Dear Parents,

Welcome back to our third term of the school year. I am pleased to report that we have had a very smooth start to the term, with students settled into classes and clearly focused on their learning. This term students will be assisted by parents and teachers to follow up on any areas for development identified in the half yearly report and discussed at parent teacher interviews.

Our athletics carnival and K-2 sports day were held last week. Thanks to some wonderful weather, our students were able to enjoy a full range of activities on the day. Pendle Hill High School provided an excellent venue as well as equipment and assistance from the high school students. All Year 3-6 students participated in races and field events including; high jump, long jump and shot put. At the same time, our K-2 students enjoyed a full day of sport activities in our school grounds including; races, egg and spoon and tug-o-war. It was a very successful day for our whole school. Thanks to the teachers and parents involved organising and running events at both venues. We will have the same organisation for the athletics and sports day next year.

Next week is Education Week. Education Week is a time to celebrate the achievements and successes of our students, teachers and support staff across all NSW public schools. Public education is undergoing significant transformation with a clear agenda of reform to provide the best possible education for our children. While our school has continued to provide high quality academic, sporting and social programs in recent years, we have a long tradition of ensuring students from the local area achieve their potential. This year we have ex-students returning to talk to our assembly about their education journey and the success they have achieved since leaving our school. Parents are also invited to visit their child’s classroom next Thursday.

Our students have enjoyed the new air-conditioning that has warmed classrooms over the last two weeks. Funds for the new air-conditioners were provided by our P&C.

Have a great weekend everyone,

G. Walker

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

27 July Parent literacy workshop. 6.00pm school hall
30 July Open Day. Classroom visits; Yr 3-6 11:30-12noon, K-2 12:10-12:30pm, Y3-6 assembly 12:20pm

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2A had an awesome time at the Athletics Carnival

My Response by Tanishq Parekh

On Wednesday 15th July K-2 children stayed at Girraween Public School while 3-6 went to Pendle High School for our Athletics carnival.

I thought the day was great because all the activities I participated in were awesome and lots of fun. The egg and spoon race was not that good because the egg kept falling off the spoon. The running races were my favourite because I came second in my race.

After the athletics carnival I was tired and had to rest. I had a great time playing all the games.

Saher’s response

On Wednesday 15th July we had an athletics carnival. The big kids went to Pendle Hill High school and K-2 stayed at school.

We did lots of activities. My favourite activity was the egg and spoon race because I was good at it. The activity I didn’t like was the sack races because they were tiring and I came last.

It was a really fun day. I felt very happy.

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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.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

Girraween PS is doing the Woolworths Earn & Learn program again this year. We are aiming to collect as many stickers as possible so we can get some wonderful free resources for our school. When you shop at Woolworths you will receive a sticker for every $10 you spend.

Collect the stickers, put them on a sticker card (ask at the checkout) and place the full sticker cards in the collection box in our school office. There are also collection boxes at both Toongabbie and Pendle Hill Woolworths.

Thank you for your support,
Mrs Haworth

Collect Stickers
Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September

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Education Week 20th July—24th July

Open classrooms for Education Week will be held next Thursday, 30th July. All parents are invited into their child’s classroom to have a look at their work done this year.

Open Classroom times:
Years 3-6 11.30am to 12.00pm
K-2 12:10 pm to 12:30pm

Education Week Assembly—30th July
Years 3-6

Our theme for our Assembly for Education Week “Local Heroes”. This will be held in the school hall for all Years 3-6 students. It will start at 12:20pm. All Year 3-6 parents are most welcome to attend the assembly. We will be having some special guest speakers.

On Wednesday 24th June Girraween Public School was represented at the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition at Westmead Public School.

The students who participated were Johanna Jacob, Anne Sebastian, Rahul Puvanarajah and Yathavan Selvaruban.

All students presented their speeches at a high level and Anne received a highly commended certificate for her speeches.

Well done, you should all be proud of your effort.

ICAS SCIENCE COMPETITION

Congratulations to all our students who participated in the ICAS Science Competition. We had 239 participants and 4 received a High Distinction, 34 received Distinctions, 63 received Credits and 31 received Merits.

Well done Girraween students.

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SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR 2015

Term 3 is a very exciting and busy term in the library. Book Fair is arriving at our school in Week 4. All the students will be coming in over the first couple of days to view the books and to write their ‘wish lists’.

During this time they will ONLY be able to purchase novelty items from the desk as well as posters. Students will be advised closer to the Book Fair of what novelty items might be on sale and their estimated cost.

***Strictly, no books will be available for purchase at this time!***

The Book Fair will be open on Tuesday 11th August from 1.15pm until 4.00pm. During this lunch time, Year 5 and 6 students will be able to purchase books and other items as many will be away at school camp for the rest of the week. All other grades must wait until after school to attend unless accompanied by their parent/carer.

From Wednesday 12th August until Tuesday 18th August the Book Fair opening times are: 8.30 am to 8.55am and 3.00pm to 3.30pm daily.

Students will receive their Book Fair invitations during the library lesson before Book Fair arrives.

BOOK CHARACTER PARADE

As part of our Children’s Book Week 2015 celebrations Girraween Public School is having a Book Character Parade on Tuesday 11th August between 12.10pm and 1.10pm 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 1.15pm and 4.00pm to purchase books at the Scholastic Book Fair.

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE for Year 3 to 6 STUDENTS

The 2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge is coming to a close. All completed reading records must be entered online no later than Friday 21st August.

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

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE for Year K to 2 STUDENTS

Your reading records have been completed by the class teacher. If you want your child to take part in the PRC please make sure that you have signed, giving permission for your child to be registered for the PRC.

If you have not done so and wish your child to be a part of the PRC please see your child’s teacher to sign a note before 14th August 2015.

Mrs K. Propst & Mr N. Heffernan
21/7/15
# CLO workshop timetable Term 3 2015

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Venue: Hall |
| 2    | Triple P Parenting Program Session 1 | Presenter: Helen  
Time: 9:10-11am  
Venue: Hall |
| 3    | Triple P Parenting Program Session 2 | Presenter: Helen  
Time: 9:10-11am  
Venue: Hall |
| 4    | Parent Transition to High School Workshop | Where: 1hr workshop at Girraween Public School, 9:15 - 10:15  
Then, a 1hr visit/tour at Greystanes High School, 10:30 - 11:30 followed by morning tea at the high school. |
| 5    | Triple P Parenting Program Session 3 | Presenter: Helen  
Time: 9:10-11am  
Venue: Hall |
| 6    | Triple P Parenting Program Session 4 | Presenter: Helen  
Time: 9:10-11am  
Venue: Hall |
| 7    | Triple P Parenting Program Session 5 | Presenter: Helen  
Time: 9:10-11am  
Venue: Hall |
| 8    | Triple P Parenting Program Session 6 | Presenter: Helen  
Time: 9:10-11am  
Venue: Hall |
| 9    | Helen on leave | |
| 10   | Helen on leave | |

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Parents and Citizens Association News
girraweenprimaryschoolpandc@gmail.com

Student Injury Insurance 2015

The Girraween P & C Association along with the Girraween Public School have taken and paid for Student Injury Insurance policy for all the students enrolled at our school. This is another way of us making sure a duty of care is offered to the families of our students. As a parent and carer you don’t want the unexpected expenses of unplanned out-of-pocket costs/medical costs. This policy provides peace of mind in knowing those financial expenses will be lessened in the event of an accident.

This cover is provided 24 hours a day 7 days a week. The cover isn’t just for broken bones and ambulance trips, this policy also covers dental, non-Medicare medical expenses, and small property losses.


Frequently asked Questions:

Are school excursions covered by Student Injury Insurance? YES, all school activities are covered.

Is ambulance cover included in Student Injury Insurance? YES, Australia wide ambulance trips are covered.

Does Student Injury Insurance cover students whilst at home or at a family event? YES, this Policy covers students 24 hours 7 days a week.

Is this policy Australia-wide? YES, the policy provides Australia wide coverage for every student.

For more information, please refer to the Student Injury Product Disclosure Statement, Student Injury Policy Schedule, Medicare Notice to Claimants and Student Accident Insurance Claim Form on our school website or on the Federation of P & C Association NSW website www.pandc.org.au
NEW UNIFORM PRICE LIST—Term 3

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A limited selection of pre-loved clothing. Cost $2 each.

No exchange without the Receipt and within 4 weeks.

Must still have the tag and be unwashed.

No exchange for Socks, Hats and Bags. No Refunds

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS—Sale…… Sale…..Sale!!!!

50% off on selected items until stocks last

Pinafores – Sizes from 6 to 16

Culottes – Sizes from 4 to 14

Wind Jackets – Sizes 12, 14 and 16

No Exchange or No Refunds

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