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 - Caisadon Joachim, Moana Murdoch, Ryan Smith, Lily Reardon
Care for Others - Tiaki Murdoch, Sylvester Desacada, Mackenzie Smith, Nakari Joachim
Care for your Learning - Marcus Connolly, Cabby McIntosh, Jack Fletcher, Kirby Joachim
Care for your School - Jaselena McCarthy, Grace Matthews, Starr Francis, Tegan Stewart

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.

Health Care and Pension Card Reminder
If we haven't received a copy of your current card please bring it into the office for copying by Friday February 26. We require a copy of a current card to ensure your child's access to our discounted Curriculum Package and the Departments Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund.

Grade 5/6 Melbourne Camp, March 1-5
Just a reminder to all of our Grade 5/6 families that the Melbourne Camp is fast approaching. If you have any questions about the camp and the schedule please go and see your homeroom teacher.

Curriculum Day – Big Write & VCOP, Friday February 26
Next Friday all school staff will be involved in Professional Learning based on ‘Big Write & VCOP (Vocabulary, Connectors, Openers & Punctuation). There will be no school on this day. Our Early Childhood Services, Occasional Care and 3 Year Old Fun Group as well as After School Care will not run on this day.

Big Write and VCOP is designed to bring the fun back into writing, to make the children want to write and to be continuously challenged throughout the writing journey. Through games, activities, writing tasks, conversations and discussions, students will learn not only where their abilities lie in a fun and engaging way, but also the steps they need to take, in order to continue to improve.

Badge Presentation Assembly – Friday February 19 @ 2.30pm
This is an open invitation to all our families who would like to attend our Badge Presentation Assembly. Our Local Member, Suzanna Sheed, will be in attendance to present our leaders with their badges.

A reminder that Assembly occurs every Friday afternoon at 2.30pm, and everyone is welcome.

Prep Parents
A reminder that next week is the last Wednesday in February and your children are not required at school next Wednesday. From the beginning of March all Prep children will be attending school 5 days per week.

Long Service Leave – Lisa Day
From Monday February 22 until Friday March 4 Lisa will be on Long Service Leave. During this time your children will still participate in Science Lessons with Miss Chelsea Monk.

Have a great fortnight Travis
Chaplain's Report

"Your children deserve the best CARE possible“.

“C” is for Co-operation:
Your cooperation as parents and carers for our children is important that you communicate with teachers any special needs your child has or changes to your home environment that may impact on your child’s behavior at school. Anything that helps the teacher to better understand the individual needs of your child.

“A” is for Assistance:
You as parents are welcome to assist in the class rooms from time to time. Your interest in what your child is doing in class gives children a sense of pride.

“R” is for Respect:
Respect for the teachers who care, teach and nurture your children 5 days a week. Always ask your children questions about their day. Always have the attitude and words that support your child’s teacher. Encourage your child to respect their teacher and have a healthy good relationship that secures them to have a great working day.

“E” is for encouragement:
Always encourage your child to have a good relationship with other children. Encourage them to be the best students in the school by seeing other children who need someone to play with. They could also be a positive role model to play nicely.

Our new Foundation students need taking care of in the playground, so encourage your children to look out and help them to play.

Remember your children are important to me.

God’s book says: “Love your neighbour as as you love yourself“.

Richard Pool
Chaplain

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Kerb Works – Gowrie Street
The Council has started works on replacing all of the kerbs along the Gowrie Street side of the school. These works will continue of the next month or so; please be aware that the traffic conditions will change from day to day.

Gowrie Street Primary School New Uniform
It has been fantastic to see a lot of our students in our new school uniform for the beginning of the year. School uniform is always available from the office at very reasonable prices. It is the school council's policy and expectation that all students wear school uniform at all times including hats when outside. If you would like a copy of the policy please come in and see us at the office.

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Car Parking and speed limits – Please take care
It’s important to remember that when driving and parking around the school we all take care to use the roads and car parks in the right way and always consider ‘what if that was my child’. If you pick your children up from the back entrance to the school please park in the car park or on the basketball court to ensure the safety of all.

Dates to Remember
Curriculum Day – Student Free Day
School Photos
Grade 5-6 Melbourne Camp
Labour Day – Public Holiday
Harmony Day
End of Term 1
- Friday February 26, 2016
- Monday February 29, 2016
- Tues March 1 – Fri March 4, 2016
- Monday March 14, 2016
- Monday March 21, 2016
- Thursday March 24, 2016

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Preschool, Occasional Care & Playgroup

WE WANT YOUR RUBBISH!!!
Please bring in any items you think we might use for box construction. We would appreciate donations of cardboard rolls, cereal boxes, tissue boxes, bottle tops etc.
Gowrie Street Weekly Winners – Week 1

PBS Morning Tea Winners

PBS Super Students

Mathletics Certificate Winners

Stars of the Week

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Gowrie Street Weekly Winners – Week 2

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