FROM THE PRINCIPAL...

Captains / Prefects Elections

On Monday our Year 5 students held their nomination speeches for our 2016 School Prefects and Captains. We had a very large number of students that were nominated and we were very proud of the efforts that they made and the way that they presented their speeches. In this election staff and students have the same vote, each staff member has one vote and each student has one vote and they have equal weighting. Students in Years 1-6 voted yesterday to choose who they wanted to be their school leaders. I do have the power of veto but in the 12 years that I have been here I have never used it, which demonstrates the quality of the students at our school that put themselves forward to become school leaders. At the time of writing I have not been told who has been successful but I am sure once again we will have some outstanding students as our leaders. We will announce who are our new leaders next week. The School Captains will be announced at our Presentation Assembly at the end of the year.

Performance Night

Just a reminder that our Performance Night is next Wednesday at Erina High School. The P & C will be selling sausage sandwiches prior to the performances so you can grab something to eat before hand. This should be a great night and you will get to see the high quality of our performances that are a result of our Creative Arts program. There are still some tickets available from school office.

Christmas Concert

It does seem like Christmas is a long way away but is there is less than 4 weeks of school left. In two weeks, on Friday 4th December at 1:45pm we will be having our Annual Christmas Concert. We usually have our biggest crowd of the year at this event so if you are free please come along.

Graeme McLeod

Principal
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REGULAR EVENTS...

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STUDENT CORNER ASSEMBLY NEWS

Caught You Being Good

Quality Work
Tyler, Chace, Tasanica, Anuj, Ansh, Isabel, Taera, Molly, Ronan, Mitchell

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Remembrance Day Poems by 2S

Rear gunner.
Enemies.
Machine gun.
Enemies’ ambush.
My life is over.
Bring me home.
Everyone loses.
Remember me.
*By Owen*

Remember
Everyone because
Many people died.
Even some young people died.
Machine guns and Bombs were fired nearly
Every day and night
Remember everyone who died.
*By Charlotte*

Remember the people that lost their lives.
Every year on the 11th of November everyone has one Minute silence to think about the people who have died in the war.
Everyone will remember them.
Medical people help others that are injured.
Lots of people are Brave and have gone to save Everyone’s lives. People wear Red flowers called poppies because the poppies grew on the battlefields in World War 1.
*By Sophia*

HARMONY CORNER

**19 November** - **International Men’s Day** Although it is not yet an official United Nations observance, International Men’s Day is a time to reflect on the contributions, sacrifices and progress made by men in society. Such progress includes that of men working together with women to make educational, economic, social, and technological advances in society.

**20 November** - **Universal Children’s Day** The United Nations General Assembly designated Universal Children’s Day in 1953. It is a day when children are honoured by special ceremonies and festivals to make children’s needs known to governments. It is observed on different days in different ways in more than 120 countries.

**21 November** - **World Fisheries Day** This day, celebrated by fishing communities worldwide, highlights the importance of maintaining fisheries in the world’s rivers, lakes and oceans. World Fisheries Day focuses on how the global fishing industry must be managed to ensure sustainable stocks and ongoing healthy ecosystems.
STUDENT BUS PASSES

From Term 1 2016, School Bus Passes will be replaced by School Opal Cards. Transport NSW will be issuing School Opal Cards to students eligible for travel under the School Student Transport Scheme, via a new online application process.

Parents and guardians will need to apply online if the student:

- Is just starting school and has not had a travel pass before
- Is in a transition year (ie: year 2 to 3 or year 6 to 7)
- Is changing schools, including moving to high school
- Or, if the students personal details have changed Eg: change of address

If you have already applied for a travel pass for 2016 (This will be students in Year 2 going into Year 3), you DO NOT have to do anything.

Please go to www.transportnsw.info/school-students for more information or to apply for your travel pass.

There are brochures in the school office if you would like one.

STUDENTS ARRIVING BEFORE 8:30am

There have been a number of students who are regularly arriving at school before 8:30am. Parents need to be aware that there is NO teacher supervision until 8:30am, and therefore, no staff are available to ensure your child is safe within the playground. While many of our staff are here well before this time, they are busy preparing for their day, or attending meetings, and it is not a requirement of their job to supervise until 8:30 am.

We understand that many parents have work commitments which require them to drop their children off to school earlier than 8:30 am, however, there is St Patricks Out of School Care available, which operates from 7:00am. Please contact 0408 165 671.

Whatever arrangements you make in the mornings, parents remain legally responsible for their children until 8:30am.

Year 6 FAREWELL – “Red Carpet”

The Y6 Farewell parent organisers are looking for some help please.....Do you have any props that we could possibly use on the night??

Our team of merry-workers are looking for any donations or loans around our theme – “Red Carpet”.

If you can help out, can you please see one of the Stage 3 Teachers? Or send along your items to the Stage 3 classrooms.

Thank you!

Mrs Samo, Miss Middleton and Mrs Campbell
Hi Everyone,

Canteen Christmas gathering will be at Gosford RSL Club on Monday 7\textsuperscript{th} December at 7:00pm. If you have volunteered in the Canteen this year please feel free to rsvp to me by 30\textsuperscript{th} November. We go in and just have some drinks and order dinner if you want to until they kick us out at 10:00pm!

Sushi orders are going well on Thursday and Friday. Please remember they must be in by 9:00am Wednesdays.

I will be putting some recess specials in the Canteen Facebook Group over the last few weeks of term so be on the lookout. If you aren’t a member of the group please ask to join on GEPS Canteen.

Thanks
Jo

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\textbf{The Point Cafe @ The Japanese Gardens}

Join us Monday - Friday for Breakfast only $10.90 for bacon, eggs, hash brown and tomato or have a coffee and cake for only $8.00 when you mention you are a Gosford East Public School member.

Try our new Sunday Buffet options which is $25 for a buffet each Sunday ($12 for children) that will start in December.

It would be great to have some of your families join us. We look forward to catering your year 6 dinner.

Regards

Dale McLennan
Parent Questionnaire for the PAVe Project
(Preventing Anxiety and Victimisation through education)

Your school is participating in the PAVe project - a research project at Macquarie University. Students who have permission from their parents have now completed the second PAVe survey at school. We would like to invite parents of these children to also complete the PAVe parent survey.

Two schools with the highest return rate of parent surveys will win a $2,000 prize for their school.

This online survey will take about 12 minutes to fill out. Please go to [http://tinyurl.com/paveparents](http://tinyurl.com/paveparents) to complete the survey. Alternatively, you can collect a paper version of the questionnaire from your school.

The information you provide will assist us evaluate programs that reduce peer victimization and anxiety in schools and also evaluate the health impact and costs to run these programs. The information will assist us plan future support for families to prevent victimization and anxiety in children.

The PAVe team and Gosford East PS thank you for participating in the PAVe Project.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr Sally Fitzpatrick (9850 8097) or paveadmin@mq.edu.au

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**P & C NEWS**

Summary of what was discussed in the November P&C meeting:

1. Xmas raffle items
2. Invite to Erina High school P&C meeting
3. BBQ at the Erina Showcase on Nov 25th. From 5:00-6:00pm we will be selling sausage sizzle $2.50 and cold drinks $1.50. Ideal for families to have dinner there before the show! All fundraising profits will go towards next year GEPS Creative Arts Program.
4. The Gardening Green team are busier planting strawberries in the new red planters
5. The buddy bench has arrived and will be painted by the Green Team
6. Plans to paint the Canteen foyer area over the holidays
7. Help needed on Nov 20th when the Kindy orientation have their uniform purchasing – see Jo in canteen
8. Ideas for fundraising next year – Market day/garage sale at school

Next meeting is Tuesday Dec 8th 7pm at the Elanora Hotel.

First meeting next year is Tuesday Feb 9th 7pm school staffroom

AGM is Tuesday March 8th 7pm school staffroom

Wendy Whitmore

P & C
COMMUNITY INFORMATION

A HAPPIER, HEALTHIER YOU!

Start your Monday right by setting clear goals for the week ahead. This will help you maintain momentum and enables you to celebrate your success!

Weight Watchers is here to support you every step of the way as you put your best foot forward and take steps toward a healthier and more fulfilling life – we have a brand new meeting coming to East Gosford, drop the kids to school and pop over for some inspiration.

LOCATION: East Gosford Guide Hall (Hilton Moore Park, Boronia Street East Gosford)
TIME: 9.30am Mondays

Join us on the 30th November for a free group coaching session, come along on the day for your chance to win a free 3-month membership

LAST MARKET for 2015
AVOCA beachside Markets
FOURTH SUNDAYS
SUNDAY NOV 22
Heazlett Park Foreshore 9am-2pm
fixxevents.com.au

TWILIGHT MARKET
AVOCA VILLAGE
SATURDAY DEC 12
5pm-9pm

CHRISTMAS FAIR
MT PENANG
SUNDAY DEC 6
9am-2pm

SAT 12th DEC
Avoca Village
(next to the tennis courts)

Music, food & xmas shopping in a village atmosphere!
The Central Coast’s favourite Christmas event returns to the beautiful waterside and tranquil location of Mt Penang Gardens Kariong.

There you can enjoy the Coast’s largest FREE outdoor Christmas shopping experience while chilling-out near the water or under the trees in a relaxing environment with plenty of FREE parking available across the whole location.

**Now in its 8th year,** the event features over 150 hand-picked, high-quality local arts and crafts stalls, international food zones and fresh seasonal produce areas, puddings, delicious cakes, the inaugural Six String Brewery Pop Up Bar and Wine Zone. **Of course Santa** will be there too and you can take photos with him on the water!

**Entertainment & activities** include The Ronald McDonald House Show supporting The Family Room at Gosford Hospital, Live music all day on the stage & buskers from Fairplay Entertainment, roving magicians & Christmas characters, 9D Cinema Experience, Old Skool Arcade Machines, Little Puppet World, Wiggle and Giggle Show, Switcharoo Circus, HUGE amusement & rides zone, ponies, Mini Jeeps, The Big Yellow Bus, Interactive Music Studio, FREE face painting all day, jugglers, games under the trees and lots lots more!

Our favourite local foodie **Julie Goodwin** will make a special appearance and book signing & **Sea FM** will be broadcasting live through the day.

Come along and support the Coast’s best Christmas community experience with the whole family in the beautiful location of Kariong.