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FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Parent / Teacher Interviews
To ensure you have an indication of your child’s progress and achievement both academically and socially at Gabbinbar, parent/teacher interviews are being offered in the last 2 weeks of Term 1, 2014. Written ‘Report Cards’ will be provided at the conclusion of Semester 1, 2014. Parent teacher interviews are being offered of this term. Further information will be sent home with students this week.

Enhancing Student’s Learning.
Students across the school are taking part in a range of courses in conjunction with the Denise Kable Campus. An extension program, ‘The Science of Speed’, is running on Thursdays with Year 6 and 7 students. On Mondays and Thursdays A2 and A3 classes are participating in ‘Team Building Skills’ and Fridays a social skills and resilience building group is running for Year 1, 2 and 3.
These courses are a great way to extend and enhance the learning of all our students.

Every Day Counts at Gabbinbar

Every Day Counts because children achieve better when they attend school all day, every day.
Every Day Counts because going to school means getting a better chance at life.
Every Day Counts because school helps children build social and emotional skills such as communication, teamwork and resilience.
Every Day Counts because going to school is a legal requirement.

Unexplained Absences
Absences that are ‘Unexplained’ are recorded as such, and are highlighted in your child’s Report Card at the end of each Semester. Does your child have any Unexplained Absences?
A reminder to all parents that it is your responsibility to notify the school of your child’s absence. You can do this in four simple ways by:

1. Phoning the school and notifying the office.
2. Sending a signed and dated note to school with your child.
3. Emailing the school via our website – click on the tab ‘Absentee-eLine’ and emailing us.
4. Emailing directly: absences@gabbinbass.eq.edu.au

Jouwana Habash – Principal

NATIONAL RIDE TO SCHOOL DAY
Our school will hold a Ride 2 School day on Tuesday 18 March. Students are encouraged to ride a bike or scooter to school all or even part of the way. All students participating must wear a helmet. Please discuss road safety with your children to prepare them for the day.

Gazette by email
Did you know that you can receive the Gazette by email? To request a notification when the latest Gabbinbar Gazette is available, send an email with the subject “SUBSCRIBE” to newsletters@gabbinbarss.eq.edu.au
If you have suggestions or comments for our website or newsletter, please email comments@gabbinbarss.eq.edu.au

CHAPPY CHATTER

Social skills that promote friendship
Children who are good at making and keeping friends use positive social skills. Parents, carers and teaching staff help children learn positive social skills by guiding them as young children, being positive examples for children to follow, and providing opportunities for play where children can practise their skills. Key social skills that help with friendships include cooperation, communication, empathy, emotional control and responsibility.
All children go through relationship conflicts. Even usually popular children experience rejection sometimes. When this happens children’s confidence may be affected. They may blame themselves or others. Beliefs about the reasons for the friendship problems they experience affect the ways that children react.
It is very beneficial for children when a parent or carer helps them solve friendship problems by encouraging resilient, cooperative attitudes. Rather than simply blaming the other children the adult may say something like: “What else can you do? Are there other children who might be interested in playing a game?”
If you would like to read more about this go to www.kidsmatter.com.au

Take care
Chappy Carmen

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Rohan Doherty who has been selected to represent the 12 years and Under Boys in the Darling Downs School Softball team to compete in the State Championships in Rockhampton during September.
GOTCHA AWARDS
Ruby
Harley
Colby
Philip

STUDENT OF THE WEEK
Ava (PW), Joel (PS), Annabel (PC), Lachlan (PC), Mia (1G), Sophie (1R), Kaylee (1R), Eve (1L), Rebecca (2G), Chelsea (2G), Aodh (2M), Rikki (3M), Sienna (3P), Keziah (4R), Riley (4E), Jackie (5C), Rhiannon (5C), Ashdyn (5L), Bani (5L), Sammi (6H), Lochlan (6H), Meg (6W), Kenneth (7B)

LIBRARY NEWS
Book Fair
Our book shop in the library continues until 3:30 pm on Friday 14 March. A great time for parents and families to visit is 8:00 to 8:45 each morning and 3:00 to 3:30 each afternoon. We have a great range of books on sale for kindy to junior high school. All sales helps our Gabbinbar library. Thanks for your continued support!

Frané Lessac
Children from years 1 to 7 enjoyed hearing from author/illustrator, Frané Lessac, about how she goes about the creative process in illustrating and writing books. It was an entertaining and fascinating insight into how long it takes to make a book (at least a year, but up to four!)!
Thank-you to parents for supporting us in this great extra-curricular activity.
Anthony Seng
Teacher-Librarian

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC
Help!!! The band is in desperate need of a bike horn for use in a piece of music. If you have one that the band could borrow, please bring it to the office as soon as possible.
Thanks,
Rohan and Jayme

SCHOOL BANKING
Information packs have now been given to every class. If your child has not brought one home, please see your child’s teacher. If there are none left in the classroom, please see the ladies in the office.
A reminder that bank deposit books are to be filled out by parent/guardian. I have had a few books come through blank. It’s just a safety procedure that the parent/guardian fills it out so that there are no dramas down the track with any incorrect deposits being made etc.
The reward items available for Term 1 are the handball or scented pencils.

Amy Manthey
Student Banking Co-ordinator
0429 597 093 / manthey_crew@hotmail.com

TUCKSHOP TALES

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<td>Larry Heuston, Donna Elsey, Lea Leahy, Elizabeth Wembri</td>
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We have some new products: –
- Margherita Pizzas (vegetarian) $2.70
- Crazy Lemonade drinks - small bottles $1.30 & large bottles $2.50.
I also have some colours and sprinkles left over from the fete, so if any of our home bakers would like them please call into the tuckshop. Don’t forget Friday treats this Friday from 3pm.

Larry Heuston 0417731126 or leanne.heuston@bigpond.com

P & C NEWS - P & C Fundraising
We will be conducting a Fun Run as the only fundraiser for Term 1. The event will be held on Friday 4th April in conjunction with the School Cross Country. If you would like to help out please contact us on pandc@gabbinbars.eq.edu.au

As this is also the Cross Country, all students will be encouraged to participate, not only to raise money for the school, but to also score points for their sports house.
There are some awesome prizes to reward and thank students for their efforts! Also, all students who participate will receive a Berri Quelch frozen juice stick on the day of the event to say CONGRATULATIONS!
Every student who raises $10 or more chooses their own prize! As well as the awesome prizes the students receive, there is also prizes for the highest fundraising student (2GB MP3 player) and the highest fundraising class (a free surprise party).
Sponsorship forms will be coming home with next week’s newsletter.
Happy Fundraising and we look forward to seeing you at our Fun Run!
P&C Fundraising Committee
Amy, Denni, Jess, Kate, and Sonny.

OSHC
We are still looking for parents for our OSHC subcommittee, and need a Coordinator to head our committee and liaise with the P&C on OSHC’s behalf. We also need parents who would like to participate in a working party to establish a new service. This is a great opportunity for those families being affected by our shortage of available places to have their say! Please see Davina for more information.
We have chickens! Our Henny Penny hatchings have arrived and are still pretty cute! The chicks have grown quickly and will leave this THURSDAY. If you are interested in taking some home as pets after this time, please see me to register your interest.
Please remember to advise OSHC directly if your child is away, sick or at after school events. Due to waiting lists for places, continued unexplained absences WILL result in your child losing their place. Parents will then have to wait for a vacancy to re-enrol their child. Thank you.
Davina Quinn
OSHC Coordinator
Gabbinbar State School 4631 5266

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Gabbinbar Parents and Citizens Association (P&C) provides services including out of school hours care (OSHC) programs, tuckshop, second-hand uniform shop and the student banking program. P&C meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm.

Email: pandc@gabbinbarss.eq.edu.au
Web: gabbinbarss.eq.edu.au/OurCommunity/PandC
OSHC Phone: 07 4631 5266
Tuckshop Phone: 07 4631 5215 (Tuesdays and Thursdays)

C&K Gabbinbar Community Kindergarten operates on our school site.
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Web: www.condk.asn.au/gabbinbar
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