

# GEPS NEWS

Term 1 Week 10

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The Newsletter of Glendale East Public School

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## Easter Hat Parade

A large number of parents and grandparents visited the Infants classrooms last Thursday to assist in the making of an Easter hat. The glitter, paper, glue and decorations covered the rooms. There was lots of talking, sharing and laughing. However, the results were worth all the noise and the mess. The hats were amazing. The children were proud. The parade was a great success!



### **COMING EVENTS**, please note these important dates on your calendar:-

4th May, 2013 - Landcare 4/5D & 5/6 2pm

5th May, 2013 - **Zone Cross Country POSTPONED TO WEDNESDAY 10TH APRIL**

11th May, 2013 - Landcare 4/5D & 5/6 2pm

### **Term 2**

29th April, 2013 — STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

30th April, 2013 — STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

1st May, 2013 — SCHOOL RESUMES FOR STUDENTS

**ASSEMBLY**—Every Friday at 10.30am

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

## Hunter Sports High School

Hunter Sports High School has finalised its Targeted Sports Programs for 2014, formulated its enrolment procedures and downloaded all information on its website. All interested Yr 6 students and their parents can access the information from the website [www.huntersports.com.au](http://www.huntersports.com.au)

## Huge Thankyou

A fantastic result from the Easter Raffle, we raised \$629.50!! A huge thank you to everyone who donated eggs for the prizes. A big thank you to Maryanne Barry, Nadine Davey and Melissa Cooper plus all the other Mums who co-ordinated the day. Congratulations to everyone who won prizes on the day.

## Woolworths Earn & Learn

**From Monday 8th April to 9th June** you will be able to collect 1 sticker for every \$10 spent at Woolworths supermarkets.

Last year we earned over 57,000 points which enabled us to purchase much needed literacy and numeracy resources.

The children will soon bring home a card to collect stickers on. Please send back to school when completed.

## Parking Around School

**Please be careful when parking in school areas.**

**It is illegal to park across a pedestrian or school crossings.**

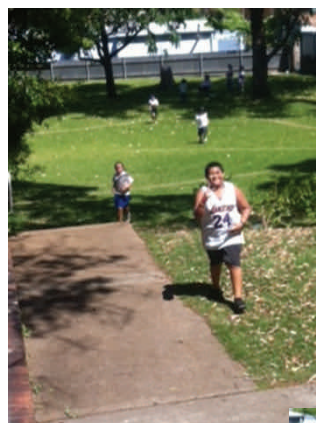
## Staff Development Days

There will be two school development days at the start of Term 2. The extra day has been gazetted for teachers to participate in professional learning on the new syllabuses which support the new Australian Curriculum.

**School will resume for students on Wednesday May 1st.**

## School Cross Country

Our cross country was held last week in some very hot conditions. All the kids tried their hardest and there were some very red faces at the end of the run. Congratulations to all the winners and place getters who will now go on to represent our school at the zone cross country event tomorrow.



## Stage One Excursion



Last Wednesday the students in Years 1 and 2 went on an excursion to enhance their understanding of modes of transport and transport systems. The teachers were extremely happy with the way the students conducted themselves throughout the day. They did Glendale East proud.

The day began with a coach trip to Newcastle Airport at Williamstown. When we arrived at the airport we went to the 'Airport Classroom' where our guide talked to us about the things we would be seeing on our tour. We then separated into two groups and began our tours. The students really enjoyed having the opportunity to experience checking-in and passing through security. They loved checking out what the teachers had in their bags on the x-ray machine. After that we went 'airside' and looked at the way the bags are processed on conveyer belts. We also went to the enormous shed where the planes are serviced called a hanger. Finally we went up to visit 'Tim the TOC' who works very hard to make sure everybody is safe in and around the airport.

From the airport we headed for Stockton in the coach. We had a great picnic in the park before boarding the ferry to Queens Wharf. We then walked to Newcastle Train Station to catch our train to Cardiff. By the time the coach brought us back to school from Cardiff, we were ready to relax and have a look at the photos from the day.



## The Jungle Book Production



Every two years the students of GEPS perform a musical as a whole school. Whole school productions are a fabulous way to showcase the many talented students at our school and allow every student to shine in the area of Creative Arts.

This year Glendale East will be performing Disney's 'The Jungle Book'. The story is of a young boy, Mowgli who is raised by wolves and is no longer safe in the jungle as Shere Khan, the tiger has returned. The musical takes us on Mowgli's adventure through the jungle to the 'man village' where he can reside safely.

We had many enthusiastic and talented students audition for parts in the production. Successful students have received their roles and have begun rehearsals this week during lunch times. Of course, a production of this scale cannot happen without the help of many people. It would be greatly appreciated if you could contact the school if you are interested in being a part of the production team. This could involve sewing, hair and make-up, the making and painting of props and backdrops, ticketing, costumes etc.



## K/10 News....



It is hard to believe that Term 1 is almost over! It has been great to see everyone working so enthusiastically in class, especially during our Reading and Writing Groups. This enthusiasm has resulted in some very impressive results. We have all enjoyed using the Reading Eggs program as well as the great interactive games on the iPads. We now have 5 iPads and 4 computers permanently in our classroom to use throughout the day.

Thank you to all of the parents who have volunteered their time to come into our class and assist with Reading Groups. If any parents or grandparents would like to help out, please see me either before or after school. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Year 1 had a great time on the excursion last week. We were very lucky to get a behind the scenes tour of Newcastle airport. All of the teachers were very impressed with the exceptional behaviour displayed by all of the students. Well done! We have also been keeping a close eye on our class pets- 3 stick insects! They are growing very fast in their new enclosure. A big thank you to Paul for all of his hard work!



## Award Winners



## Uniforms

### Need new Winter Uniforms?

Please order before the end of term Friday 12th April to pick up orders first week back next Term.

There will only be one order of Girls Winter tunics. I have new samples of girls long pants in the Canteen if you would like to see them before you buy.

Uniform days are Tuesday and Friday mornings in the canteen. Order forms available in the canteen or office or the schools website. New payment options EFTPOS and credit card now available.

### CANTEEN ROSTER 2013

Monday 8th Apr	<b>CLOSED</b>
Tuesday 9th Apr	M Cooper
Wed 10th Apr	S Munro
Thursday 11th Apr	D Wilson
Friday 12th Apr	C Maytom & T Morris
Monday 29th Apr	<b>SDD</b>
Tuesday 30th Apr	<b>SDD</b>
Wednesday 1st May	T French
Thursday 2nd May	M Abra
Friday 3rd May	L Mayer