Dates to Remember

Assemblies
Week 8 : KM & KS
Week 9 : Awards
Week 10 : Y6 Final Assembly

Schools Spectacular: 24th - 29th November

Kinder 2016 Smooth start
30/11, 7/12

Gloucester Citizenship
Assemblies 4/12
Years 3-6 11.30-12.30pm
K - Year 2 2:00 - 3:00pm

Presentation Night: 9/12

Yearly Reports go home:
Thursday 10th December

Class Parties 14/12

Year 6 Farewell: 15/12

Gloucester Citizenship Rewards Day 16/12

Last day of school for students: 16/12

School Photos 2016 - 28th July

Canteen Roster
25/11
Tracey Bignell
Susanna Jackson

27/11
Louise Thurgood
Amanda Bowling

30/11
Robyn Beggs
Leanne Anderson

2/12
Melissa Feeney
Tracey Murrell

4/12
Mel Seale
Hannah Murray

Year 6 students enjoying the activities at the High School Transition
P&C Christmas Raffle

This year we are asking for donations of non-perishable goods to make baskets/hampers of goodies for a big raffle for our school and wider community. We are hoping to make 10 or more baskets/hampers to raffle.

At least two baskets/hampers will be given to charity to help families in and around Gloucester that need a little extra support at this time of the year.

We will send home a small book of tickets for 50 cents each to every family to sell and sell tickets at Presentation Night. The raffle will be drawn at the end of Presentation Night on Wednesday 9th December 2015.

Please send items to the office. A collection box will be located in the admin office. Items may include:

- Cans of food or drink
- Christmas items - e.g. bon bons, puddings
- Unused toiletries - e.g. shampoo, conditioner, hair items
  - Packets of food
  - Kitchen items etc.

Any items suitable to fill a clothes basket to make a large gift hamper would be appreciated. Please do not send any second hand or used items. Thank you for your support and for helping us raise funds for the students of Gloucester Public School.
From the Principal -

Schools Spectacular
Good luck to our Schools Spectacular team. The team leaves today and spends Wednesday - Friday lunchtime in rehearsals at Qantas Credit Union Arena.
I understand that security will be a priority this year due to events around our world.
Many thanks to Mrs Carruthers for all the organisation and Mrs Burrows for all her hard work.

Quick Smart 2015
Quick smart will finish this Thursday for 2015. Thank you to all our volunteers who have helped the program remain successful and many thanks to Mrs Garner and Mrs Groves. The program will recommence in 2016.

Congratulations
Congratulations to Hayley Watts and Andrew Laurie who were married last Saturday in Gloucester. On behalf of the students, staff and families of Gloucester Public School, we wish them all the very best for a happy future together.

P&C Thank you
I would like to thank the P&C and all the parents and carers who helped the P&C make 2015 a wonderful year. Last night was our last meeting for the year. Many thanks for all the support.

Expression of Interest
As some of you are aware, Miss Amanda Coghlan is taking leave for 12 months in 2016. An Expression of Interest for the temporary position of Classroom Teacher for 2016 was advertised and I am now in the process with Mrs Alison Wise, Principal of Barrington Public School, in selecting the most suitable candidate for the position.

Gloucester Citizenship
The students have been working towards Gloucester Citizenship all year. There will be an assembly on Friday 4th December 2015 to reward those students that have achieved Gloucester Citizenship for 2015. Years 3-6 Assembly will be held between 11.30 and 12.30pm and Kindergarten to Year 2 Assembly will be held between 2.00 - 3.00pm.

The Gloucester Citizenship Rewards day will be held on the last day of school for students, Wednesday 16th December from approximately 10.30 - 2.00pm. We will be making our way to the RSL to view a newly released DVD. A note will be attached to your child’s certificate on Friday 4th December. There is absolutely no cost to this reward day. Please ensure your child returns the note by Friday 11th December. Thank you

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR CHRISTMAS RAFFLE. A BOOK OF TICKETS WAS SENT HOME WITH THE ELDEST CHILD IN EACH FAMILY LAST WEEK. IF YOU HAVEN'T SEEN A BOOK, PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD’S BAG. THANK YOU
Kindy Corner

We are learning...

- Weekly Blends: sm and sn
- Weekly Word Family: 'op'
- Weekly Sight Words: after, there, where
- Number Focus: Reading, writing, counting and ordering numbers 0-1000
- Maths Focus: money, multiplication, division, fractions, area, position, 3D shapes, data

Kindergarten Assembly: This week, KS and KM are hosting the assembly. All Kindergarten students are to bring in an assembly costume of fun party clothes. Please make sure that all clothes are appropriate for school and that they have covered in shoes.

KM: Due to Schools Spectacular, Mrs Carruthers will not be at school on Wednesday to Friday. Miss Shannon Crawford will be teaching KM during this time. Mrs Carruthers will be back at school on Monday 30 November.

Mirabai Carruthers and Alicia Taylor
Kindergarten Teachers

Class Awards

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K/1/2 Assembly
Friday 27/11
2.10pm
in the hall
Hosts/item = KM & KS
Everyone welcome!
Assemblies for the Remainder of the Year
Kindergarten students will be hosting the Infants' Assembly this week (Week 8, 27th November).
The assembly in Week 9 (4th December) will be the major Merit Assembly for the year.
The Week 10 (11th December) assembly will be Year 6’s final assembly.
Everyone is welcome to attend these assemblies.
Mrs Ley & Mr Maggs
Assistant Principals

Kindergarten 2016 Smoothstart Program
Our second Smoothstart morning is next Monday 30th November and the final one is on Monday 7th December.
Parents/carers are asked to bring their child/ren to the Kindergarten classrooms at 9.30am and return to collect them from the same area at 10.45am.
During these visits your child will gain the confidence and skills to enable them to successfully enter Kindergarten in 2016 and ensure that your child’s transition from preschool to primary school is successful. Participation in this program is voluntary, however highly recommended.
Children need to bring morning tea, a water bottle and a hat to wear to the Smoothstart Program.
2015 Kindergarten Teachers

Year 6 Transition to High School
On Wednesday afternoons, during Weeks 5 & 7, the Year 6 students have been going to the high school as part of a transition program. Yesterday, they attended a full formal orientation day. The aim of the day was to further provide the Year 6 students with knowledge and confidence to ready themselves for the exciting year ahead.
Year 6 students worked directly with Year 10 Peer Support Leaders and teachers as well as participating in a variety of games and activities that enabled them to navigate the school and its systems.
They were guided through the day by their Year Advisor, Mr Davis, and also met other high school staff such as Principal - Mr Cavanagh, Ms Ribbons - Head Teacher Wellbeing, Mrs Ingram and Mr De Angelis - Boys and Girls Advisors, Mr Cameron - Sport Coordinator, Mrs Moulds - the Front Office Manager/Technology Support Officer and Mr King - Deputy Principal.
They had a talk about the Great Aussie Bush Camp, which is the Year 7 excursion planned for Week 8 of first term, and then went off to the Junior Quad to meet peer support leaders and participated in a Scavenger hunt/timetable practice. In the afternoon, they participated in the final rotation of activities which included cooking, woodwork, and wellbeing lessons.
I wish to congratulate our Year 6 students on their outstanding behaviour and enthusiasm, throughout the transition program. You are a wonderful year group and I'm sure the high school is delighted to have you enrolled for next year.
Mrs Wilson
Year 6 teacher
Sporting Schools

Sporting Schools 2016 has almost come to an end for our GPS students. The final session will be next Thursday 3 December.

Please remember to pack a drink bottle for your child/ren as we have noticed that quite a few students have been coming without one and it has been extremely hot lately!

Thank you

GPS Sporting Schools Team

Mrs Green, Mrs Seale, Miss Coughlan, Mrs McLeod and Miss Watts

Canteen Update

Apple Slinky Machines - $30

We only have a few Apple Slinkies left so don’t leave your run too late otherwise the kids will drive you nuts all holidays.

Just a reminder for anyone who would like to volunteer or has been thinking about volunteering, I can be contacted anytime on my mobile 0447 727 388 or you can drop in for a chat during canteen hours on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays. We look forward to seeing some new faces in the canteen next year - some of the old ones are getting a bit tired!!

Lisa Norrie
Canteen Supervisor

Schools Spectacular 2015

We are away!!!! Good luck to our Schools Spectacular Choir! I know you will represent GPS with pride and dedication. Congratulations on all of the effort and hard work you have put into your rehearsals and practice!

I’ll see you in Sydney on Wednesday morning!

Mirabai Carruthers
Schools Spectacular Coordinator

The Schools Spectacular will once again be screened on the Nine Network. Our national broadcast time is Saturday 5 December 2015, 7pm - 10pm, which is the weekend after the live performances. Tune in together with your friends and family to watch the magic of the Spectacular.
PRESENTATION NIGHT
Wednesday 9th December
6.00pm
RSL Hall

WET AND WILD SYDNEY
MONDAY 18TH JANUARY 2016

$75 per person

Includes: Transport, Park Entry and Lunch

- $25 deposit required with application form
- Full payment required by 9th January 2016
- Departure 6.00am - return 10.00pm
- For students aged 10 - 18 years of age
- Great Christmas present

WET AND WILD APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE

WET AND WILD DISCO

Friday - 04.12.15

Combined Junior Blue Light
Kindergarten to Year 7
6.00pm till 8.30pm
Gloucester Soldiers Club
Entertainment: MOBILISTIC DJ's
Celebrating 5 years in Operation
GOLD COIN ENTRY FOR EVERYONE - $1000
IN XMAS GIVEAWAYS - SANTA ATTENDING

NO ALCOHOL | NO DRUGS | NO PASSOUTS

All Blue Light events are drug and alcohol free and supervised
by Police Officers

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GPS Reading Strategy Competition
QUIZ

Name: __________________________
Age: __________________________

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| 2 | I love to _____!
| 3 | _____ ahead.
| 4 | Does it _____ right?
| 5 | Get your _______ ready.
| 6 | _______ it out.
| 7 | _______ is fun!
| 8 | Does it look like a ____ I know?
| 9 | Cut it into _______.
|10 | Start _______.
|11 | Keep calm and _____ a book.
|12 | I think therefore I _____!
|13 | All great leaders are ________!
|14 | _____ fall open, you fall in.
|15 | Does it make _______?

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Entering the Competition
1. The GPS Reading Strategy Competition is open to all students at GPS.
2. To enter the Competition, You should answer all 15 questions in the Quiz plus solve the hidden message.
3. You can enter by placing this form in the mailbox outside the Reading Room.
4. You may only place one entry in the mailbox.
5. All entries must be received by 3.30pm, 8 December, 2015.