From the Rel. Principal’s desk…..

Dear Parents,

Our core business is and always will be teaching and learning with a vision for developing and nurturing life-long learners who contribute to the ongoing development of our society. I congratulate our staff on providing a happy, safe and respectful learning environment that is supportive and collaborative. We have achieved many successes in Term 1 and I thank the staff for taking on new challenges.

Parent Café - Thank you to the continuous support from the community that has been working together to provide the best educational resources possible for the parents and the wider community. Our parents have worked together to establish and open a ‘GPS Parent Café’, where parents will be able to gather together for a chat over a cuppa in the space at the back of the hall.

All parents are welcome, we ask that students do not go near the space and stay in their respective playground areas during opening hours. A big thank you to; Mrs Chalhoub, Mrs Alachrafi, Mrs Ghabach, Mrs Choghari, Mrs Ayoub, Mrs Hussein and any other parent helpers for taking the initiative on and setting up a wonderful space for our parent community. Thank you to the parent café for providing tea and coffee on parent interviews afternoons, it has been greatly appreciated by all the staff.

Voluntary Contributions - I would like to request for all parents to consider paying school fees as a priority, this assist with classroom resources. Classroom teachers require many resources throughout the year to accommodate learning environments that are innovative and engaging for our students. Please assist us in providing the best education possible.

Swim Scheme - We have had an eventful year at swim scheme, with beautiful weather and much needed rain. Thank you to the staff involved in transporting the students to and from school, for getting into the water and being actively involved in teaching students about water safety. We apologise to the families that missed out this year and hope that you will consider being a part of this wonderful program in 2016.

Staffing - Our Instructional Leader, Ms Douglas has been busy with developing staff knowledge in K-2 for Numeracy. Part of this program has come with additional funding for two additional teachers to assist with the delivery of professional development for the staff. As a result we congratulate Ms Emma Cambeay and Mrs Patricia Canepa in accepting the positions as Numeracy Interventionalist for the remainder of 2015. It is a wonderful opportunity for the teachers to engage in current research practices for the Early Action for Success agendas. As a result Mr Marco Del Rizzo will be taking the role as classroom teacher for 2C for the reminder of the year and Miss Fatme faraj and Miss Susan Jida will be job sharing on 1C. Ms Cambeay will remain as the Year 2 Assistant Principal. Both teachers will be at school daily as part of the new project. If you have any questions please feel free to come and see Ms Kardasis.

Harmony Day - This year Harmony Day was celebrated on Monday 30 March. We held a lovely assembly showcasing the talents of our students from different cultures. It was wonderful to see so many students in orange and national dress to celebrate this significant day in living together harmoniously with so much diversity in our community. Thank you to the following teachers for their organisation; Mrs Mani, Miss Houston, Miss Shaw, Miss Apte, Mrs Oczak, Mrs Morley and Miss Kassoutas. I would like to thank the students, staff, parents and the community for their support in my role as the Rel. Principal this term. It has been an amazing experience and a wonderful journey for us all. We have achieved many goals and I look forward to supporting our new Principal in the remainder of the journey here at GPS. I would like to wish all families a restful, yet energising holiday break. Please be safe and come back to school on Tuesday 21 April in true learning spirit.

We have so much to look forward to in Term 2 and beyond!

Erika Kardasis
Rel. Principal

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A Newsletter for the Community of Granville Public School

Thursday 2 April 2015

2015 SCHOOL TERMS

TERM 1
28/01/15 - 02/04/15
TERM 2
21/04/15 - 26/06/15
TERM 3
14/07/15 - 18/09/15
TERM 4
06/10/15 - 16/12/15

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Granville Galaxy

Congratulations to the following students

GOLD AWARD WINNERS
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Afu
Hekmat

SILVER AWARD WINNERS
Laith
Pippa

BRONZE AWARD WINNERS
Natalie
Jayvis
Charles
Jahnavi
Jonah

PRESCHOOL NEWS

The preschool held the first ‘Do Drop In’ mornings for the year during week 8.

The Koalas came on Tuesday 17 March and the Possums on Friday 20 March. The families we able to get a little sample of what has been happening during first term of 2015 within the preschool environment.

ELECTION DAY BBQ AND CUP CAKE STALL

If you voted, here at Granville Public School, on Saturday, we thank all the parents and community for their support raising funds for the school. It was a great day with many parent helpers and staff giving up their Saturday to assist in raising funds. The funds have been used to purchase much needed outdoor equipment for our students in the Support Unit. Thank you to the P & C and the staff in their assistance.

A BIG thank you also to Delwood Bakery, Dan Dan Bros Butchery and Woolworth Merrylands for their donations to our BBQ.

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Community Walk - This year GPS has been involved in many new initiatives, one of these has been the start of our weekly community walks organised by Mr Ryan aligned with our 'Live Life Well' program. I would like to thank Mr Ryan for this wonderful initiative and thank all the students, staff and parents for being active participants on the Wednesday morning walks from 8:30am. This will continue in Term 2 and we hope to see many more students and families engaging in active living.
2015 VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

$40 per year for the first child and $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.

Painting hand prints on the wall of the new Community Garden.