News from the Principal’s Desk

Gowrie Street on Facebook
For all of those Facebook users out there, Gowrie Street has had a Facebook page for over a month now. We are using it to communicate with our community and also to receive feedback about how things are going at the school. So like us to keep up to date with all of the goings on.

School Wide Positive Behaviour Strategies
Friday afternoon assembly saw our SWPBS leaders draw out eight students who won the privilege of having a special morning tea in the staffroom on Monday.
They are -

**Care for Yourself**
- Tresean Thompson, Blade Richardson
- Fili Ah-Far, Shakira Bayani

**Care for Others**
- Miss Day, John Davey-Stuart
- Cooper Wade, Teagan Stewart

**Care for your Learning**
- Will Baxter, Jacanna Scriven
- Hayley Fear, Muhammad Ali Alizada

**Care for your School**
- Sara Jbori, Douglas Kofler
- Xavier King, Hayley Durward

Hats – Sunsmart Policy
It’s that time of the year where our Sunsmart Policy is enacted. Please ensure that you children have a school approved broad brimmed hat to wear outside during play and sport times. Hats are available from the office for $12.

Indigenous Families Meeting – Monday November 16, 2.15pm – 3.15pm
This is an open invite to all our indigenous families to attend our indigenous Families Meeting at the above time in the Manega Language and Culture Building. We will be discussing all of the activities that are going on at the school including up and coming activities. It is also a great opportunity to ask any questions about the school.

School Fete, Save the Date Friday November 20, 4.30pm – 7.30pm
The staff and children are very excited about our upcoming Twilight Fete. This week notes will go out to see if you can help out by either donating supplies or being able to volunteer your time on the night for a little while. This is going to be a fantastic showcase of Gowrie Street and we really appreciate your help with it.

Save the Date – Grade 6 Graduation
Grade 6 Graduation will be held on Thursday December 10. Due to the building renovations at School the Graduation Ceremony will be held off site. The Grade 5/6 teachers are still finalising the details and we will send them home as soon as possible.

Prep Transition Reminder
A reminder to all families of our prep children for 2016; our next transition session will be on Wednesday November 18 at 11.30am.

Have a great fortnight, Travis
Dates to Remember

Life Education Van - November 9 - 12, 2015
Remembrance Day - November 11, 2015
P & F Meeting – 9.30am in the Staffroom - November 18, 2015
Foundation Transition – 11.30am to 12.30pm - November 18, 2015
School Fete – 4.30pm to 7.30pm - November 20, 2015
Foundation /Grade 1 Children’s Farm visit – Melbourne - November 23, 2015
Grades 3/4 Excursion to Healesville - November 25, 2015
School Council - November 25, 2015
Foundation /Grade 2 Fun Night & Grade 2 Sleepover - November 26, 2015
Grades 1/2 Children’s Farm visit – Melbourne - November 30, 2015
Foundation Transition – 11.30am to 12.30pm - December 2, 2015
Foundation & Grade 6 - Statewide Transition Day - December 8, 2015
Foundation/Grade 6 Swimming Program - December 7-11, 2015
School Council Dinner - December 9, 2015
Grade 6 Graduation - December 10, 2015
Last Day Term 4 – finish 1.00pm - December 18, 2015
Gowrie Street Primary School Fete
On Friday November 20th you are all invited to the school Fete. The fete will be held afterhours between 4.30 and 7.30, it’s sure to be a great evening of fun, there will be more detailed information in this newsletter.

CFA Visit
Today we were visited by the CFA. Today’s visit was a timely reminder and lesson in being fire ready and knowing what to do in an emergency.

Transition
Each fortnight the children have been really excited to attend transition sessions! Please remember to send your child to preschool next Wednesday with their red book bag, they’ve been loving getting new books to read.

Reading with your kids
Each week it is fantastic to see how many children are achieving home reading awards. At Gowrie Street we understand that everyone is busy with work and other commitments within their life. We also know how important it is for school age children to read every day at home. It would be fantastic if all families could find 10mins each night before bed to listen to their kids read and fill out their reader book. By doing this you will be giving your children the very best opportunity to succeed at school. If you have any questions about how to do this with your kids please see your child’s teacher.

Drink Bottles
Now that it’s warming up drink bottles with fresh water are a must, please make sure your child comes to preschool every day with fresh water.

Transition Statements
Last week I handed out part A of the Transition statement for families to complete. If you didn’t receive one please see me as soon as possible. If families could fill these in as soon as possible it would be greatly appreciated. I will be passing completed statements onto your child’s prep teacher on November 24th. If you have any questions or concerns please see Melinda as soon as possible.

Preschool 2016
In 2016 we will be running two 4 yr old preschool groups. We currently have some vacancies so if you know of anyone looking for a preschool place please encourage them to take a look at our service. To be eligible for preschool in 2016 children need to have turned 4 by April 30th 2016.
Gowrie Street Weekly Winners – Week 1

PBS Morning Tea Winners

Dungala-Kaiela Writing Winners

PBS Morning Tea Winners

Star of the Week

PBS Super Students

Stars of the Week

PBS Super Student
Gowrie Street Weekly Winners – Week 2

Stars of the Week

PBS Morning Tea Winners

PBS Super Students

Mathletics Certificate Winners