clothing. **We do not wish** for students to wear Baby Milo windcheaters/with zips.

Our winter school uniform is:

Blue/Black and White Taslon school jackets available from Lowes.

Blue polo tops – fleecy

Black Trousers or Royal Blue tracksuit pants

AFL Goal Posts

A big thank you to General Assistants Mr Peter Reed and Mr Bill Soult for installing the AFL goal posts. These were donated by the AFL.

Important Dates

AFL - Paul Kelly Cup Wednesday 25th March

Tuesday 31st March – School Photos (Summer school uniform)

Wednesday 1st April – Disco \$4/student

Kind. To Year 2 – 5.15pm to 6.30pm

Year 3 to Year 6 – 6.30pm to 8.00pm

Theme – April Fool's

Wednesday 8th April – Easter Hat Parade

AEC General Meeting in Community Room

Friday 10th April – Good Friday

P&C NEWS

Easter Raffle – we would love donations of Easter eggs for our raffle. Please drop them off at the front office. Raffle tickets will be sold at the Disco and at the Easter Hat Parade as well as at morning tea (day/s to be announced). Prizes will be on display at the canteen and drawn at the Hat Parade.

Hot Cross Buns - Order forms will be coming out this week. Cost is \$5 for half dozen to be returned by Monday 30th March.

Thank You to those parents that attended the fundraising meeting. We have an email list. Anyone wanting to be involved who was unable to attend can email Silvana at silren@dodo.com.au. The next P&C meeting is on Tuesday 7th April at 7pm.

Harmony Day 2009

12 Koori Students attended Lake Munmorah High School and Lake Munmorah Public School for an official assembly. They were accompanied by Mr Begg, Ms Field and Mrs Andrews.

The assembly highlighted the significance of building stronger community relationships.

As a whole school we celebrated Harmony Day by in class activities, followed by a whole school assembly with visiting schools in attendance. The Aboriginal Dance Group performed and a D.V.D. showcasing how Gwandalan Public School implements Aboriginal Education was shown.

Mrs Carew organised an afternoon of bringing the whole school together linking bodies to represent diversity, living co operatively and in harmony. Many thanks to all staff, students and parent helpers who made the day extra special.

Belinda Field
Aboriginal Ed. Co-ordinator

TUNKUWALLIN TENNIS & SPORTS CLUB

02 4976 2052

FREE PEARL JAM SHOW

Easter Saturday 11th April – from 8pm

They've got rave reviews for their appearances and it's guaranteed the Club will be pumping with the great sounds of this 5 piece band. **It will be an evening not to be missed!**

Courtesy Bus Available – call the Club for bookings

APRIL SPORTS SCHOOL VACATION PROGRAM will be conducted by

FUN FIT SPORTS, at Lake Munmorah High School, Carters Rd, 14th – 24th April.

Fun Fit Sports Programs are designed for children 5 - 13 yrs and are based on active participation in a variety of different sports and activities including:

* Athletics * Ball skills * Motor skill development * Soccer
* Basketball * Golf * Number Hockey * Drama * Badminton
* T-ball * Tae * Baseball * A F L * Flag football * Cricket *
Dance Excursion - we are off to Swimming and aqua slides at Mingara & Ten Pin Bowling.

**** CCB % SUBSIDY ASSISTANCE applies to the program ****

For program forms, enquires and bookings phone KAREN 0418-216-836 or visit www.funfitsports.com or email:

karendp@bigpond.net.au

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