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The Values We Share – Excellence
The following students are to be congratulated for receiving values awards in the last two weeks.

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I would like to share the following writing from Sophie in 3/4E on her thoughts about the school value ‘Fair Go’.

At Gladesville Public School each week we focus on a value and this week’s value is A Fair Go! Giving everyone a fair go is really kind and it is nice for everyone to experience the fun! A fair go means taking turns and letting everyone have a go! Sharing is also giving people a fair go and it means that everyone gets an equal amount. Fair go is also recognising people’s strengths and weaknesses in the playground and in the classroom. Even if you know that someone is bad at something let them join in with the game and encourage them and say “Great work”. Letting others play who you don’t usually play with is really kind and is giving them a fair go! Fair go is really important to everyone! Letting people go before you and not pushing in are both fair go. You have to respect other people and treat them how you want to be treated too! A Fair go is really important and I think we all should think of others’ feelings!

Bravo Sophie! Well said!

Staff Development Days – Term 2
The Department of Education and Communities (DEC) has allocated an additional School Development Day at the start of Term 2 to assist teachers with Professional Development in implementing the new Australian English Curriculum. The School Development Days for Term 2, 2013 will be Monday 29 April and Tuesday 30 April. Parents are asked to make alternative arrangements for the care of their children on these days. Students will return to school on Wednesday 1 May.
Building Development Around the School
The school has only recently been made aware of a building development at 5-11 Meriton St. Building of a 7 storey block of 40 apartments will begin in July. We believe the same developer is intending to extend this site to include another 20 apartments on what is now 3 Meriton St. As you can imagine, this will have quite an impact on the school, particularly the playground. City of Ryde Council (Environment & Planning) has advised me that this type of development is ‘what the community wants and that this development meets all council requirements and standards’. We are currently trying to organise a meeting with the developer to discuss the impact on the school and students during the building phase.

On the other side of the school, the Gladesville RSL has begun the community consultation phase of the redevelopment of Coulter St Car Park. Both myself and Jen Blaylock, your P&C President, attended an initial meeting last week. I urge you to visit the site link below to learn more about this project. We are currently trying to organise a public meeting for the GPS community, Christchurch Pre-school community and Christchurch congregation to enable more people to view proposed plans and participate in a Q&A with ‘Urban Concepts’, the company engaged to undertake consultation events. Watch this space!
http://www.coulterstprecinct.com.au

Parent Survey
We value the opinions and ideas of our school community. To assist us in planning for the future, parents are requested to complete a short survey that was sent to your email address. The anonymous survey is open until the end of this week. Thank you to parents who have already responded to this survey.

Anti-Racist Contact Officer
At Gladesville Public School we value and foster harmony and cultural diversity.
Mr. Rodriguez is the Anti-racism Contact Officer (A.R.C.O) for 2013. Mr Rodriguez is at GPS on Mondays and Tuesdays. If you would like to discuss issues outside these days please contact Mrs Partland.

Anaphylaxis
A reminder to all parents that we are a ‘nut-aware’ school and have several students with severe allergies to peanuts and nut products. Please be mindful of this when packing food for your children’s Crunch & Sip, recess and lunch snacks.

Judi Partland
Principal

Three Way Conferences – Monday 8 April
Notes regarding Three Way Conferences have been sent home today. All endeavours are made to allocate times as requested by parents and confirmation slips will be sent home once appointments have been finalised.

Crazy Hair Day.
Last week’s Crazy Hair Day ran in conjunction with World's Greatest Shave, and it was a wonderful way for our students to be a part of the fund raising effort for the Leukaemia Foundation. Students enjoyed creating and displaying their hair designs. To add to the excitement, students witnessed Mr Little having his hair shaved. Mrs Partland, Ms Koutouc, Mr Norton and Mrs Goodfellow were also the lucky recipients of some new rainbow hair – all for a good cause!
The money we raised, over $650, goes towards research as well as services for families who are dealing with cancer. Thanks go to Mrs Leon-Bahmani for her expertise. Click on the gallery to view some colourful pictures from the day!

Nadia Smith
SRC Coordinator
Zone Swimming Carnival
Our students performed exceptionally well at the recently held Ryde Zone Swimming Carnival. A number of very fine performances were highlighted by:

- Junior Girls Relay (Elle B, Imogen G, Hannah M, Layla B) – 1st
- Senior Boys Relay (Connor B, Jackson B, Matt S, Pishoy G) – 2nd
- Connor B – Senior Boys Champion. 1st 50m Butterfly / 1st 50m Backstroke / 1st 50m Freestyle / 2nd 200m Individual Medley / 2nd 50m Breaststroke / 3rd 100m Freestyle
- Jackson B – 2nd 50m Butterfly / 3rd 50m Breaststroke/ 4th 200m Individual Medley / 4th 50m Breaststroke / 6th 50m Backstroke/ 6th 100m Freestyle
- Layla B – 3rd 50m Butterfly /3rd 50m Freestyle/ 4th 50m Backstroke / 4th 200m Individual Medley
- Elle B – 4th 50m Freestyle/ 7th 50m Breaststroke
- Ben L – 6th 50m Freestyle
- Imogen G – 6th 50m Freestyle / 7th 50m Breaststroke
- Matilda P – 8th 50m Butterfly
- Pishoy G – 6th 50m Butterfly/ 7th 50m Breaststroke
- Junior Boys Relay (Ben L, Ryan S, Tully S, Rory S) – 7th

Special thanks to Mrs Labrie for being Team Manager at the carnival and also to the large number of parents who assisted with transportation to and from the pool.

Winter PSSA Sport
Selection trials are currently being held at lunchtime for Winter PSSA teams. Students have been informed of the options and selection processes during morning assemblies.

Students in Years 3 & 4 (Juniors) have the opportunity to trial for:
- Netball (two teams)
- Boys Soccer
- Girls Soccer
- AFL

Students in Years 5 & 6 (Seniors) have the opportunity to trial for:
- Netball (two teams)
- Boys Soccer
- Girls Soccer
- AFL

Furthermore, students in Years 4-6 can also tryout for Tiger Tag (one boys team and one girls team). This week trials will be held at the following times:
- Tuesday – Year 5 & 6 Girls Soccer, Years 3 & 4 AFL, Years 3 & 4 Girls Soccer, Boys Tiger Tag
- Wednesday – Years 5 & 6 Boys Soccer, Years 3 & 4 Netball, Years 5 & 6 Netball, Years 3 & 4 Boys Soccer, Years 5 & 6 AFL
- Thursday – Years 3 & 4 AFL, Girls Tiger Tag

Further trials will be held next week. All students are strongly encouraged to trial for more than one team.

David Roberts
Coordinator

P&C News
Thank you to Julie Ann and the Kindy parent helpers for another successful Gelato event.
Organisation for our Major event – Country Fair – Sat Aug 3rd – is now under way – if anyone would like to be involved in helping organize areas of the day, please can they contact Ali or Emma.
Next event will be the Cross Country sausage sizzle – year 4 are hosting the event – again any year 4 parent volunteers please contact Kerri Lea.

Please check noticeboard for sports and holiday activities, kids clubs and local events.