The School App
Did you know we have a School App?
The “Gladesville Public School” app can be downloaded free from both the Apple store and the Android Store. The User Name is “community” and the password is “gladesvilleps”

Three Way Conferences
Three Way Conferences will be held on Wednesday 30 March. Some teachers may also have other time slots available in the same week. Bookings for interviews this year will be made online via the link on the website and app or by going to http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au. Use the code; jrsbm, enter your details and the teacher you want to see and then select an appointment time. Further details have been sent home in a note today with your child.

Judi Partland
Principal

Easter Hat Parade
On Wednesday 23 March the students in K – 2 will be parading in their Easter hats. At home children can decorate a hat with an Easter theme or create their own fun Easter Hat. The parade will be in the school hall at 2.00pm. You are all welcome to join us for a colourful afternoon.

Deidre Pigram
Assistant Principal
Crazy Hair Day 2016
On Wednesday 9 March, Gladesville Public School participated in “Crazy Hair Day” to raise awareness for people suffering with Leukaemia. We raised $6,617 through shaving, cutting and creating some crazy and wacky looking hairdos! A fantastic effort!!! The sponsorship page will still be open for donations until June so please keep giving to this worthy cause.
We had a record number of participants with 25 people cutting or shaving their hair before school in front of hundreds of students and parents. This included three brave teachers!

Many families in our school community have been affected by this disease. Your participation in this important event is greatly appreciated.

Teachers and students who had their hair cut were: Mrs Judge, Mrs Zreika, Lily 4H, Bella 5L, Georgia 5L, Rachel 5L, Layla 6E, Mollie 4/5R, Tahlia 6R.

Special thanks to the hairdressers who gave their time to help us raise the money. Thank you to Rae for volunteering her time again for the third year in a row and to Atena from Catwalk, Gladesville for supporting us again. Also a Thank you to Alex and Steph from Artizano, Gladesville and to Caroline from Voce for providing us with the important clippers for the event.

Student quotes from the day:
“We weren't a hair-short from a model on the catwalk”.
“A cut above the line”!
“Shaved the competition”!
“Cutting edge competition for the judges”!
“It was a close shave”!

Mrs Judge, Ms Stiglic and the SRC would like to give huge congratulations to the Gladesville Public School community for supporting our students and teachers to raise this money for the Leukaemia Foundation.

School Photos
GPS will be holding Photo Day on Thursday 24 March. Photo envelopes have gone home with your child. Please return the envelope with the correct money to your child’s class teacher prior to this date. Sibling photo envelopes can be collected and returned to the office. If your envelope has not been returned by this date you may miss out on being able to purchase a photo.

Harmony Day
Harmony Day celebrations will be held next Monday 21 March across at Gladesville Public School and across Australia. This uniquely Australian day is held every year on the same day to coincide with the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. It is all about teaching the importance of inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone regardless of race, religion or beliefs.
Students are asked to wear their family’s country of origin’s national costume or the colours of their national flag or simply a splash of orange which is the colour of Harmony Day to help celebrate this special day.
In the lead up to the day, each class has been allocated a different country’s flag to create and display. These flags represent the different nationalities in our school community. At morning lines there will be a “Flag Ceremony” where ‘a sea of flags’ will be on display to celebrate the cultures within our school. Students will also be participating in classroom activities based on cultural diversity throughout the day.

Laura Hines
Coordinator
Sports News

Once again our students performed exceptionally well at the Zone Swimming Carnival, with the school being awarded the Sportsmanship trophy for the second successive year. A wonderful award to receive and congratulations to all students who attended. Our students all swam well with the following students featuring in finals:

Lachlan W (12 years Boy Age Champion).
- 100m Freestyle 2nd
- 200IM 4th
- Senior Butterfly 2nd
- Senior Breaststroke 3rd
- Senior Backstroke 1st
- 50m Freestyle 1st

Hamish Mc
- Junior Butterfly 4th
- Junior Breaststroke 7th
- Junior Backstroke 4th
- 50m Freestyle 4th

Zach W
- Junior Butterfly 8th
- 50m Freestyle 6th

Eric H
- 11yrs Butterfly 3rd
- 11yrs Breaststroke 5th
- 11 yrs Backstroke 7th
- 50m Freestyle 5th

Bill K
- Senior Backstroke 7th

Keegan V
- 50m Freestyle 8th

Amelia D
- 10yrs Freestyle 7th

Layla B
- 100m Freestyle 4th
- Senior Butterfly 2nd
- Senior Breaststroke 3rd
- 200 IM 2nd
- Senior Backstroke 3rd
- 12yrs Freestyle 3rd

Bianca P
- 200 IM 6th
- Senior Butterfly 4th
- Senior Breaststroke 7th
- Senior Backstroke 6th
- 12 yrs Freestyle 6th

Rachel B
- 11yrs Butterfly 6th

Miyu T
- 11yrs Backstroke 6th

Sophie W
- 11yrs Backstroke 7th

Montana Mc
- 8yrs Freestyle 3rd

Caitlin Y
- 8yrs Freestyle 4th

Special thanks to Mrs Bursill for being a great team manager at the carnival. The Sydney North Swimming Carnival will be held tomorrow – Best Wishes to all competitors!

In other sport news, Tilly A has been selected to progress to the next round of football trials after being successful last Friday at the Ryde Zone trials. Kaden B, Harry R and Dan J have also been selected to attend the next round of Rugby league trials. Uma D and Bea A have also progressed to the next round of Netball trials. Good luck to all students.

David Roberts
Coordinator
Parliament & Civics Education Rebate
Students in Year 5 & 6 will soon be undertaking an educational tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of $20.00 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Office Hours
Reminder that Office Hours at the school are from 8.40am – 3.30pm. The office cannot be responsible for any child that is not collected by a parent or carer after school. Please ensure you are on time to collect your child or have made alternative arrangements for their collection after school.

GPS P&C
Easter Cupcake Day will be held on Wednesday March 23 – Celebrate the Season and Support Our School!

The GPS P&C will be holding an Easter themed cupcake stall at lunchtime on the Wednesday before Easter.

Cupcakes will be sold for $4.00 each. Gold coins are preferred!

An alternative will be provided for children with allergies who wear yellow ribboned hats.
Hua Xia Chinese Culture School Inc.
Mandarin Classes in Gladesville Public School

Welcome Learning Mandarin on Saturday Mandarin Class

Class start:
- Classes are held on Saturday from 9:30am to 11:30am and 11:50am to 1:50pm starting on 12 March in Term1, 2016

Classes are run by:
- Hua Xia Chinese Culture School who is a registered community language school with DEC and experienced in mandarin teaching for more than 13 years.

Cost
- $16 per person per session, payable 2 terms in advance. Due to late start this term, the first half year will be 12 weeks, and the payment is $192.
- Textbooks need to be paid separately.

Time
- 2 hours a session between 9:30am and 11:30am and 11:50am and 1:50pm on Saturdays during school term.

Enrolment:
- Contact us getting a registration form and send us a completed form by email or fax.

Teaching Features:
- Experienced Mandarin teacher with Qualification by DEC NSW
- Student-centered pedagogy and interactive Teaching Mode
- Fun & result-oriented mandarin teaching style
- Culture leading language teaching method

Payment method:
- You may pay by cheque, made out to 'Hua Xia Chinese Culture School', or
- Cash deposit or Netbank transfer to:
  Bank:          St. George Bank
  Account BSB:  112-879
  Account No.:  438 456 361
- Or cash payment (hand-in)

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