NEWS ‘N’ VIEWS

HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY

P & C Association
Meets every 2nd Wednesday of the month
7:00pm in the staffroom
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

**BREAK-IN AND GRAFFITI**
Over the last week we have had a number of incidents where damage has been done to the school including a large amount of graffiti, broken glass all over the playground and a break-in where nothing was taken but damage was done in the classroom. If you are travelling past the school and see something suspicious could you either call the police or school security on 1300 363 778.

**PDHPE PROGRAM**
Every year as part of our Personal Development, Health and Physical education Program students learn about child protection and body parts etc. It is very much age appropriate and I believe a very essential part of the curriculum that we teach. It is an ongoing program that is presented over the year. If your child comes home and wishes to discuss this with you I encourage you to do so. If you would like to know more about the curriculum please feel free to contact your child’s teacher.

**P & C**
The next meeting of the P & C is on next Wednesday, 14th May at 7:00pm in the school staff room. The P & C do so much for the school and if you are able to attend you will be most welcomed.

**MOTHER’S DAY STALL**
Thank you to Mel Hogston and her team of helpers for running this year’s Mother’s Day Stall. They put so much time and effort into this so that children are able to buy an affordable gift for their mothers and Grandmothers.

I do hope that all of our mums and grandmothers have a great Mother’s Day and that your kids do spoil you.

Graeme McLeod
Principal
Dates for your calendar

REMEMBER – Canteen is always closed on Tuesdays

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NSW GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS
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On Friday 9th April, Cross Country ribbons will be handed out at our School Assembly. The assembly will commence at 1:45pm and all parents are welcome to attend. Well done to all participants, a great effort all round!

For those students who will be participating in the ICAS Maths and English Assessments, notes and money need to be returned by this Friday 9th May.

Thanks,
Marg Sansom

Stewart House Donation envelopes were sent home last week in an effort to support the 1,800 children who attend Stewart House each year. We are asking families to participate in the donation drive by placing a $2 coin into the envelope and returning to school.

By also completing the entry details on the back of the envelope you can go into the draw to with a $4,000 holiday of your choice!

All envelopes must be returned to school by this Friday, 9th May to participate in the draw.

Thank you for your support.
CAUGHT YOU BEING GOOD:

QUALITY WORK:
Stage 3: Purva, Emma and Ruby.

HOUSE OF THE WEEK:
Kiara

MERIT AWARDS:

OTHER:
Dance groups make it to Central Coast Dance Festival!
2B wins assembly!!

STORIES FROM 3/4E

RECOUNT
On Tuesday 8th April 3/4E, 3/4T and 4/5C went to the Sydney Museum and it really fun so I will tell you about it right now.

So the bus came to our school and picked us up. It took about one hour and a half to get to the Sydney Museum but it was worth the wait.

First of all we went to the Aboriginal part and there were lots of amusing things to see like rock paintings and tools that they had and boomerangs and weapons that they had in those days.

The second thing that we went to was dinosaurs and skeletons of dinosaurs. There was a Stegosaurus skeleton, a Tyrannosaurus-Rex skeleton and a long-necked skeleton.

Thirdly we went to a lady named Heather and in her room there was lots of fun activities like finding fossils in the sand with brushes and being palaeontologists and looking at insects under a microscope and patting animals and picking up dead animals.

At lunch time we went outside to play on the grass. Pretty much all of the kids played tip with Mr T. After that we went home on the bus. It took one hour and a half to get back home.

Romy, 3/4E
Hi Everyone

Don’t forget we have Eftpos available in the Canteen for your convenience. Please remember that if you send in your details or text an order through that it must be a credit card or debt MasterCard/Visa and the CVV number on the back is required.

We have a special in the Canteen at the moment on Vanilla Paddlepops – 90c each!

From Wednesday 7th May please note that Paddlepops/Billabongs in Chocolate/Rainbow will now cost $1.40 each.

Thanks
Jo C
8 May: World Red Cross Day - The Red Cross and Red Crescent movement is the world's largest humanitarian volunteer network. On this World Red Crescent day we recognise the contribution made by the Red Cross and Red Crescent organisations in the prevention and alleviation of human suffering.

9 May: Europe Day - This day is considered to be the beginning of the European Union. On 9 May, 1950 Robert Schuman, the French Foreign Minister presented his proposal (The Schuman Declaration) for the creation of an organised Europe.

9 May: Stewart House Day - Each year 1,800 public school children in need come to Stewart House from many parts of NSW and the ACT. During their stay, children are provided with optometric, dental and medical treatment as well as emotional support. This is balanced with health and educational programs and out of school activities to boost their self-esteem and to promote a healthier lifestyle.

10 May: Cornflower Blue Day - The purpose of Cornflower Blue Day is to raise awareness of motor neurone disease and to raise funds to help care for people affected by it.

10 May: World Lupus Day - World Lupus Day will focus on the need for improved patient healthcare services and increased research into the causes of and a cure for lupus, a chronic auto-immune disease that affects millions of people worldwide.

11 May: Mother’s Day - This special day for mothers is celebrated each year on the second Sunday in May.

12 May: International Nurses Day - International Nurses Day is celebrated on the day of Florence Nightingale’s birth, 12 May 1820.
School Banking Term 2

For your chance to win a share of exciting prizes, simply make three or more deposits every Wednesday at school during Term 2 and you’ll be automatically entered into the competition.

Major Prize.
- Five nights accommodation at the Sea World Resort & Water Park on the Gold Coast.
- VIP passes for two adults and three kids to Sea World, Warner Bros. Movie World and Wet ‘n’ Wild Gold Coast.
- A Dolphin Family Aqua Adventure.
- A $3000 travel gift card to get you there.

Runner up Prizes
130 Toys “R” Us Gift Cards to the value of $250 each to spend on your favourite toys.
PLUS, a separate draw of $1,000 cash for one school in each state/territory.

So come on Gosford East Public let’s get saving and remember your deposit can be as little as twenty cents just as long as you make 3 deposits!

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