Dear Parents,

Last week we celebrated ‘Education Week’ along with all public schools in NSW. I have had many positive comments following parent visits to classrooms last Thursday. It’s a great opportunity for parents to get a first hand view of their child’s classroom and the activities they are involved in each day. The classrooms of today are very different to the classrooms most parents have experienced both here and overseas.

The theme of Education Week was ‘Local Heroes’. Our Education Week assembly last week included a presentation from 3 ex-students, Shona, Jennifer and Robyn Lawley. It was very enriching for our students to hear how these ex-students have used their foundations of primary school education at Girraween P.S. to achieve their dreams and establish successful careers; paramedic, architect and international model. Our students have excellent role models in these three outstanding women.

Our annual Book Fair begins next week with viewing and ordering. Our book character parade and book purchases will be held on Tuesday 11 August. The parade is an exciting event on our school calendar. Parents are welcome to along to watch the parade and make book purchases in the library after the parade. This is also a great fundraiser for our school. Please encourage your children to purchase a book.

Next week, Wednesday– Friday, our Year 5 and 6 students will go on camp to the Narrabeen Sport and Recreation Centre. This a wonderful experience for our students. They will be involved in bush walking, archery, canoeing, swimming and team sports. I’m sure that we will get lots of fun stories when they return next Friday.

Over the next week we will hold trials for Milo Cup cricket teams. Our school will be entering 4 teams this year. Mr Powys will be coordinating the selection of both boys and girls to represent our school. Confirmation of selection will be sent to parents with arrangements for the event.

There have been lots of performance groups practising for our Performing Arts Night later this month. Keep Wednesday, 26 August free and be part of this exciting annual event.

Kind regards,

G. Walker

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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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.

SCHOOL CAR PARK

Under **NO** circumstances should parents be using the school car park on Bando Road. The car park is only for school staff. This includes OshClub parents, as per the OshClub policy no cars are to be driven into the car park to pick up or drop off your child.

As a school we want to keep all our students safe and protect them for any incidents that may occur with unauthorised vehicles in the car park.

Thank you for adhering to the rules and co-operating with us.

Glenn Walker
Principal
4.8.15
Girraween celebrates multicultural diversity every day through inclusive and understanding programs. Each year a special day is dedicated to a whole school celebration. This year Multicultural Day will be on Tuesday 8th September. Classes have been busy studying migration stories and different countries from around the world. On this day classes will be sharing their learning with other classes. The whole school will also participate in a parade in the afternoon.

The EAL/D team would like to invite parents to join us at our afternoon parade on Tuesday 8th September starting at 2.10pm. We are excited to see parents and families at the parade.

**When: 8th September 2015**  
**Time: 2.10 pm**  
**Where: Top playground**

Students wear: Colours or a costume from the country they are studying in class, or, students may choose to wear clothes from their own culture.

In the event of rain, the parade may be cancelled. Please check the website and App for updates.
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4R Class Work

A group of 4R students were inspired to create these modules of native American shelters in response to the novel, “Indian in the Cupboard”, which had been read to them in class.

Well done.
**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR 2015**

Term three 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.

**DONATE A BOOK TO THE LIBRARY FROM THE SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR!**

It’s easy to do just select a book from the carousel that has been chosen by Mrs Propst and Mr Heffernan as a book that we would like to have in Girraween Public School’s library.

Your name, class and 2015 will be placed inside the cover of the book. You will be the **first** person to borrow that book at our school and be remembered in that book for many years to come.

If you prefer there will be containers marked with *Loose Change for A Book* that you can place your spare change into so that we can purchase books for the library with the money collected.

**EVERY LITTLE BIT COUNTS!**

**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 Only**

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
4/8/15

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EDUCATION WEEK

For Education Week 2015, Girraween Public School celebrated with a variety of activities.

Firstly on Monday, 130 parents attended a workshop about writing skills. Then on Thursday we had open classrooms and then a special assembly.

We had 3 'Local heroes' and ex-students speak at the assembly about their experiences. Jennifer, Shona and Robyn Lawley are great representatives of Public Education.
# 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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**The Tell Them From Me student feedback survey**

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.


The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school as soon as possible. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from the website above.

**The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey**

Our school will also be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents’ and carers’ perspectives on their child’s experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school’s support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically takes 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, however, your responses are very much appreciated.


Yours sincerely,

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ROAD SAFETY

Dear Parents/Carers

We would like to remind you to be mindful of our neighbours when dropping off and picking up your children from school.

This includes:

- Observing all parking signs
- Not parking across the neighbours driveways
- Never double park
- Obey 40km school zone.

The council and police regularly patrol school zones and hefty fines and demerit points will occur if you are caught not obeying these rules. We would like to ensure the safety of our children and community members during these busy school times.

Thanking you
Katherine Needham
Deputy Principal
4.8.15

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
It has been a busy start to Term 3 following on from an equally busy holiday program.

This term we have focused our attention towards our local environment and learning about local plants and wildlife.

We have also been developing our artistic skills through painting indoors and outdoors.

We have been giving the children more leadership opportunities through setting up and running activities and making weekly program and menu decisions.

In the next few weeks we are going to focus on all aspects of wellbeing, science experiments, space and languages.

A big thank you to those parents who have been respecting the school wishes and parking on the street to pick up and drop off their children. We understand this is not convenient but you are helping keep the school community safe and harmonious.

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June/July holiday program pictures
We really enjoyed last holiday program. There were excursions, a silent disco, basketball incursion, collaborative painting, garden tending and lots of games and competitions.

Bookings for next holidays is open and the daily program will be out in a few weeks.
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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](http://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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**SANDWICHES**
- Egg or Egg & Lettuce (G, V, H) $2.00
- Ham or Devon or Chicken Salad add 80c (G, H) $2.70
- Tuna Salad add 80c (G, H) $2.70
- Salad (G, H) $2.80
- Vegemite or Jam or Honey or Cheese Wraps $1.70

**WRAPS**
- Cheese Rocket - Melted Cheese (G) $2.00
- Pizza Rocket - Ham or Chicken, Cheese & Pizza Sauce (G) $2.80
- Kids Chicken Schnitzel & Lettuce Wrap (G, H) $2.80
- Caesar Wrap With Lettuce & Mayo Add Chicken $1 (G) $3.20
- Salad Wrap Add Chicken $1 (G, H) $3.40
- Chicken Breast Schnitzel Wrap Lettuce & Mayo (G, H) $4.00
- Hawaiian Wrap Chicken, Lett, P/apple, Mayo (G, H) $4.20
- Sweet Chilli Wrap Chicken Tenders, Lett, Mayo (A, H) $4.00

**SALAD BOWLS**
- Caesar or Garden or Greek Salad Add Chicken $1 (G, V) $3.50
- Salad Bowl Chicken, Ham, Egg, Tuna or Cheese (G, V) $4.50

**BURGERS**
- Fish Fillet Burger Lettuce, Mayo (G, H) $3.60
- Chicken Burger 100% Breast, Lettuce, Mayo (A, H) $3.60
- Hamburger Gourmet Beef, Tomato, Lettuce, BBQ Sauce (G, H) $3.60
- Vege Burger (G, H, V) $3.80

**Kids Cheeseburger** Cheese, Tomato Sauce (A) $2.00

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**HOT FAVOURITES**
- Garlic Bread Large Roll (G, H, V) $2.00
- Fish Finger (G,H) $0.70
- Corn Cob (G, H, V) $1.00
- Cup of Noodles Chicken OR Beef (G, H) $2.60
- Hot Dog With Sauce (All Chicken Meat - Not Pork) (A, H) $2.60

**Chicken Nuggets** Premium Breast (A, H) $0.70

**Popcorn Chicken** Premium Breast (A, H) $3.00

**Hash Brown** (A, H, V) $1.00

**Potato Wedges** With Sauce (A, H, V) $2.00

**Cheese & Bacon Roll** (A) $2.00

**Mini Spring Rolls** Vegetarian (A, H, V) $0.70

**Nachos** Beef Sauce & Cheese (A, H, V) $3.50

**Hot Cakes** x2 with Maple Syrup (A, H, V) $3.00

**PIZZA & PASTA**
- Lasagna (Beef or Vegetarian) (G, H) $3.50
- Spaghetti Bolognese (G, H) $3.50
- Macaroni & Cheese (G, H, V) $3.80
- Butter Chicken & Rice (G, H, V) $3.50
- Fried Rice (G, H, V) $3.50

**Pizza** Hawaiian OR Bacon & Cheese (A) $2.60

**Pizza Slab** Margherita (A) $3.80

**RECESS SNACKS OVER THE COUNTER ONLY**
- Potato Skins Melted Cheese or Salsa (G, H, V) $1.20
- Mini Muffins Homemade with Berries (G, H) $1.20

**FRESH FRUITS**
- Apple, Orange, Banana, Watermelon (G, V) $0.90
- Fruit Salad Cup (G, V) $1.50
- Grapes in a Cup (G, V) $1.60
- Fruit Salad Bowl Large (G, V) $3.80

**SNACKS**
- Fruit Nuggets 66% Fruit Gluten Free (V) $0.60
- Jelly Cup Add Fruit 50c (G, H) $1.00
- Popcorn Fresh & Hot (G, H) $1.00
- Yoghurt Vanilla (G, H) $2.00
- Bread Sticks Pizza Flavour (A) $0.20
- Yoghurt Filled Strawberry Bars (A) $0.30
- Jj's Chicken Crackers (A) $1.00
- Brownie (A, H) $1.00
- Mamee Noodles (A, H) $1.00
- Jumpys (A, H) $1.20
- Red Rock Chips Honey Soy (A, H) $1.50

**MILK DRINKS**
- 300ml Choc / Strawb / Vanilla Oak Fresh (G, H) $2.20
- 600ml Choc / Strawb / Vanilla Oak Fresh (G, H) $3.50
- Up & Go Choc / Strawb / Vanilla Breakfast Drink (G, H) $2.50
- Hot Chocolate (A, H) $1.50

**COLD DRINKS**
- Poppers 100% Juice 200ml (G, H) $1.50
- Water 350ml (G, H) $1.20
- Water 600ml (G, H) $1.60
- Orchy 350ml Fresh Juice Apple or Orange (G, H) $2.20
- Appletiser 250ml Sparkling Apple Juice 99% (G, H) $2.20
- Diet Lemonade No Artificial Colours or Flavours 300ml (A, H) $1.50
- Quench Flavoured Mineral Water 350ml (A, H) $2.20
- Slushie 200ml (A, H) $1.50
- Slushie 285ml (A, H) $2.00
- Glee 250ml Assorted Flavours Sparkling Juice (A) $2.20

**ICE BLOCKS**
- Frozen Fruit Yoghurt (G, H) $2.50
- Jelly Sticks (A) $0.20
- Fruitee Ice (A) $0.50
- Zooper Dooper (A, H) $0.80
- Sour Snap Apart (A) $1.00
- Ice Mony (A) $1.20
- Paddle Pops (A, H) $1.60

**PIE & SAUSAGE ROLL Low Fat**
- Party Pie (A, H) $1.00
- Sausage Roll (A, H) $2.70
- Meat Pie Traveller (A, H) $3.60
- Potato Pie (A, H) $3.80

**CRUNCH & SIP SPECIAL ORDER BEFORE SCHOOL**
- Apple, Orange or Banana + Bottled Water 350ml (G, H, V) $1.80

**EXTRAS**
- 20c Cheese Tomato Beetroot Cucumber Carrot 40c Pineapple

**MONDAY**
- **STEAMED DUMPLINGS**
  - PRAWN (4 PER SERVE) $4.00

**TUESDAY**
- **SUSHI ROLLS**
  - TUNA OR CHICKEN OR VEGETARIAN $3 REGULAR $5 LARGE

**WEDNESDAY**
- **HOKKRIE NOODLES**
  - CHICKEN & CARROT $3.80

(G)  Green  - (A)  Amber  - (V)  Vegetarian  - (H)  Halal