

# Gordon East Public School

Safe, respectful learners

Term 2 – Issue 10 June 30 2023

# **School Newsletter**

#### Diary Dates

#### **Monday 17 July**

Staff Development Day

#### **Tuesday 18 July**

Students return Term 3

#### Friday 21 July

- PSSA Winter continues.
- Soccer @ Warrimoo Oval
- Netball @ Canoon Road

#### **Monday 24 July**

100 Days of Kindergarten

#### **Thursday 27 July**

 Athletics Carnival @ Bannockburn Oval Years K-6

#### Friday 28 July

- Soccer @ NTRA 1
- Netball @ Canoon Road

#### From the Principal – Mrs Ruth White

Dear Families,

Well, here we are at the end of Term 2 already! What a busy term of learning we have had.

In the past fortnight, we have had many events. Last week, as part of their History Unit, Stage 1 enjoyed an excursion to the Hornsby Historical Society Museum. The students had a fabulous time learning about the past, including how school and home life has changed. Students had the opportunity to use old ink pens, wash socks by hand, set an old-fashioned table and 'purchase' things at a local grocery store.

We also had our 2023 GEPS Spelling Bee last Wednesday, where we were able to welcome families onsite to cheer our finalists on. Thank you to Mrs Preshaw for organising the event, and congratulations to our winners, Zachary and Nethya, and to all participants on a wonderful competition.





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On Monday this week, families received Semester 1 reports. Thank you to the staff for their time and efforts evaluating student learning and reporting on achievement. All students also received learning goals to assist them in their learning journey. Congratulations to all students for their hardworking efforts this term.

Yesterday, Mrs Campbell and Mrs Choi accompanied our Semester 1 SRC and School Leadership team to Blue Haven Public School (BHPS) as we commenced the first student meeting of our new GEPS/BHPS Partnership. It was an exciting opportunity for our students and staff to connect and get to know each other. A warm thank you to the BHPS staff and students for hosting us at their annual 'Doing Things Together' Day. Please keep an eye out for a more detailed report in our first newsletter next term.

As we have come to the end of the term, we have had some staffing changes: Mrs Roberts and Mrs Date-Chong have both commenced maternity leave. We wish them well and look forward to meeting the newest member to their families in the near future. Mrs Lynn Lorge will be replacing Mrs Roberts Monday -

Wednesday, and Mrs Xanthe Lee will be replacing Mrs Date-Chong on a Wednesday.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for all their hard work this term and wish families an enjoyable winter school holiday break.

Students return on Tuesday 18 July.

Take care,

Ruth White

Principal







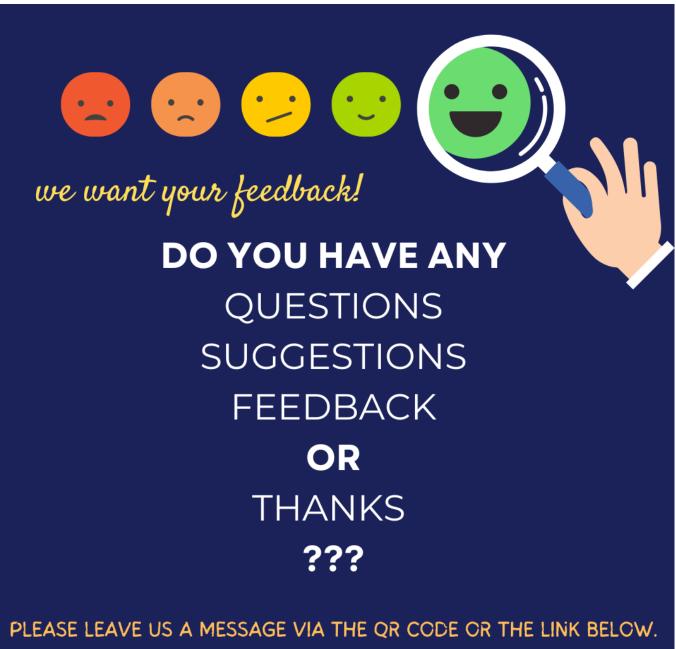




Enjoy the School Holidays!



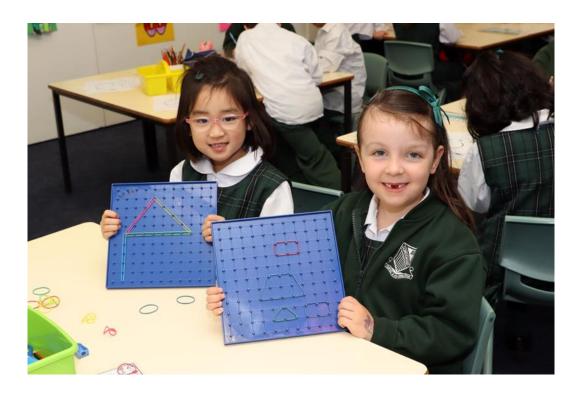
# Gordon East Public School Community Feedback





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## What`s been happening at GEPS?

# Stage 1 Excursion to Hornsby Historical Society Museum

We drove to the Hornsby Historical Society Museum and we had a whole Stage 1 meeting before we got into seven groups. Next I went to the sock washing. I used a bucket with soap and used a cleaning board. Then I went to the games. I was so good at the ball game. We had lunch in a nearby park and got to play survival tag before the bus ride home.

#### Charlie A 1/2U

On Tuesday 20 June I went on a coach with Stage 1 and went to the Hornsby Historical Society Museum. First, I went to the games. It was really fun, we played hopscotch and this ball game. Now we still have hopscotch and the ball game but they're not that common. Then I went to the kitchen. In the kitchen there was no electricity. Now there is a whole amount of electricity in the world. Next, I went to the classroom, there was a blackboard, an apple and even a running writing pen, now there is a whiteboard and a pen that you don't need to dip in ink and no apple on the teacher's desk. Finally, we went to the shop, we had to ask for something instead of walking around the shop. Now we walk around the shop.

#### Kristina F 1/2P



# **Our running star!**

On Thursday 15 June Harriet from 3/4R attended Area Cross Country on behalf of Gordon East.

Amazingly, she placed 6<sup>th</sup> overall and has made it to the next level of Cross Country. She will be attending State Cross Country in Term 3. We are very proud of Harriet and wish her all the best for her upcoming race!







# Merits

Week 9 Tuesday 2	0 June	Week 10	Tuesday 27 June
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KM	Mitchell & Isabelle	KM	Adelaide & Spike
1/2H	Morris, Jemima & Yujin	1/2H	Louis & Wyatt
1/2P	Ethan, Adele & Martina	1/2P	Isabelle & Kai
1/2U	Daniella & Yukino	1/2U	Sienna & Liv
3/4A	Sophie & Xavier	3/4A	Lauren & Scarlett
3/4C	Ava & Anthony	3/4C	Tristan & Lachlan
3/4R	Tommy & Jacob	3/4R	Reid & Olivia
5/6B	Bradley & James	5/6B	Duc & Jasper
5/6N	Darius & Seojun	5/6N	Marco & Nethya
5/6S	Brian & Oscar	5/6S	Evan & Grace
Mini Merits	Malachi & Danny	Mini Merits	
Banners		Banners	





## Aussies of the Month

#### **AUSSIE OF THE MONTH**

Congratulations Aussie of the Month
June 2023

## **Abigail**

Abigail has a wonderful presence in our class and the school. She is a responsible, respectful learner who is always willing to help others.

Abigail is kind and always shows sportsmanship, even when she is losing. She is polite and uses her manners at all times.

Abigail is always willing and able to help her classmates with their work, even if they are not in her group. Abigail is a great role model for other students. She is a reminder that it is possible to be successful in school while also being a kind and considerate person.

Congratulations Abigail!



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Congratulations Aussie of the Month June 2023

#### Charlie

Charlie is a respectful and supportive student who applies himself consistently to all tasks. He upholds the Gordon East Public School expectations of safe, respectful learners in everything he does.

Charlie tries his personal best in all that he puts his mind to and regularly includes others both in the playground and in the classroom. He offers insightful peer feedback and thoughtfully contributes to group discussions.

Charlie's kind and caring personality along with his great sense of humour makes him a pleasure to teach.

Congratulations on being a worthy recipient of the Aussie of the Month Award for the month of June, Charlie Hollis!



# **PSSA Reports**

Date	Sport	Opposition Team	Score	Notes	
16.6.23	Netball Jnr B	St Ives North	1-4	Today we played St Ives North and we lost. The best players today were Ava, Scarlett and Alice. Reporter: Bella	
16.6.23	Netball Sen B	Lindfield East	4-6	Today we played Lindfield East and we fought a hard battle and it was very close but in the end they pulled ahead. The best players on our team today were Ari and Grace, they played very hard and were good all game. We all did well and tried hard, I think that this might be the best game so far.  Reporter: Ana Luisa	
23.6.23	Netball Jnr A	Gordon West	1-0	Today we played Gordon West and we won but our defence could be better. The best players on our team today were Emi, My and Meredith. I think we played amazing.  Reporter: Nina	
23.6.23	Netball Jnr B	Pymble	0-14	Today we played Pymble and lost. The best players on our team today were Bella, Keira, Ava and Alice.  Reporter: Abigail	
23.6.23	Netball Sen A	Chatswood	6-11	Today we played Chatswood and sadly we had a loss, but we still played well. The best players on our team today were Frances, Maddy and Isla. We all enjoyed this slippery game.  Reporter: Jasmine	
16.6.23	Soccer Jnr B	St Ives North	3-2	Today we played St Ives North and we won 3-2. The players on our team today were Paddy, Gary and Orson. Reporter: William	
16.6.23	Soccer Sen A	St Ives North	1-0	Today we played St Ives North and we won 1-0, we played with courage and determination. The best players on our team today were Christian for playing well in defence, Clayton for good encouragement, Jacob for good running and Tarun for Scoring. We played our best and came out on top.  Reporter: Parker	
16.6.23	Soccer Snr B	St Ives North	1-3	Today we played St Ives North and we lost 1-3 but everyone played the best they could play. I think they all did well. The best players on our team were Danny for scoring our one and only goal and Finley for giving up centre mid, thank you Finley. We were playing the team at the top of the ladder.  Reporter: Max	



## **P&C Presidents Report**

#### **President's Report**

As we come to the end of Term 2, on behalf of the P&C I wanted to wish you all a happy and restful school holiday or for those going on holidays, lots of fun..

There have been some great events undertaken in term 2, from the Mother's Day celebration activities and most recently the Band Workshop Weekend. Again, I would like to thank all of those involved in making our Term 2 events successful.

In Term 3 we have some exciting activities to launch in relation to our 70<sup>th</sup> year celebrations and very much look forward to sharing these with the community.

Kind regards,

#### Simon Taylor-Cross 2023 P&C President

President@gordoneastpandc.org.au

#### **Band Report**

Well done to all the children who attended the Band Workshop weekend! They rehearsed tirelessly, had lots of fun drumming with John Morrison and playing laser tag, thoroughly enjoyed the gourmet catering, and the progress they made over the two days was quite remarkable. They should be extremely proud of themselves!



Our conductors, guest conductors and tutors were very complimentary of our little musicians and the focus and dedication they showed throughout. A special thank you to Mrs White and Mrs Choi for all their hard work leading up to and during the weekend and to Mrs McMahon, Mrs Smith and Mrs Chandra who assisted with supervision.

Finally, to our wonderful Band Committee members and the many parent volunteers, some doing multiple shifts over both days... Thank you so much! Your commitment to the program is extraordinary and we could

not have managed without you.



Enjoy the school holidays and we're looking forward to some exciting events in Term 3!

Stay tuned...

Marina Brand and Bev Hughes
On behalf of the GEPS Band
Committee

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# Community News



THURSDAY 24 Aug 2023 9:30am to 12:00pm Koola Avenue, KILLARA







What's happening on the day?

- Tours
- Art Show
- Enrolments Information
- P&C Information

Come along and see our school in action! No need to register.



Discover more at www.killara-h.schools.nsw.gov.au

#### Advertising



# Children's Library

# June events for families @ Gordon Library

#### **Cheeky Emus performance by Eleanor Clapham**

Join Eleanor for a fun filled musical adventure to learn all about Emus and their songs, stories and dances. Participants will play instruments, learn dances and be enchanted by the stories of Baime, the dark Emu found in the sky and the legend of the Munduguddah, the rainbow serpent.

When: Wednesday 28th June

Time: 4.00-5.00pm

Where: Gordon Library

Suitable for: Children aged 4 to 10 years

To book: https://www.krg.nsw.gov.au/Things-to-do/Whats-on/Cheeky-Emus-storytime-with-Eleanor-Clapham

#### This event is part of Council's Gai-mariagal Festival

#### Early literacy and how to help your child read

Presented by Adrienne Jackson, senior speech pathologist from To the Moon and Back Speech Therapy. Parents will leave with a better understanding of the importance of literacy in their child's development. This will include:

- learn about the different stages of literacy development
- the benefits of early reading
- the role that parents can play in supporting their child's literacy growth
- how dyslexia and other reading disorders can impact on reading development
- Seeking help for your child: who, where and when

Venue: Gordon Library Date: Wednesday 21st June

Time 6:30 - 7.30pm

To book: https://www.krg.nsw.gov.au/Things-to-do/Whats-on/Early-literacy-and-how-to-help-your-child-with-reading Further enquiries: please contact Children's team on 9424 0120 or <a href="mailto:younglibrary@krg.nsw.gov.au">younglibrary@krg.nsw.gov.au</a>





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