



# Gloucester Public School Newsletter

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**Term 1 Week 11**

This week's expectation: **Show respect to yourself and all others**

**Tuesday 9 April 2024**

## Dates to Remember

9/4/24 - Stage 3 CPR Training  
9/4/24 - Practice Evacuation Drill  
9/4/24 - Family Barbecue  
11/4/24 - Term 1 Expectation Assemblies -  
K-2 : 11.30am  
3-6 : 2.15pm  
12/4/24 - Last day of Term 1  
25/4/24 - ANZAC Day  
29/4/24 - Staff Development day  
30/4/24 - First day of Term 2  
  
3/5/24 - School Anzac Assembly  
  
9/5/24 - Mothers' Day Stall  
  
16/5/24 - Year 3 Excursion  
  
5-7/8/24 - Stage 3 Excursion  
  
31/5/24 - SCHOOL PHOTOS

**Canteen Days:** Monday  
Wednesday  
Friday

**Uniform Shop** is open every second Friday morning - first, third and fifth Friday of each month 8.30am - 9.30am. (EFTPOS or Cash)

Please check our Audiri App for updates daily. This is the easiest way to stay up-to-date with school events, last minute notices, newsletters and all school communications.

## TERM 1 EXPECTATION AWARDS ASSEMBLIES

Thursday, 11 April

K-2 = 11.30am

3-6 = 2.15pm

Everyone welcome to attend



**Last day of Term 1 - Friday, 12 April**

**Staff Development Day - Monday, 29 April**

**Term 2 begins for students - Tuesday, 30 April**

# Cross Country Placegetters



**9 Year Girls – Ana-Maria, Kalahni, Elsie**



**9 Year Boys – Max, Elijah, William**



**10 Year Girls – Emily, Matilda, Maddie**



**10 Year Boys – Sebastian, Lachlan, Ryan**



**11 Year Girls – Sophia, Misty, Sahara-Roze**



**11 Year Boys – Sam, Eli, Dane**



**12 Year Girls – Khloe, Scarlett, Evie**



**12 Year Boys – River, Jarrah (Absent: Eli)**



## Cross Country Winning House – Dobell

### Athletics – 1500m

Early next term for sport will see students preparing for our athletics carnival by participating in some practice of long jump, high jump, discus and other carnival events.

Due to time constraints on the day of the carnival, we are required to run our 1500m event prior to the athletics carnival. Selected students will be participating in this event this Friday at approximately 11:15am at the athletics fields in town. Students will receive a note regarding the event this week if they have been selected, and you are more than welcome to come along and cheer!

**David Kemp and Felicity Cox - Athletics Carnival Coordinators**



**CPR**

### Stage 3 CPR Program

Today, Tuesday 9 April, students in stage 3 participated in a CPR Awareness Program.

At GPS we believe it is imperative that every child be given the opportunity to learn this vital lifesaving skill and have the knowledge to perform effective CPR, both around water and in the general community.

The program also ensures all students have a sound understanding and knowledge on how to perform an emergency response plan in a time of need. This program is fully supported by the Royal Lifesaving Society, in trying to combat the rise of drowning statistics and forge this vital lifesaving skill into our Primary and High Schools. Each session goes for approximately 1 hour which entails going through the Royal Life Saving CPR protocol chart step by step whilst demonstrating.

All students will gain the opportunity to perform CPR skills on infant, child, and adult mannequin stations, including recovery rolls.

*Save  
the  
Date*



### Stage 3 Excursion

Our Stage 3 Sydney Excursion has been booked for Week 3 Term 3 (5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> August).

More information regarding itinerary and costings will come home early next term.



25 APRIL

ANZAC DAY  
LEST WE FORGET

Anzac Day this year comes at the end of the school holidays, on Thursday 25 April. We look forward to marking the occasion by joining with our servicemen and servicewomen at the Gloucester ANZAC march.

We would love to see as many of our GPS students as possible participating in the march with us at this special community event. Students will need to be at the Gloucester Soldiers Club at 10.15am on the day in full school uniform.

The march will be followed by the 11.00am service at the Memorial Clock Tower. Our school captains will be taking part in this service.

We will also hold our Anzac memorial assembly at school on Friday 3 May at 11.15am, with members of the RSL Sub-Branch coming to participate. Parents and carers are invited to join us for this assembly.

It will be a great opportunity for our students to learn about the sacrifices made by so many Australians in keeping our freedoms the way we have them today.

SACRIFICE  
**TRIBUTE** SOLDIERS  
REMEMBRANCE  
POPPY  DAY  
VETERANS BRAVERY  
**RESPECT HEROES**  
LEST WE FORGET



At our recent AGM, we extended a heartfelt thank you to our outgoing Executive roles for their dedication and hard work. A special shout-out goes to Nicole Doolan, who has served on the P&C for an impressive nine years, notably contributing as our Fundraising Coordinator. Nicole's efforts have helped raise thousands of dollars for our school, and we are immensely grateful for her invaluable contributions.

With new beginnings on the horizon, our school community eagerly welcomed our newly voted team. However, we're still on the lookout for a **Secretary** and one or two **Fundraising Coordinators**. Additionally, we're thrilled to welcome four new members to our team, bringing fresh perspectives and energy with them.

We're excited to invite our families to join us at the upcoming BBQ in Week 11 on Tuesday at 3:30, generously donated by the OOSH team. It promises to be a delightful afternoon filled with tasty treats and wonderful company.

**Exciting news alert:** Mark September 13 on your calendars as we'll be hosting a **Fete**—an event not seen at GPS for many years! We're brimming with ideas and enthusiasm, but we need your support and creative minds to make it a success. Join us at our next meeting or reach out to any P&C member to get involved.

In other news, our P&C has allocated funds to support Mrs Soupidis in maintaining and cleaning the quality brass instruments she recently acquired for our school band. We're so grateful for her dedication to enriching our music program at GPS.

Looking ahead, don't forget about our upcoming Mother's Day Stall in early next term. Plus, the school canteen, run solely by the P&C, is always in need of more volunteers! If you missed out on ordering one of our **new school parkas**, the next order will be placed on May 10. Place your orders through the app or at the office.

**Thank you for your ongoing support and enthusiasm.**  
**P&C Executive**

# Class Awards Term 1 Week 10



**Wathu - Kobie and Jackson**



**Wayila - Jordan, Darcy and Riley**



**Balay - Charlie**



**Wathaan - Harriet, Daniel and Phillip**



**Guula - Isabella, Jayce and Kayden**



**Mikiri - Mitch and Isabelle**



**Wilang - Elliott**



**Gulan** - Jaiden, Lachlan and Harrison



**Wurran** - William, Tomas and Elsie



**Dhurrung** - Matilda and Patrick



**Gukandi** - Ryan, Fletcher and Christian



**Wambuyn** - Spencer, Jaylen and Misty



**Witjagit** - Jake, Leo and Luca



**Bikan** - Isaac, Jade and Liam



**Burrang** - Ruby, Hunter and Peter



GPS Playground Behaviour Rewards: Jacinta, Kade and Ryan

A promotional poster for the 'Schools Spectacular 2024 Spectacular Short Story' competition. The background is dark blue with white and teal text and graphics. At the top left is the NSW logo. The main title 'ALL 4 ONE' is in large, stylized teal and white letters. Below it, 'SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR 2024' is in a teal box. The subtitle 'SPECTACULAR SHORT STORY' is in large white letters. A lightbulb icon is on the left and a pencil icon is on the right. The challenge text is in white: 'WE CHALLENGE YOU TO CRAFT A COMPELLING SHORT STORY EITHER REVOLVING AROUND THE NUMBER 41 OR EMBRACING THE THEME 'ALL 4 ONE.''. A teal box at the bottom contains the text: 'Your story might become the foundation for a spectacular performance at this year's Schools Spectacular'. At the bottom, there are two images: a group of dancers in traditional costumes and a young man in a red and white costume performing.



## Are you concerned about the amount of social media screen time your child is using?

If so please join us to hear **Dr Wayne Warburton**, Professor of developmental psychology at Macquarie University talk to us about the impact of social media on the developing brain and how it can lead to addiction and affect learning, emotional regulation, and mental and physical health.

**When:** Monday 27 May 2024

**Time:** 6pm

**Where:** Gloucester High School Hall



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### About Dr Warburton

Dr Wayne Warburton is a Professor of developmental psychology at Macquarie University and is also a registered psychologist. He has spoken to numerous parents and professionals who work with children over the last 15 years, particularly around issues related to media use and screen disorders. His publications in scientific journals and books are primarily on topics around aggressive behaviour, the impact of violent and pro-social media, and screen overuse and addiction. He is co-author of the books *Growing Up Fast and Furious* and *The Importance of Media Literacy*, and of several statements by international panels of experts, including the International Society for Research on Aggression *Statement on Media Violence* and *Statement on Risk Factors for Youth Violence*, the Society for Psychological Study of Social Issues *Research Summary on Media Violence*, and the world experts' *Statement on Video Game Violence* used in the US Supreme Court case of California vs. Entertainment Merchants. His work and his RES@T-A program ([www.resataus.com.au](http://www.resataus.com.au)) were the subject of a touching *Australian Story* on the ABC that followed two wonderful teen boys with a screen disorder through the program (March 6, 2023; <https://iview.abc.net.au/video/NC2302Q002S00>), and a new intensive weekend intervention program with Brad Marshall is the feature of a Channel 7 Spotlight program scheduled to air on April 21, 2024. Wayne has won more than 25 awards for his scholarship and teaching, including four from the Australian Psychological Society, and most recently the 2018 Distinguished Scientific Contribution to Media Psychology and Technology Award from the American Psychological Association.

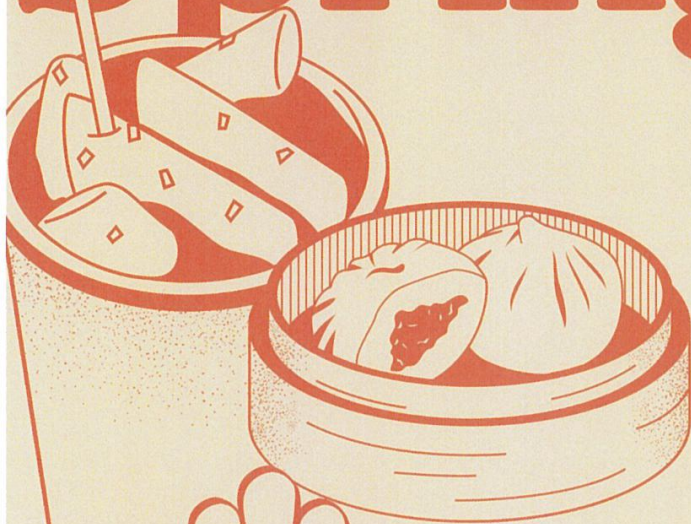


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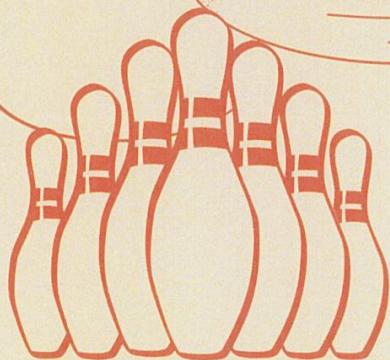
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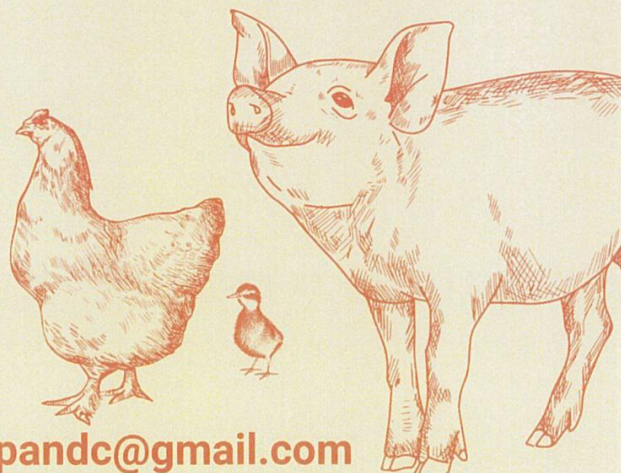
# Fete

**13/09/24  
FRIDAY**



Calling all creative minds and enthusiastic volunteers! We're gearing up for an amazing event in term 3 and we need YOUR help to make it unforgettable!

We're on the lookout for exciting ideas and fabulous fete stalls to make this day extra special. If you're keen to get involved and be a part of this fantastic event, don't hesitate to reach out to the P&C.



Contact us [gloucesterpspandc@gmail.com](mailto:gloucesterpspandc@gmail.com)



# YOUTH WEEK

11 - 21 April 2024

## FREE SCREENING OUTDOOR MOVIE

*"Hunt for the Wilderpeople"*

Friday 19 April, 6 - 9pm

Billabong Park, Gloucester

Scan for more information.



**More free events and your chance to win!**

Scan for more information and to reserve your place. All activities have been designed by young people across the MidCoast including headspace Taree's Youth Reference Group.



Youth Week



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