FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As we reflect on our students progress to consistently demonstrate what we value the Gabbinbar ABC – we review our explicit teaching of what we expect and the support we have in place. Making friends, keeping friends and negotiating differing opinions is often challenging for students and our support in helping them learn these skills is important. Below is a Parent Tip sheet from our Regional Guidance Officer for Mental Health.

WILL THEY EVER BE FRIENDS? To follow is a parent tip

Like world peace, family harmony is an admirable concept worthy of aspiration but well nigh impossible to attain. It seems kids in families are programmed to fight with each other, but also parents have the power to facilitate learning. When parents take an active approach to helping their children resolve their fights, they are teaching them a valuable life skill as well as reducing the incidence of fighting over the long term.

Here are some ideas to help you with family harmony, at least some of the time!

1. **MODEL** good conflict resolution skills. Kids wear L plates when it comes to solving disputes. Some kids will yell, be abusive or get physical to solve disputes. Show them better ways of sorting out their problems by talking to your partner, compromising and apologising when you have said something upsetting to your partner or children.

2. Help kids **MANAGE** their emotions. "Yep, it would make me mad too if someone said that to me". Usually someone's feelings get hurt when siblings argue so make sure you recognise their emotions without taking sides. The focus on feelings helps kids develop emotional literacy and promotes empathy in siblings as well.

3. **Encourage them to MAKE UP.** Kids often get over disputes faster than adults. They can be squabbling one minute and cuddling up the next so it get tricky intervening sometimes. However there are times when you need to encourage a child to mend bridges with an aggrieved sibling. This can mean kids have to swallow their pride, admit they may be wrong, make an apology or make some sort of special restitution such as doing a special favour. This type of restoration means kids must take responsibility for their behaviours and is a sign of growing maturity.

The sibling relationship will last longer than the parent-child one and is as just as influential on children's development as the parent-child relationship. It is important for parents to foster sibling closeness so the siblings bonds will stay for life.

Michael Grose

The Performing Arts – Shine

This week we will have the opportunity to enjoy performances from our String Ensemble and our Junior Choir. Today some of our String ensemble students have been invited to participate in String Out at the Empire Theatre. These students have the opportunity spend the day working with guest conductor, Mr Keith Sharp. This evening, they will be part of a concert which will feature invited schools in individual performances, before they combine for a mass orchestra of over 200 string players.

This Thursday evening our Junior Choir has been invited to perform at the Regional Choral Fanfare Concert to the held at Toowoomba State High School Hall. This provides an opportunity for parents and extended family members to hear our Gold Medal choir perform. Please see Mr G’s note for details.

Gold Award Ceremony

Next Wednesday, 17 June at 9am, we recognise a large number of our students who have consistently demonstrated the attributes that we as a school community value, the Gabbinbar ABC. The Semester 1 Gold Award nominees are awarded for their positive contribution they make to our school community. Recipients and their parents are invited to morning tea after the ceremony.
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Payments for Excursions, Performances or Student program will not be accepted after the payment due date under any circumstances.

Student of the Week

Alakai (PW), Elijah (PS), Anna (1L), Mason (1L), Cameron (2G), Alex (2G), Adhin (2L), Jake (3H), Bryce (5C), Tianna (5M), Matthew (5M), Laura (5M), Eli (6L), Mitchell (6W).

Junior Choir FANFARE Showcase Concert:
We received word on Friday afternoon that the Junior Choir has been chosen by the FANFARE Adjudicators to perform as part of a selected group at a special “FANFARE Concert” to be held THIS THURSDAY NIGHT.

This is wonderful recognition of their performance, and I would welcome as many families and friends to support them on the night as they share the stage with the other Primary and Secondary choirs chosen.

The details are as follows:
WHERE:-
Toowoomba State High School Hall

WHEN:-
MUST BE IN THE WARMUP ROOMS BY 6:30pm for a 7:00 start. We will be performing at 7:15.

WEAR:-
Full Performance Uniform, with BLACK SHOES AND SOCKS.

There will be a number of other choirs there, so please be vigilant in the dropping off and collection of your child. Miss Habash and Mr. G will be in attendance.

Athletics Carnival

It is athletics time again and we are currently preparing for this event. Mr Toleman is busy teaching the students the necessary skills to compete safely at the carnival.

The P-2 students have been busy learning about starting races, staying in lanes and relay changes while the Years 3-6 have been also learning about the 800m, long jump, high jump and shot put.

The carnival this year is once again over two days. Thursday 25th June will see the P-2 students involved in Fun rotational games as well as Year 3 students born in 2007 while the remainder of Years 3-6 students will do their 200m, 500m or 800m races. Friday 26th June will see all students involved in Sprints and relays.

Prior to the Field Events being run, Mr Toleman will be holding trials to see who will compete in High Jump on Sports Day. This is necessary as the large numbers in some age groups will make it impossible to stay on time during the day without this trial. The students in Year 3’s born 2006, up to children born in 2003 will have this opportunity.

Look forward to seeing you there to support your child and sporting house. A more detailed timetable of events will be sent out in next week’s newsletter.

Chappy Word

Hi everyone,

In recent weeks I have been amazed at the generosity of both individuals and organisations in our region who have come together to assist and support people who have been affected by recent natural disasters.

Can you imagine how great it would be to live in this area if we were all looking out for people’s needs at all times, not just in times of turmoil?

Today, try opening your eyes to the needs of others around you and whenever you can, offer to help. You will discover that there is a real feeling of fulfilment and satisfaction that comes from knowing that you have made a positive difference to someone’s day.

Consider the idea that – the more you care for others, the more they care for you.

Gotcha Awards

Jordan (2G), Bella (2G), Cameron (2G), Lauren (2G), Brody (2G), Aidan (2G), Jada (2G), Mia (2G), Rebecca (3M).

MOTHERS’ MORNING TEA

Thursday 25 June
9.00am – 10.30am
Gabbinbar State School Hall

Hosted by City Women on the third Thursday of every month… Everyone is welcome to attend.
Report Cards
Starting this semester, Gabbinbar State School will be trialing electronic report cards delivered by email, in addition to printed report cards, with the view electronic report cards being the main format in Semester 2.
Parents should have received an email from administration@gabbinbarss.eq.edu.au using the current information provided to the school. Thank you to those who have emailed a confirmation or seen our office staff in person.
If you did not receive this email please check your junk or spam folder. Please add the email address Application.ONESCHOOL@dete.qld.gov.au to your contacts/address book to ensure the emails do not get directed to your junk or spam folder in the future.

To update your email contact details please email us at administration@gabbinbarss.eq.edu.au

Gazette Distribution
To keep up-to-date with news from Gabbinbar State School you can:
- See our website at gabbinbarss.eq.edu.au from 5pm Wednesdays of school weeks for The latest Gabbinbar Gazette (newsletter)
- See our calendar and news at our website
- Install the QSchools app on your smartphone, tablet or PC. Just install then add Gabbinbar as a favourite school and allow push notifications
- Collect a paper copy of the newsletter (or ask your child to) from the office from 3pm Wednesdays

Second-Hand Uniforms
KEEP WARM!!!
- Trackpants available from just $2 each.
- Jumpers from $10.
- Yoga pants from $1, plus plenty of 50c plain blue jumpers to add layers.

Hours:  
- Wednesday 8.45am - 9.15am
- Thursday 2.45pm - 3.15pm.

Contact Kylene: 0412 020 030.

P & C News
A reminder that the P & C will be holding its Family Photo Fundraiser on the 1st August. To those families already coming, thank you for your support. For anyone else wishing to have their family portrait photo taken, it’s not too late. Please contact Julie in the office or myself on the details below. We will be sending out time preference sheets 1st week back of term 3.
Expressions of Interest will be sent out to classrooms shortly for the following fundraising activities:

1. Ceramic Tile Wall Mural. Become a part of Gabbinbar history with a wall tile decorated by your child/children. All tiles created will be used to create an external wall mural.

2. 2016 Booklists. Rather than go to Browns, Gabbinbar P & C will be offering a booklist service for interested families that will be cheaper than Browns and with all profits going back to the school.

For further information or if you would like to help out with P & C Fundraising, please contact Alison Briese 0400128343.

Tuckshop News

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We will be having a sausage sizzle meal deal on Thursday 25 June. Forms will be sent home this week. The meal deal will need to be returned to the Tuckshop or school office no later than Thursday 18 June, PLEASE CUT OUT THE ORDER BOX AND ATTACH TO A CLEAN PAPER BAG.
Larry Heuston 0417731126 or leanne.heuston@bigpond.com

OSHC
Hi and welcome to another week of OSHC news.
Please note our MOBILE PHONE is no longer operational. While we decide whether we replace this phone, please use our landline number 4631 5266, or email QuinnD3@eq.edu.au for bookings, cancellations or inquiries.
Our baby chickens have been a big hit! We have 16 chicks who will need a new home this week. If you can provide a safe healthy, responsible home, please see Davina.
THREE weeks remain until it is Vacation care time again! The program is available NOW!!
Our Educator profile this week is Georgia! Georgia joins us as a casual assistant as she renews her study plans for a Bachelor in Education. She has two gorgeous young children. In her spare time Georgia likes gardening and Reading, and playing with her children.

Davina Quinn, OSHC Coordinator 07-4631 5266
A low-cost karate class will be available in Toowoomba in the upcoming June-July school holidays.

S3 Kids Karate –
9:30am to 10am,
Tuesday 7 July 2015 at
Queens Park, Lindsay Street.

Activities are suitable for 5 to 15 years, and bookings are essential. All proceeds donated to Fighters Against Child Abuse Australia. Additional sessions will also be held if needed. To join or for more information contact Moneita 0407 756 332 or sharpekidskarate@gmail.com.
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
Web: www.candk.asn.au/gabbinbar
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