A SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY
I appreciate parents and carers making alternative arrangements for their children last Friday whilst our teachers participated in their Term 3 School Development Day.
Our staff participated in a range of professional learning activities with staff from schools in the Gosford City Learning Community, Henry Kendall High School and Point Clare Public School. Activities organised included Behaviour Management, Aboriginal Education and Technology in the Classroom. Keynote speakers Ian Luscombe and David Ella were thought provoking and as both were from a teaching background they related well to the 100 plus teachers present.

THE WEEK AHEAD
Parent/Teacher interviews will also take place this week for all classes except 4K (Miss Smith will conduct interviews in Week 6 of this term). I encourage parents and carers to make every effort to attend an interview with their child’s class teacher within the designated time frame. Should that not be possible another time can be arranged by contacting the class teacher. The Life Education educator and the ‘Healthy Harold’ van has arrived at our school and will be here until Wednesday 30 July. I know that students who participate in this program which has been running in schools for many years will take away important knowledge that is important for them to live safe and happy lives both now and into the future.
Good luck to our girls’ netball and boys’ soccer teams who are due to play their next games in the NSW PSSA Knockout competition. The netballers are playing this Thursday 24 July. The date for the soccer team’s match is yet to be finalised.
This Wednesday 23 July, Year 4 students electing to sit the Opportunity Class test will do so at Gosford High School starting at 9:00 -11:15am. Good luck to all students from our school who are participating in this process.

Also on Wednesday at 7:30pm our P & C will be conducting the monthly P & C meeting in the Chapman Room. Parents and carers will be made most welcome.

Our Environment team will take the first steps to re-establishing Callistemon Creek by participating in National Plant a Tree Day. This will occur on Friday 25 July. Thank you to Mrs Wade for coordinating this in conjunction with the Gosford Passing Loops Project.

EDUCATION WEEK

Next week will see Education Week celebrated in public schools across NSW. Schools use this week as an opportunity to showcase their school and the excellent opportunities that are afforded students.

We have organised for a variety of activities for our students and community commencing with a special Celebration Assembly with our partner Gosford City Learning Community of schools on Monday. On Wednesday we will conduct our Open Day where we encourage families to come into our school for lunch and a special assembly. Parents/visitors can order their lunch from the canteen in the usual way. Lunches will be sent to the child’s class. A full program of activities will be sent home later this week and published in next week’s newsletter.

WELCOME PRE-SERVICE TEACHERS

Currently we have Naomi Gay and Todd Johnson who are Pre-Service Teachers from Newcastle University. They are working with Miss Scott and Mrs Ellis respectively.

I trust they will find their time at Gosford Public School rewarding on both a professional and personal level.

WELCOME BACK

Last Thursday we welcomed back Mrs Griffiths after her maternity leave. Mrs Griffiths will be working on 3/4GB every Thursday and Friday.

This Thursday sees the return from overseas of Mrs Latta. I thank Mrs Singh for her work teaching Mrs Latta’s class for the duration of her leave.

John Anderson

IMPORTANT UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

The new price list is now in place.

The uniform shop will not be open in the Chapman room on THURSDAY 24 JULY as Parent Teacher interviews are taking place in that room. Uniforms can still be ordered through Munch Monitors, or order and payment placed in the uniform box in the school office. Orders will be filled and distributed the following week.

Thanking you in advance for your patience.

Uniform Shop Coordinators

A reminder that the P & C meeting will be taking place this Wednesday night (23 July) at 7:30pm. All welcome.
The boys have had a busy start to Term 3. In week 1 they played 3 entertaining, hard fought matches in the NSWPSSA Sydney North, Central Coast Knockout Competition.

On Tuesday 15 July, the first match was played against Point Clare Public School. The boys put in a solid performance representing the proud colours of Gosford Public School. In the first half the team came out an attacking force to be feared. In no time at all Jamal put the boys up 2 zip with some mazy runs from the point of attack. This led us into a confident second half. To finish the game Luke dealt the final blow by adding a third goal with his dazzling dribbles on the ball. The result was identical to the first round with the same scorers and amount of goals.

The second match came 1 hour after the first. This game the boys had to overcome the obstacles of fatigue and another quality team. The force of Valley View Public School kept us at bay for some time and provided a few early scares, however a moment of strength and quality from Liam put us in the lead which concluded the first half with Gosford 1-0 in front. The second half the boys were getting more and more tired, but their resolve was too strong and their confidence alarming. Luke finally finished Valley View off with one of his ‘Messi’ like runs and struck the ball slickly into the net to the demise of Valley View’s chances of progression in the competition. The final result of the match was clear for the last moments of the half with Gosford missing more chances but clearly dominant all over the park. A special mention to Max in both of these games as his new position brought out the best in his game, with an impressive spectacle of skills and calmness on the ball displayed well beyond his years.

On the Thursday of the same week, the boys were at it again with another quality display of courage and team spirit. They played Lisarow Public School, who had been building a reputation for themselves as being a formidable unit of strong and physical footballers. This however, did not deter our boys, as they pushed on and took the fight to them like the typical style they have played so far in this competition. Jamal yet again had a blinder of a game by putting another 2 past his opponent just like in previous games. Just before the conclusion of the first half we were awarded a penalty. Assuming his captain duties, Kaelan took it upon himself to take the spot kick and slotted it with absolute ease. The second half was a battle to keep the lead, however the boys were generally controlling the game. It was the efforts of the back line that really ‘shut up shop’ for the trying opponents. A special mention to Austin who was an absolute rock in the left back position. He did not show mercy and left no opportunity for his opposition attackers. The game finished from a stalemate half with the result that was decided in the first half, meaning our boys have now progressed to the 5th round which has been a feat not reached since 2011.

It has been a tremendous run for the boys by not only winning all of their matches so far, but not conceding a single goal in 4 matches. This is more than enough to keep our school, parents, supporters and coach proud. Mr Francis has also made appearances to our matches, which we have considered to be a lucky omen to our efforts.

I would like to thank all those who have helped in our success and I wish the boys well in their final round in the local draw and hope for another entertaining match.

Mr Lincoln
Football obsessed Coach
Last Wednesday, our netball team participated in the NSW Netball Cup local day at Adcock Park. The girls played 6 games, of which they won four. They are to be commended on their skills and sportsmanship shown throughout the day and their team morale was very high. Thank you to all of the parents and grandparents for transporting the girls to and from the carnival. A special thank you to Mrs Carroll, Mrs Kinder and Mrs Smyth for umpiring, scoring and assisting in managing the team. We look forward to our next challenge which is Round 4 of PSSA Netball competition, to be played against Point Clare PS this Thursday at Adcock Park at 9:30am.

Mrs Wade
Coordinator

Book Fair 2014
Our Book Fair has arrived. All classes will be given the opportunity to view the books for sale and write out a ‘wish list’. Children will bring this list home with a brochure so you can see the type of books they are interested in buying. This is also a good opportunity to discuss with your children about the value of money and how much they can afford to spend.

On Wednesday 30 July parents and community members will be invited to buy books from the fair between 8:30am and 3:30pm.

If you are not able to visit the fair please send cash, or a cheque made out to Scholastic, or credit card details written on the back of their wish list.

This is an exciting event that all children look forward to. It’s a great opportunity to promote reading and a wonderful way of raising funds to purchase new resources for our school.

We look forward to meeting you at the Book Fair.

Library Dojo Award winners
Congratulations to the following students:-
2G Patrick, Skye, Ethan, Olivia M
6L Yasmine,
4K Eliza, Amy, Miranda
6C Harmony
K/1 Ethan, Mia -Jayne
3/4B Isabelle and Charlotte
6S Marley

Book Covering
Thank you to all the parents who come along on Tuesdays at 2:15pm to help with covering our new library books. We appreciate your time and patience. We look forward to seeing you again this term on the following dates:-
Tuesday 22 July (this week)
Tuesday 12 August
Tuesday 26 August
Tuesday 9 August

Christine Harpur and Kayla Frost
Mr Anderson gave Principal stickers to Melissa, Dylan, Noah and Chloe for great 100 days smarter writing. The students’ work samples appear below.
I am 100 Days Smarter

I can count to 100 and more. I can count by 10s to 100 and by fives. 100 is a big number. I can read a level 2.

Noah

I can count to 1000. I can read chapter books. I can write more words. I can write the alphabet. I remember capital letters. I remember full stops. I can write.

100
This Friday our school will celebrate National Plant a Tree Day. Our sponsors from the Gosford Passing Loops Project has kindly donated a selection of small shrubs and trees which will be planted by our school’s environmental group, teachers and staff from the Gosford Passing Loops Project. This is the first step in recreating a Callistemon Creek area within our school.

Canteen will be open during Education Week Open Day next Wednesday 30 July. Help needed urgently for Thursdays and Fridays! If you can spare some time please contact Joy or Nena.
Shim Jang
Taekwondo
Traditional martial arts classes for all ages
Non Contact, Non Competitive
First 2 Lessons Free
Classes at:
East Gosford
Kincumber
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Wamberal
Ph: 0423 412 300
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Gosford AECG
Pathways To Learning - Aboriginal Education Consultative Group

What is the AECG? The Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG) is a community based voluntary organisation that has been operating from a grass roots level since the 1970’s and is the peak advisory group for Aboriginal education in NSW.

What can the AECG do for you? The AECG is an avenue for parents and community members to have “a voice”. It’s your chance to have a say in what happens in your child’s education in your local school and community.

How can I get involved? Membership is open to Parents, Aunties, Uncles, community members, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people, at a cost of $2 per year.

What happens at a meeting? Meetings are very informal, come along for a cuppa and a yarn, make friends and meet new people, families welcome.

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Please distribute to all ABORIGINAL FAMILIES at your school.

Dear Parents/Carers, community members and Staff.

The next Gosford Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG) meeting will be held at Henry Kendall High School at;

4:30pm on Monday 28th July (Term 3 Week 3) in the Aboriginal Resource Room

Our group is growing bigger every meeting and your support and attendance would be greatly appreciated.

For further information please feel free to contact us at: gosfordaecg@gmail.com

Thankyou

President: Maurice Goddang Vice President: Position Vacant Secretary: Sarah Campbell Treasurer: Karen Campbell Contact Information: gosfordaecg@gmail.com Local Representative: Position Vacant

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What is it?
- Years 7 to 12 students are offered the chance to test their abilities on a weekly basis through JAC Free Weekly Quiz.
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WORRY AND STRESS

Everyone has little worries in their daily lives. These usually get sorted quickly and we forget them. Sometimes the worry is stronger. The same worrying thoughts keep coming back and make us feel bad. This is called STRESS.

r u stressed?
How many of these describe the way you feel?
- OFF FOOD
- CAN'T RELAX
- BAD TEMPERED
- UPSET TUMMY
- EATING MORE THAN USUAL
- NOT SLEEPING WELL
- CRYING LOTS
- STIFF NECK / SHOULDERS

2 Feeling the strain - relax as soon as you can.
2-6 A bit stressed - chill out now and talk to someone about your worries.
6-8 Really stressed! - chill and tell an adult how you're feeling right away.

About Stress
People say they're "stressed" about all kinds of things - bad hair days or having to do chores. Real stress comes from things that are difficult to cope with. Chores are just annoying!
Waste Free Lunch

A waste free lunch is a great way to reduce the amount of packaging we use and therefore the amount going to landfill. Cutting out plastic wrap and using reusable containers all help you to have a waste free lunch.

Waste Free Lunches and snacks have:
- Lunch boxes and containers that are reusable.
- Drink bottles that are refillable and reusable.
- Food packaging that is reusable or compostable.

Gosford Public School is continually trying to reduce the amount of waste which we produce.

We are encouraging all students to bring Waste Free Lunches and Snacks to school. A class competition will be held each Wednesday and the class with the least amount of waste packaging will be presented with a weekly Environmental Award at our school assembly. This initiative is called Waste Free Wednesday and will commence this Wednesday. Thank you for your support.
Practise English - All welcome
Wednesday 9.30 am - 12 noon school days
starts Wednesday 23rd July 2014
Gosford Presbyterian Church
14-16 Young St. West Gosford
Call 4323 2490

Gosford Presbyterian Church offers free simple English conversation classes.
Everyone is welcome to improve their English.
An optional English Bible study is also offered.
Classes are on Wednesdays from 9.30am-12noon.
Before the class, morning tea is provided - a great chance to chat and make friends.
For any inquiries, please ring 4323 2490. Thank you.

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Gosford Presbyterian教会开办免费简易英语口语班。
欢迎大家都来参加提高英文水平。
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课前提供早茶，一个极好的机会供大家相互聊天交朋友。
如有任何疑问，请致电 4323 2490。谢谢。

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