Children with a parent or guardian who holds a health care or pension concession card are automatically eligible to apply, while other families will need to submit recommendations from two referral agents. Applications are processed on a first come, first served basis.


David Cramb
Principal

GILSTON STATE SCHOOL
**NEWS LETTER**

PHONE: 5501 2333  ABSENCE LINE: 5501 2360  FAX: 5501 2300
E-Mail: admin@gilstonss.eq.edu.au  Website: www.gilstonss.eq.edu.au
Principal: David Cramb  Deputy Principal: Graeme Weatherburn

22/2013

FOR YOUR DIARY

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Thursday</th>
<th>25 July</th>
<th>Last day Book Club orders</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>31 July</td>
<td>District Athletics</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>7 August</td>
<td>Gilston Club Meeting 9.00am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>15 August</td>
<td>Eisteddfod Choir Competition 11.30am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>20 August</td>
<td>Eisteddfod Band Competition 12.15pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>27 August</td>
<td>Arts Performance “Mana, Spirit of Polynesia”</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

PRINCIPAL’S COMMENT

Are you a ‘Gilston Great’?
This is a question I will be asking students as I meet them around the school. Our school has started this initiative in order to provide some clear language to students on what is expected at Gilston and to show them how to be ‘great’ at Gilston. I also want to reinforce a process that identifies a clear culture of expectation for our school.

A Gilston Great is a person who excels at the following:
- Confidence: To be confident, we must lead
- Organisation: To be organised, we must plan
- Resiliency: To be resilient, we must be strong
- Persistence: To be persistent, we must try
- Getting Along: To get along we must listen & share

These statements come from the ‘You Can Do It’ program and are well known to students already at Gilston.

At Gilston, we expect all in our community to demonstrate these important life skills in both social interaction and academic improvement.

We want students to set goals for their educational journey and be able to communicate these to others.

We want students to think and plan their actions and take responsibility for the outcomes that follow.

We want student to be engaged and involved in learning and to have fun while doing it.

We want students to be Gilston Greats, and we will be working with them by setting clear expectations as well as providing an appropriate balance of correction and acknowledgment to ensure students meet those expectations.

Our teaching and learning programs and strategies (pedagogy) will continue to follow this ideology as we strive to create teaching and learning environments and a school culture that encourages innovation, participation and excellence.

Gilston is a great school. Gilston students are great students. Together let’s continue to move forward to encourage all students to be Gilston Greats in the future.

Get Started returns for round 2

The second round of the Queensland Government’s Get Started program is now open, offering vouchers worth up to $150 to help families pay membership fees for children to join a registered sport or recreation club.

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S DEPOSITION

Opportunity for Aspiring Student Leaders in 2014
The National Young Leader’s Day is an annual event founded in 1997 to develop strong leadership values amongst young Australians. The Program consists of keynote talks, multimedia presentations and interactive learning that seek a range of specific outcomes for young people who aspire to lead themselves and others well.

Next year as part of our year seven transition to high school initiative I would like to take a group of students to this event with the hope that they will be exposed to something that will inspire and change their lives forever, awaken sleeping giants.

Students selected as possessing leadership potential attend this event. Some schools send the students they have recently appointed to leadership positions such as SRC members, Prefects, and School Captains. The program is designed to benefit students who show an interest in developing their leadership potential. Around 20,000 people attend The National Young Leaders Days in Australia annually. National Young Leaders Day aims to build confidence, develop natural abilities and open eyes to opportunity.

Few people are born leaders. It takes strength, perseverance and experience to become one but everyone and anyone can be one. Moreover, it is important for all to realise that journey will not start until one has a catalyst for change. To every potential leader at Gilston State School the message is, be the best you can be. Remember the Dancing Guy.

To all students, I hope that you start on your journey after reading this and put in place now, what you will need to be in a position to be a leader. Nelson Mandela once said “It is what we make of what we have, not what we are given, that separates us from one another”. You have time, ability and opportunity. It’s time for any aspiring leader at Gilston State School. Make the most of what you have, not what you think you should have, aspire to greatness in whatever degree, in whatever you do.

Have the same regard for one another; don’t be haughty but associate with the lowly; do not be wise in your own estimation.

Cyber Safety
Yesterday the year six and year seven cohorts had a visit from our local police liaison team to give them some tips on being safe when using or participating in activities on the
They talked about the five Rs, a code of behaviour to keep in mind when on the net. They saw how easily something very innocent can turn into something very ugly. They learnt about possible consequences of improper actions. The intention was not to cause undue alarm or fear. The presentation was quite politically correct, taking the age of the audience in mind. However, it made clear the pitfalls as well. I believe all students found the presentation enlightening and informative coming from a very ‘informed other’ as it were. Comments from them to me when we left made me feel they all appreciated it as young adolescents.

Please make sure you are informed and in touch with your child’s online activities, especially on social media sites. A simple way is to be an online ‘friend’ of your child and have ownership of that set-up account. We have had a number of incidents reported to the school about illegal behaviour by some of our students. It is illegal. These behaviours do carry penalties. This type of behaviour does affect people’s lives well into their future. So I say to students, if you wouldn’t say it to, or in front of your Mum or Dad, don’t say it on-line. The delete button doesn’t mean it’s gone forever, it means you can’t see it anymore - others can.

Access to the School Website and edStudio sites
The address for the school website (still being updated), is www.gilstonss.eq.edu.au
When you get there go to Support and Resources – click on Student Resources – then the https link on that page to get to the school edStudio. To gain access (user names and passwords), use your child’s MIS school log-on, ask them for it, or if they don’t know/remember ask their teacher, or me. Please have a look and give your feedback on the content and what you’d like to see in it or at school. There’s provision in my studio to do this. I hope this will be a great way of us communicating to you and you feeling a part of the school, albeit in a twenty-first century kind of way.

Our new mural
Over the coming weeks, keep an eye out on the progress of the new attraction in the undercover area; it’s already attracting a lot of interest. It’s great to see how Greg P, Seth B and others are going. Well done everybody involved.

Here’s another gem I thought I’d share with you. Last week some of us were involved in nature studies because of some unwanted activity of a slithery kind. Miss Dewley and I had a chat with the boys about the visitor in question before releasing him to a more suitable location away from school. Here’s the picture of the ‘hands-on-learning."

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC**
As our Senior Band will be at the Nerang Alliance Workshop this Thursday, there will be no Instrumental Music on Friday.

**GILSTON CLUB**
Hi Everyone,

**Raffle Books** – We have had a great response already with several families requesting more books. Please remember that we must account for EVERY book so if you are unable to sell yours, please return them so another family can have a go. **All books and money must be returned, in a sealed bag/envelope, and placed in the wooden box in the office.**

**Entertainment Books are still for sale** – To get your full years’ worth of vouchers, buy yours now!

**Next Gilston Club meeting** will be on **Wednesday 7 August at 9.00am.** Looking forward to seeing some new faces to help decide what fundraiser will be held in Term 4. Remember, for all things Gilston Club related, call or text me on 0414912217. Lisa

**JUNIOR SCHOOL SPORTS DAY RESULTS**
**Champion House:** 1st Latimer 1902 points
2nd Duncan 1681 points
3rd Hinze 1559 points
4th Zimmermann 1509 points

The March Past was won by Zimmerman.

Ball Games Trophy winner was Latimer.

**SENIOR ATHLETIC CARNIVAL RESULTS**
1st Place – Duncan
2nd Place – Latimer
3rd Place – Zimmerman
4th Place – Hinze

**House Spirit Trophy** was won by Hinze.

**Age Champions Boys Girls**
9 years Hudson Paechanna McManus
10 years Paros Tahi Chloe Rayner
11 years Declan Paech Keyshia Matenga
12 years Liam O’Dwyer/ Marcus Gaudens
Matilda Amor
13 years James MacEachern Rosie Rodger

**District Athletics** will be held on Wednesday 31 July at Pizzey Park.

**CHOIR NEWS**
The **junior and senior choirs** will be having a few weeks break now due to the number of eisteddfod choir rehearsals. These choirs will resume in week 7 of this term. The **eisteddfod choir** children are working hard towards their competition in week 6. If your son/daughter has not brought their permission note back for this competition, please return it to Mrs Miller ASAP. Don’t forget that the only thing that your child will need is a pair of white fold down socks to add to their choir uniform.

I wish to say thank you to the parents who have volunteered their time to help with the ironing of the eisteddfod uniforms. Your assistance is very much appreciated. Ironing bundles will be sent home next week.

Alison Miller / Music Teacher
JAPANESE EXCHANGE STUDENTS
We are pleased to announce that our Sister School, Kobayashi Junior High School, will be sending some students to Gilston in August. We are looking for Host families for students and teachers for four nights from Wednesday 21 August to Sunday 25 August. If you would like to accommodate a Japanese visitor in your home for this time, please send a note or email to the school indicating:

Child’s name:
Grade:
I would like to host: Student Teacher Either
We will be in contact with details shortly.

BOOK CLUB
As of this issue ALL book club orders MUST BE PAID ONLINE. NO MONEY will be collected by the school.
Paid orders are to go into the box on the borrowing desk in the Library.
Orders are to be at the Library by Thursday 25 July. No late orders will be taken.

DENTAL VAN
All year levels have now been offered dental check-ups. If you still would like to make an appointment for your child please ring 1300 300 850.
Thanks Jodie & Deb

TUCKSHOP ROSTER
Thursday 25 July – Tracey Zimmerman, Selena Duff
Ice Blocks – Simone Beck
Friday 26 July – Alex Wilson-McCarthy, Trish Fairhall, Kelly Gibson
Ice Blocks – Kamila Bestmann
Monday 29 July – Dannie
Ice Blocks – Mandy
Tuesday 30 July – Donna Kafoa
Ice Blocks – Vicki Johnston
Wednesday 31 July – Donna Clarke
Ice Blocks – Help needed
Thursday 1 August – Irene Nicholson, Marnie
Ice Blocks – Mandi Roughley
Friday 2 August – Nicole, Natalie, Tanya Lind
Ice Blocks – Kamila Bestmann

Don’t forget to order online with flexischools. Also there have been some small price increases on some products. A new price list was attached to the last two Newsletters.

Mandy

COMMUNITY NOTICES
NERANG TENNIS CLUB – Hot Spot coaching after school 4.00pm and Saturday morning – only $8 a lesson. Please phone John on 5596 0308 / 0488 696 939.
HEALING HOOVES XMAS IN JULY Celebration Fundraiser Saturday 27 July – 3.00-10.00pm. $5 for children and FREE for adults. Horse & Pony Rides, Jumping Castle, Food Stalls, Wine, Beer & Soft Drinks available, and Entertainment. Enquiries Phone 0418 147 399.
CELEBRATE 10 YEARS OF PLANTING OUR GOLD COAST BOTANIC GARDENS – Sunday 28 July – 10.00-2.00pm, sausage sizzle, stalls, etc.
**Tuesday Sushi Order Form**

To be handed in at the Tuckshop by Monday 9.30am

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>SUSHI ROLLS $3.00</th>
<th>QTY</th>
<th>TOTAL</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Chicken Teriyaki</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Beef Teriyaki</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chicken Tandoori</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chicken Lettuce Mayo</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chicken Sweet Chilli</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chicken Honey Soy</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chicken Avocado</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Salmon Avocado</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Salmon Cream Cheese</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Prawn Lettuce Mayo</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuna Avocado</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuna Sweet Chilli</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuna Mayo</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Egg Salad</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vegetarian carrot</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vegetarian green</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vegetarian special</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Avocado</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>California</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Inari</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>VIETNAMESE ROLLS $3.00</th>
<th>QTY</th>
<th>TOTAL</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Chicken Teriyaki</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chicken Tandoori</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chicken Honey Soy</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Beef Teriyaki</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BBQ Pork</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Salmon Avocado</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vegetarian Green</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vegetarian Carrot</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

| Totals                   | QTY | $     |

Student Name: ___________________________________________ Class: __________

While every care is taken to provide your child with the sushi pre-ordered, occasionally the supplier may be out of stock. In these instances similar ingredient sushi will be substituted.