



GEORGES HALL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Next Week's Rule: No Hat – Shade Play

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents,

COMMENCEMENT OF TERM 2, 2009 will be slightly different to the situation in past years. Monday 27 April will be a holiday for **teachers** in observance of the ANZAC Day holiday. Consequently, the school will not be open on this day. The following day, Tuesday 28 April will be a school development day. **Students will return to school on Wednesday 29 April.** Please note these dates on your calendar.

SCHOOL ASSISTANCE FUNDING

I feel that I need to clarify the situation with the funding available for school assistance. Student assistance is a **SMALL** amount of funding which the school has available to help parents to pay for such necessary items such as text books, uniforms and **SOME** excursions. Below are the conditions placed on school assistance funding:

Text books: the school can help up to 50% of the total cost.

Uniforms: the school can help up to 50% on each piece of basic uniform, for example **one** school dress, or **one set** of shorts and shirt. The school cannot pay for multiple pieces of the same item (eg, three pairs of shorts). An excellent pre-loved uniform shop is available to all parents. Items are only approximately \$1.00 each. Some of the pre-loved uniforms are almost brand new, so parents should avail themselves of this option.

Excursions: the school can assist with 50% of single day excursions.

SCHOOL ASSISTANCE FUNDING IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

Special swimming schemes; overnight camps; special items of uniform such as the year 6 jackets; optional sporting activities such as flippa ball; special days at the canteen; school bags; sunglasses; weekly PSSA fees; band fees. The school does not have the money to pay for such items. We can assist only with a percentage of essential school items, as listed above.

CHESS:

CHESS STARTS AGAIN THIS Friday afternoon. Please return the permission note, which was sent out on Tuesday, if you would like your child to play. Chess commences at 3.15pm with afternoon tea and concludes at 4.30pm sharp. Chess will be held in the library. The next few weeks will be used to select the competition teams. In-school competition will commence in term 3.

Iris Rittau
Principal

SEWERFIX WORK IN SUTCLIFFE RESERVE, GEORGES HALL

Just to let the community know that from Thursday 19 March 2009 Sydney Water's contractor, Interflow will set up a temporary site compound at Sutcliffe Reserve in Birdwood Road, Georges Hall.

Work will be carried out between 7:00am and 5:00pm Monday to Friday. We may be affected by noise, odour, dust and truck movements.

There may be some access restrictions to the reserve. Interflow will make every effort to minimise these impacts on the community.

This will also affect the students who wait in the Reserve to be met by those that take them home. It is advisable to make other arrangements for these students.

IT'S ACADEMIC

What stars the team are! We will be competing in the It's Academic semi-final on Wednesday 25 March 2009. I know the team is going to do its very best. Stay tuned for the outcome of this exciting event.

Genelle Goldfinch
Deputy Principal

ITALIANO NEWS

5/6G will be performing a *Carnevale* play this Friday at the 3-6 assembly. We look forward to seeing parents and friends in the audience.

Grazie!
The Signoras

MINI FAIR – MULTICULTURAL FOOD

Library and Italian teachers will again be running the multicultural food stall at the Mini-Fair on Wednesday 8 April. We would appreciate donations from all students of food items from your country or heritage e.g. mini-spring rolls, curry puffs, lamingtons and packet food. Could you please let Miss Partington or Signora Pallotta know if you are able to donate food by completing the slip below and return it by Friday 3 April.



Thank you

Parent's name:.....
Child's name:.....
Class:.....
Food:.....
Approximate quantity:.....

We thank you for your support, and look forward to seeing you on the day!

Miss Partington &
Signora Pallotta



UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Thanks

Thank you again to Wafica, Linda, Elise, Connie, Nadia, David and Deb who have been helping in the uniform shop this week.

There have been some enquiries regarding lunch boxes and drink bottles. Lunch boxes are no longer available but we do have some drink bottles.

A winter order has just been placed with the supplier and we will have straight leg track pants available in 3 – 4 weeks. To make room for the winter stock, track pants will be discounted by 20% to a cost of \$20. Hurry only while stocks last.

Opening Hours

The uniform shop will be open

Tuesdays from **9.15am -10.00am**
3pm – 3.30pm

and

Wednesdays from **9.15am – 9.45am**

Please remember that if you cannot come to the shop during opening hours, you can fill out a uniform order form and send it to the office with full payment.

Your order will be processed on Friday morning and will be sent to your child's classroom. Order forms are available from the front office or the Uniform Shop.

Please remember that uniforms cannot be purchased from the canteen staff.

Janene Morrin
Uniform Shop Coordinator

SPORT

THIS WEEK'S DRAW – SUMMER SPORT RD 4

TERM 1 WEEK 7

SPORT	AGAINST	RESULT
Junior Cricket	Chester Hill	Won 101 - 58
Senior Cricket	Chester Hill	Lost 4/40 – 9/10
Junior Girls T-Ball	Bankstown North	Won 14 - 10
Senior Girls Softball	Bankstown North	Won 5 - 0
Junior Boys T-Ball	Berala	Won 24 -1
Senior Boys Softball	Berala	Won 10 - 1
Junior Boys Basketball	St Euphemia	Won 32 -14
Junior Girls Basketball	St Euphemia	Won 24 - 18
Senior Boys Basketball	St Euphemia	Lost 14 - 36
Senior Girls Basketball	St Euphemia	Won 28 - 13

THIS WEEK'S DRAW – SUMMER SPORT RD 5

TERM 1 WEEK 8

SPORT	AGAINST	VENUE	TIME
Junior Cricket	Malek Fahd	Steve Folkes Reserve	1:00pm
Senior Cricket	Malek Fahd	Steve Folkes Reserve	1:00pm
Junior Girls T-Ball	Chullora	O'Neill (Dia 5)	1:00pm
Senior Girls Softball	Chullora	O'Neill (Dia 5)	1:40pm
Junior Boys T-Ball	Birrong	Middleton (Dia 2)	1:00pm
Senior Boys Softball	Birrong	Middleton (Dia 2)	1:40pm
Junior Boys Basketball		Training at school	
Junior Girls Basketball		Training at school	
Senior Boys Basketball		Training at school	
Senior Girls Basketball		Training at school	

Wednesday 29 April, 2009. No entries will be accepted after this date.

MINI FAIR

SAUSAGE SIZZLE PRE-ORDERS

As you know we are holding our annual mini fair on Wednesday 8 April, 2009.

We will be running two sausage sizzle barbeques, one halal and one non halal, that parents and visitors can purchase for \$2:50.

We are asking parents to pre-order their child's sausage sizzle, as the students will be having their meal break before the fair starts. Cost of student's pre-ordered sausage sizzles will be \$2:00 each. Order forms went home last week, if you didn't get one please ask your child's teacher, alternatively you can get one from the front office.

Orders need to be back to school by Friday 27 March, 2009.

ICAS

Notes for International Competitions and Assessments for School (ICAS) went out last week. An amendment to the competition form is, if all the competitions are entered the cost is \$29:00 NOT \$29:60. The closing date is

RAFFLE TICKETS

Mini Fair raffle tickets will go home this week. The youngest child in each family will get them to bring home. Raffle tickets will be in books of 20 and will cost \$1:00 each. If more raffle tickets are required, please see classroom teacher for extra books. A prize will be offered for the family who sells the most raffle tickets.

Prizes include:

Dinner for two Bankstown Sports Club (value \$150), Car Detailing (value (\$150), Bridge-Climb Sydney (value \$189)

These are only a few of the great prizes on offer.

REGIONAL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all competitors at the Regional Swimming Carnival. You did us proud. A special thank you to all the Mums, Dads, Grandmas and Grandpas who attended, your support was amazing and much appreciated.

Sue Barrington
Relieving Deputy Principal