



# GEORGES HALL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

**Next Week's Rule: Considerate Positive Behaviour**    **27 May 2009 Term 2 Week 5, 2009**

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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents,

### EDUCATION WEEK

It was great to see so many people at our Open Day on Tuesday. I hope everyone enjoyed their visit. I have received many favourable comments about the day. I know our students were very happy to see their families visiting the school. Many thanks to Mrs Sian Websdale for her outstanding organisation of the day.

### STUDENTS AND ILLNESSES

I would once again like to ask parents for their assistance in keeping illnesses to the minimum as Winter approaches. Please keep sick children at home. Please avoid the policy of "sending them along to see how they go". We cannot cater for ill students at school. They cannot lie in the sick bay, as some parents request. I repeat the old rule...."**well enough to be at school or sick enough to be at home**". There is no middle way.

### STUDENTS RETURNING FROM OVERSEAS

On Monday I sent home some information regarding children returning from overseas. At this time, students returning from USA, Japan, Panama, Mexico **MUST** remain at home for seven days after arrival. This is a precaution from the Department of Health aimed at preventing the spread of the swine flu virus. Some students have been sent home this week following their return from overseas.

### SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos were taken this week, with a minimum of fuss. Thanks to Mrs Goldfinch for

her organisation. Many thanks to P&C representatives Mrs Estelle Abbott and Mrs Shadya Adra for their valuable assistance in ensuring that the students were all in appropriate uniform. Photos will be available to parents within the next three weeks.

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Principal

### SPORTS FUN DAY

One **Wednesday 3 June**, we will be hosting a **mufti sports day**. The children will be able to come to school in mufti clothes, dressed in their favourite sporting team's colours or jerseys. Throughout the day, they will also be participating in a number of sporting activities. A **gold coin donation** will be collected.

We are raising money for our elite sports stars at our school who were chosen in the Sydney South West Basketball teams.

Nadine Wannous and Samantha Jones travelled to Bathurst for four days. Nicholas Fabien played at Sutherland. These students need to pay for their own accommodation and uniforms and our school supports students at this level.

Another two students have just been selected in the Sydney South West Softball teams. Luke De Sousa will be travelling to Lismore in November and Daina McKenzie will be travelling to Tamworth in September. Congratulations to all these students on their fine achievements.

Julia Georgievska

## **SYDNEY SOUTH WEST TRIALS**

Luke De Sousa, Jaiden Flemming, Lachlan Anderson and Daina McKenzie were chosen to trial for the Sydney South West Softball team. They started the trial with fielding and then hitting then had a real life game situation. Then the selectors chose the team. Unfortunately Lachlan Anderson and Jaiden Flemming just missed out on being selected. A big congratulations to Luke De Sousa who did make the team and will be going to Lismore to play in the tournament in November. Daina McKenzie made the girls team and will be travelling to Tamworth in September.

## **DISTRICT BOY'S SOFTBALL**

On Monday 25 May, the district boy's softball team went to Camden to play against other districts. The teams we played against were good. They were the Razorbacks, Glenfield and in the semi-finals we played against east hills.

Our first game was against Glenfield. It was a good, easy game. The score was 9-1. Our second was against the Razorbacks. It was a good game with some great hitting and fielding. They were a very strong team and we lost 6-3. Lachlan Anderson made a great diving catch as catcher. Luke De Sousa hit a massive home run flying over the out fielders heads scoring two runs. Jaiden Flemming's pitching was awesome and Ismail Adra's first baseman skills were great. Our third game wasn't so good. We lost 3-2. It was a game we should have won.

Everyone was happy we had made it to the semi finals. In our semi finals we played against East Hills. We were all nervous but we won 4-2 with our spectacular pitching by the one and only Jaiden Flemming. Lachlan Anderson made another spectacular diving catch one handed. The last play of the game was magnificent. The ball was hit to Luke De Sousa as short stop, Luke threw the ball to Ismail at first base and he caught it. Just as Ismail caught the ball, the runner corked him in the leg. He was on the floor for a little bit then he got up. Ismail had just made the last out to get us to the grand final.

The grand final game was played against the Razorbacks and we lost 5-1. Regardless of the final score, we had a magnificent time.

*By: Luke De Sousa, Jaiden Flemming and Lachlan Anderson*

## **CANTEEN NEWS**

A **Big** thank you to all the volunteers who have helped out this week and on Education Day – Lan Trinh, Mandy Lovric, Mandy Nassif, Kathleen McDonald, Simone Vaughan, Karen Allsopp, Sue Anderson, Elise Kroon and a big thank you to Estelle Abbott for making our yummy Devonshire tea.

Just a reminder, McCains are no longer making pizza subs. The only pizzas available are Margarita cheese pizza slabs and pizza singles in supreme or ham and pineapple.

**Don't forget** on Fridays to write PSSA on your lunch bag if you go to PSSA Sport.

Thanks

Debbie Elomar  
Canteen Supervisor

## **UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

*Opening Hours*

The uniform shop will be open:

Tuesday 2 June from **9.15am -10.00am**  
**3pm – 3.30pm**  
and

Wednesday 3 June from **9.15am – 9.45am**

**New Uniform Shop price lists are now available, please pick one up from the office or uniform shop. All orders sent to school need to be on the new price lists.**

All children wear our winter uniform in terms 2 and 3.

All school polos are now back in stock.

We have a few pairs of our old-style track pants in sizes 14 and 16, they are available for only \$15.00.

Our great fleece-lined raincoats are in stock. These are a great investment for cold, wet winter mornings. Buy one now before the cold weather rush.

Girl's tights are now available in all sizes and are only \$12.00 per pair.

### *Uniform Shop Orders*

The canteen staff is not able to sell uniforms. Parents who can't come to the uniform shop during these hours, should fill out an order form and leave it at the front office with full payment, (only cheque or cash) in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the child's name and class. The 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.

Finally, I would like to thank Linda, Elise, Nadia, Wafica, Connie, David and Deb for their continued help in the uniform shop. We could not continue to operate without their assistance.

Janene Morrin  
Uniform Shop Coordinator

# SPORT



LAST WEEK'S RESULT –  
**WINTER DRAW SPORT RD 3**  
TERM 2 WEEK 4

NO GAMES WEEK 4 DUE TO WET WEATHER

**WET WEATHER  
NUMBER -1300 655 180**

**NO PSSA OR SCHOOL  
SPORT  
THIS WEEK**

**DUE TO  
DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY**

Georges Hall Public School  
Parents & Citizens Association

## Parent Survey

Your views are important to the P&C.  
Please fill out the survey below and  
return it to the P&C box in the school  
office before  
Friday 5 June 2009.

- I prefer to attend P&C meetings in the morning at 9.30am.  
My preferred days are; (please circle)  
Monday Tuesday Thursday
- I prefer to attend P&C meetings in the evenings at 6.30pm.  
My preferred evenings are; (circle)  
Monday Tuesday Wednesday
- I prefer to attend meetings in the afternoons 2pm - 3.30pm
- I prefer to attend P&C meetings after school 3.30 - 5pm
- I am a current P&C Member
- At this stage, I don't plan to attend P&C meetings

Other Comments:

Name:

## "First Mondays" -Morning Tea for Parents



You are warmly invited to join with other  
GHPS parents for a morning tea on  
Monday 1 June  
At 9.30am  
In the staffroom.

We hope this morning tea will be a  
chance to meet other parents, find out  
what is happening in our school, and talk  
with each other in a relaxed and informal  
setting.

"First Mondays" parent morning teas will  
be held on the first Monday of every  
month during term time.

Morning Tea will be provided, please  
bring \$2.00 to cover costs.  
Preschoolers are very welcome - toys will  
be provided.

The next "First Mondays" morning tea will  
be held on

