



# NEWSLETTER

## GIRRAWEEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Mr. G Walker  
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9 Bando Road  
GIRRAWEEEN NSW 2145

2nd May 2013

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**3 May Mother's Day Mufti Day**

**Gold coin donation**

**7-8 May Mother's Day Stall**

**Gifts \$1- \$10 each**

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### Principal's Message

#### School Website:

<http://www.girraween-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

Welcome back to term 2 of the school year. I hope everyone enjoyed the holiday break. The weather was wonderful!

We begin our second term with a number of important school events. **Our cross country carnival was held in the school grounds today.** All students in Years 3-6 and 8 year old students in Year 2 participated in the run. The first place getters will represent our school at the district cross country carnival.

**Tomorrow we will be holding a mufti day** to raise money for our P&C Mother's Day stall. Students can come dressed up as mum or grandma. This will be a lot of fun and all money will go towards next week's Mother's Day stall. Students in Years 3-6 will need to change into sports uniform for PSSA trials and team practice for winter PSSA competitions in the afternoon. **Please remember that winter PSSA will be held in the afternoons during terms 2-3. Lunch for years 3-6 will begin at 12.30pm on Fridays.**

Our **P&C will hold our annual Mother's Day stall next Tuesday and Wednesday.** Gifts have been selected and wrapped by our P&C. Prices range from \$1.00 to \$10.00. There is something for every child in the school to purchase for their mother or grandmother. Please support this P&C fundraiser.

During the holidays work was completed to improve our school learning environment. A pedestrian refuge at Gilba Road was installed. This will increase the safety for students walking to and from school. Parents must be aware of the No Parking zones at Gilba Road.

Our Year 1 classes have had their classrooms painted internally during the holidays. The rooms are much cleaner and are very well presented.

The area under the COLA next to our school hall has been resurfaced with funds from the school P&C. This includes a chess board and hop-scotch markers. Mr Ravi Velupillai has donated garden chess pieces for our students to use during lunch times. This is a wonderful addition to our school playground.

I am looking forward to another positive school term for our school.

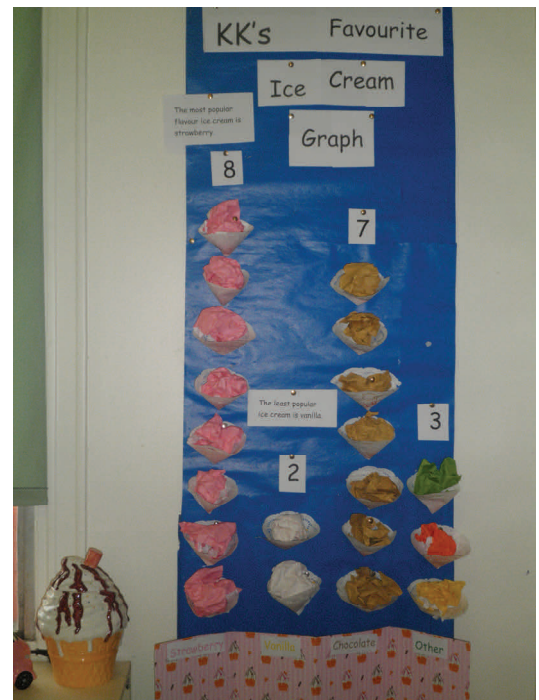
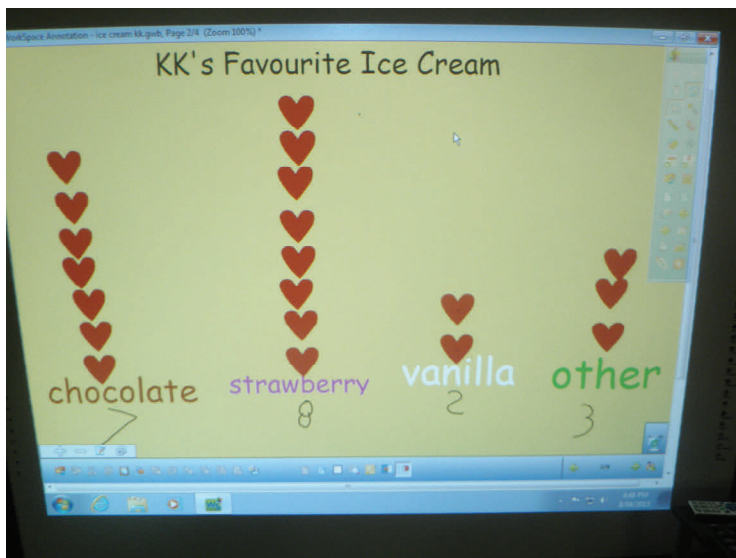
*Glenn Walker*  
*Principal*

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

3 May	Mother's Day Mufti Day
7-8 May	Mother's Day stall
10 May	Winter PSSA, Tennis and Swimming afternoons T2-3
14-16 May	NAPLAN

# KK Screams for Ice Cream

KK loves ice cream so we investigated how ice cream is made. We then made a graph to find out what KK's most and least favourite ice cream is. Of course we ate ice cream as well, before using paper to make cones and spheres for our pretend ice cream.





# Celebrate Good Times in KK!



We read the story "The Kinder Hat" by Morag Loh.  
To celebrate the end of KK's very first term at big school we  
designed and created Kinder Hats.



Dear parents,



When paying for excursions, book packages or other events that require money, please only include Australian money.

Money from another country included in your payment, will be returned to you and we ask that you provide a payment with Australian money.



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Kaeshikan and his father, Mr Ravi Velupillai, are standing on our new soft fall chess board. Mr Velupillai coaches a group of interested students in the art of chess.



### Value of the Month: Excellence

*Striving for the highest personal achievement in all aspects of schooling and individual and community action, work and life-long learning.*

In School communities, evidence of this value includes:

- Giving recognition to students achieving high standards
- Frequently encouraging and acknowledging individual improvement
- Celebrating school community achievements
- Encouraging students' awareness of broader life experience

In Classrooms, evidence of this value includes:

- Reaching personal best performance
- Maintaining high learning expectations
- Setting and meeting high standards
- Persisting through challenges and difficulties in learning



## DRESS UP LIKE MUM OR GRANDMA DAY

**When:** Friday 3 May 2013

**Cost:** Gold coin donation

All money raised is used to purchase gifts for the Mother's Day Stall. Please support our Mother's Day Stall by dressing up like Mum or Grandma and donate a gold coin.

This is a P&C Fundraising Event



## OC Classes 2014



**Education & Communities**

Business Systems  
High Performing Students Unit

Thinking of applying for  
opportunity class placement  
for Year 5 entry in 2014?



**APPLY ONLINE**

[www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement)

Check the web for more details about applying.

### Key dates

**Monday 29 April 2013**  
Online application opens

**Monday 6 May 2013**  
Application information in schools

**Friday 17 May 2013**  
• Return paper applications to principal  
• Online application closes

**Wednesday 10 July 2013**  
Test centre advice sent

**Wednesday 24 July 2013**  
Opportunity class placement test

**October 2013**  
Outcome advice sent

**PLEASE READ  
THE APPLICATION  
INFORMATION  
BEFORE APPLYING.**

High Performing Students Unit

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**Premier of New South Wales**  
Minister for Western Sydney

### Historic Achievement for NSW Students, Teachers and Parents

I am very pleased to inform you that the Prime Minister and I recently announced NSW would be the first Australian State to agree to the "Gonski" national education reforms.

This is great news for students, teachers and parents. It will mean more resources and a fairer system – and assist our aim of higher standards and a better education for our children.

The agreement will deliver an additional \$5 billion for NSW schools as well as continue the NSW Government's education reforms, including improving literacy and numeracy, raising teaching quality and empowering principals and school communities to make local decisions.

I am proud of this historic reform which could not have been achieved without the advocacy of students, teachers and parents across NSW.

Yours sincerely

**Barry O'Farrell MP**  
Premier

# **PARENTS AND CARERS**

## **Westmead Centre for Oral Health Pediatric Dental Department**

Will be visiting our school on **20<sup>th</sup> May** to provide our  
**Primary School Grades** (Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 students)  
with a short Oral Health Information and Diet advice talk and a

### **Free Dental Check**



**NSW Health suggests all children aged 0-18  
have a Dental check up every 1 to 2 years**

The Dental staff will bring portable Dental Chairs and lights. The Dental clinician will use a new sterilized mirror and wear a new pair of latex free gloves for each child.

Consent forms will be sent home for each child and should be returned as soon as possible to the teacher ticked **Yes or No** and signed by the parent/carer.

Each student, (*with the consent form ticked **Yes** and **Signed by a parent***) will be eligible to have a dental check up.

A letter (result sheet) will be sent home with each child on the assessment day. This will indicate how the parent should follow-up the dental assessment.

Parents **will not** need to contact the dental clinic, *unless otherwise indicated on their result sheet*.

The child's details will be entered onto the hospital computer and will remain confidential.

Treatment appointments will be offered on a prioritized basis and sent **directly to the child's address**. Students with *urgent treatment needs* will be offered treatment appointments first.

Parents may choose to make an appointment with their Private Dentist if the result sheet indicates. Their child requires treatment.

**Children from infant grades will not be assessed at school.**

Parents with children in Pre-school, K to 2 at school or, with children suffering Dental Pain or Trauma, are invited to call the **Western Sydney Local Health District call Centre on 98456766**



# Woolworths Earn & Learn 2013

Dear Parents,

We are participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school. Last year we collected **86000 points**. This helped us purchase musical instruments, educational games, puzzles and sporting equipment. This year our target is **100000 points**. We can do it! All we need you to do is shop for your groceries at any Woolworths.

From Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Point for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Points onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and when it's complete, the Points Sheet can be dropped into the collection box here at the school office or at the Toongabbie or Seven Hills Stores. Our boxes should be in the stores now, so keep an eye out for them.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit:  
[woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn](http://woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn).

Thank you for your support  
Miss Khoury

## The great resources we got with 86000 points





# CANTEEN MENU

## HOT FAVOURITES

Hot Dog - 100% Chicken Halal With Sauce	\$ 2.20
Chicken Nuggets	\$ 0.60
Hash Brown	\$ 1.00
Potato Wedges	\$ 1.50
Garlic Bread	\$ 1.50

## BURGERS

Chicken Burger - 100% Halal Chicken !	\$ 3.50
Hamburger - Tomato Lettuce, BBQ Sauce	\$ 3.50
Cheeseburger - Cheese, Tomato Sauce	\$ 3.50
Vege Burger	\$ 3.50

## PIE & SAUSAGE ROLL

Party Pie	\$ 1.00
Meat Pie	\$ 3.20
Potato Pie	\$ 3.80
Sausage Roll	\$ 2.50

## PIZZA & PASTA

Pizzas - Bacon & Cheese or Hawalin	\$ 2.50
Pizzas Large Slab - BBQ Chicken or Margharita	\$ 3.50
Lasagna or Spaghetti Bolognese - Beef	\$ 3.50
Macaroni & Cheese	\$ 3.00

## OTHER HOT STUFF

Chicken Crackles	\$ 0.70
Yummy Drumsticks	\$ 1.20
Fish Fingers	\$ 0.60
Corn Cob	\$ 0.80
Cup of Noodles - Chicken, Beef	\$ 2.50
Mini Hot Dog	\$ 1.20
Toasted Cheese Sandwich	\$ 1.60

## WRAPS - LARGE

Salad Wrap	\$ 3.50
Chicken Salad Wrap	\$ 4.50
Hawaiian Wrap - Chicken, Lettuce, Pineapple, Mayo	\$ 4.50
Sweet Chilli Wrap - Chicken Tender, Lettuce, Mayo	\$ 4.50

## SANDWICH & SALADS

Vegemite, Jam or Honey	\$ 1.50
Devon	\$ 1.60
Cheese	\$ 1.50
Egg	\$ 2.00
Salad	\$ 2.80
Ham or Tuna - Salad add \$1.00	\$ 2.50
Chicken	\$ 3.00
Extras - Mayo 20c, Cheese, Tomato, Beetroot, Cucumber Carrot Pineapple 40c Sauce Portions 30c Lunch Bags 10c	
Salad Bowl - Light Tasty Cheese	\$ 3.50
Salad Bowl - Chicken, Tandoori Chicken, Ham, Egg, Tuna	\$ 4.80
Caesar Salad	\$ 4.20
Caesar Salad - With Chicken	\$ 4.80



## SNACKS

Red Rock Chips - Honey Soy	\$ 1.20
Jumpys	\$ 1.00
Mamee Noodles	\$ 1.00
JJ's Chicken Crackers	\$ 1.20
Popcorn	\$ 1.00
Choc Chip Cookies	\$ 1.00
Ovalteenies	\$ 1.20
Eucalyptus Drops	\$ 0.70
Yoghurt - Various Flavours	\$ 2.00

## HOMEMADE CAKES

Homemade Muffins - Various	From \$ 1.00
Brownies	\$ 1.00
Banana Bread	\$ 2.00
All Homemade Items are "Light"	

## MILK DRINKS

Moove 300ml - Chocolate or Strawberry	\$ 1.80
Moove 500ml - Chocolate or Strawberry	\$ 2.80
Hot Chocolate	\$ 2.00
Up & Go Breakfast Drink	\$ 2.00
Dare Iced Coffee - (Teachers & Parents Only)	\$ 3.60

## COLD DRINKS

Poppers 100% Juice	\$ 1.20
Berri Pure Fresh Juice	\$ 2.00
Sprite Zero	\$ 2.00
Diet Coke - Caffeine Free	\$ 2.00
Aroona Mineral Water	\$ 2.00
Water - 355ml	\$ 1.20
Water - 600ml	\$ 1.60
Jelly Cup	\$ 1.00

## SLUSHIES

Small Slushie	\$ 1.50
Large Slushie	\$ 2.00

## ICE CREAMS

Jelly Joys	\$ 0.20
Fruitee Ice	\$ 0.40
Sour Snap Aparts	\$ 1.00
Sunny Boys	\$ 1.00
Ice Mony	\$ 1.00
Zooper Dooper	\$ 0.70
Mini Calippo	\$ 1.20
Paddle Pops	\$ 1.60
Frozen Yoghurt	\$ 2.20

## FRESH FRUITS

Apple, Orange, Banana, Watermelon	\$ 1.00
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Regular \$1.50 OR Large \$2.00

## \$4 Lunch Meal Deal

Available Every Day

- 1 x Hot Dog (100% Chicken)
- 1 x Drink of Your Choice\*
- 1 x Packet of Chips



\* Bottle of Water, Popper or Soft Drink Only

