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The Values We Share

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Congratulations – Centenary of ANZAC and the GPS F.A.R.E.

Well done to the student executive team and the choir for their involvement in the magnificent Peace Garden Reopening and the Commemoration of the Centenary of Anzac Ceremony. It was a most moving occasion and our visitors commented on the wonderful way the students conducted themselves and on their perfect manners.

Thank you to George and Nicholas who did a wonderful job raising the flags during the service and to Tully and Joshlyn who, as the oldest and youngest current students attending GPS, represented the students of the school.

A massive thank you to Helen Kirkman (garden), Heather Brodie (mural) and the P&C (flagpole, plaque and Lone Pine seedling) for their contributions, both physical and financial, to allow this project to be completed. Thank you also to our General Assistants Paddy and Selver for a great job organizing furniture, the garden and grounds and to all staff for providing morning tea, bringing in rosemary and rugs (that were not needed because the weather was perfect!)

Final thanks to Mrs Elsinga, Mrs Guido and Ms FitzPatrick for their preparation and hard work that ensured this event was so memorable.

It was so good seeing everyone having such a good time at the F.A.R.E and we were blessed with perfect weather to top it off! Massive thanks to all parents involved in the organisation of the FARE – hundreds of helpers, volunteers - all working with smiles on their faces and generosity in their hearts. Coordinator Bianca Hayes deserves a medal, as do the P&C led by Ali Andrews.

Thank you all for such a wonderful day.
Staff News
Mr Roberts will be Relieving Principal from 10 – 17 August whilst I am on leave. If you have any concerns during this time, please contact him via the school office.

Judi Partland
Principal

Sport
- Our Year 3-6 Athletics Carnival was held yesterday at school under brilliant blue skies. During the morning session all students competed in ten events, with finals for 100m and 200m held in the afternoon. Once again Year 10 students from Riverside Girls did a fantastic job, helping to run events on the day. Finals for Long Jump and High Jump were held at school today while Shot Put and Discus events will be held in the coming week. Congratulations to all the students who will be representing our school at the Ryde Zone Athletics Carnival held at Homebush on Thursday 27 August.
- Last week our Boys Soccer team became Sydney North Metropolitan Champions for the second year in a row after defeating Neutral Bay 3-1. This means they are now one of the top sixteen teams in the State. Our team will now travel to play the winner of Riverina in the next few weeks. Well done boys!!
- Last Thursday - 45 students from Years 5 and 6 played in the Ryde Milo Cup Cricket Gala Day. Our students played five games with our boys team, captained by Rory S being victorious on the day. They will now proceed to the Northern Sydney Final, while our Girls team, captained by Isabella D narrowly missed out on winning by one run.
- Tomorrow morning our Boys Knockout Cricket team will travel to Warriewood to play the next round of the State Knockout against Newport PS.
- PSSA Winter semi-finals will be held this Friday. Our teams have performed exceptionally well in a rain-interrupted season with the following teams making the finals:
  - Junior A Soccer, Junior B Soccer, Girls A Soccer, Girls B Soccer, Senior Soccer, Junior AFL, Senior A Netball, Senior B Netball, Boys Tiger Tag, Girls Tiger Tag. All other teams will travel to PSSA sport this Friday and play social games.

David Roberts
Relieving Principal

Home School Liaison Officer Visit
Following a visit from our school HSLO, we have been asked us to remind parents and carers of the importance of students being on time for school each day; that students are collected from school promptly and that all student absences are explained in writing. Prolonged lateness and unexplained absences may be followed up with a phone call from the HSL Officer.

Wakakirri Dance Team
The Years 3-6 Wakakirri Team has been working extremely hard preparing their "Adventures in Antarctica" entry for the story dance competition that will be held later on this month. We would like to invite the whole school community to the dress rehearsal at 2.50pm in the top playground on Wednesday 19 August. Come and see the result of their hard work and wish them well for their performance.

Alicia Elsinga
Assistant Principal
Library
A final reminder to students participating in the Premier’s Reading Challenge. All entries must be entered online by 21 August. If you have problems logging on please send a note to me with your child.

Inez Goodfellow
Teacher Librarian

P&C News
FARE Congratulations
Firstly huge congratulations and thanks to everyone who helped and came to our FARE. The day was an enormous success and showed how lucky we are to have such a fantastic community. Everyone should be very pleased with the efforts and results - thankyou. A complete list acknowledging our sponsors and helpers will be posted on the P and C website in the next few weeks.

Although our AGM is not until November - we know that our Treasurer’s position will become vacant. As this is quite a large role, we are looking now for someone who would like to take on this role. If you would like further information or are interested please contact either Ranika Dawson our current treasurer or Ali Andrews at gladespc@gmail.com

Finally, due to the change in our financial year, we would be very grateful if all P and C contributions could be made before the 30th September. Thank you.

Alison Andrews
P&C President

School Executive Photos
Reminder that final orders for all Year 6 and Student Executive photos are now due. If you want to place an order for one of these photos can you please have your order to the office by this Friday 14 August. Order forms are available from the office.

School Hats
Reminder - now that the weather seems to be getting a little warmer, can we please remind parents that students must bring a hat to school every day. The office has been very busy with requests to borrow hats this week and we have very few available.
Dear Parent/Caregiver

We are using Australian owned **Redgum Book Club** to offer a wide range of books and products for our students to purchase. Every order earns rewards for our school and includes a free gift for your child with every order! Some books are priced as low as just $2 and all titles and products are very competitively priced. Check out **The 65-Storey Treehouse** for just $11.50, **Minecraft** guides and stories from just $9.00, **Dr. Seuss** for $6.00, or great Aussie series’ like **Juliet, Nearly a Vet**, new to TV’s **Little Lunch**, **Netball Gems**, or great brain building family games and activities!

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