From the Principal’s desk..............

Multiculturalism:
[muhl-lee-kuhl-cher-uh-liz-uhm, muhl-tah-yuh-uhl]  
Noun
1. the state or condition of being multicultural.
2. the preservation of different cultures or cultural identities within a unified society, as a state or nation.

Origin of multiculturalism  
1960-65; multicultural + -ism

Welcome to Term 4 for 2015 – I ask myself why does time fly so quickly? But I know that time doesn’t fly it’s only a perception which is bought about due to the busyness of our lives.

We have a busy week next week with our Multicultural Week Celebrations; starting the week off with:
• Monday - the official opening of our Multicultural Community Garden;
• Tuesday - Milton Public School inter-school Multicultural Celebration visit
  11.30am
  • Students and staff to enjoy lunch provided by Granville P.S.
  12.00pm
  • Stage 3 Assembly – acknowledgement of the difficult journey made by refugees and the significant contribution they make to Australia
  • Welcome to Country
  • School Leaders Welcome Milton Public School
  • Dramatic retelling of an Aboriginal Dreamtime Story by Language Enrichment Class
  12.30pm
  • Language Scavenger Hunt
  1.00pm
  • Farewell

As this is a major celebration for our School Community I am inviting members of our community to join the staff and students throughout the week to help us celebrate our diverse and harmonious multicultural school.

From Wednesday 21 October to Friday 20 November I will be taking long service leave where I will be visiting the United Arab Emirates, India, Sri Lanka, Malaysia and Singapore; as such:
• Mrs Kardasis will be Relieving Principal; and
• Mrs Douglas will be Relieving Deputy Principal.

Gregory Grinham
Principal
**Selective High Schools for 2017**

**Important information**

Parents must apply online at [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement)

Applications for entry in 2017 can be made online between **13 October 2015 and 16 November 2015**.

Applications will not be accepted after 16 November 2015.

If you are intending to apply for Selective High School placement in 2017 please complete the attachment and return it to me by Tuesday 20 October 2015.

All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on **Thursday 10 March 2016**.

**Note:**

THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL.

This is a notice to your primary school only that you intend to apply.

**TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE HIGH PERFORMING STUDENTS APPLICATION WEBSITE.**

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**Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2017**

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I am interested in applying for selective high school entry in 2017

Yes  No

If ‘Yes’ EITHER:

- I have internet access and will be applying online  Yes

OR

- I do not have internet access  Yes

Signature of parent/carer:  Date:  

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Granville Galaxy

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved these awards.

**BRONZE AWARD WINNERS**
Joseph 1C
Amir 1C
Moustafa 3-6LE
Reza 3-6LE
Dehria 3-6LE
Frederick 3-6LE
Andy 3-6LE
Khaled 3-6H
Yousef 3-6H
Qutaiba 3-6H

**GOLD AWARD WINNER**
Ozan 3-6LE
Dilpreet 4/5/6D
Mayada 4/5/6D

**SILVER AWARD WINNERS**
Amany 5/6M
Roselyn 3-6LE
Layla 4/5/6D
Phillip 4/5/6D

**WINNERS**
Mohammad 2H
Mutahar 1C
Menaal 1C

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**Multicultural Celebration Week**

**Monday 19 October 9.20 - 10.20am**
**Multicultural Community Garden Official Opening**
Join us as we officially open our Multicultural Community Garden. Watch as 3-6LE performs a dramatic retelling of an Aboriginal Dreamtime Story.

**Tuesday 20 October 2.00 - 2.45pm**
**Refugee Day Assembly**
Our regular assembly will provide us with an opportunity to honour the difficult journeys and the courage and strength of those who have arrived in Australia as refugees and to acknowledge the important contribution they make to our country.

**Wednesday 21 October 9:15 - 10.15am**
**Multicultural Parade**
Dress in your National Costume and enjoy our multicultural parade. Prizes will be given for best National Costume.

**Thursday 22 October 9.00 - 11.00am K-2, 11.45 - 1.30pm 3-6**
**Australia Day Mini Olympics**
Students will have the chance to throw a thong as one of the novelty events in our Mini Olympics to celebrate Australia Day.

**Friday 23 October 11.00 - 12.00pm**
**Harmony Day Family Picnic**
Bring your family, some lunch and a picnic rug and enjoy gathering as a multicultural school community for a picnic on our field.
A group of 24 students were lucky enough to visit Canberra with a parent last term.

We visited popular Canberra sights including Floriade, The War Memorial and Parliament House.

Everyone had a fantastic time.
CONGRATULATIONS PSSA NETBALLERS!

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Miss Apte
PSSA Netball Coach

2016 KINDERGARTEN
Enrolment Applications
available from the front office
between 9am - 3pm.
If your child turns 5
by July 31, 2016
please complete the
enrolment form.

2015 VOLUNTARY SCHOOL
CONTRIBUTIONS
$40 per year for the first child
$20 for each additional child in the family.
This year all voluntary contributions
will be directed to YOUR child’s classroom.
By paying a small voluntary contribution you are
directly aiding your child’s education.

SCHOOL UNIFORM
SHOP HOURS

Tuesday 2:30-3:15pm
Thursday 9:00-9:30am

Granville Public School
2016 Kindergarten Orientation
TRANSITION TO SCHOOL PROGRAM
“KIDS FOR KINDY”
To assist you and your child making the change to
“Big School”
Bring your pre-schooler along on
Thursdays from 9:00am - 10:00am
15th October – Meet our Principal, Parent and student playgroups
22nd October – Deputy Principal, P&G and School Tour
29th October – P&G (Best Start), Synthetic Pitches & EAS
5th November – Healthy Eating & Lunch Box Session and School Counselors
12th November – School Attendance and School Readiness
19th November – Show Cas, Assembly & Celebration (9:15-10:30am)
Please see the office for enrolment information packs for
Kindergarten 2016.
Phone: 9637 1063

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REMINDERS TO PARENTS

**SCHOOL CANTEEN** - Please ensure that all student lunch orders are submitted to the canteen each day before 8.55am. Lunch orders will not be accepted after this time.

**BIRTHDAYS** - If your child wishes to celebrate their birthday with a cake in the classroom please speak to the classroom teacher prior to the day to arrange an appropriate time. For safety reasons knives are not permitted in classrooms, therefore it is preferable to bring CUPCAKES.

**LOST PROPERTY** - As the weather is so changeable lately, children often take jumpers and jackets off during the day. Please ensure that your child’s name is written clearly on each item of their school uniforms.

ARRIVING LATE TO SCHOOL

Parents are reminded to accompany students into the office and supply an explanation when students are arriving late to school. Absent Notes are required by law for all absences from school.

**Parent Volunteers inside the school must complete a Working With Children check at the following website**

Please bring Working With Children (WWC) number into the office to be verified by the school.

This is in line with the Department’s guide lines.

Did you know?? Granville P.S. has an app!

You can access events, newsletters and notifications, send through absence notes for your child or change your contact details with the school. **Available at no cost from your app store for smart phone or tablet**