Thank you to Mrs Guenther and to Mrs Dearing for organising the very informative parent/children information evenings on Raising Kids That Cope. These very pertinent presentations were held in the school assembly hall over the past two Wednesday evenings and were warmly received by those in attendance. To access the PowerPoint presentations for these evenings please follow the link on our school website.

As part of the Gordon West Strategic Directions Plan 2015/2017, two members of the Gordon West staff will attend a facilitator’s course for the very popular and successful You Can Do It program which closely supports the philosophy of the above mentioned presentations. The main purpose of You Can Do It is to support communities, schools and homes in a collective effort to optimise the social, emotional and academic outcomes of all young people. Its unique contribution is in identifying the social and emotional capabilities that all young people need to acquire in order to be successful in school, experience wellbeing and have positive relationships including making contributions to others and the community. The remainder of the Gordon West staff will be trained in the You Can Do It program during Term 4 with plans to introduce the program K/6 in early Term 1 2016.

Congratulations to the eight netball teams and to the senior soccer team on reaching the semi finals of their respective divisions of the PSSA sporting competition. A big thank you to all parents and teachers who work tirelessly together to ensure that Gordon West children participate successfully in this program. Through PSSA students have the wonderful opportunity to learn and benefit from the character building experience of competing at this level of competition. A big thank you to all teachers who conducted the intra school sporting program at school while the PSSA children were engaged in their competition. Through a variety of sporting activities children were introduced to a number of game skills enabling them to participate and enjoy team sports. Well done.

“One swallow doesn’t make a summer!” At this time every year I am asked the same question. To all of those children who have asked through a variety of forums can they immediately wear summer uniform the answer is no! Winter uniform is to be worn until the end of Term 3 with summer uniform being introduced from the start of Term 4. A big thank you to all parents who have supported the Gordon West
Uniform policy which was established by the school community under the Fair Discipline Policy and implemented by the school.
We have every reason to be very proud of our uniform chosen by the school community.

Thank you to those parents who have been reporting potential Work Health and Safety (WHS) concerns in the school when issues come to their attention.
Our school will be a much safer environment if parents in addition to staff and children report potential risks before an accident happens.
There are a number of ways that parents can report their concerns including speaking directly to a member of staff or emailing the school directly.
Parents are advised that the WHS team makes regular school inspections which are formally recorded and actioned.

Showcase, our annual presentation of Creative and Performing Arts is just around the corner and children and staff have been very busy preparing their items for this very exciting day.
Parents are reminded to place the date of Thursday September 10 in their diaries.
A program overview is enclosed in this Bulletin.
We are very fortunate to be able to offer our children such a comprehensive creative and performing arts’ program.

J Huckerby
Principal

STUDENTS NOT RETURNING 2016

Could all students (except Year 6) who are not returning to Gordon West in 2016 please complete this form and return it to the school office so that we can start looking at our enrolment numbers for 2016.

Student Name:………………………………………………. Class:……………………………
Destination School:………………………………………………………………………………
Signed:…………………………………………………….  Date:…………………………
(Parent or Guardian)

SCHOOL TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The school tennis tournament will be running during recess and lunch during term 4.

Please return entries to Scott Gregson by September 17.

Name:…………………………………… Class:………………
Senior Boys Singles ☐ Year 5 and 6
Senior Girls Singles ☐ Year 5 and 6
Junior Boys Singles ☐ Year 3 and 4
Junior Girls Singles ☐ Year 3 and 4
Senior Boys Doubles ☐ partner
Senior Girls Doubles ☐ partner
Junior Boys Doubles ☐ partner
Junior Girls Doubles ☐ partner
You’re invited to

Gordon West Public School’s
Open Day Showcase

Thursday 10th September, 2015
11.15 am Performing Arts Showcase
12.30 - 1.30 pm FRASC serving refreshments
12.45 pm Outdoor Band Concert under the COLA
1.00 pm Classroom Visits

Enjoy a family picnic!

Please note that there will be no canteen orders on 10th September, 2015.
Books Light Up Our World

BOOK FAIR!

Join our Book Fair on:
Thursday
10 September 2015

Opening Times Are:
9am – 2.30pm

The Fair Takes Place at:
Gordon West Public School Library

Secure Payment Portal
Parents can make a secure online credit card payment at parentpayments.carnivalfairs.com.au
Volunteers required

Showcase is on next Wednesday and we still need volunteers to help serve refreshments between 12.15 - 1.30pm. Please email Sarah Daniels on sardaniels@gmail.com if you can assist.

With appreciation....

- A big thank you to all those year 5 parents who provided cakes and goodies for cake day and to all those that helped sell and receive cakes. We raised $398.05 for the school. Well done year 5!

- Also thanks to all who attended the Resilience workshops. We would love to hear from regarding feedback please email Megan Guenther at dmem4@yahoo.com

- And lastly, thank you to all Kindy parents who helped out at the Kindy information evening supper for new parents for 2016. It’s wonderful for new families to be introduced to the Gordon West Community in such a hospitable manner.

dates for the diary

- Thursday September 10
  Showcase Performance

Coming up in Term 4....

- Tuesday October 27
  Cake Day
Summer Uniform Time is almost here!

Next Term is Summer Uniform. To help reduce waiting times in the Uniform Shop during this period we will also be opening:

Term 3:
✓ Monday 14 September, 8.30 – 9.30am
✓ Wednesday 16 September, **2.00 - 3.30pm**
✓ Friday 18 September 8.30 – 10am (extended from 9.30)

Term 4:
✓ Wednesday 7 October, **2.00 - 3.30pm**
✓ Friday 9 October, 8.30 - 10am (extended from 9.30)

We will also be delivering online line orders on these days, but remember to have your order in by **4.45pm the day before**. Order at www.flexischools.com.au

Gordon West Uniform Shop
gwpsuniformshop@gmail.com
KU-RING-GAI
AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB
LOOKING FOR SOMETHING
FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY?

Ku-Ring-Gai is a family
orientated club for all ages
and level of swimmers
2014-2015 SEASON STARTS
SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2015
KU-RING-GAI FITNESS & AQUATIC CENTRE
(WEST PYMBLE POOL)
7.15 am – 10 am
Point Score and Championship Trophies
www.kuringgaiswim.org.au
club phone 9498 3574

GORDON BAPTIST
SPRING MARKET
YOUR INVITATION TO A FUN DAY WITH A SERIOUS CAUSE

JAMS | CAKES | CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS | HOUSEHOLD GOODS | ETHICAL COFFEE
HANDMADE JEWELLERY | BOOKS | ASIAN FOOD | BBQ | FRESH FRUIT & VEGETABLES

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 12 2015 9am – 2pm
Gordon Baptist Church 20 Park Avenue Gordon

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS
• Jumping Castle
• Live music
• Face Painting
• Animal balloons
• Fair Trade goods
• Baby chicks

Raising money to support the
Vulnerable Children Fund

THE VULNERABLE CHILDREN FUND helps:
• Rescue children from abusive situations and reunite them with their families
• Fight against human traffickers and abusers and bring them to justice
• Increase the income of poor families to reduce the chances of children being trafficked or sold, giving them the opportunity to attend school and protecting their childhood and innocence.

Enquiries: Child & Adolescent Parenting 9887 5830

Parenting Programs
Child & Adolescent Parenting

WHAT'S ON IN TERM 4 - COURSES/WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS/GARDENS

Tuning in to Kids Course (3-10 yrs)
Help your child develop emotional intelligence, manage emotions & deal with conflict.
Chatswood Saks 19/10 (9/10 – 17/11, 7.00-9.30pm)

Triple P (Positive Parenting Program) Seminars (3-5yrs)
Series 3 of 3 seminars on Positive Parenting & Managing Conflict, Campbell & Resident Children
Chatswood (10/10, 17/11, 14/12, 7.00 – 9.00pm)

Communicating with Kids Workshop (Based on PET) (4-12 yrs)
Communication skills for building effective long-term relationships with your children & family.
Chatswood (19/10), 7.00-9.30pm

Tuning in to Teens Course
Emotional intelligence & communication skills to understand your adolescent’s needs & behaviour.
Chatswood 5 weeks (28/10 – 25/11, 7.00-9.30pm)

Toddlers Workshops (1-3yrs)
Series of 3 workshops on Discipline, Toilet Training, Speech & Sleep
Chatswood 26/10, 2/11 & 9/11 (4 weeks, 2.5hrs each, 7.00-9.30pm)

Helping Your 3-6 Year Old Child with Anxiety
Series of 2 workshops for parents to assist with young children showing signs of anxiety
Chatswood 24/11 & 1/12 (2.5hrs each, 7.00-9.30pm)

Resilient Kids Workshop
Strategies to accept & express feelings, develop optimistic thinking & coping skills
Chatswood (16/11, 7.00-9.30pm)

Dealing with Teen’s Backchat Workshop
Learn how to restore a respectful & positive relationship between you & your teenager
Chatswood (21/10, 7.00-9.30pm)

WORKSHOPS ON REQUEST - PHONE 9887 5830 (2-2.5 hours)
• Understanding Your Toddler/Discipline & Toilet Training
• Speech & Language Development/Sleep
• Older Sibling – New Baby
• Bullying
• Resilient Kids

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Congratulations to the following students who have completed the Premier’s Reading Challenge

The Challenge has now finished.

Sophia Benson KH
Sophia Chen KZ
Serena Cummings KD

Georgia Benson 2S
Lucas Cummings 2D
Sophie Lee 6D

Netball Results

7/8/15
Jnr 1 vs Killara won 28-0
Jnr 2 vs Lindfield East Lost 4-9
Jnr 3 vs Lindfield East won 5-3
Jnr 4 vs Pymble lost 4-9
Snr 1 vs West Pymble won 36-12
Snr 2 vs Roseville won 14-12
Snr 3 vs Lindfield won 32-0
Snr 4 vs Beaumont Rd 17-2

Good luck to the whole Gordon West netball squad who play in the semi finals tomorrow.

Soccer Results

28/8/15
Div 1 vs West Pymble
Senior A won 2-1
Junior A1 lost 0-3
Junior A2 won 2-1
Div 2 vs Lindfield
Senior B won 2-0
Junior B1 lost 1-2
Junior B2 drew 1-1

Good luck to the Senior Div 1 A team who play Lindfield East in the Semi Final tomorrow.
Congratulations to Charli Bird (6E) who was selected in the PSSA Sydney North touch football team to play at the State Championships. After a tough three days of competition the Sydney North team were the final winners.

**ASSEMBLY AWARDS**

2/9/2015

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