CHARACTERS GALORE!

Our Book Week/Education Week Celebrations were such a colourful sight! We had open class rooms, Recorder and Infants Choir performances and the Book Character Parade. There was Cat in the Hat, Elsa and Anna, Spiderman, Ninja Turtles, fairies, Snow White and Paddington Bear just to name a few.

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thank you to the families who supported our Book Week/Education Week Celebrations. There was lot of work in so many of the costumes. It was great to see the staff and students enjoying the fun and enjoyment of books. We have invited parents to our school staff meeting on Wednesday 26 August at 3:20pm. It is an opportunity for parents to have their say about student behaviour. We are also surveying parents about before and after school care.

Mrs Karen Johanson - Principal

We are safe, respectful learners.
We all enjoyed our Book Week Celebrations last week. We read “Room on the Broom” and made a picture of a witch on a broom. Some of us thought that this was the best part of the day whilst some enjoyed listening to the recorders the best. Others liked parading in our costumes the best but we all agreed that it was a great day especially sharing it with parents and grandparents.

This week we are learning about the area of shapes and problem solving. We used books to measure the area of our table. When we found that it didn’t work, we had to use our problem solving skills to find a solution. We changed the tool we used for measuring to something smaller and it worked.
BLUEBELLS
The Mermaid Song – by Malcolm

He was dancing and playing in front of his friends. The small child left and then the other tree people left. So he ran far away to a waterfall and went on the Billabong. He got pulled in under water by the mermaids and he stayed in a cave. He was telling the mermaids stuff and a bright light appeared. He saw the little child crying and the tree with the boomerang dropped his boomerang and the two other trees were sad. So He went back home and talked to the little child and the other trees about what happened and hugged the little child.

The Mermaid Song- by Telishia

The story takes place in the desert and the rock-pool. The elder danced. The others don’t like it so he ran away. The mermaids pulled him into the water. His friends missed him so he went back.

CALLISTEMONS

Callistemons have had an exceptionally enjoyable week! This week we used our visualising skills as we experimented using charcoal and created an artwork inspired by the illustrations from one of our favourite books, *One Minute’s Silence*. We had lots of fun clowning around at our education week celebration and as you can see in our photo; we all looked fabulous dressed as various book characters. Thank you to all our family and friends who came along to celebrate the day with us!
ORCHIDS

The Orchids will be performing a special treat at assembly this week, and hopefully you've heard them humming it around the house. The song is a bit of an ear worm. We had a bit of a treat day on Friday, watching Horton Hears A Who and eating popcorn. After the movie, a few of us thought it was a perfect time to get into the dress-ups!

CANBERRA TRIP

Early reports show lots of blue sky and smiles. This is one of many photos taken. They had just arrived at the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS).
ADVERTISING IN THE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Full page (A5) $20 per issue
Half page $10 per issue
Six months Full page $350
Six months half page $180

The School Newsletter is currently distributed to 120 families, both electronically and printed copy, as well as uploaded to the school website and school app.

Please call the office (49 327 542) if you, or anyone you know is interested.
The next P&C MEETING is 10 September

6:30pm in Silvertails’ classroom

A movie will be playing on the Interactive Whiteboard for parents who are unable to find a babysitter.

Light refreshments will be available for both parents and children.

All parents and carers welcome.

P&C Pie Drive

Orders to be picked up Thursday 27 August

ENROLLING NOW FOR KINDER 2016

Our office is now taking enrolments for children starting Kindergarten next year.

The first 20 completed Kinder enrolments for 2016 will receive a FREE Captain Gillo T-shirt.

Open Day

Thursday 27th August 2015
10.30am – 1.00pm

We would love to see you there!
SKOOLBAG APP

Download now on iPhone or Android.

You can use this app to:

- Update your address.
- Update your phone number.
- Let the school know why your child is away.
- Get the school newsletter.
- Receive updates that might have changed or miss the newsletter.

Have you got the Reading Bug?

Kindergartn students of 2016 and their families are invited to:

WELCOME BBQ: 27 October 2015 at 4pm (Free showbag)

ORIENTATION 1: 3 November 2015 at 10am

ORIENTATION 2: 10 November at 12noon

ORIENTATION 3: 17 November at 2pm

Contact our friendly office for more information.

GILLIESTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

Week 5 Award Winners

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### Positive Behaviour for Learning

We are safe, respectful learners striving for personal best in a happy and friendly environment.

### Just For Fun!

"IF YOU CAN’T SAY SOMETHIN’ NICE...... DON’T SAY NOTHIN’ AT ALL!” Thumper