

GEPS NEWS

Term 1 Week 4

Thursday 21st February, 2013

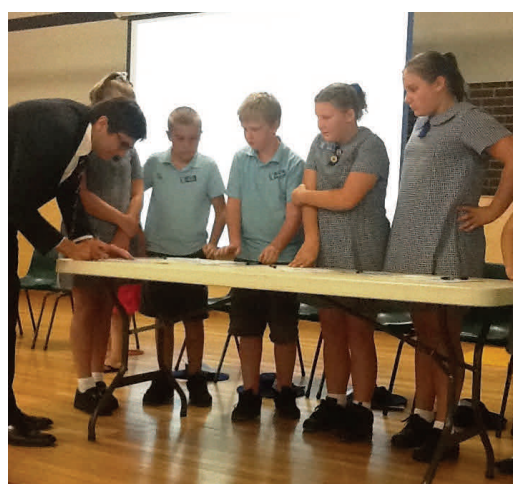
The Newsletter of Glendale East Public School

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Leaders Induction Ceremony



Week 5	25 Feb Kindy Vision Screening	26 Feb	27 Feb	28 Feb	1 Mar Assembly 10.30	2/3 Mar
Week 6	4 Mar	5 Mar	6 Mar	7 Mar	8 Mar PSSA Trials Assembly 10.30	9/10
Week 7	11 Mar	12 Mar	13 Mar	14 Mar	15 Mar Assembly 10.30	16/17

Glendale East Public School values Respect, Honesty, Care, Love, Tolerance and Responsibility.

I hope you have had a wonderful break. It has been such a positive start to the year at Glendale East. I have enjoyed meeting all of the wonderful people in the school community and look forward to touching base with all parents in the next week.

Term 1 is sure to be a very exciting one in class 1M. We have already begun Literacy and Maths Groups which will run all year. We welcome parent helpers starting Week 4. There will be an expression of interest calendar above the Home Reading shelf soon.

This term we are also learning all about transport. We have discussed the things we would love to learn about transport including the top speed of a jet, the world's most expensive car and how submarines move.

This year our library day is Monday. Please encourage your child to borrow books regularly using a clearly labelled library bag. Fridays will continue to be busy in 2013 with Scripture and Assembly and Sport all being held on this day.

NITS

Please be aware that there have been nits reported in some classrooms. Please check your child's hair each morning before school and treat the hair appropriately if nits are evident.

APPOINTMENTS

Whilst all staff are more than happy to discuss any issues pertaining to your children and staff are available after and before school for a chat it would be appreciated if all parents and carers could ring ahead to schedule an appointment as there have been times recently when staff have not been available. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter .

SWIMMING DAY

Tomorrow is the inaugural Glendale East Swimming fun day. This should be a great day with plenty of fun activities planned. There will be competitive age races, novelty events and fun water activities. All parents are invited and encouraged to attend for some or all of the day to cheer the kids on and get involved in what I'm sure will be a wonderful day.

There will also be adequate supervision at school for any students that are not attending this day.

There will be a notification sent out of facebook if it is cancelled.

SCHOOL FEES:

School Fees re now due. They are \$35.00 per person as agreed with by the P and C. This will pay for textbooks and for site licenses to reading eggs for kindergarten to year 2 students and reading eggspress for students in years 5-7. This will also cover the cost of other classroom resources and materials that we will be using throughout the year.

Your children will not be able to access these sites or receive their textbooks until fees have been paid. If you need to pay in instalments please contact the office.

DANCE GROUP

The audition piece for the extension dance group will be ready to film by the end of next week. This will be posted on facebook or you can get a copy from the school. Your child will be able to practise the routine before trying out for the extension dance group.

k/10 News

We have been having a great time in our Reading and Writing groups. Everyone has enjoyed learning with the iPads and various other fun activities. The Home Reading Program will begin in Week 5. A letter has been sent home about the borrowing process.

Thanks to everyone who has donated tissues and hand wash. It is very much appreciated.

We have been looking forward to the Swimming Fun Day. I am sure we will all have a great day at Wallsend Pool.

School Photos

School Photos will be held on Tuesday 19th of March. All students will be photographed with their class and also individually. There will be opportunities for all students to have family photos taken also. These envelopes are available on request at the school office.

Photo envelopes sent home today. **Please return your completed envelope to the school ON or BEFORE PHOTOGRAPHY DAY.** (Late orders attract a surcharge.)

Please enclose correct money as no change is given. Cash, cheques and money orders only (no credit cards accepted)

Big Thankyou

Woolworths earn and learn



This week we received a huge range of new learning resources from our Woolworths Earn and Learn campaign.

Check out just some of the gear the kids will be using in class. Thank you everyone who participated.



P&C News

The first P&C meeting for 2013 was held last night with a great turnout.

Issues raised:

Mr Pyrce will organise **locks for boys toilets. Silver and Gold rewards** will no longer included homework, but will be awarded based on behaviour, attendance and uniform.

A **uniform committee** will be formed to discuss uniform options—more information to come at a later date.

Swim lessons for the entire school—

Enquiry from a parent re swim lessons as part of the sport program targeted at whole school. This whole school swim lessons is usually included in a sport program. Our school will do the intensive swim program. GEPS would be happy to support swim lessons year round in sport time – but this would not mean that PSSA sport will not go ahead, will incur a cost for busses. Not enough interest or resources at this time.

EASTER RAFFLE—please donate Easter eggs to the canteen to be placed in our Easter raffle.

FOOD FOR LIFE

Baptist Community Services Helping Families In Need

Providing Basic Groceries for low Income Families, **Free Membership**, all you need is a Health Care Card or a Pension Card.

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SCHOOL BANKING

Just a reminder that
**Commonwealth School
banking day is very
Tuesday.**



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CANTEEN ROSTER 2013

Monday 25h Feb	CLOSED
Tuesday 26th Feb	J Williams
Wed 27th Feb	N Down
Thursday 28th Feb	R Cross, D Richardson
Friday 1 Mar	D Gibson
Monday 4 Mar	CLOSED
Tuesday 5 Mar	F Harris
Wednesday 6th Mar	J Merrick
Thursday 7th Mar	L Davidson, J Stamford
Friday 8th Mar	R Coxon, D Savin