FROM THE PRINCIPAL

ICAS Maths Competition Results

Congratulations to all students who sat for the recent the ICAS UNSW Maths Competition. There were 38 students who sat for this test and they did very well overall. We celebrate the following results:

Distinction – Top 11% of the state
• Jack (Year 4)
• Callum (Year 5)

Credit – Top 35% of the state:
• Aodh, Siena, Riley (Year 2)
• Kya, Sienna (Year 3)
• Tammy, Belita (Year 4)
• Ashdyn, Rhyanna (Year 5)
• Gabrielle, Samantha (Year 6)

Merit – Top 45% of the state
• Chelsea (Year 2)
• Callum (Year 4)

Congratulations to all students who sat for the competition. This is an excellent result.

Student of the Week
Taylah (PW), Zareena (3M), Adam (3P), Jack (4R), Jet (4E), Bani (5L), Dion (6W), Lochie (7B), Freyja (A1), Charlotte (A1).

Gotcha Awards
Zach, Stephanie, Zara, Aleigha, Matthew, Matthew, Riley, Ethan, Mia, Lewis, Livian, Rou’a.

Student Absences
“EVERYDAY COUNTS!”

Not Returning to Gabbinbar in 2015?
If you know that your child/children will not be returning to Gabbinbar in 2015, I ask that you contact the school to let us know. 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 and to enable us to accurately assess our capacity for out of catchment enrolments.

Each week class teachers nominate a student of the week award. Due to media permissions, some students’ names or photographs may not be available for publishing.

Please remember our new absence line on 4631 5260 (24hrs a day) or email us on absences@gabbinbars.eq.edu.au.
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Uniform Sales
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HAIR ACCESSORIES: Girl’s Hair Scrunchies, clips and head bands are available for purchase through the school office. All hair accessories are in the Gabbinbar school colours.

Prices are: Headbands $5; Scrunchies $4; Clips $3. Cash only. All proceeds go to the P & C.

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School News

Learning Instrumental Music in 2015
A Recruitment Concert for 2015 instrumental music students and their parents will be held on Thursday 13 November at 1.50pm in the School Hall. Students in Years 2 – 5 will be introduced to the instruments which can be learnt through our school’s instrumental music program.

The School String Orchestra and Concert Band will perform. Our current Instrumental Music Teachers, Mr Stockwell and Ms Warfield will be available to answer any questions about learning an instrument. An Expression of Interest Form for 2015 has been distributed to all Year 2-5 students. If you would like your child to be selected to learn an instrument, this form is to be completed and returned to the School by no later than Wednesday 19 November.

Friday Sport
Senior Boys Touch
Last Friday our boys played against Toowoomba Christian School. Behind early in the game, the boys fought back to outscore their opponents in the second half, 3-1. Unfortunately we lost the game 6-4 but I was proud of their efforts. Our best and fairest player was Daniel.

Junior Boys Touch
The boys continued on their undefeated season with an 8-0 win against Harlaxton. Best and fairest player was Aidan.

Yr 6-7 Volleyball
Last week all the volley ball teams were awesome. Each week we are working better as a team and are playing more rallies. Our main aim is to have fun and enjoy each game. Gabrielle and Amy

Outstanding Accounts
A friendly reminder that all outstanding accounts i.e. Music Levies, Choir Uniform Hire and Excursions need to be finalised by Friday 5 December. Please remember also that musical instruments, performance uniforms and library books need to be returned to school by the end of November.

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Music Updates

Choir News
Both Senior and Junior Choirs are working hard to be ready for their final major presentation for the year at the Music Awards night on November 27. The Junior Choir is enjoying the Carols they are learning for our “Welcome Santa” at Toowoomba Plaza on December 11.

The information letter for Awards Night will be out shortly, with the Junior Choir’s Carols gig coming out after the Awards Night.

Our Senior Choir will be singing at parade this Friday.

Concert News
In our classes, Grades 3 – 7 have finished their rap presentations, and now that each class has voted on their best, this chosen group’s rap will feature on stage at the end of year concert. Should be a hoot!!

The Junior classes are working hard on their various songs and dances too, making sure that they will be perfect on the big night.

This year, a special treat as we celebrate our last ever Grade 7 cohort onstage performing a special song with the Prepies!!! We look forward to putting that together for you.

Performance Uniforms
Please return the PERFORMANCE UNIFORM no later than Friday 5 December 2014.

The shirt and pants must be washed prior to their return, but do not wash the vest.

The uniform should be returned on a hanger, covered in plastic, clearly marked with your child’s name and class.

It should be handed in at the office where a signature will be obtained as proof of return.

Gabbinbar’s Got Talent
The finals were held this afternoon. What a great group of talented children we have here. I’m sure that everyone enjoyed the performances as much as I did.

The best way to show your appreciation is to vote for your favourite act. Remember that the act which raises the most money is the act that will win its division. Voting will remain open tomorrow and Friday before school and in the first break. See a student councillor and vote now! All acts need your support.

Chappy Chatter
The theme for the next few weeks is about Charity

Food for Thought
Our world seems to be overflowing with worthwhile causes that are in desperate need of assistance. It’s not surprising that we can be left feeling that the needs are too big and that there is nothing we can do about it all.

If that is how you feel, then I’d like to suggest another way of looking at things. Forget about what you can’t do, and instead please take the time to consider what you can do. Whether you donate unused clothing and household items to a charity shop or commit to donating a few dollars a month to a good cause, every bit you do does help.

When many people make those small differences, you can end up with major changes and huge improvements in people’s lives. There is a very wise saying, ‘Whoever sows generously will also reap generously.’ What this means is that if you develop an attitude of generosity towards others, you will soon discover that generosity will flow back to you when you are in need of help.

So please take the time today to ask yourself ‘What can I do?’ and then go ahead and do it.

Take care Chappy Carmen

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**2015 Prep Transition Program**

Invitations have been sent to all students who have confirmed their enrolment in our 2015 Prep program. If you have not completed your child’s enrolment I encourage you to do so as soon as possible to ensure your child has the opportunity to participate in our transition program. Enrolment applications are available at the school or on our website under the enrolment tab.

**Tuckshop Tales**

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**Help Needed:** We are in desperate need of Tuckshop helpers!!!! If you can spare an hour or two once a month please give me a call. Don’t forget Friday treats from 3pm this Friday. Mrs Munt and her team have a fantastic variety of lollies and treats available.

Larry Heuston 0417731126 or leanne.heuston@bigpond.com

**P & C News**

**Fundraising**

**Raffle**

We really need parents to help out with the selling of the tickets. You can collect raffle ticket books from the office to sell to family, friends, or work colleagues. Thanks so much to Mark Philipsons Betta Electrical, Birch, Carol and Coyle Toowoomba and Bridgestone Australia for the major sponsorship of the raffle.

**BBQ Fundraiser**

A BBQ fundraiser is being held at Harvey Norman Centre on Saturday 22 November. We really need volunteers to help out on the day. Please contact Dennielle on 0403674443 if you can assist.

Looking forward to your support
Dennielle

**OSHC**

Hi and welcome to another week of OSHC news. We currently have a few more vacancies for After School Care. Please book in if you need care. Remember bookings need to be made through the OSHC office. To avoid confusion and to keep your children safe, please do not make changes to your bookings with staff who are dropping off or picking up children from classrooms.

We are also taking bookings for 2015, and preference will be given to siblings of current families attending. If you leave your booking until school starts you may be put on our waiting list. All families need to complete a NEW enrolment package when booking new children in. There is a $100 refundable BOND payment required with all new and returning families.

We are finalising plans to extend our opening hours for VACATION care. If you would benefit from the service opening at 7.00am, please ring or email to register your interest, even if you are not currently using Out Of School Hours Care.

Davinna Quinn
OSHC Coordinator
Gabbinbar State School 07-4631 5266

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**Internal Car Park – Parent Notice!**

Our school precinct is a very busy area before and after school. Access within the Internal Car Park is for staff, visitors and private suppliers and contractors only – **it is not a general ‘pick-up’ and ‘drop-off’ area!** Please help us keep your children safe.

**Student Safety**

There is a concern for the safety of a number of students before and after school. I ask that parents remind their children that they should not be arriving at school before 8:15am and once they arrive at school they are not to leave the school grounds or move to the oval areas as there is no supervision in these areas.

I also remind parents collecting students after school that students need to be collected as soon as possible after 3:00pm. There is a concern about the growing number of students who arrive as early at 7.30am and those who remain at school well after 3.30pm. Please note that while some staff are on the school grounds they are not here to supervise students as our cleaners and admin staff are not authorized to do so.
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.
Email: gabbinbar@candk.asn.au
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