



GILSTON STATE SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Thank you to everyone who has said hello to me this past week and/ or had a chat with me in passing. I feel very welcome and my transition into the school has been made easier by everyone's support and friendliness.

Next week is going to be a very busy one for staff and students as we participate in the school athletics carnivals. The senior carnival (Years 4-6) starts at 9:00am on Monday 24 July.

This year, in response to feedback from parents and in the endeavour to complete the whole program on one day, there have been some changes to the format. Mr Stavar has been running practice sessions and then elimination heats for the field events (shot-put, discus, long jump and high jump) during PE lessons. In other words, all children have had an opportunity to compete in each event during their PE lessons. As a result of this process, the 3 students who have qualified top in each event from each house will compete in a final (12 finalists) and all other students will participate in all events for house points. Students will participate in events prior to cheering on the students who are competing in the finals. This will be the same format for each of the field events.

The students who have already qualified for the 400 and 800 metre races, will compete in the final of those events. Heats for these race have also been held during PE.

All students will compete in the sprint events on the day and then, if they qualify, they will compete in the final.

It is hoped that these changes will 'speed' the day up so that all events can be run and finalised on the day and that all students are not kept waiting for longer than necessary, to participate in their events.

The Junior Carnival will be on Wednesday 26 July and the Prep Carnival, on Friday 28 July. There is no change to the format for these days and will be conducted over a half day's program.

I am looking forward to seeing as many parents/carers as can make it to cheer on the children and support them as they participate and enjoy the fun of healthy competition and the camaraderie of these days.

FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday	24 July	Senior Athletics Carnival
Wednesday	26 July	Junior Athletics Carnival
Friday	28 July	Prep Athletics Carnival
Friday	4 August	Last day for order Book Club Last day payment deposit Year 6 Lake Ainsworth Camp
Friday	11 August	Last day payment Year 4E Bicycle Safety
Friday	18 August	Last day payment Year 3 Numinbah Valley EEC
Friday	25 August	Year 4E Bicycle Safety
Monday	28 August	Year 3N & 3W Numinbah Valley
Tuesday	29 August	Year 3S & 3E Numinbah Valley

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
95.63	94.43	94.8	94.92	93.23	94.91	93.78

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT
NAIDOC Week Celebrations

Sean Choolburra had the students engaged and learning about the Indigenous culture in a fun and interactive way at the recent performance at Gilston State School. I am not sure who enjoyed the performance the most; teachers or students. All participants commented on the quality of the performance and were thrilled to celebrate NAIDOC Week with a well-known Indigenous performer.



GILSTON GOURMET

Tuckshop Roster

Thursday 20 July – Debbie H/Brenda Flemming/Rachel Delany

Friday 21 July – Amelia Edwards / Jenny T

Monday 24 July – Help needed

Tuesday 25 July – Melanie Harrison

Wednesday 26 July – Jenny T

Thursday 27 July – Debbie H/Brenda Flemming

Friday 28 July – Amelia Edwards/Jenny T

Pie Drive orders and payment are due on Monday 24 July, 2017. Please place your orders and payment in the wooden box in the office.

Come to school for a **Pancake Breakfast this Friday morning** the 21 July, 2017 from 8.00-8.50am. A **gold coin will be required for breakfast.**

Thank you to all the staff, students and parents for my birthday wishes on Tuesday; I had a lovely day.

Have a great week,
Nicole Meesen
Tuckshop & Uniform Shop Convenor

COMMUNITY NOTICES

FREE AFTER SCHOOL SPORT, FITNESS AND FUN at Gilston State School 3.30-4.15pm, Thursdays Term 3. Multi-sport styled activity for 5-12 years. Bookings required 0466 246 563, GMG Sports Training, gmgfitness@gmail.com.



