From the Principal

Star Struck is very close now. The students and staff attending Star Struck are working very hard as are the parents to ensure costumes are made, dances are rehearsed and transport is provided for all the events, of which there are many. Thank you to all concerned for all your effort, it will be worth it in the end.

Head lice are becoming a problem in the school again. Please check your child’s hair regularly and treat if necessary. At this time it would be wise to ensure long hair is tied back and that children don’t share hats.

We are taking enrolments for 2016. We are asking for your assistance to help spread this message to your neighbours, friends or relatives that live in our zone but don’t have children at our school already. We are visiting pre-schools but aren’t always able to reach all families. Your help in telling families that enrolments have started would be appreciated.

Graham made a visit to our school last Wednesday for his birthday. We sang ‘Happy Birthday’ to him for his second birthday and he visited Kindergarten to see what they were learning for the afternoon. As a result of the generous donations from our pyjama day we will be able to send $320 to World Vision. Graham had a lovely time as did the children in their PJs for the day.

Have a good week

Notes in Circulation

- Mathletics
- Canberra Excursion
- Public Speaking Stage 1
- Year 6 Graduation Bear / Ball
- Choir Choralfest

Student Reports

Student Reports will be forwarded home to parents on Thursday 25 June. Students from Years 1 to 6 are assessed on a five point scale in all Key Learning Areas. The grading’s are: limited, basic, sound, high and outstanding. A description of each grading will be on the front of the reports.

The majority of students will achieve a ‘sound’ grading.

A ‘sound’ grading indicates: The student has a sound knowledge and understanding of the main areas of content and has achieved an adequate level of competence in the processes and skills.

Teachers will be assessing and reporting on the work that has been programmed for Semester 1. The end of the year report will assess the work programmed in Semester 2, that is, the report will not be cumulative.

Students in Kindergarten have a different report which indicates their progress in meeting the syllabus outcomes for Early Stage One.

Graduation Bears and Balls

Those children who wish to order Graduation Bears or Footballs need to have their money paid to the office by Thursday June 25, 2015. They will be ordered straight away and children should receive them early next term. The Bears can be purchased for $15 and the Footballs cost $14.
Save the date!

The Grahamstown Public School Concert is on again in 2015. It will take place in Week 9 of Term 3, on Wednesday and Thursday nights the 9th & 10th September. More information will follow as these dates get closer, but for now – put it in your diary!!

Assembly awards 29 May 2015

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Be HELPFUL

PBL Awards

Aidan x 2, Logan x 2, Seth, Emily, Ashlynn, Emerson x 2, Lani, Jacob, Lilliana x 2, Tora, Ethan, Chantelle, Kiahlni, Tia, Leland, Ameerah, Ava, Eve, Jake, Luis, Felicity, Ruby, Zoe, Chloe, Henry, Claire, Kaidee x 2, Sahara, Heath, Riley x 2, Dakota, Izzy, Lara, Alice, Lachlan, Jessica, Darcy x 2, Matilda, Sienna, Brock, Finlay, Jack, Amarli.

GOLD AWARDS

Ashlynn, Jackson, Hayley, Haylee

“Congratulations”

P&C News

The P&C Association AGM will be held on Tuesday 9th June 2015 at 6:30pm in the Grahamstown School Staff Room.

The end of Term 2 BBQ is on Thursday 25th June 2015. The notes for this are due back on Friday 19th June 2015 by 3.00pm.

Grand Friends Day is on Thursday 30th July 2015, so keep an eye out for things that will be happening on that day.

Grahamstown P&C also has an email address. If you would like to make a suggestion or let us know if you can help on any upcoming event please contact us at grahamstownpublic.pandc@yahoo.com.au
Canteen News

Term 2

Tues 2nd June : Sue Ryan  
Wed 3rd June : Kelly Bink  
Thurs 4th June : Cathy Hedges, Tanya Picot  
Fri 5th June: Kristy Manning

Chicken Drumsticks $2.50  
Tuna Sushi $3.00

Captain / Prefect / House

Captain Elections

Leadership Positions

The nomination process will begin Week 2, Term 4, (As soon as we arrive home from Camp). The criteria for nomination has been explained to all Year 5 students on a number of occasions in 2014 and again this year. To be eligible Year 5 students need:

- to have a Stage 3 person to nominate them and another to second the nomination.
- the principal or a Stage 3 teacher must also endorse the nomination having checked a candidate’s eligibility.
- to have had less than 3 strikes. If there are 3 strikes a student is ineligible. They can’t have been ineligible for any reward days this year; must have had less than 3 visits to the Discussion Room where they have been at fault. Must not have turned all the cards in a week more than twice and must not have been suspended.

If there are more than 8 nominations for boys or girls, Stage 3 students will hold a pre selection vote to narrow the field to 8.

The criteria for selection as a captain or prefect at Grahamstown Public School is a reflection of the expectations held for these positions. We hold the school leaders in high esteem and therefore expect excellence from the candidates for the position. Leaders not meeting these expectations can be removed from their position and be replaced by the next eligible candidate.

The nominations will take place during Week 2 of Term 4 and the election will be held at a later date to be advertised. Prior to the election, candidates will be given the opportunity to make a speech outlining their qualities. Props are not permitted and speeches must not contain promises or wishes that are not possible in the school setting. The positions will be announced at the presentation day assembly. Prior to Presentation Day parents will be informed by mail if their child has been elected but are asked NOT TO TELL their child.

We wish all candidates good luck and thank them in advance for their contributions to the school and their citizenship. Making the candidates’ list is an honour in itself because students have to have proven themselves to have been nominated.

Stage 3 Canberra Excursion

Stage 3 will be going on an excursion to Canberra on Tuesday October 13 to Friday October 16, 2015.

The total cost of the excursion is $ 410 which must be paid in full to the office by 3pm Friday September 11, 2015.

Please note that currently the Federal government runs a rebate scheme called PACER which we are applying for and may provide a rebate of $20 per student, that can’t be guaranteed but could occur after the excursion.

Suggested Instalment Schedule:

Deposit $50 already paid
By Friday May 8 Instalment 1 - $50
By Friday May 22 Instalment 2 - $50
By Friday June 5 Instalment 3 - $50
By Friday June 19 Instalment 4 - $50
By Friday July 17 Instalment 5 - $50
By Friday July 31 Instalment 6 - $50
By Friday August 14 Instalment 7 - $30
By Friday August 28 Instalment 8- $30

Please contact stage 3 staff with any concerns you may have regarding your child's attendance.
Library News

HELP NEEDED!
Again, we are desperate in the school library for help covering new resources. If you are available on a Thursday / Friday for even half an hour, we would love to see you. The sooner we get these books covered, the sooner we can put them out for the students to borrow.

ONLINE PAYMENTS
Online payments can no longer be used for activities which involve a limited number of students attending. It takes 1-2 days for the payment to appear on our system depending on the time it is processed at home. Please also keep in mind when making online payments, the payment needs to be received by the closing date of the activity.

If you wish to use the online payment system for other activities please collect an information booklet for instructions on how to do this from the office.