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The Values We Share – Care & Compassion
The following students are to be congratulated for receiving values awards last week.

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Opportunity Class Entry 2014
Students in Year 4 have received an ‘Intention to Apply’ note that needs to be returned to school by Wednesday 8 May. A copy can be located on the Notes page of the website.

NAPLAN
This three day assessment for students in Year 3 and Year 5 in Literacy and Numeracy will take place on 14 – 16 May. It is important that all students attend school on all days of the assessment. Please reassure your child that they should not feel worried or anxious about the assessments – they are done so that teachers can learn more about their students’ skills and help the school plan for future programs.

Stewart House Day
Stewart House provides refuge for disadvantaged and marginalised children who need a break from their circumstances. Each year Stewart House looks after 1,800 public school children from across NSW and the ACT, who take part in a 12-day residential program at the organisation's headquarters on Sydney's northern beaches. The children participate in a wide range of rewarding experiences and are encouraged to see beyond their present circumstances and develop hope and positive aspirations for their future. During their stay, children attend Stewart House School, which provides an education program to assist with the development of their emotional, psychological, physical and educational needs, and an excursion program to enable the students to see the tourist sites of Sydney. As part of the program, children are also given eye, dental and other medical checks.

A not-for-profit organisation, Stewart House was formed over 80 years ago through a collaboration between the NSW departments of education and health, and the NSW Teachers Federation. Stewart House is NSW Public Education's Charity of Choice. Many GPS staff contribute financially to Stewart House through direct salary deductions. Their contributions pay for a 12 day stay for two students at Stewart House. Stewart House Day is on 10 May this year and we ask that you donate as a family through the envelopes distributed this week. Additionally, a proportion of money raised at the Disco on Thursday will be donated to Stewart House.
Walk Safely to School Day – Friday 24 May
The annual Walk Safely to School Day will be held throughout Australia on Friday 24 May. The objectives of this day include:

- To encourage parents and carers to walk to school and reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour
- To promote the health benefits of walking
- To ensure children up to the age of 10 hold an adult’s hand when crossing the road
- To help children develop vital road-crossing skills
- To reduce car dependency habits
- To reduce the level of pollution created by cars
- To reduce the level of traffic congestion

A free, interactive App can be downloaded at walk.com.au that will map your walk to school. Students who walk to school on this day will receive a sticker when they enter the school grounds.

School Uniform
We have a beautiful school uniform. It is smart, functional and affordable. We are also lucky to have a great Uniform Shop, run by parents, for parents. There are many uniform variations to choose from. It is, therefore, disappointing to see that other clothing items are being worn to school as an alternative to the uniform. The School Uniform Policy is attached – please read it to ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform every day.

Hunters Hill High School Girls’ Breakfast
On Friday 17 May HHHS is holding a special breakfast and information session specifically for girls and their parents. The breakfast is open to all girls in Years 3-6 and will be held from 8.00am – 9.00am. Please register your attendance at the breakfast by telephoning the school on 98174565 or by email to huntershhd-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Judi Partland
Principal

Peer Support Groups
This week in Peer Support students will have an opportunity to identify and discuss their personal qualities and strengths. They will acknowledge how these qualities contribute to their achievements. Through activities students will recognise that they use their strengths to achieve success and can be encouraged to approach future activities optimistically. Ask your child to describe their own qualities and strengths so you can recognise and acknowledge these.

In Week 3 students will discuss how to communicate their feelings and needs to others. They will discuss skills they use when participating in a variety of activities. When children understand they already have many of the skills needed to succeed, they can feel more confident when trying something new. Students are asked to identify events which trigger different feelings. Encourage your child to remember the skills they have used in one activity when trying something new. Also encourage your child to communicate their feelings and needs.

Megan Scroope
Coordinator

Mothers’ Day Stall – Friday 10 May
If you would like your child to purchase an item from the Mothers’ Day Stall please make sure he/she has the appropriate money (up to $5) with them on the morning.

Held at the school on May 29, 30,31. Commencing at 7.00 p.m. Free General Admission, $5 donation for parking on school grounds.
To book seats for these performances go to http://www.eventbrite.com/event/5820646711/eac2