

Granville Public School

Our School Priorities are Literacy, Numeracy, Student Welfare and Social Responsibility



Granville Grapevine

A Newsletter for the Community of Granville Public School

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Thursday 27 May 2010

IMPORTANT

Yesterday we had 4 parents drive their cars into the 'top' carpark near the primary block. This has now become a work site. The parents were asked to leave by the site foreman. They refused to do so citing the rain as the reason they were there. They then walked through the worksite. This is against all OH&S regulations. I have asked the foreman to provide me with car number plates in future and the matter will be referred to the police.

From the Principal's desk.....

Dear Parents,

At the end of last week 2 students from **Kinder Yellow** were sent to me (Jamel and Bailey) so that they could show me how well they were reading. They were sensational! Both boys read from books which had several sentences on each page. They read with confidence and self corrected when they made little mistakes. I was so impressed that I took them up to one of our senior classes so that the older students could appreciate what learning is all about. Congratulations to both Bailey and Jamel. Also great work to Ms McKee and all of our teachers who are helping our students to move along in their learning at a very fast rate.

Next week we welcome back **Ms Moorhouse**. She will be providing students with the release from face to face component of the school's programs.

We farewell **Mrs Kapahi** who has been working on Stage 3 and has provided her students with many valuable experiences. We will miss her and wish her all the best in her new job. **Mr Rahman Khan** will take over Mrs Kapahi's class. He has been working at the school as a casual teacher on a day to day basis

and we have been very impressed with his work.

Mrs Leibrandt has now gone on maternity leave and we wish her all the best with the birth of her baby. **Mr Gomersall**, who has been a long term temporary teacher at the school, will take over her class.



As I walk around the school I am most impressed with the **standard of learning and behaviour**. I attribute this to both the parenting and teaching practices. At school we continue to have very high expectations of our students. We expect all students to be safe, be learners and be respectful and for the greater part they are.

Parent teacher interviews will be conducted in the last week of the term on Monday, 28th June and Tuesday, 29th June. Reports will be issued to parents at the interviews. The interviews will provide parents and teachers to communicate to each other about individual students. More information requiring parents to select appointment times will be issued on 7th June.

Work has now commenced on **C Block** (the primary two storey building) with a heavy refurbishment taking place over the coming weeks. Our shade cloth has also been pulled down and work is commencing on the building of the new COLA (Covered Outdoor Learning Area).

One of the toilet blocks is also being refurbished and should be completed in 6 weeks when work will commence on the other toilet block.

It has been great to see so many parents attending the **Granville Galaxy Assemblies**. These are very important assemblies for the students and are a major form of acknowledgment of their achievements.

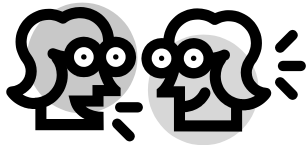
Ian Millard
Principal

STOP PRESS

Congratulations to:

Names deleted for privacy reasons

Great work!



Supporting your Child in Learning to Talk

Your child has learned to talk and listen with your help and encouragement. You can continue to support your child's language development at school by doing some of the following:

- actively listen and respond to your child's talk
- encourage your child to talk about their interests, friends, pets, favourite books and favourite movies
- show your child ways of talking for different purposes, e.g. using the telephone, inviting a friend to play, giving a message
- encourage your child to talk about television, video and radio programs
- give your child a series of instructions to follow
- encourage your child to give messages to other family members
- encourage your child to play a variety of games such as 'The Shopping Game' (one child begins by saying 'I went shopping and bought an apple'. Each child has to remember what has been said before and add a new shopping item)
- encourage your child to talk about things they have made using blocks, plasticine, cardboard and/or junk material
- encourage your child to listen to stories being read by family members
- have your child listen to stories and retell them to friends and family
- encourage your child to talk about drawings, paintings and models that they bring home from school
- encourage your child to read a variety of books and to retell the story in their own words
- encourage your child to read a variety of non-fiction (factual texts) and talk about the information presented in these
- encourage your child to talk about their imaginary play
- encourage your child to talk to known adults as well as other children
- plan and discuss family outings, e.g. going to the beach, park, friend's place, movie, zoo, museum, art gallery, sports events
- encourage your child to discuss and debate issues in the news and newspapers.



GRANVILLE GALAXY ASSEMBLY

The following students received certificates at the Granville Galaxy assembly held on Tuesday 25/05/10.

Bronze Awards

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Silver Awards

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Students must receive 15 star awards to qualify for the **Bronze Award** and then another 20 star awards to qualify for the **Silver Awards**. Students who have received Silver Awards now need to receive a further 25 star awards to qualify for the **Gold Award**.

PARENT WORKSHOP FRIDAY 28 MAY 2010 9:15 TO 10:15AM IN THE LIBRARY

Parents and carers are invited to attend our first workshop to further your understanding of the school curriculum.

This week we will be focusing on
Home Reading and Homework.
WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

Terri McFarlane
Assistant Principal



Granville Galaxy

GRANVILLE GALAXY UPDATE: LATEST LESSONS

**We are
SAFE**

**We are
LEARNERS**

**We are
RESPECTFUL**

**Next Granville
Galaxy Assembly:**

Tuesday Week 9

**We hope to see
you there!**

We know where to play

As adults we have a good understanding of the importance of staying safe. However, children often take unnecessary risks with their own safety and the safety of others. This lesson reminds students of the importance of staying safe during our school play times.

With explicit demonstrations of where students are allowed to play, the lesson also encourages students to stop and think about their actions.

Each teacher will take students on a walk around the playground and identify areas where they should play so that they are safe and where they can be seen by a teacher.

We are sure that students will benefit from this explicit lesson and will be encouraged to stop and think about how they use the playground.

We are SUN SAFE

This lesson highlights to students the importance of taking safety measures when going outside. The lesson encourages students to;

- Wear a hat at all times when outdoors
- Use the 'no hat, no play' area when they do not have a hat
- Use sunscreen
- Stay inside during the hottest part of the day, whenever possible
- Drink plenty of water when during hot weather.

WE ARE SAFE, WE ARE RESPECTFUL, WE ARE LEARNERS

SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

Winter stock available now.

We have long pants, trackpants, jackets, jumpers and long sleeve polo shirts for sale, now that the weather will start to cool down.

The uniform shop is open

**Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday and Friday
2:30 –3:00pm.**

BOOK CLUB

Book club orders are due by

TUESDAY 1 JUNE 2010

Please place the order form
and the correct money in a
labelled envelope in the
money box.



Thank you
Mrs Corbett & Mrs Sklavounos

~ CALENDAR ~



May	28	Sports Photo Day
	28	Parent workshop - Home Reading and Homework
	31	Stage 2 Featherdale Excursion
June	01	Book Club Orders Due
	02	Athletic Carnival
	04	Stage 1 Cruise Excursion
	10	Next Newsletter
	15	Granville Galaxy Assembly

ATTENTION STAGE 1 STUDENTS
DON'T MISS OUT ON THE
Captain Cook Cruise Excursion
on Friday 4 June 2010

Cost - \$25
Payment due by 02/06/10



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SIR JOSEPH BANKS HIGH SCHOOL CELEBRATING 50YEARS

Cocktail Party

Friday 17 September 2010

7:00pm - 11:00pm

Open Day

Saturday 18 September 2010

10:00am - 3:00pm

For more information, or if anyone has any memorabilia they would like to donate to the school for our Open Day please contact the school via:

sirjosephb-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Piano Lessons

Would you like your
primary school student to learn
how to play the piano?

After school lessons in your own
home.

Cost: \$30 per half hour

Contact: Zac Cech B.A. Mus, Dip Ed.

Mobile: 0404 727 786

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