



GILSTON STATE SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The performances at the **Gilston Performing Arts Competition** were entertaining. I commend all students for their involvement both in the audition phase and on the stage in the competition. I also thank the parents of these people for the support you afforded your children in their artistic endeavours.

Student progress reports will be distributed this afternoon. Our teachers have compiled the comments to highlight areas of strength, areas of challenge, goals and targets and handy hints that might help. It is important that you read these with your child engaging them by seeking their thoughts about the content. [This article](#) from our website may provide some handy hints on gaining the most from this exercise.

A group of our students are currently further refining their musical skills at the **Regional Music Camp**. I am confident that their experience will make them better musicians. Their culminating performances on Thursday night, when they demonstrate their skills with students from throughout the south east region, are always of high quality.

To help address the needs for more specific programs to address the **social and emotional** sphere, we will be trialling a **fortnightly schedule for assembly** in semester 2. During the weeks when there is not an assembly, teachers will be delivering lessons in a variety of methods to further build personal skills outlined in our *You Can Do It!* Program: *Getting Along, Confidence, Resilience, Persistence and Organisation*.

Attendance = achievement. Please continue to ensure your child is at school for all days they are fit to do so. With your support we can meet our attendance target of 95%.

During term 2 there will be some **changes to staffing in Prep**. Letters will be sent to the classes affected.

In closing this week I wish to **recognise all the staff members of the Gilston team**. This semester has been very productive in terms of our core business of teaching and learning and this has occurred because of the dedication and diligence of staff in the full range of roles. Each member has ensured that they have met expectations and have worked interdependently to ensure the best use of time and resources. I am very **proud of the impact our team** has had on the development of our students and wish for each of them a well-deserved break.

FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday	23 June	Last Day Term 2
Monday	10 July	First Day Term 3
Monday	24 July	Senior Athletics Carnival
Wednesday	26 July	Junior Athletics Carnival
Friday	28 July	Prep Athletics Carnival

Our website has access to all consent letters for any of the excursions listed above <https://gilstonss.eq.edu.au>

2017 Explicit Improvement Agenda

Response to intervention (RTI):

Target driven intervention through:

- Data Analysis
- Consistent Core Instruction
- Progress Monitoring
- Supplementary and Intensive Intervention

Gilston Expectations

- Be a Learner
- Be Responsible
- Be Respectful
- Be Safe

Current Attendance Levels

P	1	2	3	4	5	6
95.96	94.62	94.83	95.05	93.72	94.72	93.76

For you I trust that the next two weeks will provide opportunity for family time. Remember, **the best thing to spend on your child is your time.**

Stay safe and keep smiling.
Bruce

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Disco

What a fabulous turn out we had for the school Disco. There were over 400 students in attendance. I would like to thank all of the volunteers who assisted on the night and commend the PCYC staff who organised the music and competitions.

Report Cards

Today, students will receive their end of semester report. Please take the time to look at the report with your child, discussing their achievements and recognising the effort that they have put in this semester. Reports will also be emailed to parents this reporting period.

I would like to wish all families a safe and relaxing break. I have enjoyed celebrating achievements with students throughout this term and look forward to continuing as part of the Gilston community for the remainder of 2017.

Until next term
Kelly Clark

Last week 1/2 presented an item at assembly about their HISTORY topic. They have been learning about how technology has changed over time and the impact that this has had on our lives. As part of this topic they designed a time capsule and filled it with items which may be of interest to people in the future. The class then picked an area under the original school building and put the capsules into storage for ten years. Maybe they will come back at the end of their school careers and open them! Isn't history exciting?



ATHLETICS CARNIVALS will be held on the following dates:

Senior (Years 4-6) - Monday 24 July

Junior (Years 1-3) - Wednesday 26 July

Prep - Friday 28 July

All pupils require a house shirt, hat, suitable footwear, water bottle and sunscreen. Spectators are welcome.

We look forward to fun and successful carnivals.
Scott Stavar / HPE

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

There will be no Instrumental Music or Band this Friday 23 June as Mr Broxton will be at the Regional Music Camp.

GILSTON GOURMET

Tuckshop Roster

Thursday 22 June – Rachel Delany/Brenda Flemming

Friday 23 June – Amelia Edwards/Jenny T

Monday 10 July – Help needed

Tuesday 11 July – Mel Harrison

Wednesday 12 July – Help needed

Thursday 13 July – Brenda Flemming

Friday 14 July – Amelia Edwards / Jenny T

Thank you to all the parent volunteers who helped out at our school disco last Friday night. It was a great night and without these volunteers the night would not have been able to go ahead. Also thank you to those families who came and supported this event.

We have no size 8 polo shirts and no size 12 jackets in stock at the moment. When these items do come in, I will let you all know. Our second hand uniform sale was a success once again. We will try and have one of these each term. Keep an eye out for the next second hand sale day.

Have a great holiday and I will see you all next term.

Nicole Meesen / Tuckshop / Uniform Convenor

COMMUNITY NOTICES

SOUTH GOLD COAST JUNIOR GIRLS REGIONAL MATCH PROGRAM - Palm Beach Currumbin JAFC – Thrower Drive, Palm Beach. Start – Friday 14 July (same day each week) to 15 September 4:30- 5:30pm, 10 weeks, cost - \$50. Register at the following link – <https://membership.sportstg.com/regoform.cgi?formid=70311>



