Term 1 Week 6 2016

School Term Dates 2016
Term 1 Wednesday 27 January – Friday 8 April 2016
Term 2 Tuesday 26 April – Friday 1 July (Students return Wednesday 27 April)
Term 3 Monday 18 July – Friday 23 September (Students return Tuesday 19 July)
Term 4 Monday 10 October – Tuesday 20 December (Students finish Friday 17 December)

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Friday 4 March    GALA Day
Tuesday 15 March  School Photos
Friday 18 March   GALA Day
Monday 21 March   Harmony Day
Wednesday 23 March K-6 Assembly 9.15am
Thursday 24 March Easter Hat Parade
Friday 25 March   Good Friday
Monday 28 March   Easter Monday
Monday 4 April    Autism awareness Day
Wednesday 6 April School Cross Country carnival
Friday 8 April    Last Day of Term 1

TERM 2
Monday 25 April   ANZAC Day
Tuesday 26 April  School Development Day (Staff return)
Wednesday 27 April Students Return to School

Please report trespassing on school grounds, unlawful acts and vandalism to School Security on 1300 880 021

Principal’s Report

On Monday this week our school leaders Zac, Payal, Serina, Frank and Alyah were accompanied by Miss Bullock and Mrs Ballantine to Allphones Arena at Homebush for the National Young Leaders Day. Here they got to listen to a variety of inspirational speakers who presented on various issues and topics. The children were fully engaged and motivated during the day and listened with great enthusiasm. The students all represented Guise Public School as fantastic ambassadors and displayed exemplary behaviour and manners throughout the day. Well done to our school leaders!

Just a reminder to all parents/carers to please ensure that children do not bring glass bottles or aluminium cans to school. These items are unsafe in a school environment, and therefore we encourage plastic drink bottles or popper containers. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated.
School Procedures
As mentioned in previous newsletters the safety and security of your children is paramount and the school has procedures in place that have been implemented for parents/carers and any visitors who come in to school grounds during the course of the day. If at any time you need to come into school grounds for any reason, visitors and parents/carers must go to the front office. There you can be signed in as a special visitor if need be or have your child paged to the office if leaving school early. At no time should any parent/carer go directly to a classroom or to the playground if at school, unless there is a special event on for parents to attend. If there are things that you need delivered to the classroom, please bring it to the front office and we will see that it gets to your child. Messages can also be passed on via the office. Your assistance with following these school procedures is greatly appreciated.

School Banking Day Reminder
It was great to see many parents sign up their children for school banking after the assembly yesterday.

Don’t forget that Friday is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit books to the office starting from Friday 11 March. For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their regular savings habits.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2016 School Banking program information pack from the school office.

Guise Public School 2016 Staff

Principal: Mrs Megan Predl
Deputy Principal: Mr Nathan Neilson
Assistant Principal Special Education: Mrs Karen Davies
Assistant Principal: Mrs Angela Mitchell (Tues & Wed)

Class Teachers
KN - Mr N. Neilson & Mrs A. Mitchell
K/1W - Miss S. Wild
1/2C - Mr S. Carr
K/1E - Mrs K. Evans
3/4H - Mrs C. Horn
1/2C - Mrs C. Hines
4/5E - Mrs T. Edwards
3/6D - Mrs K. Davies
5/6B - Miss A. Bullock

Support Teachers
Mrs K. Kitsoukiliadas (Learning and Support Teacher)
Mrs J. Carr (Reading Recovery & EAL/D)
Ms S. Flay (Library & RFF)
Miss K. Anson (RFF)

Learning Support Officers
Mrs M. Harris
Mr B. El-aali
Mrs C. Denton

Aboriginal Education Officer
Miss K. Bell

Office Administrators
Mr N. Stevens
Mrs S. Ball
Mrs M. Ballantine

School Counsellor
Mrs S. Freeman

General Assistant
Mr J. Spratt

P&C Committee
On Wednesday this week the P&C held their Annual General Meeting to elect new office bearers of their committee. The new committee is as follows:
Christine Jones - President
Jaclyn Hill - Vice President
Ingrid Bartrop - Secretary
Nicole Vetemotu - Treasurer

I am sure you will join me in congratulating these parents and will support them throughout 2016.

I would like to thank the outgoing office bearers of the 2015 P&C committee (Jacinta Crummer, Christine Jones, Jaclyn Hill and Sharlene Saville) and their P&C members who have volunteered their time and effort, working hard to ensure the year was a success. Your tireless efforts supporting the school by fundraising to help improve facilities and resources are greatly appreciated.
**SkoolBag App**

Our School is conducting a 30 day trial using the 'Skoolbag' iPhone or Windows App to help us communicate more effectively with our community. We are trialling the iPhone version for 30 days and if we continue with the App after the trial we will then get the Android version in the Google Play Store. The app is available to download now. We are asking parents/carers to install our Skoolbag App. To install it, just look for our school name “Guise Public School” in the Apple App Store, and install it on your iPhone. Once downloaded please let the rest of your school community know or if they are currently not iPhone users, please take the time to show them what it looks like. As this is a trial for the school we ask that you are patient with us as we learn how to update information in Skoolbag. Please let the school know how you find it and whether you think it is worthwhile.

Have a wonderful week!
Megan Predl

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**School Banking**

Teach your child how to save at an early age

**Banking every Friday**

Place your bankbook in the letterbox in the office for banking each week which will be managed by our school coordinators - Christine Jones & Kim Williams.

**Easter Hat Parade**

The P&C will be selling tea, coffee and cakes during the Easter Hat Parade on Thursday 24 March for parents and visitors and also at recess for students.

We would appreciate families donating cakes, hot cross buns or slices to sell on the day. We ask that you do not use any nut products if making or buying cakes. These can be brought in on the morning of the parade.

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**How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone**

For iPhone and iPad users:

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

For Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app.
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
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Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 8.1 and 10 devices.
Library News

Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC)
This year Guise Public School will be participating in the Premier’s Reading Challenge. The challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students and to assist them in experiencing quality literature. Any students who would like to take part in the PRC for 2016 are asked to see Mrs Flay and put their names on the list - there will be a clipboard in the Library for students in years 3-6, and we ask parents for students in Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 to please notify us in writing or let your child’s teacher know if your child would like to take part. The challenge is easy - students in Years 3-6 only need to read 20 books from the PRC list and students in Years K-2 are required to read 30. The book lists are found on https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html or alternatively, see Mrs Flay for a copy. Record sheets can be collected from the Library during class library time. Any queries - please see Mrs Flay.

National Young Leaders Day
On Monday 29 February we attended the National Young Leaders Day at Allphones Arena, Olympic Park. We were inspired and influenced by many motivational leaders who taught us that leadership is showing up and encouraging others when they are in doubt. The main message of the day was to master the little things in life and always make positive choices. Ben Austin taught us that no matter the obstacle, we can overcome it and that our minds are stronger then we think. Police commissioner Andrew Scipione taught us that integrity is the cornerstone for good, strong and authentic leadership and that the decisions we make today can change our tomorrow. Winter from Kids Give inspired us to make a difference. He taught us that one person can change the world and make it a better place. We enjoyed this opportunity and look forward to leading our school community and encouraging others to master the little and make positive choices in life.

Zac, Payal, Serina, Frank and Alyah

Hello and welcome back to our new school year,

Whether you are a new parent/carer to Guise or one of our existing families, we would like to welcome you and your family to our school and to our Parent Groups and School Assemblies in 2016. For those of you I haven't had the chance to meet my name is Carol O'Brien and I am the Community Liaison Officer (CLO) for Guise Public School.

I am here every Wednesday from 8.30am -3.30pm. My main role is to link and support our families into Guise Public School, whilst also linking families and our school into our Community. You can call me if you need any help or have any questions at any time on 0412 125 184 or email me @ carol.anne.obrien@det.nsw.edu.au

Wednesday Club- starts at 1.30pm - come join us to make resources for your child’s class & library-everyone welcome.

Join us to make new friends & learn some new skills.

Looking forward to meeting all our new families. Thanks Carol ☺
Our new school award system is now linked to the You Can Do It program. This program forms part of our school Wellbeing framework which is being implemented throughout the school. In addition to the award system, our school Behaviour Policy is being reviewed to more accurately reflect our school direction as well as the You Can Do It philosophy. Starting this term, school awards will not be presented at assembly. Instead each class will have a dedicated time each week where students will receive their YCDI school awards. Bronze, Silver, Gold and Sapphire awards will continue to be presented at school assemblies in Weeks 3, 6 & 9.
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ART GROUP

LEARN HOW TO DE-STRESS.

CHALLENGE YOUR ARTISTIC ABILITIES.

LEARN NEW ART TECHNIQUES.

LEARN ABOUT MENTAL WELLNESS AND KEEPING YOUR MIND AND BODY HEALTHY.

FREE PROGRAM

Open to all people!
We welcome people from all skill levels.

EVERY THUR 6:30-8PM

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Macquarie Fields

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For more info call Alysha 9829 6701.