From the Principal’s desk…..

Dear Parents,

On Monday, the whole school took part in the Science Fun Day. Our students enthusiastically engaged in a range of experiments and science activities. Everyone attended the Jolly Bops Science Show where humour and science were blended to make a thoroughly enjoyable learning experience. I would like to say a big thank you to Miss Darwish for initiating and co-ordinating the day.

135 students from Stage 2 attended a live performance of Tashi at the Parramatta Riverside Theatres last Friday. From all reports the show was enormously entertaining. After the show students enjoyed lunch in the park opposite and spent some time exploring living things. Our next excursion to the theatre is for Stage 1 next term when they have the opportunity to see a live performance of The Gruffalo. This is booked for June 12 (Week 7) and will also be at the Parramatta Riverside Theatres.

At the P and C meeting held last week it was decided to have a second hand uniform sale at the school on Thursday April 10. This will be held at the front of the uniform shop at 2:30pm. If you have items of school uniform that are in good condition, and not needed because your child has grown out of them or moved onto high school, and you would like to donate them to the P and C stall, please send these along prior to the day. There are a number of items of school uniform in the lost property bin near the uniform shop. Many of these do not have names on them. Any items without names and not claimed by Monday April 7, will be sold at the second hand uniform stall. All funds raised from the sale will go to the P and C for the school air conditioning fund.

Congratulations to Duale who qualified for the 12 year old boys’ 50 metres freestyle at the Regional Swimming carnival. We wish him all the best as he represents our school in this event.

All places for the Swim Scheme are now full. The program starts on Monday March 31 and will continue every day for two weeks. Please ensure that your child attends each of their sessions.

On Tuesday April 1 we will be having a special day to celebrate following the school rule of being safe this term. The school community is invited to wear something green as this is the colour we use to denote ‘We are Safe’ at Granville Public School. There will be a special ‘Green Day’ assembly that day.

Today you should have received a note advising of arrangements for parent and teacher interviews. These will be held over two afternoons on Tuesday April 8 and Wednesday April 9. Times for interviews will be allocated on a ‘first come, first served’ basis so please return the note with your preferred time as quickly as possible. Interpreters will be arranged if required but must be pre-booked.

On the last day of term, we will hold our annual Easter hat parade. This will be after recess at 2pm. The P and C are organising a cake stall for parents that will commence after the parade.

I have received a number of complaints about people double parking their cars at the Florrie Street and Lena Street entrances to school. This practice places students in danger. I again ask that you consider others and follow all road safety rules when dropping off and picking up children from school.

Linda Barry
Principal
Science Fun Day

[Images of children engaged in science activities, including experiments and demonstrations.]
The Preschoolers visited Granville Branch Library on Tuesday 18th (the Koalas) and Wednesday 19th (the Possums) of March. Along with our 3 parent helpers for each day we walked to the library where the library staff read a number of books that addressed the sentiments and importance of Harmony Day. After completely a ‘Harmony Day’ craft activity we made our way back to the preschool. The Possums also enjoyed the Athletics Carnival on Wednesday 5th March.
Thank you to everyone who attended our March P&C meeting. It was decided at our February meeting to allow a small increase in the prices on some of our uniforms. This was confirmed at last weeks meeting and the prices will be effective as of Monday 24th March. Pre order forms are now available, please return them with a $5 deposit to the uniform shop to guarantee we will have the Winter items you need next term. Mother's Day is fast approaching and this year we are asking if our parents would kindly donate small gifts of soaps, candles or other little gifts Mum would love. They can be left at the Uniform Shop anytime it is open. We are hoping to have the new Uniform Shop price list and the pre order form on the school app sometime soon for you to print off at home. Upcoming dates Commonwealth Bank sign up day Friday 4th April 2.30-3.15 to open an account for Student Banking.

Allison Harris P&C President

SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP HOURS
Tuesday and Thursday 2:30-3:15pm
Friday 9:00-9:30am

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GO GREEN, CELEBRATING SAFETY DAY
at Granville Public School
Tuesday 1 April 2014
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We are SAFE

PSSA CRICKET & AFL
PARENTS WITH STUDENTS IN TEAMS ARE REMINDED THE FULL PAYMENT OF $30 BEING FOR TRANSPORT BY BUS IS NOW OVERDUE

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS

120 students who had paid their Voluntary Contributions were in the draw to win a bike or tennis racquet at the last Granville Galaxy Assembly.

Winners of a tennis racquet were:
Lucy - 1B
Andy - 2S

The lucky winners of a bike were:
Daniel - 2W
Sunit - 3/4T

WE HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR PRIZES.