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The Values We Share
The following students are to be congratulated for receiving values awards in the last fortnight.

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Wakakirri
Congratulations to the whole Wakakirri team on their success in making it to the State Finals of the Story-Dance competition. The Possum Magic troupe will be performing again at the State Sports Centre on Thursday 19 September. What wonderful news!

Every School Every Student
Our speech pathology in-house teaching and learning sessions are going very well, with teachers learning a great deal. Each session includes observation by 3-4 staff members, with sessions filmed to enable other staff members to view lessons they missed if required. Lessons cover a wide range of subject areas such as the language of maths, comprehension and creative writing, and are taught across all learning stages. The feedback has been very positive, with staff finding this professional learning very worthwhile.

In a very fortunate coincidence, as part of the school’s Kidsflicks prize, teachers are undertaking professional development in film-making over three in-depth sessions after school.

Kindergarten Enrolment 2014
We are in the process of finalising our Kindergarten enrolments for 2014. If you have a family member or friend who is expecting to attend Kindergarten at GPS in 2014 and who hasn’t yet enrolled, please do this now.

Judi Partland
Principal
Spelling Bee Regional Finals
Congratulations to Michael C., Jack O, Conan and Connor F who will represent the school at the Regional Finals of the Premier’s Spelling Bee to be held at Meadowbank Public School on Wednesday 18 September.

Sport News
The school has continued to achieve great results in sport over the past few weeks. Our Girls Soccer team won their PSSA final against Putney 1-0, while our senior Boys Soccer team played out a 0-0 draw against Eastwood Heights in their final, meaning both schools were crowned Joint Premiers. Unfortunately, our Junior ‘B’ netballers lost their final against North Ryde 8-1. Now that the winter season has finished all students are asked to return their PSSA shirts to coaches as soon as possible.

The school also won the Ryde Zone Athletics Carnival for the second time in three years. There were many brilliant performances on the day resulting in the following students being selected to compete at the Sydney North Athletics Carnival:

- Maxine F
- Emma B
- Jordan H
- Hannah M
- Bailey M
- Lewis A
- Cameron P
- Lara C
- Mitchell R
- Andrei S
- George D
- Talia W

Jordan capped off a wonderful day by being awarded Champion Senior Boy at the Carnival. Thanks to Mrs Davis and Mrs Labrie for again assisting as Team Managers.

Last Wednesday the Boys Super 8 Cricket team competed in the Sydney North Final, winning their three pool matches before losing a close-fought final to Hornsby North by one run. It was a wonderful performance especially considering the majority of the team was comprised of students in Years 4 & 5.

Several students have also achieved significant individual success in the past week. Connor B and Jack O gained selection in the Sydney North cricket team that will compete in the upcoming State Championships while Lilly D was selected in the Girls Sydney North Cricket team that will also play in the State titles.

Finally, just a quick reminder that Summer PSSA recommences this Friday with the school fielding teams in softball, t-ball and cricket.

David Roberts
Coordinator

SRC ‘Ride to Conquer Cancer’ Mufti Day - Wednesday 11 September
The SRC will be hosting a Mufti-Day on Wednesday 11 September in support of Mrs Pedersen who will again be participating in the 'Ride to Conquer Cancer'. The theme of the day will be 'sportie', in other words bring a gold coin donation so that you may wear your favourite sporting attire instead of school uniform. Please do not bring equipment! For further information regarding the Ride please visit sy13.conquercancer.org.au

Year 6 Fete - Thursday 12 September
The Year 6 Fete is an annual event of fun games and activities designed and run by Year 6 students. Student in Years 5 and 6 will also be providing yummy treats, cakes and drinks to be sold at the cake stall at recess. The fete will be held at the school during school hours, and students from all years are invited to attend. If your child would like to participate, please provide them with up to $5.00 in coins.
String News
GPS hosted a wonderful string music camp on Sunday 11 August which involved 38 string players from four local schools (GPS, Boronia Park Public School, Hunters Hill Public School and St Michael's School in Meadowbank). After a concentrated morning of group sectionals, the guest tutors from the Acacia Quartet played a mini concert for the students before everyone joined together to form the super-duper 'Tutti Strings Chamber Orchestra' with the conductor 'Maestro' Luke Spicer. The afternoon concluded with an open rehearsal so the parents could hear the very challenging piece 'The Moldau' by Smetana. The great applause at the end was certainly well earned for these young musicians who did an amazing job and improved so much throughout the day. Well done!
Congratulations also to Elizabeth M on her Pass with Honours in her AMEB Theory Exam and to Imogen K for her recent 1st Prize in the Harp Eisteddfod.
Myee Clohessey
Strings Coordinator

Election Day BBQ & Cake Stall
The election is a great opportunity for GPS to run a BBQ and cake stall fundraiser, with our school polling booth covering two electorates. We need your help to run the day on Saturday 7 September. We'll set up from 7am and run through to around 3pm. So if you can give an hour of your time please email gladespc@gmail.com and include the time you're free.
Calling all GPS bakers! A drawcard of any polling booth is the great tradition of the cake stall! We would appreciate all donations of cakes, biscuits and slices to sell at the stall. Please drop off your goods on Friday 6 September to the school canteen - or Saturday morning. Please clearly label your baked items and include key ingredients.
Thanks for your support. Any questions can be directed to Marnie Reid on 0413005728.

Blue Light Disco
It is the end of an era for the Gladesville Local Area Command, soon to be amalgamated with Eastwood Local Area Command. Help Gladesville LAC celebrate their last ever Blue Light Disco at North Ryde RSL on 13 September from 6.00 – 8.00pm. Tickets cost $5.00 and are on sale at the Gladesville Police Station. Limited numbers so be quick!

Parent Forum
An invitation is extended to all parents of students accessing Student Services Programs to attend an information sharing meeting with other parents and Department of Education and Communities’ representatives.
At this forum we welcome our guest speaker
Scott Gould
Psychologist and School Counsellor (Hearing), Arranounbai School.

TOPIC: Positive Health for children. The chemical effect of happiness and gratitude on the brain and how schools can contribute to the overall well-being and satisfaction of students, beyond just a focus on achievement.
Date: 13 September 2013
Time: 10.00am to 12.00 noon
Venue: Lindfield East Public School Hall
90 Tryon Road, East Lindfield
For more information, please contact Kate McCosker - Student Welfare Consultant, 9987 3900 or email kate.mccosker@det.nsw.edu.au. RSVP for catering purposes to Kate McCosker, Phone 9987 3900 or email kate.mccosker@det.nsw.edu.au