NEWSLETTER

GIRRAWEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

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GIRRAWEEN NSW 2145

26th June 2014

Term 3 starts Tuesday 15 July 2014

School Website:
http://www.girraween-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/

Dear Parents,

This is the final newsletter for the term. Again, I can report that we have had a productive and successful term for our students.

Half yearly student reports have been completed and sent home. During the week we have held parent/teacher interviews in our hall following online bookings. This reporting and interview process has been very successful. There have been a very high number of parents attending interviews. The half yearly report and information discussed at interview with your child's teacher is important for directing your child's learning during the second half of the school year.

Today rewards were distributed to students who sold chocolates for fundraising this term. There was also a raffle of prizes. The raffle was held on the new resurfaced playground. I would like to thank the many families who have been involved in our school fundraising this term. The response has been fantastic. The total money raised is over $7,000.

During the school holidays work will continue on our playground. The barricade fencing will be removed. Seating and low fencing will be installed. Areas of turf grass will require more time before they come into use later in term 3 when the weather gets warmer. It has been a welcome change to have a green playground with no dust during the past week of windy, dry weather. The playground is much more enjoyable for our students during these weather conditions.

Finally I would like to wish everyone a happy holiday. Our students have remained focused on their learning throughout the term. This has been assisted by the efforts of their parents and teachers working together to make sure we develop the best for everyone in our school.

Have a great holiday everyone!

G. Walker

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

27 June	Final day Term 2
15 July	Term 3 starts. OSHClub begins in our school hall.
16 July	Athletics Carnival
23 July	OC Placement Test
29 July	ICAS English Competition

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MULTICULTURAL PERSPECTIVE PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

On Wednesday 18th June Mrs Povey took Sussana Charles, Ashvin Gajendra, Dhruv Shah and Archanaa Kananathan to Westmead Public School to compete in the Multicultural Perspective Public Speaking Competition. Dhruv's topic was Religion, Archanna's topic was Learning Different Languages, Sussana's topic was Every Family has a story and Ashvin's topic was How kids can make a difference. Here is a recount from the students of the day:

At ten o'clock the junior public speaking competition started. Ashvin and Sussana were really nervous. Sussana was speaker number 2 and Ashvin was speaker number 9. After we presented our prepared speeches, we had a small recess break. After this was the junior impromptu speech preparing time. For the impromptu speech we had 5 minutes each to prepare a 1 minute speech. Our topic was "pests". We all did really well. Ashvin and Sussana received a participation award each and congratulations to Sussana for receiving a highly commended award.

After our lunch break, was the senior speaking section. Dhruv and Archanna presented their prepared speeches. After another short break was the senior impromptu speech. Their topic was "tomorrow".

Dhruv and Archanaa received a participation award and congratulations to Archanna for receiving a highly commended award also.

In conclusion, we were all very proud of ourselves and thank you to Mrs Povey.

It was a really great day.

Debating

On Monday the 23rd of June, we went to Westmead Public School to participate in a debate. The topic given was that "Teachers should wear school uniforms". We argued the negative side and Hilltop Road Public School was the opposition.

We spent a lot of our lunchtime finalising our speeches until they were perfect. Mrs Candelario was a great help and we couldn't have done this without her. Mr Rajadurai also came along for moral support. He made us jump in a bush and we had brambles stuck on our clothes!

After our debate, we were served with scrumptious lamingtons and deluxe chocolate cookies. It was a friendly debate and we enjoyed it thoroughly!

By : Pravin, Shebani, Aishani, Aarini

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Camp - Bathurst

Once upon a time, a group of brave students from years 5 and 6 embarked on an epic journey to a mystical place - Bathurst.

The bus drove on as the teachers managed to get the students under control.

“Are we there yet?” screamed the enthusiastic children.

Along the way, they stopped at the Three Sisters where they had a rationed meal. Then they continued travelling.

The brave kids departed to Bathurst Goldfields where they experienced the life of a miner in the time of the gold rush. After another drive, they arrived at their hideout, Heritage Park. Before they settled in, the students attended a show that gave them essential information about sheep and cattle that they would be needing for the dangerous journey ahead. They also enjoyed a bush dance after a delicious dinner.

On the 19th of June, they set out at 7:15 (approximately) and proceeded to Dubbo Zoo where they managed to survive the treacherous outback. There were many interesting animals such as tigers, lions, hippopotamuses, elephants and wild dogs. There were also some particularly loud monkeys that had a special connection with one of the students. After the trip in the plains they were given the opportunity to purchase some souvenirs at the zoo.

The long trip had nearly come to an end. It was the last day and the students were having trouble waking up. Realising how late they were, the students quickly packed their equipment and gulped down their food.

“All right kids, get on!” called the teacher.

Kids scrambled out of the bus, outraged, when they heard that they might not be able to go on the thrilling cableway. After the cableway was over and done with, the students were eager but also terrified of going on the world’s steepest railway. Screams, chaos and fun - those were perfect words to describe the event. Friends clutched each other’s hands as the train ascended into the cloudy mist.

Home was awaiting the children. They felt glad but also a bit disappointed in a way. Disappointed that the adventure was now behind them and glad that they could see their parents and their precious rooms again. But not one person who went to that camp will ever forget the fun, happiness and laughter they had on that excursion.

By Aishani, Shebani, Aarini and Pravin

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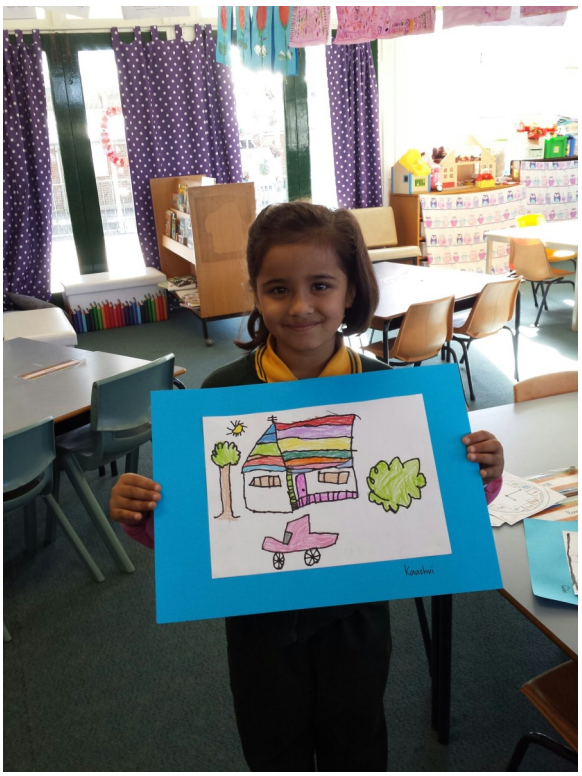
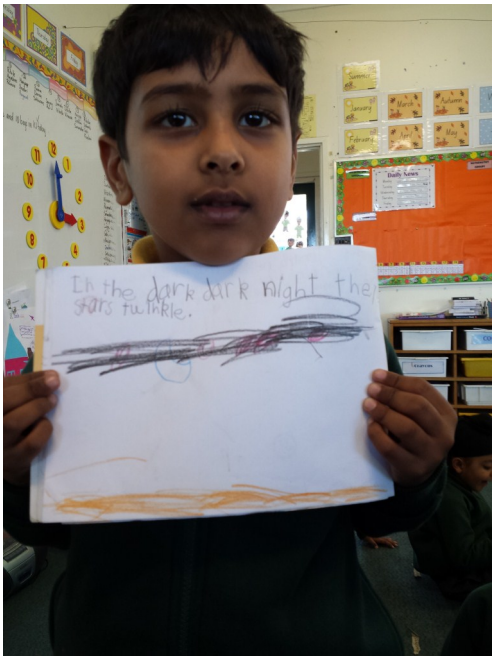


KJ CLASS WORK



This Term KJ have been learning about 'Time'. Sidhanth wrote a story about night time. Here is a photo of him and his story. We are learning to tell the time. KJ are becoming clever readers and writers. KJ have been learning to describe themselves, what they look like, what they can do and where they live. Here is a photo of some houses we drew.

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UNIFORM NEWS

It is time for the GPS winter uniform to be worn.

Girraween Public School winter uniform options for girls.

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 opportunities

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

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A Road Safety Initiative of Holroyd City Council's Road Safety Program

ROAD SAFETY FACT SHEET

School Zones

This fact sheet provides an overview of some of the penalties that apply to School Zones.

NO STOPPING

You must not stop your vehicle on a length of road or in an area in which a NO STOPPING sign applies.

No Stopping includes when the vehicle is not moving but the engine is still running

Penalty $298 + 2 Demerit Points

You are allowed to stop your vehicle only to set down or pick passengers, or goods.

Your vehicle must not stop for more than 2 minutes. The driver must not be more than 3 meters from the vehicle.

Penalty $165+ 2 Demerit Points

BUS ZONE

You must not stop or park your vehicle in a bus zone for any reason.

This includes when the vehicle is not moving but the engine is still running.

Penalty $298 + 2 Demerit Points

You must not stop your vehicle or park in the middle of the road to drop people Off or pick them up.

Always stop or park legally and safely at the edge of the road or in a parking area.

Penalty $298 + 2 Demerit Points

You must not stop or park your vehicle on or near a pedestrian crossing to drop people off or pick them up

Penalty $397 + 2 Demerit Points

You must not make a U-turn without giving way to pedestrians or vehicles in a school zone

Penalty $397 + 4 Demerit Points

You must not use a mobile phone whilst driving.
Using your mobile phone whilst driving is distracting and dangerous, and is putting lives at risk.

Penalty $397 + 4 Demerit Points

Parking and driving unsafely can put children's lives at risk.

Take care when in School Zones

For more information visit www.rta.nsw.gov.au

Or Contact Holroyd City Council's Road Safety Officer on Ph: 9840 9880

LIMITED VACANCIES!

Preschool is a necessary stepping-stone to 'big school' and an important stage in a child's development. At First Academy Preschool Childcare, we pride ourselves on providing a safe and nurturing environment in order for your child to reach their full potential.

Our centre caters for children from 0- 6 years of age, operating between 7:00 am and 6:00 pm and offering:

- Quality supervised, learning and development programs integrated with play time
- School readiness and transition programs for preschool children
- Fun and enriching activities
- All meals, including hot lunches, fruit and milk

For enrolments or any enquiries, please call **9863 2361** or visit the centre at 35 Carinya Rd. Girraween and meet our qualified and friendly staff.

First Academy Preschool Childcare
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CLASSES DIVIDED BY AGE AND EXPERIENCE

OUR INSTRUCTORS ARE TRAINED SPECIFICALLY FOR THE TEACHING OF CHILDREN AND TEENS

INSTRUCTOR IS A KARATE CHAMPION

ADVANCEMENT FROM BEGINNER TO BLACK BELT

LOCATION: METELLA ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL, METELLA RD., TOONGABBIE
CLASSES ARE EVERY FRIDAY FOR 9 WEEKS (EVERY SCHOOL TERM)
REGISTRATION: FRIDAYS, 18 JULY, 25 JULY, 1 AUGUST, 2014

New and returning students **Ages 5 to 8** Class Time 4:15 TO 4:55 P.M.	**New students Ages 9 To 16** Class Time 5:00 to 5:40 P.M. **Returning students** Class Time 5:45 to 6:25 P.M.

Registration will only be accepted up to the third week of term. No pre-registration is necessary, just turn up 10 to 15 minutes before class time above if possible....See you there! For further information contact Matt Klein on 9904-5667.

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Round 6 27th June 2014 — Wentworthville PSSA Sport

Soccer	OZ Tag	Girls Soccer	Netball
Toony West V Toongabbie **Binalong Oval**	Pendle Hill V Metella Rd **Binalong Oval**	Metella Gold V Metella Blue **Best Rd Oval**	Westmead V Wentworthville **Ringrose PS**
Wentworthville V Pendle Hill **Girraween Oval**	Toony Red V Girraween **Binalong Oval**	Toongabbie V Girra Green **Binalong Oval**	Warriors V Toony West **Binalong Oval**
Westmead V Metella Blue **Best Rd Oval**	Toony White V Darcy Rd **Binalong Oval**	Girra Yellow V Darcy Rd **Girraween Oval**	Girra Yellow V Toony Red **Girraween PS**
Warriors V Girra Green **Bathurst St**	Wentworthville V Beresford Rd **Binalong Oval**	Beresford Rd V Warriors **Daniel St**	Metella Gold V Pendle Hill **Binalong Oval**
Girra Yellow V Darcy Rd **Bathurst St**			Toony White V Metella Blue **Binalong Oval**
Beresford Rd V Metella Gold **Daniel St**			Beresford Rd V Girra Green **Girraween PS**
	BYE WESTMEAD	**BYE WESTMEAD**	Darcy Rd V Wanderers **Binalong Oval**

Stop
Drivers must stop completely and give way to all traffic in the intersection.

Give Way
Drivers must slow down, approach with caution and give way to all traffic in the intersection.

60 km/h Speed Limit
Speed limit signs show the speed limit expressed in kilometres per hour within a red circle. This example shows a 60 km/hr speed limit.

No Entry
It is an illegal act to enter a road or driveway where there is a "No-Entry" sign.

Roundabout
Travel clockwise in a roundabout and give way to traffic already on the roundabout.

No U Turn
It is an illegal act to make a U turn at traffic signals or where there is a "No U Turn" sign.

Stay safe these holidays

Keep our kids safe near roads

School holiday time is a great opportunity for families to have conversations with their children about road safety. Here are some important tips for families to talk about.

- Hold your child's hand while in the car park, on the footpath and when crossing the road. Children should hold an adult's hand up until they are eight years old.
- **Stop, Look, Listen, Think!**
- Always buckle up in your seatbelt and follow the national child restraint laws for 0-7 year olds.
- Help your child exit the car using the rear passenger door on the footpath side.
- Ensure your child wears a helmet and rides in a safe place away from the road while on a bike, scooter or skateboard.

Thousands of families will be on the roads setting off on road trips these holidays. As more people use our roads, it increases the risk of road trauma!

Here are some useful road safety tips to make sure your family's journey is a safe one:

- Set off on a long trip feeling refreshed. Sleep well before travelling.
- Drive at times you'd normally be awake. Take a 15 minute break outside your car every two hours.
- Observe the speed limit and drive to the conditions. Take your time and enjoy the scenery.
- Eat well balanced meals at regular times. You need the energy for brain activity and concentration while driving.
- Secure your mobile in a fixed cradle mount and operate hands free or via Bluetooth only.
- Pack some quiet activities for the children such as portable DVD players, books, small computer games, portable music player with headphones.

Visit the Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW for more information about keeping safe on or near roads.
http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/stayingsafe/children/index.html

Have a happy & safe holiday
From Girraween Public School

OSHClub News

Hello Girraween Public School! My name is Maryam Hussain and I will be the coordinator at OSHClub before and after school care. I have over seven years' experience working as an early childhood teacher in preschools and long day care. I live in the local area with my husband and baby daughter. Some of my interests including gardening, yoga and art and I look forward to incorporating these in to our program. I can't wait to learn about the children and families of this school. Please feel free to come speak to me and I really look forward to working with you.

Families, please remember to contact OSHClub Head Office on 03 8564 9002 in regards to any ISS funding for your child. Please also remember to provide staff with a copy of all medical information (Anaphylaxis, Asthma, Diabetes, etc). You can email this to maria@oshclub.com.au

We have a firm 'No Pen, No Attend' when it comes to children with anaphylaxis. Please ensure you have organised a spare epipens for your child if they are regularly attending OSHClub. Any medication listed on an allergy plan must also be provided to staff (clarantyne) and please also supply any asthma equipment. This should be done prior to commencing at the service.

See you all on Tuesday 15th of July, 2014.

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Brand New Before & After School Care at Girraween PS

OSHClub
Before & After School Care

From Term 3, 2014 there will be a brand new on-site Before and After School Care and Holiday Program at Girraween PS run by OSHClub. OSHClub programs are great fun programs as there is so much to do, heaps of things to play with and they are staffed with wonderful, experienced and trained people. We will be running the program in the hall.

Check out our mega toy boxes full of brand new fun stuff:

- Loads of toys and cars
- Board games
- Art and craft materials
- Dress ups
- Games
- Sports gear

Join in our exciting activities:

- Science
- Drama
- Cooking
- Art/Craft
- Sports

Both permanent and casual or last minute bookings available.*
Book as much or a little as you need, whenever you need it.

The program will be open as follows:

	Fee **	Opening Hours
Before School Care	**$1.86** to $10.50	7:00am – 9:00am
After School Care	**$2.67** to $15.50	3:00pm – 6:00pm
Holiday Program/Pupil Free Days	**$3.86** to $45.00	7:00am – 6:00pm

* A late booking fee of $3.30 applies to all BSC/ASC bookings made within 24 hours of the session. Fees subject to change

**** Families can apply for Child Care Benefit and the 50% Child Care Rebate so the actual fee payable will vary between these amounts depending on individual families' circumstances. The CCR is not means tested which means just about all working or studying parents are eligible to receive it. Call 13 61 50 to register.**

Please enrol and book at www.oshclub.com.au to secure your place from Monday March 17th, 2014.

www.oshclub.com.au 03 8564 9000

Phone: 1800 460 870

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CANTEEN MENU

Pricelist 2014

healthycanteen.com.au

HOT FAVOURITES

Hot Dog With Sauce (Chicken Meat - Not Pork) *(H)*	$ 2.50
Chicken Nuggets *(H)*	$ 0.60
Hash Brown *(H)* *(V)*	$ 1.00
Potato Wedges *(H)* *(V)*	$ 2.00
Garlic Bread *(H)* *(V)*	$ 1.80
Cheese & Bacon Roll	$ 2.00
Fish Finger *(H)*	$ 0.60
Corn Cob *(H)* *(V)*	$ 1.00
Mini Spring Rolls - Vegetarian *(H)* *(V)*	$ 0.60
Nachos	$ 3.20
Cup of Noodles Chicken OR Beef *(H)*	$ 2.50
Popcorn Chicken Cup *(H)*	$ 3.00

BURGERS

Kids Cheeseburger Cheese, Tomato Sauce	$ 2.00
Chicken Burger 100% Breast Schnitzel *(H)*	$ 3.60
Hamburger Tomato, Lettuce, BBQ Sauce *(H)*	$ 3.60
Cheeseburger Cheese, Tomato Sauce *(H)*	$ 3.60
Vege Burger *(H)* *(V)*	$ 3.80

PIZZA & PASTA

Pizzas Bacon & Cheese or Hawaiian	$ 2.50
Pizzas Slab Margharita *(H)* *(V)*	$ 3.50
Lasagna or Spaghetti Bolognaise *(H)*	$ 3.50
Macaroni & Cheese *(H)* *(V)*	$ 3.50
Butter Chicken & Rice	$ 3.50
Fried Rice *(H)* *(V)*	$ 3.50

WRAPS

Kids Chicken Schnitzel & Lettuce Wrap *(H)*	$ 2.80
Pizza Wrap Ham, Cheese & Pizza Sauce	$ 2.50
Salad Wrap Add Fresh Shredded Chicken $1 *(H)* *(V)*	$ 3.40
Caesar Wrap With Lettuce & Mayo - Add Chicken $1	$ 3.20
Chicken Schnitzel Wrap With Lettuce & Mayo *(H)*	$ 4.00
Hawaiian Wrap Chicken Schnitzel, Lett, P/apple, Mayo *(H)*	$ 4.00
Sweet Chilli Wrap 2x Chicken Tenders, Lett, Mayo *(H)*	$ 4.00
BBQ Wrap Ham Toasted Chicken, Cheese, Bacon & Sauce	$ 3.80

PIE & SAUSAGE ROLL

Party Pie	$ 1.00
Sausage Roll *(H)*	$ 2.50
Meat Pie *(H)*	$ 3.40
Potato Pie *(H)*	$ 3.60

SANDWICHES

Vegemite, Jam, Honey, Devon OR Cheese	$ 1.70
Egg or Egg & Lettuce *(V)*	$ 2.00
Ham or Tuna Salad add 80c	$ 2.70
Salad	$ 2.80
Chicken	$ 3.00

EXTRAS

20c Mayo Cheese Tom Beet Cuc Carrot 40c Pineapple 10c Lunch Bag

SALAD BOWLS

Caesar Salad Add Chicken $1	$ 3.50
Salad Bowl Chicken, Ham, Egg, Tuna, Cheese	$ 4.50

FRESH FRUITS

Apple, Orange, Banana	$ 0.80
Watermelon	$ 1.00
Fruit Salad Cup	$ 1.50
Grapes in a Cup	$ 1.50
Fruit Salad Bowl Add Tub Yoghurt $1	$ 3.80

SNACKS

Red Rock Chips Honey Soy	$ 1.30
Jumpys	$ 1.10
Mamee Noodles	$ 1.00
JJ's Chicken Crackers	$ 1.20
Popcorn	$ 1.00
Eucalyptus Drops	$ 0.90
Yoghurt Vanilla	$ 2.00
Jelly Cup	$ 1.00

MILK DRINKS FLAVOURED

300ml Choc / Strwbry / Vanilla	$ 2.00
600ml Choc / Strwbry / Vanilla / Choc Mint	$ 3.20
Hot Chocolate	$ 1.50
Up & Go Breakfast Drink	$ 2.20

COLD DRINKS

Poppers 100% Juice 200ml	$ 1.50
Pop Top Berri Pure Fresh Juice 250ml	$ 2.00
Aroona Mineral Water 350ml	$ 2.00
Water 350ml	$ 1.20
Water 600ml	$ 1.60
Appletiser 250ml Sparkling Apple Juice 99%	$ 2.20
LOL 250ml Assorted Flavours Sparkling 100% Juice	$ 2.20
Glee 250ml Assorted Flavours Sparkling 60% Juice	$ 2.20
Lido Diet Lemonade No Artificial Colours / Flavours *	$ 1.50
Slushie Small	$ 1.50
Slushie Large	$ 2.00

ICE BLOCKS

Jelly Sticks	$ 0.20
Fruitee Ice	$ 0.50
Zooper Dooper	$ 0.80
Sour Snap Apart	$ 1.00
Ice Mony	$ 1.00
Mini Calippo	$ 1.30
Sunny Boys	$ 1.50
Paddle Pops	$ 1.60
Fruit Stack	$ 0.80
Frozen Yoghurt	$ 2.20

CRUNCH & SIP SPECIAL ORDER BEFORE SCHOOL

Apple, Orange, Banana + Bottle of Water	$ 1.50

(V) VEGETARIAN - (H) HALAL - * CHECK IF AVAILABLE AT YOUR SCHOOL