



Week 6 Term 2

Dear Friends of Gwandalan Public School Education Week

What a positive week for our school. Many parents attended the Morning Tea Open Day Assembly and classroom visits.

\$600 was raised from the Book Fair sales.

Cross Country Results

Sensational results. Overall Gwandalan finished 5th out of 21 schools.

Congratulations to all competitors and in particular the following students for gaining places.

1st Brooke

2nd Ashlee

3rd Blade

Visiting Aboriginal Dancers/Deadly Australians

Many thanks to all parents for their support in allowing students to attend. Many interesting facts and understandings were gained during these performances.

Technical Difficulties

Our sincere apologies for some errors which have occurred lately. Our computer system has been updated and many items/short cuts and information was lost before being discovered. We have taken delivery of a new photocopier which has not yet been networked to our computers.

All should be adjusted and working smoothly ASAP.

School Uniform

A reminder that our school colours are blue/black and white.

Many jackets in pink, red, purple, white and orange have been appearing at school.

Please wear school uniform.

Stranger Danger

Media have reported that students have been approached in recent times to get into a car and to go with them in areas around Lake Macquarie. A Police Task Force has been formed to catch the offender(s). It is important that all parents revise stranger danger strategies. Teachers are revising these strategies at school. We must be careful not to create panic and hysteria. Any persons acting suspiciously should be reported to the police. Details such as car registration, make of vehicle and physical description will assist police in their investigations.

Rebel Sport Discounts –

Our school now has cards available to all families to use at any Rebel Sport Stores which entitle them to a 5% discount on any purchases they make at the school. After your first purchase this paper discount card will be replaced by a plastic card at the Rebel Store

which you may keep indefinitely. Please make use of this offer when visiting any Rebel Store as the school will also receive greater discounts in the future.

Sport in Schools – 2008 – This year's Sport in Schools Program will again run throughout Term 3 and the cost per student will be \$30.00. Please make your payments any time between now and the end of Term 2 to ensure that your child can participate each week throughout the term.

Boys PSSA Softball Knockout Match – The Boys Softball Team played against Wyong Public School on Thursday 15th May. The game started off badly for our boys, being behind 6-1 after the first innings. Our boys kept improving throughout the match to eventually overtake Wyong to the tune of 16 runs to 7. The boys all played really well as a team and are looking forward to their next match against Toukley this Wednesday.

Boys Football Training – From now on the boys football squad will be training every Tuesday afternoon with Mr Kemp on the school grounds between 3.00 & 4.00pm.

District Cross Country – The District School Cross Country was held at the Wyong leagues Club grounds last Friday. We can be very proud of our representatives who performed with distinction. Some of our best results included Brooke and Ashlee – 1st & 2nd respectively in the 10yrs girls, Blade – 3rd in the 12yrs boys, Mikayla & Kaila – 5th & 6th respectively in the 11yrs girls, Jayden – 6th in the 10yrs boys, Bailey – 9th in the 9yrs boys, James – 10th in the 11yrs boys and Olivia – 11th in the 12yrs girls. Overall our school came 5th out of 21 schools which is a great result. Well done to all those who competed on the day and thank you to the parents who provided transport and support for our students.

Stage 3 Canberra/Snow Excursion – The Canberra Excursion for Year 5 and 6 students has been organised and there are no spots left. There is a waiting list for those students who can still bring in their \$70.00 deposit.

Mrs Sanderson is trying to find more accommodation for those that have missed out – hopefully we will have more spots for these people after the holidays.

A HUGE THANKYOU – The school is extremely grateful to Mr and Mrs Grassi who have donated two large bags of brand new soccer balls to the school for use by all students. Thank you again for the generous donation, Mrs & Mrs Grassi!

LAND CARE

Land Care will not be on this week.
The weather forecast for Wednesday is heavy rain.

Will be on next Wednesday.

GWANDALAN PUBLIC SCHOOL
CANTEEN ROSTER
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9th June	Karen Castrogiovanni
10th	Judy Patterson
11th	Megan Jackson
12th	Kirra Lee
13th	Michelle Jackson
16th	Bianca Loxton
17th	Melissa McCandless
18th	Karen Voncina
19th	Linda Davis
20th	Ann Marie Withycombe
23rd	Kylie Dyer
24th	Judy Patterson
25th	Megan Jackson
26th	Leanne Bruce
27th	Leanne Fitzgibbon/Michelle Thompson
30th	Linda Davis

THANK YOU

A big "Thank You" to everyone who purchased a book from our Book Fair last Wednesday for Education Week. Our sales resulted in bonus books to the value of \$600.00 being added to our library. The books are being processed and will be available for borrowing over the next few weeks.

B. Pirlo
Teacher-Librarian

It's not OK to be AWAY!

During Terms 2 and 3, 2007 Gwandalan Public school is looking to achieve an overall attendance rate of 95% or better. This will begin in Week 9 and be carried out until Week 9 of Term 3. To help achieve this attendance rate, students will have the chance to participate in a rewards day. Those who meet these criteria of 95% or better will be eligible to attend a rewards day held in Week 9 of each term. This is equivalent for your student to miss two days or less. The rewards day will be conducted between recess and lunch and would consist of a free fun day. This may be a movie, tabloids day, day disco or swimming. Those students who reach 100% attendance will go into a raffle for a prize. Your support for this plan would be much appreciated. If there are any questions or queries please contact David Kemp at the school.