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FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

School Concert

Rehearsals are underway for our End of Year Concert with all classes finalising their song choices in recent weeks. Our concert will this year be held on the 11 December at HumeRidge Church of Christ commencing at 6:30pm, concluding no later than 8:30pm.

To help cover the cost of venue hire admission costs are as follows:
- Adults: $6
- Seniors and High School Students $3
- Children Under 5 and Gabbinbar Students Free

Tickets are available for purchase from the school office (cash only) and are also available on the night.

Not Returning to Gabbinbar in 2014?

If you know that your child/children will not be returning to Gabbinbar in 2014, please contact the office and let them know as soon as possible. This is very important to ensure that the numbers we provide to Regional Office are as accurate as possible, to obtain our correct entitlement of staffing.

2014 Resource Lists

In response to queries please note that the Magic Erasers on the booklist are to be used by each student to clean small whiteboards that the school has purchased for individual student use.

Have your say: Review of senior assessment and OP processes – newsletter

The department has engaged the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) to conduct an independent review of Queensland’s senior assessment, reporting and Overall Position (OP) tertiary entrance processes. As part of the consultation process for the review, ACER has developed an online survey to capture the views of all Queenslanders on this important issue.

The survey is on the ACER website and consists of 21 simple questions on key aspects of our current senior assessment and tertiary entrance arrangements. All teachers, students and parents are encouraged to have their say and complete the survey. It is available from:
http://www.acer.edu.au/queenslandreview

New maps help plan for future schools

The Queensland Schools Planning Commission released its second round of maps and findings. The maps show school age population projections and will help to determine where new state and non-state schools may need to be built, or existing schools expanded, over the next two decades.

A new interactive mapping tool is also available allowing users to search an area of Queensland for current schools, projected change in school population and proposed land developments. For further information and resources visit http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/schools-planning-commission/

Jouwana Habash – Principal


We look forward to welcoming our new Prep families to Gabbinbar in 2014.

We start at 9:00am in the hall with a school tour to which all confirmed prospective new families are welcome to attend. Please bring your completed questionnaire to this orientation day where you will be able to make an appointment to talk to one of our existing Prep teachers about your child’s needs and achievements. Current Prep students will be transitioning into Year 1 room from 9:00am -11:00am on one of these mornings.

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CHAPPY CHATTER

When you leave your mask on.

Your environment can impact your strengths in a positive way or in a negative way.

Your home life, your work life, your church life, and your relationships all offer opportunities to live out your strengths. Sometimes your natural strengths align clearly with what’s expected of you. Sometimes your situation calls upon you to use your natural strengths to a greater degree than you have previously. In both those instances, you feel valued and are able to flourish.

Yet your environment may require you to use skills that are not part of your natural strengths – so you make adjustments in order to be accepted and to succeed. Adaptation can be good, for it stretches us. Yet long-term adaptation consumes energy, and can lead to stress and frustration.

As you adapt your natural strengths to your environment, the changes you make are like a mask. A mask has limitations … but it can do much for you, too.

A Mask’s Different Functions

At first glance, the word “mask” conveys the idea of disguise. Don’t get stuck there.

A mask can be a useful tool. Functional masks offer protection. Theatrical masks help the wearer cultivate a different image, often with good reason.

You may adopt a mask as a means to protect your strengths. Or you may wear a mask that allows you to cultivate your strengths in a way you previously have not pursued. (To be continued next week)

To read more about this visit this web site - ministryinsights.com.

Take care

Chappy Carmen

We value: Achieving our Best, Being Respectful and Responsible, Caring and Confidence
**SERIOUS FUN**

**CHRISTMAS MORNING TEA FOR MUMS**
Thursday 21 November
9.00am – 10.30am
Gabbinbar State School Hall

Please note that this will be the last Morning Tea for 2013

**Music Awards Night - Thursday November 28**
The Music Awards night is being held on Thursday November 28 in the Gabbinbar School Hall. It is an opportunity to celebrate our students’ achievements. Parents and families are welcome to attend. There is no cost for this celebration. It will be held from 6:30 - 8:30pm and instrumental students are asked to be at the hall from 6:00pm to have their instruments tuned.

**STUDENT of the WEEK**

Isabella (PW), Joshua (PS), Eve (PG), Teddy (1E), Mia (1R), Logan (2G), Amanda Aulto (2G), Sam (2P), Georgia (3M), Henare (3P), Calum (3/4R), Rhyanna (4E), Ruby (5C), Meg (SL), Amie (6M), Max (6M), Annaliese (6/7G), Declan (7B), Brittany (7B), Freyja (A1), Corey (A2), Anne-Marrie (A3).

**GOTCHA AWARDS**

Gabby,
Anne-Marrie,
Walter,
Benjamin,
Abbie-Lee.

**GABBINBAR’S GOT TALENT**
The 2nd round of Gabbinbar’s Got Talent competition was completed on Thursday afternoon with the Prep - Year 3 auditions being held. Congratulations to each of the contestants for getting up and having a go. All of you should be very proud of how well you did. Five finalists have been decided upon. They are Jessica Hani (singing), Sam Leahy (magic tricks), Anna Lucía Jutsum (playing piano), Ned Pitts (mime) and Keeley Clayton (ballet).

Thank you to everyone who has supported this event by being an entrant. The finals for both of the Senior/Intermediate division and the Prep/Junior division will be held on Wednesday 27 November with a whole school assembly in the hall starting at 2:00pm.

The overall winner for each section will be determined by the act which receives the most votes. It will cost $1 for each vote. Voting will be open from the end of the finals until Friday 29 November with the winners being announced the following Tuesday on parade. So don’t forget to bring your money in next Wednesday to have your say in who are the winners of GABBINBAR’S GOT TALENT.

**SECOND-HAND UNIFORMS**

Second-hand uniforms will be available for purchase from 9:15am, Monday – Friday this week. Sales will not be available from 25 November until 6 December. Uniforms can be purchased at other times by appointment by phoning Sharon on 0423 654 259.

**P & C NEWS**

The final meeting for 2013 of the Gabbinbar P & C will be held tonight, at 7:00pm in the staffroom. All parents and community members are most welcome to attend.

**TUCSHOP TALES**

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Zing Yoghurt Pops are currently out of stock, however we have plenty of zooper doopers.

Don’t forget Friday treats this Friday from 3pm. We have lots of new treats and snacks! This Friday only, there will be $2 Lucky Dips for sale. Get in quick limited number available.

Larry Heuston 0417731126 or leanne.heuston@bigpond.com

**OSHC**

Hi and welcome to another week of OSHC news.

The Vacation care program for the DECEMBER/JANUARY period will be out this week. There is an expression of interest sheet out NOW at OSHC. We have decided to close for the rest of January. Thank you

The Disco is this Friday, so if your juniors are attending, make things easier for yourself by letting us drop them off. Just ensure children are booked into after school care, and drop off or send them their clothes and money for the night. Too easy!

We are planning to hold our Annual Christmas Party on Tuesday, 10 December. All welcome, details to follow.

Davina Quinn - OSHC Coordinator - 4631 5266