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**FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK**

**POWER OF ONE**

Gabbinbar State School students have been invited to attend a performance called “The Power of One”. The performance focuses on explaining what bullying is, what can be done about it, and how every child has the power of one, the power to report and deal with bullying when they see it.

The presentation is made up of two 40-minute performances:

- **Version 1:** P-3 (interactive, call and response, no cyber bullying)
- **Version 2:** Years 4-7 (cyber bullying, tougher language, humour)

The performance will take place on Thursday, 24th April. The cost involved is $2.00 per student. Information and permission notes are attached to this newsletter.

**NEW CYBERSAFETY WEBSITE**

The [Meet the creeps cybersafety website](#) helps parents and students become aware of online scams, social media pitfalls and cyberbullying. The joint Telstra and Queensland Government project aims to equip middle school students with the skills to keep safe online.

Crackers the clown and Shifty Shane are just two of the characters you will meet in a new interactive quiz designed to highlight potential online dangers.

**WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN**

Thank you to everyone who supported our school by collecting Woolworths tokens last year. We were able to purchase a number of thinking games and activity packs that will be in our library for students to use at break times and classes to borrow.

- Jamanga Tower
- Jumbo Black & White Dominoes
- Garden Noughts & Crosses
- Master Little Architect
- Giant Polydron Gear Set
- K’NEX – K to 8 General Construction Set

**Leaders Induction Morning Tea**

At assembly on Friday we will be hosting our 2014 Leaders Induction. Invited guests will include the 2009 School Leaders. Parents and community members are invited to attend.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Sammi Sheere who has been offered an Academic Scholarship to Fairholme College for 2015 -2020. Well done.

![Jouwana Habash – Principal](#)

**Payments Due**

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*Payments for Excursions, Performances or Student program will not be accepted after the payment due date under any circumstances.*

**The Science of Speed**

Over four weeks we have been given a project of designing our own individual car, building it and racing it in week 1 of term 2. It is challenging working with equipment ourselves - big drills, sanders, files, and having to apply the principals of aerodynamics such as drag and friction. The material we have use is balsa wood to build the car and we are using CO2 canisters to accelerate the car. The aim of the project is to either make the fastest car which travels 20 metres in the shortest time, or to have the best design by designing and decorating our car.

We have found it exciting and fun to be working away from the school while extending our learning.

**Chronicle IPad Competition**

The Chronicle IPad competition closes at 5pm Monday 31 March. Please send in your coupons by 3pm Monday.

![Win a set of 10 IPADS](#)

**GOTCHA AWARDS**

Ken Brown, Taylah Campbell, Henri Welman, Dustin Hohn.

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

Savanna (PW), Ava (PC), Cameron (1G), Laura (1R), Addison (1L), Alan (2G), Evie (2M), Cerys (3M), Bronson (3P), Jack (4R), Jasmin (4E), Alesha (5C), Amy (5L), Cedney (6H), Ella (6W), Victoria (7B), Hayden (A1), Bethanni (A2), Ned (A2), Jacen (A3).

**SERIOUS FUN**

**MORNING TEA FOR MUMS**

Wednesday 2 April, 9.00am – 10.30am
Gabbobbar State School Hall.
**Well Done**

Recently Sienna Deurloo represented the Range Zone at the Darling Downs Swimming Titles. She swam in 50 metres Backstroke where she came 8th and the 50 metres freestyle where she came 6th. Congratulations Sienna on your hard work and dedication.

**Friendship patterns in the primary years**

Children choose friends who have similar interests and enjoy similar activities. During primary school close friendships are most often with a child of the same sex. This is related to children’s preferences in play. Boys tend to prefer active kinds of play in groups, whereas girls typically prefer gentler games in pairs or threes and use talk more than action. Such preferences may be especially strong around the ages of 8-9 when many children become more aware of social expectations regarding girls’ and boys’ behaviour. These expectations can create difficulties for boys who are interested in gentler kinds of play and for girls who prefer the kind of active play that is usually associated with boys.

Friends cooperate and communicate more with each other than with other children. They also have conflicts more often, but usually manage to settle them without upsetting the friendship. Friends influence each other’s behaviour. Over time they may take on similar mannerisms, language and preferences. Although friendships usually have positive effects, friends who have behavioural problems may encourage problem behaviour in one another.

As children’s interests and developmental needs change their friendship patterns may also change. By the middle of primary school it is common for children to form small friendship groups based around similar interests. These groups often establish their own rules about who can join them. Setting rules and learning to negotiate them is important for helping children to develop their understanding of social relationships. However, when children lack cooperative relationship skills it can lead to friendship groups being dominated by some children and excluding others.

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.

If you would like to read more information on this go to www.kidsmatter.com.au

**LOCAL CHAPLAINCY COMMITTEE**

With this week’s newsletter, please find an invitation to financially support the Chaplaincy Service at Gabbinbar School. Please return forms to the office and these will be passed on to the Chaplaincy Committee. Rob Callow (LCC Chair)

**MUSIC NOTES**

Payment of the Uniform Hire Fee can be made to the office from Monday 24 March with the FINAL PAYMENT OF $20.00 due by the 5 May 2014.

Upcoming performances:

**JUNIOR:** School Parade March 28. “Cindy”

Brett Gredig,
Classroom Specialist and Choir Conductor.

**PURCHASE OF SCHOOL UNIFORMS**

NEW: New school uniforms may be purchased between 8am – 11am Monday to Friday.

**TUCKSHOP TALES**

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PLEASE NOTE: Tomorrow, Thursday 27th March is Show Holiday so the tuckshop will be open Friday 28th March. Don’t forget Friday treats this Friday from 3pm. Larry Heuston 0417731126 or leanne.heuston@bigpond.com

This exciting event is a great opportunity to promote fitness, raise significant funds for our school, and HAVE FUN!

**P & C NEWS - P & C Fundraising**

The Cross Country/Fun Run will take place on 4th April. All completed Jog-a-Thon forms and monies are due no later than 4th April. These can be placed in the P & C slot in the Admin building. Don’t forget that there is a prize for the highest fundraising student and a surprise party for the highest fundraising class.

We invite all parents to join us at the school to cheer the students on as they raise money for Gabbinbar School. Thanks for your help and we look forward to seeing you at the Fun Run.

P&C Fundraising Committee

**OSHC**

We would like to welcome Janet Kieseker and Kirrily Scarff to the OSHC subcommittee and thank them for their commitment to helping provide a valuable service for the Gabbinbar School community. We still 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.

**April VACATION CARE program** is out now! Please book and return forms asap as we are taking bookings from other schools who will be closed for Asbestos works over these holidays.

We always welcome any donations here, in the interests of sustainability and repurposing. At the moment we are especially keen on preloved and outgrown matchbox cars, blocks, and any old beads and buttons for our art area. We are also needing a drill for general repairs. Time to raid the man cave for a spare……

As the Disco is this FRIDAY, if you would like us to take your Prep-2 child to the disco at 5.30, let us know. You can drop off their clothes and money in the morning. Thank you.

Davina Quinn
OSHC Coordinator
Gabbinbar State School 4631 5266

**Toowoomba Basketball Association**

**Holiday Basketball Clinic**

7-9 April, 2014 9-3pm

Cost: $170 for 3 days OR $60 per day

This school holidays we are running a Get into Hoops* holiday clinic for beginning players aged 6-14 years old.

Mountaineers Head Coach Farley will lead a team of Get into Hoops coaches at St Joseph’s College off Coronet St. Come down and play ball!

P&C News - P&C Fundraising Committee

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Gabbinbar Parents and Citizens Association (P&C) provides services including out of school hours care (OSSC) 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@gabbinbarrs.eq.edu.au
Web: gabbinbarrs.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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