PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

There is an expression that you may have heard, one that I have used about myself, “I’ve a good head for radio”. After viewing this photo I may have to reconsider pursuing a career in broadcasting. Monday’s outdoor broadcast by Gold FM was a novelty for the students and parents in attendance. The highlight of my morning however was the tasty treats that Nicole and the tuckshop team sold for breakfast. They made getting out of bed early worthwhile.

The genesis for the visit by Gold FM revolved around the Buddy Bench concept that was promoted by the station earlier this year. During the show on Monday we were officially presented with the Buddy Bench. Our students are familiar with the bench and its purpose, having learnt about the intent through classroom instruction and presentations on assembly. The students have now been invited to submit plans for the decoration of the bench as they thought it a bit “drab” after seeing bright and colourful versions online.

Gilston, we encourage and are proud of the involvement of parents in our performances and celebrations. I recognise that at these times many of you capture keepsakes in the form of photos and videos to proudly share with your families. I know that this opportunity is appreciated by you all. To ensure I meet privacy requirements, I remind you that sharing any photos or video footage publicly is not permitted. This includes posting to social media such as Instagram and Facebook. I appreciate your adherence to this requirement so that we can maintain this freedom within our operations.

The volunteers within our uniform shop do a marvelous job providing the full range of clothing for your children. Flexibility...
has been incorporated through the adoption of online ordering to accommodate busy schedules. Please note that the opening times have been reduced to Thursday only from 2:30pm until 3:30pm

Financial assistance is available to parents of both state and non-state school students travelling to and from school daily by private arrangement. This assistance is known as Conveyance Allowance Class A, B and C. Follow the hyperlink to learn more.

It appears that the dreaded flu isamba to derail our attainment of the 95% attendance goal. It is not too late though. With half the year to go we can raise these statistics (published each week in the newsletter) and reach our target. Please play your part by having your child at school on time every day (unless they are genuinely ill).

Let’s work together.

Throughout this year I have received applications for enrolment for students in a range of year levels. In compliance with the Enrolment Management Plan, these applications will be considered against vacancies within our school. Due to students leaving and changes to the teacher-student ratio from year 3 to 4 it is likely that we will have some spaces to start 2016. I wish to close with a simple expression of gratitude to the wonderful volunteers who, through their contributions, make a difference to our school every day.

Stay safe and keep smiling.

Bruce

P & C NEWS

Well wasn’t it exciting to have the Gold FM Team - Richard, Bridge, Spida & Mr Langes broadcasting from Gilston this week? I think Mr Langes may have found a new calling. But all jokes aside, it was lots of fun. What a wonderful way to welcome our new Buddy Bench. Thank you to those who helped out on the morning.

Woolworths Earn & Learn is back! We are now registered for the program and this gives us a great opportunity to contribute some new educational equipment to our school. You can place your rewards sheets in the box at Woolworths Nerang Mall or you can drop them into the wooden collection box in the office. For more information on how to participate you can jump onto the Woolworths website and look for Earn & learn information.

The next P & C meeting will be held Monday 17 August at 6.30pm in the school staffroom.

Any questions or queries please feel welcome to give me a call, Christene Dukes P & C Vice President Tel: 0432275195.

HELLO FROM THE FAIR COMMITTEE...

7 weeks to go, the countdown is on!


And also ‘Like’ our page on Facebook: Gilston School Community Fair...to keep up to date.

Ride All Day Passes are now available on FlexiS

Schools or from Nicole at the Tuckshop, jump the queues!

- 1 Pass $30
- 2 Passes $55
- 3 Passes $80

We would appreciate the support from our families and the community please. If you are available to attend this evening’s Volunteers Meeting at 6.30pm in the school staffroom, please come along.

Notes will be coming home this week outlining what we would like your child to bring in to support this event. If you are able to get these items in as soon as possible it would be greatly appreciated. Collection boxes are located inside your child's classroom. If you have any questions or concerns please don’t hesitate to contact us gilstonschoolcommunityfair@gmail.com

Thank you all so far for all your support.

‘Remember Many Hands Make Light Work’

ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the following students who are our 2015 Champions for 2015:

9 years Carter Wilson Kaylo Moore
10 years Joshua Atkin Emily Feld
11 years Yannik Zwolsman Hana McManus
12 years Isaac Williams Amelia Hughes

The Senior Athletics Carnival was won by LATIMER

Junior Athletics Carnival winner - HINZE

Congratulations to all for a great effort.

LIBRARY NEWS

Many children choose to spend their lunch time in the library. Some read, others play the board games that are available. If you have any complete games that your family no longer uses, we would gratefully add them to our depleted collection.

BPOINT PAYMENTS

When making payments via the BPoint web site, please ensure that you complete the fields with the correct details. CRN is the Customer Reference Number as shown on the invoice. Do not use the Student EQID number in this space as the payment will not be processed correctly.

![BPoint Payment Form](https://www.gilstonss.eq.edu.au)

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TUCKSHOP REPORT
Thursday 23 July – Tracey Zimmerman
Ice Blocks – Help needed
Friday 24 July – Kristy Griffin / Sally McRobert
Ice Blocks - Help needed
Monday 27 July – Help needed
Ice Blocks – Mel Moore
Tuesday 28 July – Dorothy
Ice Blocks – Help needed
Wednesday 29 July – Caroline Elliot / Dorothy
Ice Blocks – Help needed
Thursday 30 July - Help needed
Ice Blocks – Karen G
Friday 31 July – Teresa Evans / Sally McRobert
Ice Blocks - Help needed

New products available at the tuckshop this term: Tutea Peach Ice Tea. This is a school approved product - 300ml re-screwable lid - $2.00 per bottle. Homemade mini ham & cheese quiche - $1.00 each.

All pie drive forms and money need to be in by Friday 24 July.

If anyone has any queries please don’t hesitate to come and see me.

A special thank you to the following ladies and gentleman who volunteered on Monday morning for the special breakfast broadcast: Jemma Baldwin, Mel Wright, Tamara Bell, Karen Grixti, Karen Bowden, Tracey Zimmerman, Amanda Wilkinson and Mr Weatherburn for washing our dishes. I really appreciate your time and effort and without any of you, I wouldn’t have been able to do this.

Keep safe.  Nicolle Meesen – Tuckshop Convenor

COMMUNITY NOTICES
ROBINA STATE HIGH SCHOOL enrolment information evening Wednesday 12/8/15 – 5.00-6.00pm – Robina SHS Library.
NERANG BRANCH LIBRARY - Bedwetting be solved in 7 easy steps? Learn the steps to achieving a dry night. Thursday 23 July 10.00am-11.30am. Book online at http://bit.ly/GCLibrariesEvents or phone 5581 7180
ELITE RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS – Rope, Hoop, Ball, Clubs, Ribbon Acrobatics and Dance. All Saints Anglican School, Beginners Class Friday 3.30-4.30pm, Saturday 10.00-11.00am. Tatiana 0403 034 914 / 5593 8197
YOGA CLASSES: Monday evening: 6.00pm - Frank Chaston Oval (across the road from school) - Hall at the rear. All levels welcome. Any questions contact Trudy 0401 911 064.

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