



School News

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Last week's hero:



Ashka Thorne

This week's focus rule:



Be a whole body listener.

Parent Information Sessions and Year 5-6 Camp Meeting:

Parent class information sessions and a Year 5-6 camp meeting will be held on Monday, 20th February.

A free sausage sizzle will also be available on this day for all families.

A flyer, with further information, has been sent out to all families today.

This week:

Today, our Year 1-5 Student Council representatives will be presented with their badges on parade.

Tomorrow, some of our 9-12 year old students will head off to the Webber Shield swimming carnival in Ayr. We wish these students all the best for the carnival. Mrs Koppen will be at the Webber Shield with our students.

The Year 6 students and I are off to the GRIP Leadership Conference in Townsville, this Thursday. The day will conclude with some fun at Kingpin Bowling and tea at Hog's Breath.

Swimming/ Water Polo:

P-2 swimming lessons and Year 3-6 water polo lessons will begin on Wednesday, 15th February and will conclude on Wednesday, 22nd March.

SCHOOL RULES



Safe
Respectful
Successful

SCHOOL FOCUS AREAS

- Reading
- English
- Number

DATE CLAIMERS

Feb 7: Webber Shield

Feb 9: GRIP Conference
- Yr 6 attending

Feb 13: P & C Meeting

Feb 15: Swimming commences

Feb 20: Parent Information Sessions, Camp Meeting and a sausage sizzle

Mar 13: P & C AGM

P-2 lessons will occur from 9:00-10:00am each week and Year 3-6 lessons will occur from 10:00am-11:00am each week.

P-2 lessons will be led by Mr Stockman and a qualified swimming instructor, with teacher aide support.

Year 3-6 lessons will be led by a qualified water polo instructor and Mr Stockman, with teacher aide support.

In line with our school's Sun Smart Policy, all students are required to wear a rash shirt/ t-shirt over their togs when they go swimming.

Reading Groups:

From 15th February to 22nd March, reading groups will occur straight after first break on a Wednesday. Reading groups will occur from 9am-9:40am following the conclusion of water polo/ swimming lessons.

QParents:

QParents is a secure app that gives parents quick access to information about their child such as timetables, report cards, invoices, behaviour records and attendance. The app can also be used to report absences, update addresses and medical records, and pay outstanding invoices.

This app is very worthwhile, providing you with lots of useful information about your child. If you have not yet registered for QParents, please contact Stefanie or me for further information.

If you have already registered for QParents, you should now be able to access information about your child.

Newsletters:

This year our newsletter will again be published electronically. **If you require a paper copy of the newsletter each week, please let Stefanie know.**

Have a great week.

Regards,

Stacey ☺

Student Council Messages

Eggs for Sale:

This week the Student Council has no eggs for sale. If you would like to purchase eggs (\$4/ dozen), please contact the school.

CHAPPY'S CHAT



Isn't it funny that we look forward to the weekend as a time to relax and put our feet up. But for me, this last weekend was very busy: I went to Townsville Friday night; to a workshop on Saturday; to a birthday party Saturday night; to church on Sunday; worked in our yard Sunday afternoon; then we had people over for tea Sunday night....*Phew!!* It was a great weekend!!

Congratulations to all of you students who have been chosen as representatives for your grade on the School Student Council. It is an honour to be the one to speak on behalf of your friends in a group which can enable good things to happen at our school. So please be serious in talking with your classmates to find out what they would like, and honestly take their desires to the Student Council. Remember, you are their "voice" at that meeting.

Come and join me in our Garden Club this week at Little Lunch times, and we can get our gardens ready for planting soon.

Chappy John

KEEN TO PLAY TENNIS! (in Giru)

Junior Coaching for Primary School Students
(Prep - Grade 6) Friday mornings - 8.15am
(School Term)
\$5 per student (payable at lesson)
Giru Tennis Courts
Racquets provided or bring your own
Coach - Arron Klump 0419795548
(Tennis Hot Shots)

Adult Cardio Tennis
Friday mornings - 8.45am (School Term)
\$10 per adult (payable at lesson)
Giru Tennis Club
Racquets provided or bring your own
Coach - Aaron Klump 0419795548

Everyone Welcome from Beginners to Advance

P&C News - Week Three

People often ask “What is the P&C?”, so today I have included the definition provided in the P&C QLD support guide below.

“What is a P&C Association?”

A Parents and Citizens’ Association (P&C) is a group of community minded people, parents and citizens, who take on a more formal role to assist the school in providing:

- *feedback on school policies and activities*
- *additional resources to be used to enhance student learning*
- *parents with opportunities to be involved in their child’s education.*

Research has shown that parent involvement in a child’s education makes a significant contribution to the child’s success at school” P&C QLD Support Guide.

On Monday 13 February, we have our first P&C Meeting for the year at 7.00pm in the staff room and I invite you to attend.

We also have our **Annual General Meeting on Monday 13 March at 7.00pm.**

At the AGM we elect our P&C Executives and our sub-committees, so you might like to think about becoming involved. Remember your contribution can be as large or as small as you can manage.

When you work together you can extend the learning opportunities for students at Giru State School and help to make your school a greater place for students, staff, parents/ guardians and the community.

Thanks

Tracey Town

P&C President



Parent Information Sessions, Camp Meeting

and



Free Sausage Sizzle

Monday, 20th February

Come along to our **parent information sessions** in the classrooms:

- 3:30-4:00pm - P-2
- 4:00-4:30pm - Year 3-6

Year 5-6 parents, please stay and join us for a **camp meeting** in the Year 3-6 classroom from 4:30- 5:00pm.

A free **sausage sizzle** will also be provided for all families in the **parade area** from 4:00-5:30pm. Please come along for a snack, meet other families and have a chat.