From the Principal

Congratulations to all the performers from Showcase. What a spectacular performance. The choir sounded amazing, the dancers were beautiful, the drummers were wonderful and the drama group were very entertaining, even making the audience laugh. Thank you to everyone involved for the incredible effort and spectacular performance.

Grandfriend's Day was a huge success. Again the performances were fantastic and the local heroes gave great insight into their roles in the community. Thank you to the volunteers from the P&C who worked exceptionally hard to make the day a success.

PBL is extending into the community. The Raymond Terrace group of schools is working with the local shops, bowling club, YMCA and Council to extend the values of PBL into the local community area. All of these areas are working together to develop a common set of expectations that will be rewarded as they are through each of the schools. Weekly awards will be given and recognition for demonstrating the values will be acknowledged at all participating venues. As with PBL in our school the process of development is slow but the end result is worth the effort.

Our next P&C meeting is on Tuesday 11th August. The P&C needs your support. Please attend the meeting to discuss school plans and upcoming fundraising events. All fundraising is for the benefit of all the students at Grahamstown Public School. Recently school performance uniforms have been purchased, blazers for school representatives have been supplied, playground games are in place and we are waiting for the playground paintings to be completed. All of this came from the efforts of the P&C. Come along to add your ideas for fundraising activities and to add a voice to plans for 2016 at our school.

Have a great week.

Notes in Circulation

- Mathletics
- Canberra Excursion
- Science Week Show Yr 3-6
- Oakvale Farm Kinder
- Hunter Wetlands Yr 1
- Awabakal Enviroment Yr 2
- Pet Safety

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REFUNDS FOR ACTIVITIES

If your child is absent on the day/s of an activity/excursion/performance etc, you will need to apply for a refund. Application forms may be collected from the school office. A full refund may not always be provided as the school is still liable for the full costs of some expenses. Applications for refunds of $5 or less must be made no later than 5 school days after the activity. Applications for refunds over $5 must be made no later than 21 days after the activity. All monies must be collected from the office and signed for by an adult. A copy of the refund policy can be collected from the office if you wish to read it.
Assembly awards  
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Woolworths Earn & Learn

Grahamstown is participating in the program once again and we will have an opportunity to gain free educational resources for our school. Stickers are available at the checkout according to the total amount of money that you spend in the store. Please remember to ask for your sticker if you are shopping at Woolworths and deposit them in the collection bin in the Office Foyer.

ACT safely

PBL Awards

Brienna, Chloe, Ashlea, Jacob, Jake x 3, Ethan x 3, Isabella, Jayden, Bridie x 2, Matthew, Taylor, Mason, Emily, Grace, Emily, Henry, Lily, Emerson, Aidan, Lani, Jackson, Ruby, Emily, Taylor, Chantelle, Abby, Tyrah x 2, Kai, Reuben.

GOLD AWARDS

Isabelle, Tom, Finlay, Cooper, Brandon

“Congratulations”

GPS Literacy Lingo

Stage 2 and Persuasive Texts

As a starting point for this term’s focus on persuasive texts, Stage 2 students have been learning about the purpose and audience of Imaginative, Informative and Persuasive texts. Imaginative texts are created to entertain and make the audience feel. Informative texts are created to inform and provide the audience with information. Persuasive texts are created to persuade and convince the audience of a certain point of view.

Stage 2’s learning intention for the term is: We Are Learning To (W.A.L.T.) analyse, plan and write persuasive texts. Throughout the term students will be analysing strategies that authors use to create quality persuasive texts to impact their intended audience. Students will be taught the importance of planning and how to structure and compose texts effectively.

Keep an eye on Literacy Lingo for examples of persuasive writing from our Stage 2 students.
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FORENSIC SCIENCE WORKSHOP
An exciting hands-on programme will be ending our school this year. Students will get the chance to explore the fascinating world of Forensics by becoming investigators and solving a crime. Forget TV myths, see how it really happens.

When: 11th August 2015
Where: Kitty Hawk Club
Time: 9am - 12pm
Cost: $5

See leaflet for complete details.

Organised by
Lucy Robertson
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Refunds
The date for the Zone Athletics Carnival for field events and 800m has been changed to Tuesday 11 August. This means that students who are attending this event will not be able to attend the Science Show as well. If you have paid for the Science Show and your child is attending the Zone Athletics, you may request a refund by collecting a refund form from the front office. This must be completed and returned to the front office by Tuesday 19 August.

Thanking you

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.

Suggested Instalment Schedule:

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

Opera House Choral fest Tickets
Tickets will be available in September. A note will be going home with Choir members with purchase advice prior to the release date.