

Gravesend Public School Newsletter

'ALWAYS OUR BEST '

1901 – 2011 110 Years of Public Education Email: gravesend-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au **Term 3 Week 8**

From the Principal's Desk Uniform

It's great to see the majority of students in the correct school uniform. There is still a problem with track pants that have different coloured stipes down the side. Plain navy pants or track pants can be purchased through the school or are available from Target, BigW or other clothing outlets in nearby towns.

Personal Learning Plans (PLP)

These plans need to be evaluated and revised every year. Thank you to the parents and students who have completed their reflections and set new goals for this semester. If a PLP has not been negotiated for your child could you please contact the school to make a time so that this can be organised.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN results are due to be distributed to parents of the Year 3 and Year 5 students on the 12th September. Kay will post these results to you on this date. Please make a time in the following week, which is the last week of this term, to have a meeting with the teachers to discuss your child's results and to reflect and revise his/her Personal Learning Plan (PLP).

School Self Evaluation for 2011

Thank you to the parents who have returned the 6 Hat evaluations. This was not meant to be a difficult task. The suggestions on the left hand side of the page were only topics that you might want to comment upon. All we want to know is:

- what you like about the school (yellow hat),
- 2. what you think needs to be improved at the school (black hat),
- 3. how can we make these improvements (green hat), and
- 4. how you feel about the school (red hat).

Today we are sending home a short survey about the Management of the school. Please return this as soon as possible after the excursion because we want to analyse and collate your answers in week 10. If you need any help please contact the school because we do value your opinions and input towards planning the programs and activities that the school will run in 2012.

Excursion

There is big excitement at school today because we only 2 sleeps until we board the coach and set off for our big adventure at the snow. Let's hope that everyone manages to stay healthy and fit. We want to depart at 6am sharp so please be at the school by 5.45am so we can load the coach. Remember that the coach has a DVD player so students can bring DVDs but please make sure that the disc plus the case is clearly labelled. PLEASE LABEL ALL CLOTHING. Nobody ever wants to claim lost undies but if their names are on them they can be returned to their rightful owners very discreetly. Thanks.

Cheers,

Kris Pagett

Itinerary Excursion to Jindabyne

Sunday (Students need to bring Fruit, Morning Tea, Lunch, Afternoon Tea and Water)

Arrive at school 5.45am

6.00am Depart

Arrive Eaglehawk 6.00pm (approx)

Holiday Village

Monday

8.30am Drive around the

Embassies

10.00am War Memorial

1.00pm Lunch at Mt Ainsley

Look Out

3.30pm (approx) Arrive Jindabyne –

unpack, kit up for snow etc 5.30pm Dinner

6.00pm **Evening Activities** 8.00pm Supper /Showers

9.00pm Bed

Tuesday - Thursday Snow Sports Camp

Inclusions

Supervision by experienced staff

- Professional graded lessons with Perisher Blue Snowsports School separate from the general public
- Private meeting and storage areas on snow
- Ski lifts and equipment hire
- All meals
- **Evening recreation activities**
- Dormitory-style accommodation in modern rooms
- Transport to ski fields including ski tube

Friday

8.30am Depart Jindabyne 6.30pm Arrive Aussie Cabins,

Dubbo

7.00pm Dinner / Activities / Bed

Saturday

8.30am Depart Dubbo 2.30pm (approx) Arrive Gravesend

Assembly Awards

Student of the Week

K/1 – Tilly Barwick 3/6 – Shelby Robertson

Special Merit Awards

Mason Daley, Ben Stahl, Alliarna Brazel, Matthew Marquart, Reanna Marquart

Bronze Certificates

Damon Barwick-Taylor, Allan Hicks, Will Barrington, Zac Barrington, Jade Hicks

Turtle Award

Caleb Withers

<u>CANTEEN SPECIAL DAY</u>
Friday, 23rd September (last day of term), we will be selling **NACHOS** in the canteen.

An order form will be sent home on Monday, 19th September so I can order the quantity I need for that day.

Thank you to the 4 mothers that have commented on the survey. At this stage it looks like we will only be operating one day per week. Friday seems to be the most suitable day to operate for us. Kay

Thought for the Week Every adult needs a child to teach, it's the way adults learn.





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SIX QUICK QUESTIONS

With Brayden

What would you spend a million dollars on? A mansion

Favourite sport? Rugby league Favourite food? Chicken Caesar Salad Favourite animal? Turtle Who do you admire? Hazaam El Massari What do you want to do when you grow up? Wildlife ranger



SIX QUICK QUESTIONS

With Isaac

What would you spend a million dollars on? A Horse

Favourite sport? Rugby league Favourite food? White chocolate Favourite animal? Horse

Who do you admire? Brayden, because he's nice

What do you want to do when you grow up? Work at the bank with Dad



SIX QUICK QUESTIONS

With Molly

What would you spend a million dollars on? Lots of jewellery

Favourite sport? Playing horses Favourite food? Banana muffins Favourite animal? Horse

Who are you best friends? William & Lola What do you want to be when you grow up? A princess



REMINDERS

- Bus departs at 6.00am Sunday, 11th September. Please be at the school by 5.45am.
- Bus returns Saturday, 17th September approx 2.30pm.
- No Transition next week due to excursion. Resumes Tuesday, 20th September.
- Last day of term, Friday 23rd September.