Gillo kids ♥ their Mums.

Children say “Happy Mother’s Day” their way.

On Mother’s Day, Ashan and his family went for a drive to see a waterfall. Ashan gave his mum chocolate.

On Mother’s Day Aidan and his family had a BBQ at his house and played Monopoly. He gave her a necklace and movies.

Jordan went to the Newcastle Diggers. Jordan gave his mum a coffee mug.

Cameron went to the Hunter Valley Gardens with his family. He gave his mum pyjamas.

Written by EJ and Vaughan

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I hope all the mothers and grandmothers enjoyed their day. Thank you to our P&C for the organisation of the Mother’s Day stall. The Year 3 and 5 students are sitting their NAPLAN tests this week. We wish them all well.

We have a fundraising breakfast coming up in week 6. It is a fundraising event for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Our children can enjoy breakfast together in the hall for just a gold coin donation.

I would like to remind families that if your contact details change for any reason, it is very important to contact the office and let us know. You never know when that information could be vitally important. Our Skoolbag App has a function on it for parents to change their details using their smartphones. It’s very easy and convenient.

Mrs Karen Johanson - Principal
POSSUMS

We love our Mums, Nanas and Grandmas! To thank them for everything they do for us we made them some very special surprises this week. We did our very best colouring in, and painting to create a beautiful bouquet of flowers and a very special poem. We were very proud of our craft for Mum, Nana and Grandma, we hope you liked it!

“I love my mum because on Easter and Christmas she lets us go on holidays.” – Reme

“I love my mum because she lets me eat lollies for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Just tricking! She lets me buy things with my own money.” – Harrison C

“I love my mum because she goes to the park with me.” – Riley

“I love my mum because she helps me do homework.” – Dallas

KOALAS

We are working on the unit, “Local Places”, and discussing our favourite places both at home and at school. We have been talking about where they are, what we do when we are there and why we like them. We are learning the difference between natural and built environments.
QUOLLS
The Quolls have been learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. We made artworks. We used crayons and blue water paint for the background.

Written by Bailey

BILBIES
We have been looking at lifecycles from animals and plants. We have been on Skwirk for our maths. For Reading Groups we have been on the listening post with Charlotte’s Web.

We have been using the iPads using Poplet and then we attached it to the Smartboard. People in our class are improving and moving up in Reading Groups.

Written by Kaidyn and Ella

DUGONGS
I could not ever want a better Mum. She cuts off her work time to take me to school. She is all ways there to support me. She spoils me and always gives me a hug. I love spending time with my fantastic Mum. She is great at cooking too.

Written by Zoe

My mum is a great cook. She helps out in the Mother’s Day stall. She gets me pets. She tucks me in at night. For my birthday she gives me money and presents. And that is my mum.

Written by Tyler K
I hope everyone has a wonderful Mother’s Day.
I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all the wonderful mums who gave up their time to help with the Mother’s Day Stall last week. It was fantastic to see so many volunteers, new and old; we couldn’t have done it without you.
I would also like to send a very big thank you to Mrs Morante for the donation of beautiful handmade gifts for the stall. We sold out of these on the first day; the kids thought they were great.

Fundraising Committee
This year the P&C Committee will be forming a Fundraising Committee. This will enable us to put a huge focus on fundraising for the school and achieve many target goals for the year. If there is anyone who would like to be involved in creating fundraising ideas, the planning process, execution of events or would just like to have an input we welcome you to attend our first meeting this Friday 16th May 2014, to be held directly after assembly in the hall. If you would like to be a part of the committee but cannot make it please feel free to contact Tegan Dann - Fundraising Coordinator 0401 582 263.

Canteen
The canteen is full steam ahead with our Canteen Convenor doing an amazing job. Melissa along with all the wonderful canteen volunteers has managed to transform the canteen itself and is now in the process of implementing some yummy new menu items. We have a range if snacks and combos coming soon that abide by our Green, Amber and Red guidelines. There will be some items starting at 20c for those parents wanting to lighten their wallets. Volunteers for the canteen are always welcome in any day. Younger children are welcome to come along and play in the hall which you can see at all times.

Alexandra Bellamy
P&C President

School Contribution
Each year families are asked to contribute money to the school that will assist us in providing interesting and engaging lessons.
We are asking again for $20 per child up to three children, (the 4th is free).

QR CODE
Use your smartphone and a QR Reader App and you can access a direct link to our school’s website

AFTER SCHOOL COLLECTION OF STUDENTS
Our children line up according to which bus they catch and whether they walk through the front or back gate. Please assist us and help your child be safe by only walking them through the front and back gate.
The Ryans Road gate is for bus children only as the road is very busy with buses and cars.
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### Sauces

- Tomato, BBQ or Tartare: 30c each
- Vanilla or Banana
- Chocolate, Strawberry
- Tomato, BBQ or Tartare
- Hot Milo: $1.00

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### DRINKS

- 50c each Flavoured milk: $1.80
- Chocolate, Strawberry, Vanilla or Banana
- Water: $1.00
- Juice: $1.50
- Apple, Orange, Blackcurrant
- Soy Milk: $1.50
- Plain or Choc Bliss
- Up n Go: $2.00
- Chocolate, Strawberry, Vanilla or Banana
- Hot Milo: $1.00

## MEATS AVAILABLE

- Ham or Chicken

## ALL BREADS

- Wholemeal included
- Multigrain included
- White Bread included
- Gluten Free: $1.00 extra

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**SNACKS AND DRINKS ARE AVAILABLE OVER COUNTER AT LUNCH TIME.**
Reforms to P&C Federation

The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations.

Each school’s P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation’s Annual General Meeting and councillors who will serve on the Federation’s Board of Management. More information will be available on the Department’s website at


HEAD LICE - The facts

Head lice infestations are a common occurrence, particularly in primary schools.

- about 23% of primary students have head lice at any one time
- anyone can catch head lice regardless of their age, sex, or how clean their hair is
- head lice move from one person’s head to another via hair
- head lice do not survive long when they are off a human head
- head lice do not live on furniture, hats, bedding or carpet
- head lice have built up some resistance to head lice treatments

Treatment

- daily combing of hair with white hair conditioner using a fine tooth comb is effective in getting rid of head lice and eggs (nits)
You are invited to join our Jelly Baby Breakfast

It could be the most important meal of your day!

When: Monday 2nd June, 2014
Where: Gillieston Public School Hall
What to bring: Please give a gift of a Gold Coin

Funds raised for Jelly Baby Month will support type 1 diabetes research.

www.jdrf.org.au/jellybabymonth
Q. Did you hear about the fire at the circus?
A. The flames were intense!

Q. Why did the clown wear loud socks?
A. So his feet wouldn’t fall asleep!

Q. Why did the circus elephants get thrown out of the public swimming pool?
A. Because they kept dropping their trunks!

Q. How do you catch a circus elephant?
A. Hide in the grass and make peanut noises!

Diary Dates

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Just For Fun!

VERY COLOURFUL

AZURE
BLUE
BUFF
CAMEL
CHESTNUT
CORK
DRAB
HAZEL
HELIOTROPE
JET
KHAKI
NAVY
OLIVE
ROSE
RUBY
RUSSET
RUST
SAGE
SALMON
SILVER
TURQUOISE
UMBER

Did You Know?
A cactus which grows in the Arizona desert increases its height by just 2.5cm during the first ten years of its life.