



Gloucester Public School Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 9

Tuesday 5th December 2017

Dates to Remember

- 5/12 Presentation Night 6pm
- 7/12 Citizenship Movie Day
- 11/12 Smooth Start K 2018
- 12/12 Year 6 Farewell
- 14/12 Semester 2 Reports go Home
- 14/12 Class Party Day - further Details to follow
- 15/12 End of 2017 for Students
- 19/12 End of 2017 for staff

Assemblies

- Week 9 - Yr 6 Final Assembly
- Week 10 - No Assembly

Canteen Roster

- 6/12 Leanne Kearney
Sue Brown
- 8/12 Louise Thurgood
Mel Seale
- 11/12 Erin Campbell
- 13/12 Leanne Anderson
Robyn Beggs
- 15/12 Ange Parish
Casey Gooch

2018:

- 29/01 First day for staff
- 30/01 First day Yrs 1-6
- 1/2 First day Kindergarten

Excursions:

- Year 4 27-29 June
- Stage 3 27-30 August

School Photos: Monday 21 May



2017 Intensive Swimming



Message from the Principal -

PRESENTATION NIGHT

Tonight - Tuesday 5th December

6.00pm

RSL Auditorium

Everyone is encouraged to attend
and is most welcome.

Students, please wear full summer school uniform



P&C Christmas Raffle

Our fabulous Christmas hampers will be raffled on Presentation Night tonight!

Tickets will also be sold at the door.



'Salute to Australia' - Australia Day in Sydney

For your diary - The mandatory rehearsal for the 'Salute to Australia' is 25th January 2018 at the Sydney Congress Hall (Salvation Army) 140 Elizabeth Street Sydney from 1.30pm to 4.00pm. You will meet Mrs McLeod at the venue. Parents and carers are asked to deliver their child/ren at 1.30pm and collect their child/ren at 4.00pm. Thank you

*Yours in Education
Leanne Wakefield*



Kindy Corner

We are focusing on

Weekly Word Family: 'in'

Weekly Sight Words: how, school, again

Number Focus: Reading, writing, counting and ordering numbers 0-1000

Maths Focus: multiplication, division, fractions, data.

Homework: This week is our last week of homework.

Home Reading: Please be aware that home reading will finish this week. All books will need to be returned by this Friday, however, please continue to encourage daily reading from the bookshelf at home or from our fantastic town library.

News Topic: Our news topic this week is 'Share a picture you have drawn'.

Loryn Bratfield, Alicia Taylor and Susie McLeod - Kindergarten Teachers.



Ellayn Smith
Charlotte Todd
Fallon Hardy
Beau Franks
Amos Tukuafu

FOR SALE

From our school garden

Spinach - \$1.00/bunch

Upcoming Choir Performances

This week, the choir has 4 more performances. Students must wear full school uniform to all performances including Carols in the Park. Christmas accessories can be worn to Naraweema and Carols by Candlelight.

Date	Concert	Venue
Tuesday 5 December 6:00pm	GPS Presentation Evening	Gloucester RSL
Friday 8 December (During School Time)	Naraweema Christmas Party	Naraweema
Sunday 10 December 7:00pm approx	Carols in the Park	Gloucester REC Centre and Sporting Grounds
Wednesday 13 December (During School Time)	Kimbarra Visit	Kimbarra Lodge

CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received their Gloucester Citizen Awards last week.

Early Stage 1		
KS	KL	KC
Emily Clarke Amelia Fenning Samantha Fraser Madison Gooch Destiny Osland Sienna Sanderson Ava Saunders Eli Stuckings Amos Tukuafu Justin Boorer Keith Borradaile Corey Everett Sam Griffin Connor Hodge Toby Kellehear Jarrod Plater Rhys Redman	Chloe Campbell Reanna Gorton Shakira-Lee Parish Mitchell Auckett Beau Laurie Bodhi Murphy Joshua Stanton Hudson Wade	Ellie Cameron Harper Edwards Isabella Fisher Lily Sansom Ava Wall Maddie Wall Paddy Doolan Xander Galvin Dean Griffin Ryder Guttridge Hamish Haschek Xavier Mackintosh Miller Ribbons Jarred Rolvink Shirley Guiren Jake Capararo

Stage 1			
1M	1S	2G	2T
Sophie Dickson Charlee Dillon Milahni Edwards Shyanne Henrickson Zali Jennings Ivy Kellehear Olive Kelly Kaylie Maslen Samira Soupdis Olivia Wade Brodie Baker Bradley Higgins Tiko Samson Ethan Smith Liam Wamsley Toby Warwick Lara Taylor	Heidi Brenton Holly Davies Kyharlee Holden Chloe Langford Emma Latimore Poppy Murphy Amelia Wooster Mackenzie Young Charlie Bignell Christopher Bolton Tyler Hobbins Kyan Leu William Woodbine Matthew Woods	Ellie Berry Lyla Cawley Rahni Coulton Alicia Edwards Amy Fry Melody Maslen Alice Murphy Chelsea Wenham Reannah Yates Bodhi Ashby Destin Cole-Doyle Hayden Dark Cooper Gunn	Mia Blamires Chloe Doolan Makaylee Gooch Hayley Green-Crook Hailee Labry Jessica Marchant Krystal Penfold Charlotte Todd Lacey Wall Nylah Wisely

Stage 2			
4D	4G	3C	3L
Kaitlyn Beggs Alana Benson Kayla Blanch Katie Broadhead Emma Carsley Isabella Gunn Jessica Howard Olivia Kearney Teela Maslen Roze Murphy Shannon Atkins Ava Sanderson Drew Gorton Amelia Parish Joseph Hogan Tylah Johnson Brady Johnston Harvey Willis Blake Walker	Emily Beggs Emma Bignell Ruby Bradbury Aleasha Cawley Abbigale Ellis Georgia Hughes Bianca Jackson Grace Scanlon-Rose Ruby Tonks Lotti Warwick Poppy Yates Alex Channon Sam Collie Jacob Edwards Thomas Maggs Jackson Moore Xavier Soupidis Cody Sparke Rhys Summerville Jack Yardy	Kaylee Bagnall Matilda Dillon Mackenzie Hardy Kailee Hogan Hannah Leimgruber Sophie Lenehan Alicia Martin Harmony Osland Asher Baker Andrew Fraser Matthew Galvin Nicholas Maggs William Wooster	Jessica Higgins Nikita Hobbins Isabel Jeffreys Charlotte Marchant Isabella Parker Amy Rumbel Cheyla Selby Marley Young Travis Allardice Mitchell Davies Phineas Hester Jamie Richards Rhys Saunders Mitchell Whitby Seth Toohill- Sargent

Stage 3			
5/6A	5/6C	5/6G	5/6M
Emma Broadhead Pryce Crane Ellen Griffin Skye Hill Anna Lenehan Lochlan Mackintosh Clayton Selby Abbigale Sterling Bonnie Tonks Danieka Wakefield Ellie Bird Elise Coombes Sarah Galvin Elyssa Keen Nick Maslen Holly Mills Bianca Turner Ellayn Smith	Tallulah Ashby Quinlan Collins Parker Higgins Thomas Hooke Ryan Latimore Kourtney Maslen Alyssa Paton Shania Richards Trisha Richards Abbey Seale Caitlin Campbell Simone Erasmus Darcey Fry Jack Johnson Emily Kearney Max Todd Tarlia Hollis	James Berry Gemma Davies Lily Llewellyn Lilly-Anne Murphy Bree Norrie Chloe Sams Oliver Sparke Ryder Stuckings Sam Whittaker Miranda Yates Jack Bignell Violet Broadhead Katrina Channon Charlotte Earle-Broadley Jack Fenning Will Griffis-Powick Sean Pilgrim Chloe Tresidder Tiera-Jade Watt Lauren Wilson	Dean Franks Hailey-Jo Gruisinga Thomas Harris Matthew Hester Mia Sharples Olivia Simshauser Stevie-Lee Smith Nathan Woods Sam Ashton Verity Badham Ryan Beggs Kate Bradbury Harrison Edwards Josephine Fitzgerald Katlyn Garnham Tyler Jeffreys Jessica Murray Alyssa Redman Jazmyne Rolvink Caiden Wakefield

STAGE 3

What's Coming Up?

This week ...

- Tues 5 Dec Presentation Evening - all students encouraged to attend
- Wed 6 Dec Year 6 go to classes to fulfil their auction duties
- Thurs 7 Dec Gloucester Citizen awardees special event
- Fri 8 Dec 2.00pm Year 6 Final Assembly - parents and community friends welcome!

Week 10...

- Tues 12 Dec Year 6 Farewell
- Thurs 14 Dec Class/Stage Party
- Fri 15 Dec Final day - Year 6 Walk of Honour
2.40pm - parents welcome! Bring the hankies!



As you can see, we have a fairly hectic schedule in the lead up to the end of the year. We also have a lot of preparation to do to prepare for many of these events. It certainly is an exciting time of the year!

Rod Maggs - Stage 3 Assistant Principal



Year 6 Parents - please note!

Enrolment forms for Year 7 at Gloucester High School need to be returned to them at your earliest convenience.

The High School has also requested that a Birth Certificate and proof of address is included with the enrolment form for your child.

Admin Staff - Gloucester High School

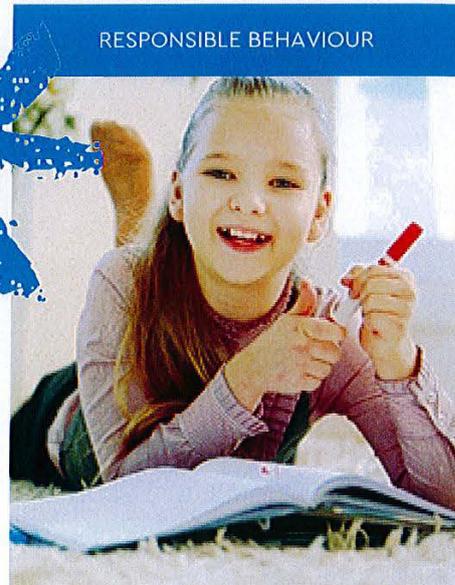
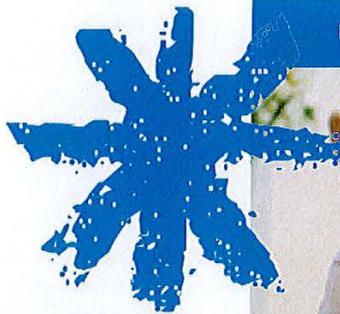
2018 Year 4 Sydney Excursion

Those students entering into Year 4 in 2018 will be heading to Sydney in Week 9 of Term 2 as part of their studies in Geography and History. The dates for this excursion will be 27, 28 and 29 June, 2018.

The cost for the excursion will be approximately \$300 (including coach travel, accommodation, food and venue costs).

Please consider keeping these dates aside when planning your next year's calendar. It is a fantastic and valuable opportunity for your child to participate in. More information will be sent our early next year.

Thank you - ***Year 4 Teachers***



Why consistency improves kids' behaviour

by Michael Grose

One of the simplest ways to improve a child's behaviour is to be more consistent.

Children love their parents to be consistent as they are able to predict how they will act. A consistent approach to discipline helps put kids in control of their behaviour.

Consistency means as parents we follow through and do as we say we will. It means resisting giving kids second and third chances when they break the rules or behave poorly around others. When we let kids get away with two or three infractions of the rules we often come down very hard eventually, which causes resentment. Act early and prevent poor behaviour from escalating is the best approach.

Consistency also means both parents in a dual parent family get their act together and respond in similar ways when children are less than perfect. Children learn from a young age to play one parent off against the other when their standards differ or communication is poor. Sole parents need to be consistent with how they react when children behave poorly.

A consistent approach is shown through a clear set of limits and boundaries that provide kids with structure and teaches them how to behave. Studies show that families with very few boundaries or rules are more likely to have children who behave poorly around others, or don't consider their own safety.

Children like limits and they also like to push against boundaries. One study has shown that kids will push parental boundaries about one third of the time. This is a normal, but irritating expression of a child's push for independence and autonomy.

Some toddlers, teens and other tricky types will push twice that amount, which is very hard work indeed.

Consistency is often sacrificed by busy parents and put in the 'too-hard basket'. When parents are tired, stretched and overworked the last thing we want to do is engage in a battle with a strong-willed child over what are sometimes petty issues.

Besides, consistency can make a well-meaning parent who values relationships feel downright awful.

But giving in rather than holding your ground is not a smart long-term strategy. If you give in occasionally kids will learn that if they push hard enough, or give that winning smile, you will eventually give in.

Here are some ideas to help you be consistent with your kids:

1. Focus on priority behaviours. It's difficult to be consistent with every single misbehaviour, but it's easy to focus on one or two. When you are consistent with one or two priority behaviours it has a positive impact on

other behaviours.

2. Give yourself a tangible reminder about the behaviour you want to follow up. Leave a note somewhere telling yourself that you need to "Walk away when a child whines. Don't give in." Or "Catch your kids doing the right thing when they resolve a problem without arguing."

3. Check your routines. Make sure you have simple routines for troublesome times of the day such as bedtime or mealtimes.

4. Act rather than overtalk or repeat yourself when kids misbehave. Sometimes it's really inconvenient to set a consequence, as you may have to battle a tantrum that follows. But the stand-firm approach pays off in the long-term as kids learn eventually that you mean what you say, and say what you mean. That's what firm, consistent discipline requires.

5. Agree to a joint position with your partner about a range of parenting issues such as discipline methods, going out, the use of technology, alcohol, sexuality and other important areas.



Michael Grose

Michael Grose, founder of Parenting Ideas, is one of Australia's leading parenting educators. He's the author of 10 books for parents including *Thriving!* and the best-selling *Why First Borns Rule the World* and *Last Borns Want to Change It*, and his latest release *Spoonfed Generation: How to raise independent children*. A trailblazer in the parenting and educational scenes Michael regularly appears in the media throughout Australia in programs including *The Project*, *The Today Show* and ABC radio.

Canteen News



Due to work commitments for a few of our regular helpers we are looking for more volunteers for next year. If you can spare a few hours each term and

would like to help, please call in and see me at the canteen or call on 0447 727 388.

We have an awesome bunch of mums, dads and grandparents who lend a hand and a few more people would be much appreciated.

The lease for our slushie machine expires in December so we won't be getting any more syrup until a decision is made on its future use. There is still a fantastic range of ice creams, yoghurt and other treats to choose from.

Lisa Norrie, Canteen Supervisor

GPS Windstars

Huge congratulations to our GPS Windstars group on a fantastic year of learning and performing.

It takes discipline and dedication to learn an instrument and we are immensely proud of the effort these students put into their learning, both at home and at school.

I'm sure you will agree when you hear them perform that they have improved out of sight this year and are playing some challenging pieces of music and sounding super!

Congratulations to every member of our GPS Windstars.

Particular thanks and mention to our Year 6 students, Ryan Beggs, Katrina Channon, Charles Tonks, Chloe Tressider and Bianca Turner.

Presentation Night: Don't forget your instrument and music tonight.

Carols in the Park: Sunday 6.00m outside the Rec Centre.

See you at 8.00am Thursday morning for our last practice of the year.

Sarah Soupidis