

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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From the Principal's desk.....

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school. I hope everyone had a good break and spent some time relaxing. Term 3 looks to be a very exciting one. We welcome back to school Ms Houda who returns from her overseas vacation. Ms Chamoun is on leave until the end of Week 3 and she is being replaced by Ms Kaur. Mrs Semaan is also on leave and returning at the end of Week 3. She is being replaced by Ms Welsh. During the holidays, Ms Denny gave birth to a baby boy. Dane was born six weeks early but both he and Mum are doing well.

Tonight our talented dance group and choir will perform at the Opera House. I would like to take this opportunity to wish them all the best for their performances. I would also like to thank the teachers who have dedicated their time and effort to prepare the students for tonight; Mrs McFarlane, Mrs Leibrandt, and Mrs Kardiasmenos. Thank you also to Mr Hewitt for expert advice and assistance with the choir.

Next week is Education Week. We will start our celebrations with the NED show on Monday 1 August. This is a live performance that promotes confidence and achievement in children. Open Day is Tuesday 2 August. Students will perform at a special assembly. Parents are then able

to enjoy morning tea which is being organised by the P and C and Year 6 students. For a small cost you can enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and a cookie or cake. Funds raised will be shared between the P and C and Year 6 fundraising for their farewell. After morning tea, parents are invited to visit their child's room before being escorted to places of interest around the school, which have been selected by the students.

Next week is also SASS Recognition Week. This is an opportunity to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of our wonderful office staff and School Learning Support Officers. The theme for this year's SASS Recognition Week is **Stepping up to the Challenge**. At Granville public school we are very lucky to have such talented and committed staff who do this exceptionally well. On behalf of our whole school community, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Administration staff: Mrs Nunez, Mrs Paton, Mrs Scott, Mrs Nicholson; our School Learning Support Officers: Mrs Corbett, Mrs Defries, Ms Houda, Mrs Livio, Mrs Pincham, Mrs Hayward, Mr Joseph, Mrs Souaid; and our General Assistant: Mr Nathan.

The Granville Boys High tour of their school for prospective

parents is on Friday 5 August. All information about this will be sent home in a separate note.

Our next parent coffee club meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 16 August. Please note this date in your diaries.

Next week marks the beginning of Ramadan. This is an important event on the Islamic religious calendar. It is a time of prayer, fasting and charity giving. Moslem students who wish to pray at school during Ramadan may do so in the library during lunch or recess breaks. We wish our Moslem community all the best for what is a time for many, of self evaluation and spiritual growth.

Linda Barry
Principal

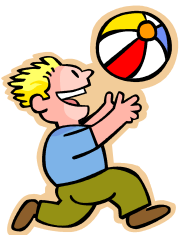
2011
Voluntary Contribution
Total contributions
received by the school
to date for 2011
is
\$4500
\$20 for 1 child
\$30 for 2 or more

Beginning School Well Playgroup for Refugee Families

Parents, young children and babies of refugee families are invited to attend a free program where the parents and children play together and families become part of the school community, gaining an understanding of the school culture.



If you would like to know more, please come to an information morning tea in the preschool on **Friday, 5th August at 9.15am.**



If you know someone who you think would like to come along, please invite them and let them know about the playgroup.



When: Monday 1st August 2011

Yo-yos for sale

\$8 or \$14 or \$19

The NED formula:



Relationships Australia

Managing Children's Behaviour

This 3 hour seminar explores how parents can build better relationships with their children and encourage positive behaviour.

The focus is on effective discipline strategies while maintaining a strong relationship with your child/children and looking after yourself as a parent.

Date: Tuesday 2nd August

Time: 6:00pm to 9:00pm

Location: Level 1

149 Hawkesbury Road
Westmead

Cost: \$20



Encouraging Children's Development & Self Esteem

This 3 hour seminar assists parents to understand their children's development and ways to encourage their growth and life learning. We also look at how our own self esteem can impact us as parents.

Date: Tuesday 9th August

Time: 6:00pm to 9:00pm

Location: Level 1

149 Hawkesbury Road
Westmead

Cost: \$20



Communicating with Kids

This 3 hour seminar will help you to understand how children communicate, both verbally and other ways. Parents have the opportunity to reflect and build on their communication strengths and overcome communication barriers to enhancing family relationships.

Date: Tuesday 16th August

Time: 6:00pm to 9:00pm

Location: Level 1

149 Hawkesbury Road
Westmead

Cost: \$20



To make a booking, or for more information about any of our workshops or groups, please contact our Westmead office by phone in : (02) 9806 3203

P & C NEWS

Our first ever second hand uniform stall was a huge success, everything sold for \$2 and the P&C raised \$150. A big thank you to all the families that kindly donated these uniforms. Another big thank you to Olivia & Phoebe Harris' mum, Reggie Hewitt's mum, Taleen & Khan Salicioglu-Achi's mum and Fletcher & Pippa Butterfield's mum who all helped out on the morning. The P&C look forward to organising another second hand uniform stall later in the year.

The P&C have a big term 3 planned. We will be hosting a morning tea next Tuesday to celebrate our school's open day for Education Week. A cup of tea/coffee & a cookie for \$1, half the money raised will go towards the Year 6 farewell. The P&C would also like to thank Subway Granville who are kindly donating the cookies.

We also have a CRAZY HAIR day organised for Wednesday 10 August, the craziest class will receive a class award. It will be a gold coin donation to enter. In about week 7 we will be having a Sunscreen Fundraiser—more information will be provided closer to the date.

If you are unable to attend the P&C meetings but would still like to help out the P&C we would greatly appreciate your help. It is a great way to make new friends & to really be involved in your children's schooling. All you need to do is see me in the school playground or leave your name & contact number with the ladies in the office.

Our next P&C meeting is on Wednesday 10 August at 9:15 in the teacher's staffroom. It was wonderful to see new faces at our last meeting. I hope to see you all again.

Kind regards

April Butterfield

P&C President.

Granville Public School Open Day

Tuesday 2nd August

9.20 Whole School Assembly (Parents invited)

Including performances by Dance Group, Drummers, Chinese Dancers

Morning Tea (Coffee and Cake Store)

Organised by P & C and Year 6 students

Journey through Learning Passports

Parents take a journey through the school lead by their children

Shared Lunch

Parents are invited to share lunch with their children. Some choices may be available for purchase at the school canteen.

COMING SOON**2011 Sound & Vision
Around the World**

Our annual production is on again!

Date: Thursday 22 September

Time: 11:00am Matinee

7:00pm Evening

Cost: \$7.50

Tickets go on sale on
from the front office on

Monday, 22 August 2011

there will be no sales earlier than this date.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Ankit - KB

Shafah - KP

Tamir - KR

Bailey - K/1S

Adbul - 1C

Abraham - 1D

Kelvin - 1/2Z

Swatip - 2L

Anshrika - 2NW

Negeen - 3/4B

Andrew - 3/4C

Elsie - 3/4K

Elisapeta - 3/4S

Ahmed - 5/6H

Narges - 5/6J

Ayhan - 5/6K

Melat - 5/6S

Karlee - 1-6F

Rayan - 3-4D

Well Done

IMPORTANT DATES!



July	28	'Our Spectacular' at the Opera House
Aug	1	Ramadan Begins
	1	The NED Show
	1-5	Education Week
	2	Open Day
	2	English Competition
	5	Information Morning Tea for Refugee Playgroup
	9	Science Show
	9	Zone Athletic Carnival
	11	Newsletter
	19	Book Week Assembly

**CORRECT MONEY IS
REQUIRED WHEN PAYING
FOR EXCURSIONS.
THE OFFICE DOES NOT
KEEP CHANGE.**

REMINDER

Parents are reminded to keep their child's reports in a safe place for future reference. Your child's past school reports may be needed when transferring to other schools and enrolling in high school.



TERM DATES

TERM 3 19/07/11 - 23/09/11

TERM 4 10/10/11 - 16/12/11

UNIFORM SHOP

NOW OPEN

**Opening Hours
Monday and Friday
2:30 - 3:00pm**

Ruben Meerman is... ***The Surfing Scientist***

Ruben Meerman will be performing an exciting show at Granville Public School! Ruben appears regularly on ABC television as

"The Surfing Scientist"

and his live show is full of exciting experiments and demonstrations. Students will be mesmerised by bubbling beakers, fizzing fluids and spooky fogs as they learn real science!

This performance is aimed at years 3 - 6 and has been organised to coincide with National Science Week.

DATE: Tuesday 9 August

COST: \$5.00

DON'T MISS THIS GREAT SHOW

TIDDALIK THE FROG

To help celebrate book week this year, there will be an amazing performance of **Tiddalik the Frog**

for students from **pre-school up to year 2.**

Tiddalik the Frog is a well-known Australian Aboriginal story of the frog who drank all the water in the world. This educational fairy tale is brought to life with using pantomime, music, magic and exquisite life-size puppetry of native Australian animals.

DATE: Friday 26 August

COST: \$4.50