



# NEWSLETTER

## GIRRAWEEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

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GIRRAWEEEN NSW 2145

7th August 2014

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**P&C Meeting, 13 August**

**Performing Arts Night, 27 August**

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Dear Parents,

Last week we held our annual athletics carnival at Pendle Hill High School. This was a very successful day for our school, with all students K-6 involved in activities and events on a dry sunny day. Those students who qualify will represent our school at the district carnival later this term. All students who participated gained points for their house team.

In the last two weeks our Year 3 and 4 classes have been on excursions to Elizabeth Farm. The history of early Australia was experienced with our students dressing up and being involved in life as it was in colonial Australia. History is an important area of our education.

Students were reminded that this week marked the 100th anniversary of the declaration of World War 1. The value of the month is 'Respect' and our students noted respect for all those who have, and those who continue to give their lives for our country. Next April 25 we will commemorate the 100th anniversary of Anzac Day. This will be a significant day for our nation.

Book Week will be held next week. The annual Book Fair was set up in the library today. There are lots of excellent books for all ages on display. This is a great way to promote reading to students. We will be holding a Book Parade next Wednesday for students to dress up as their favourite book characters. Parents are welcome to come along and enjoy the colour of this event.

Next Wednesday evening we will hold our monthly P&C meeting. All parents are welcome. Fathers Day and school organisation for term 3 will be discussed.

Good luck to our Pulse Choir students who are performing at the Opera House next Thursday night. What a great experience!

Enjoy the weekend everyone. Go Parra!

*G. Walker*

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

13 August	Book Parade
13 August	P&C Meeting—7pm
14 August	Pulse Choir @ Opera House—6pm
27 August	Performing Arts Night

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# Child Protection

The aim of child protection education in primary schools is to assist students in developing skills in recognising and responding to unsafe situations, seeking assistance effectively and establishing and maintaining relationships and strengthening attitudes and values related to equality, respect and responsibility.

Girraween Public School will be implementing child protection education within the framework of the NSW Board of Studies, Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE) Years K-6 syllabus.

Balanced child protection education involves teaching and learning about three themes:

- Theme 1 Recognising abuse
- Theme 2 Power in relationships
- Theme 3 Protective strategies

This year the students at Girraween Public School will be instructed through lessons that focus on **Protective Strategies**.

The activities in this theme are important because it is an area which builds students' capacity to keep themselves safe. Research suggests that, if children can recognise abusive situations and use protective strategies in their early years, then they will have a greater capacity for keeping themselves safe later on.

For any further information or queries, please see Mrs Aronis.



## 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  
The Kids Paradise.



## Value of the Month: Respect

Having regard for yourself and others, lawful and just authority and diversity within Australian society and accepting the rights of others to hold different or opposing views.

In school communities, evidence of this value includes:

- regarding as important the opinions of parents
- implementing government education policy

In classrooms, evidence of this value includes:

- accepting the rights of other to hold different views to your own
- listening to others without interrupting
- obeying school rules
- acknowledging the strengths and abilities of students
- affirming cultural diversity within the school community.

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Girraween Public School's  
annual



# GPS Performing Arts Night

is almost here!

You are invited to attend a night of entertainment  
and spectacular performances!

Come along and see our talented school bands,  
musicians, choirs and dance groups!

**Date: Wednesday 27th August**

**Time: 6pm**

**Location: GPS School Hall**

**Entry: Gold coin**



A variety of drinks and snacks will be available for  
purchase on the night.



*We look forward to seeing you there!*

Mrs Haworth



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## BOOK CHARACTER PARADE

As part of our Children's Book Week 2014 celebrations Girraween Public school is having a **Book Character Parade** on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> August between 2.10pm and 3pm on the asphalt area in front of the canteen.

Your child should come dressed as their favourite book character. To help identify their character he/she is encouraged to parade with the book their character is from.

There are prizes for the best dressed.

Parents/caregivers and family are welcome to attend the parade. You are also invited back to the Library between 3.00pm and 4.00pm to purchase books at the *Scholastic Book Fair*.

## PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE for Year 3 to 6 STUDENTS Only

The 2014 Premier's Reading Challenge is coming to a close. All completed reading records must be entered online and a copy **printed** and **returned** to the Library no later than **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August**.

So if you have a few books to go, get into the Library and **READ, READ, READ!!**

Following on is a reminder of how to log onto the Premier's Reading Challenge.

Mrs K. Propst.



### HELP REQUIRED

#### Father's Day Stall—Wednesday 3rd September

The P&C are organising our annual Father's Day Stall and are asking for volunteers to help with wrapping before the stall and also serving on the day. If you have some spare time, the P&C would appreciate some assistance.

Please complete the slip below and return to the office as soon as possible.

Parent/s name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child/s name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

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The Book Fair arrives on Friday and it is a very busy time in the Library. Borrowing will, therefore, be **limited** to Premier's Reading Challenge books **ONLY** to give students who haven't completed the Challenge time to do so.

Below is a reminder of how to log onto the Premier's Reading Challenge.

You can either:

Enter each book as you read it or;

Use the reading log to record the books read and enter all 20 books at once.

1. Google - *DET Student Portal* (**You can only log on to the Premier's Reading Challenge through your Student Portal page.**)
2. Log on to the Student Portal page using the User name and password used **at school to log onto the school computers.**  
If you have **problems** with the **user name** or **password** please see your **class teacher** and he/she can organise to have it reset.
3. On the *Learning* link click on the + then on the word *More...*
4. *Premier's Reading Challenge* will appear on the list. Click on it.
5. A box comes up with questions that you are required to answer before moving ahead. (This only happens the first time you log on each year)
6. Click on *Student Reading Records* (Left hand column of page).
7. Select the *Book title* box.
8. Begin typing in the title of the book read and a drop box will appear below where you can click on the book title and the ID number as well as other relevant information will automatically scroll into the information boxes.  
Alternately you may click on *Booklists* (Left hand column of page) and you can select the book you have read from the appropriate Challenge Level list.
9. Click on *Add* to add the book to your list.
10. A new line will appear for the next entry.

Happy Reading!  
Mrs Propst  
Teacher Librarian

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# The Scholastic Book Fair



Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

You are invited to attend a special reading event at our school; *the Scholastic Book Fair!* Please review the attached Scholastic Book Fair Invitation Book List. It highlights some of the newest and most popular books available in children's literature.

Remember, the book list represents only a sample of the books available. Please accept our invitation to visit the fair and view the complete selection of quality children's books.

Books inspire young minds and give children educational advantages. A successful book fair will not only benefit our school, but it will also help your child discover the rich rewards of reading.

You may wish to donate a book from the fair to our school library. Your child's name and class will be written on a plaque and placed in the front cover of the donated book.

The book fair will be held in the Library and open from Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> August after the Book Character parade at 3.00pm to 4.00pm. From Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August until Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> August between 8.30 am and 3.30pm and on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August between 8.30am 1.00pm. You are also invited to meet your child during class library time to purchase books. Class times are listed below.

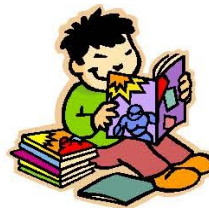
Thursday -14/8		Friday – 15/8		Monday – 18/8		Tuesday – 19/8		Wednesday -20/8	
9.00	3L & 3B	9.00	KC & 2K	9.00	1R	9.00	4R & 4M	9.00	3C & KV
10.00	HR12	10.00	KO & 2A	10.00	2S	10.00	5P & 5T	10.00	HR13 & 4J
				10.20	6T			11.10	3J & 6C
		12.10	KJ			12.10	1P	12.10	3P & 5C
				12.20	HR 14				
		12.50	1C	12.50	KG	12.50	2D		
1.10	4S & 5/6S (Pr. Lunch)								
				1.50-3.00	6W				
2.10	KH	2.10	1K	2.10-3.00	1W	2.10	2H		

## ONE FOR BOOKS

The One For Books Program is about collecting loose change and pooling the money together to purchase books off our Book Fair for our kids. Every cent counts! Can you spare some change? There will be a container on the desk in the library where you can drop the spare change.

Thank you

K. Propst and N. Heffernan  
Teacher Librarians  
22 / 7 /2014



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THE CHILDREN'S BOOK COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA

New South Wales Branch Inc.

Presents

# DESIGN A POSTER to celebrate Book Week!

This year's Book Week theme is **Connect to Reading**. To celebrate, we're looking for the best A4 posters that convey this theme.

**There are 5 prizes to be won!**

Years 3 - 10: There are four packs to be won comprising a STAEDTLER Teen pack worth \$50 and \$350 worth of Penguin Random House books. Years K-2: There is one pack to be won comprising a STAEDTLER Noris Club prize pack worth \$50 and \$350 worth of Penguin Random House books.



To enter, simply create a poster on an A4 piece of paper and send it to:

CBCA Poster Comp, PO Box 765, Rozelle NSW 2039

with your name, school year, phone number and email. School entries are welcome.

See [nsw.cbca.org.au/pages/design-a-poster.html](http://nsw.cbca.org.au/pages/design-a-poster.html) for terms and conditions.

Hurry! Entries close **Thursday 21 August 2014**. Winners will be contacted via email and announced at the event below . . .

## BIG BOOK DAY OUT

**FREE FOR ALL THE FAMILY!**

**Sunday 31 August 10-2.30pm**

**NSW Writers' Centre, Callan Park, Rozelle**



Penguin  
Random House  
RANDOM HOUSE BOOKS

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# Pedestrian Refuge Islands

Here are some helpful tips on how to stay safe when using the pedestrian refuge island on Gilba Road, Girraween.

It is important to remember that a Pedestrian refuge island is not a pedestrian crossing; they are installed on busy or wide roads to help pedestrians cross in two stages, therefore vehicles have right of way.



When using a pedestrian refuge island:

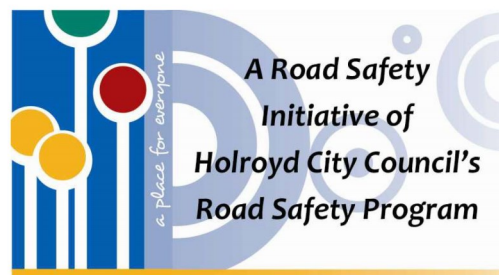
- Always give way to vehicles
- Always Stop, Look, Listen and Think
- If you can't get all the way across, use the island and stop half way
- Always hold hands with your child

*For more information contact*

Holroyd City Councils

Road Safety Officer

Ph: 9840 9880



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# Brand New Before & After School Care at Girraween PS



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](http://www.oshclub.com.au) to secure your place from Monday March 17th, 2014.**

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03 8564 9000

**Phone: 1800 460 870**

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# CANTEEN MENU

## Pricelist 2014



### 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 Margherita (H) (V)	\$ 3.50
Lasagna or Spaghetti Bolognese (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
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### 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
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