

# 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

Issue 5 Term 3, 2012

Thursday 20 September 2012

### UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

#### SEPT

21 Last Day of Term 3

#### OCT

8 Students return to school

25 Stage 2 excursion to Botany Bay

#### NOV

21 Stage 3 excursion to Power House & Syd. Observatory

#### DEC

19 Last day of Term 4

### From the Rel. Principal's desk.....

Dear Parents,

Congratulations this week go to Mr Swainson's junior and senior soccer teams who both made it to the Grand Finals last week. Both teams played extremely well and showed excellent sportsmanship. The junior team were unlucky this time and lost 2-1. The senior team were declared the winners after finishing the game as a 1-1 draw. This was due to the boys finishing the season first on the table. Well done boys!

Congratulations also to Mrs Kardiasmenos' senior newcombe ball team who also played in their Grand Final last week. Unfortunately they lost this time but played a fantastic game. Apologies to Mrs Kardiasmenos for last week's newsletter which claimed that they were Mrs Cambey's team. Mrs Kardiasmenos obviously deserves a great deal of credit for her excellent coaching skills.

This week we held our successful Term 3 Parent Teacher interviews. Most interviews took place on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon, however some were held on other afternoons or mornings throughout the week. Parents and teachers have reported that the interviews were well attended and an extremely valuable way to communicate information about student progress. If you were unable to attend a parent interview, please call the school and organise an appointment with your child's teacher in Term 4.

This has been an extremely busy term for the staff, students and parents of

Granville Public School. Across the school, students have enjoyed a variety of excursions and incursions including *Music for Health*, *Stage 3 Camp to Milson Island* and *visits from Workers in the Community*. There has also been a fantastic parent excursion to *The Rocks* with Mrs Chalhoub and Ms Zamerli.

Last week Miss Denny and Miss Hillsley took some of our Aboriginal students and their friends to Duck River to explore the area and to meet with an Aboriginal Elder. All students who attended had a wonderful experience and learned some important information about the river and Aboriginal culture. The excursion was part of our whole school commitment to supporting Aboriginal students.

Thank you to our hard working P&C who ran a fundraising BBQ at the school on the day of the local elections. The whole school community appreciate your dedication to our students and their learning.

Finally, I would like to wish all of our families a wonderful and safe holiday. Term 4 will be extremely busy for all of us as we look towards end of year reports, presentation days, excursions for each stage, another teacher vs student match, the Year 6 graduation and farewell and many more activities. Thank you for a wonderful Term 3 and we look forward to returning to school on Monday 8 October.

Jodie Landon

Rel. Principal

### Measles Update

NSW Health is urging Granville families to continue to be on the look-out for symptoms of measles: fever, cough, runny nose and sore red eyes followed after 3 or 4 days by a rash. If students have these symptoms please keep them at home and if very unwell see your GP and ask if they might have measles?

It is very important that everyone gets two doses of measles vaccine to prevent the spread of this serious infection. Free measles vaccinations are available from your doctor or local medical centre.



# Granville Galaxy

Congratulations to the following students who received Granville Galaxy Awards at our last assembly.

## BRONZE AWARD WINNERS

Kumail  
Bryan  
Oliver  
Elsie  
Ian  
Sophia

## SILVER AWARD WINNERS

Syrah  
Yusuf

## GOLD AWARD WINNERS

Amani  
Kardelen

## PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Romisa - KB  
Rayan - KP  
Ali - KR  
Edlyn - KY  
Zainab - 1B  
Janet - 1L  
Banein - 1Z  
Jad - 1/2D  
John - 2A  
Bryan - 3/4K  
Arth - 3/4S  
Rahel - 5/6C  
Destan - 5/6H  
Hassan - 5/6K  
Ahmad - 5/6S

Bailey - K-6G  
Chanelle - 2-6D  
Adam - SRC  
Sahar - SRC  
Eren - SRC

Well done to  
these students

These awards  
will be presented  
at the first  
Granville Galaxy  
Assembly in  
Term 4.

We are  
SAFE

We are  
LEARNERS

We are  
RESPECTFUL

## PSSA Soccer Update

Well done to the Junior and Senior soccer teams who both made the Grand Final this year which was played on Friday 17 September. Both games were thrilling and entertaining to watch.

The Junior team played Auburn North and were very unlucky to lose 2-1. Although the score had only one point they came close to scoring many more times throughout the match. The Junior team played extremely well and showed good sportsmanship to the winning team.

The Senior team played Granville East and finished with a 1-1 draw. As we finished the season as the highest ranked team, this meant that we were victorious in the Grand Final. The Seniors displayed fantastic teamwork and enjoyed another excellent season. This means that we have now won the premiership two seasons in a row.

A big congratulations to both teams!

Mr Swainson



2012 PSSA Junior Soccer team



2012 PSSA Senior Soccer team



## MUSIC FOR HEALTH EXCURSION

At 9.45 a.m. on Friday 31 August students from the Support Unit caught the bus to Mounties Club for a musical concert. Most of us were excited and some were hungry.

We had a little stretch and had recess outside in the fresh air. After our break we rushed inside because we were so excited. Inside a large room were many tables with



instruments on them. One table had 'Granville' on a sign. We sat down and played with the instruments. There were tambourines, triangles, sticks, clappers and bells.

Suddenly, there were musicians beside us in the audience playing their instruments. The lovely music was smooth, cheerful and it felt comfortable. They were playing violins, a double bass and a cello. After that they went up on the stage and played a beat, 'Ta, ta, ta-ta' and we joined in with our

instruments.

Then the man picked a few people to sing up on the stage. There was this little boy singing One Direction music. The man (conductor) picked all of Granville Public School to go up because we're special. We sang, 'Baa, Baa, Black Sheep'. The man put the black microphone in front of Rayan, Ebru and Jessica. Another boy sang a beat box song.

We waited for the bus and crossed a little bridge. We saw little, baby tadpoles. On the other side of the bridge we had races on the oval.

Coming back to school on the bus some of the students fell asleep.

This concert was **excellent, fantastic and lots of fun!**

Written by Rayan, Afu, Ahmad and Cemo



## PARENT EXCURSION TO THE ROCKS

On Tuesday 11 September, a group of our parents went on an excursion to The Rocks with Ms Chalhoub, the Arabic Community Language Teacher and Ms Zamerli, the School Liaison Officer.



The parents travelled by train from Granville to Circular Quay where they stopped for a morning tea by the water and enjoyed the

glorious weather. Then they walked to The Rocks where they explored this unique historical Australian quarter and enjoyed the beautiful atmosphere and views. They also stopped to have a delicious lunch at Pancakes on the Rocks restaurant.

It was a very enjoyable day!!! Many parents are already planning to take their children to The Rocks during the next school holidays!



## Students vs. Teachers Soccer Match

On Thursday 6 September, many students watched the very exciting and suspenseful soccer match between the Stage 3 students and the teachers, during the lunch and recess breaks. The students were on the ball and were very determined to win however the teachers were equally determined to win. In the end the score was even and everyone had enjoyed themselves!





# Stage 3 Camp

I got to do the biggest swing of my life on the giant swing and it was fun.  
**Rahel**

I liked camp because I had parties with my friends and I stayed up late. **Katrina**

I liked archery because it's physical and active. I got 3 blues and a white. **Ryan**



Canoeing was fun because it was scary. It was interesting and exciting at camp.  
**Ahmed K**



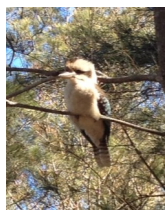
I liked canoeing because the boat was floating away and it was fun bringing it back.  
**Aya**



The giant swing was freaky but fun at the same time. **Layla**

The giant swing makes you excited and it was a lot of fun. **Jailen**

I liked the giant swing because it was fun and I got to experience new things. **Amira**





# Milson Island



The giant swing was fun because I went so high and then I was swinging, and I touched the tree with my legs. It was kind of scary too. **Abdul**



I liked canoeing because we played lots of games in the canoe and we got to swim at the end. **Kaia**



My favourite part of camp was the sleeping because we got to talk and stay up late. **Shanesh**

I liked the giant swing because I went high. **Fatemeh**

My favourite part was initiatives because we got to solve problems with our group. **Kathleen**



The giant swing was my favourite part because it made my heart beat! **Patience**

I liked canoeing because it was fun and I liked capsizing. **Harley**



My favourite part of camp was the giant swing because it was fun. I went really far! **Danny**

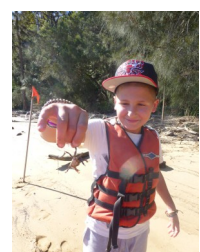
The giant swing was freaky, cool and fun. **Xavier**



I liked the giant swing because when you go higher, you go faster. **Lunah**



I liked canoeing because it was fun watching others falling out of their canoes and we got to swim at the end. **Timothy**





## A message from the Preschool

Term 3 has been very busy exploring lots of special interests both indoors and outdoors. We have particularly worked on the Munch and Move program especially in talking about healthy foods and bodies, by using cooking experiences as well as using games. In addition, all the children have been involved in setting up our vegetable and herb gardens as well as feeding our worm farm. They take great care of the garden each day and take great pride in keeping all their fruit seeds from recess, so that they can be planted in what is now our fruit and vegetable garden. We all know that it's going to be a long wait, but we can't wait to see what happens. Many thanks to all our families who came and helped us on our excursions.



**Students in 2-6D love coming to school.  
They have lots of fun with their friends.**



### Duck River Excursion



On Friday 14 September, the Aboriginal students, their friend and school leaders attended an excursion to Duck River.

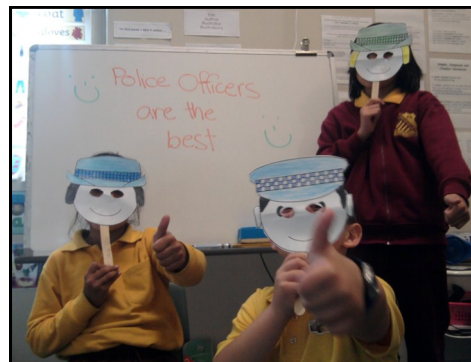
During the excursion the students completed three different activities. Each activity focused on showing the students how they could be responsible and care for the environment. For one of the activities, the students learnt a lot about keeping the streets clean and placing rubbish in the right bins which are recycling, general rubbish and greens waste.



Another activity had an Aboriginal elder of the land around Duck River engage the students by tasting traditional Aboriginal bush-tucker, informing them of traditional medicine and demonstrating Aboriginal ceremonial face painting.

The third activity was about the history of Duck River and the ways that we can help care for its unique environment.

By T'ara 5/6H



**Police Officers are the best.**

### Family Holidays

Parents and Carers are reminded that they must contact the school if they are planning a holiday in which their children will be away from school.

Forms must be completed for an exemption from attendance and the school must have copies of travel documents.

If you are planning a holiday please see the office staff.

Thank you.



### **P&C News**

The P&C would like to thank all the families that supported our Election BBQ and cake stall. We would also like to say a very big thank you to Mr Milligan for helping us set up on the day and spruiking for business, we really appreciate everything you do for the P&C. With our leftover sausages we decided to host a PSSA Grand Final BBQ lunch for our junior and senior soccer stars and the senior newcombe ball team.

Term 3 has been a successful and rewarding term for the P&C. We have had the following events:

- \* Coffee, tea and cupcakes for Education Week & Open Day
- \* Trivia Night
- \* Father's Day Stall
- \* Participated in Kindergarten Information Sessions
- \* Election Day BBQ
- \* Grand Final BBQ

One of the most successful events was the Trivia Night and we have already started organising next years. Please take the time to read of the local business' that supported our trivia night. It would be great if our school community could support their business as they have taken the time to support our school and students at Granville Public School.

The P&C would like to wish everyone a safe holiday and we look forward to an exciting term 4.

Kind regards  
April Butterfield  
P&C President

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**Granville Public School P&C  
would like to thank  
the following business'  
for sponsoring and or donating  
to our Trivia Night.**

### **Sponsors**

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### **Donations**

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Taronga Zoo

Ryde Aquatic Centre

Priceline Merrylands

Featherdale Wildlife Park

Stuart Dickson Produce Flemington Markets

**Thank you also to everyone  
who helped with the  
organisation of the  
Trivia Night.  
\$1500 was raised for the  
school's air conditioning  
project.**



# PARRAMATTA POLICE STATION OPEN DAY

*Come and see your local Police station  
and the equipment they use!*

**October 7th 2012**  
**10am - 3pm**  
**95 Marsden Street, Parramatta**



CELEBRATING



## 2013 Preschool & Kindergarten Enrolments

Applications are now being taken for the Kindergarten and Preschool students for 2013 at Granville Public School.

Children must turn 5yrs of age before July 31st 2013 to be eligible for Kindergarten or turn 4yrs of age before July 31st 2013 to be eligible for Preschool.

Applications may be obtained and returned at the School Office.

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