FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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 authorised to do so.

Parents who require supervision for their children before or after school are asked to contact OSHC on 46315266.

Prep-Year 6 Booklists for 2017
Booklists from Browns Bookstore will be sent home with students today. Browns Bookstore at the Bernoth Centre in Toowoomba has an established service that offers parents the opportunity to place orders on-line and collect at a time of convenience. Should you wish to take advantage of this service, please see the hard copy of Booklist that is being sent home. Copies of our year level specific booklist information are also available at www.brownsstationery.com.au.

Parents may choose where they purchase their child’s books and requisites for 2017.

End of Year School Concert
Monday 5 December at 6pm is our SCHOOL CONCERT night at HUMERIDGE CENTRE.
All classes are working hard on preparing their songs with Mr. G., which this year will come from around the world as well as some Australian classics. Students will also be performing their other class/Grade items. We value your support in helping prepare the children with costumes and props which may be required on the night. As we did last year, we will conclude the concert with a Prep / Grade 6 finale which should be pretty special.
Again this year, we would urge you to display appropriate behaviour while the Concert is running, to encourage and support the children as they perform on stage.

Thank you to the P&C who will once again this year cover the cost of the venue hire, ensuring that we do not have to pass on this cost to parents.

Not Returning to Gabbinbar in 2017?
If you know that your child/children will not be returning to Gabbinbar in 2017, 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. This will enable the school to obtain our correct entitlement of staffing. Draft class lists for 2017 will be published in the last week of term. Please note these will be subject to change pending Day 8 2017.
School News

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Payments Due

- 02.12.16 – Instrumental and Strings Fees
- Payments for Excursions, Performances or Student program will not be accepted after the payment due date under any circumstances.

Office Opening Hours

Our office will be closed from Monday 12 December 2016 until Monday 16 January 2017. Purchasing of uniforms will close Friday 2 December. Parents wishing to purchase uniforms after this date can do so from Tuesday 17 January 2017. Please note our office will be closed for training on Thursday 19 January.

Student of the Week

Week 6
Madison (PW), Jackie (1L), Gabrielle (1P), Isabel (2G), Zavier (2F), Lanu (3M), Jordan (3F), Ella (4R), Riley (4R), Jasmine (5M), Mitchell (5/6I), Jack (6C)

Week 7
Ali (PS), James (PS), Amani (PC), Leilani (1L), Violet (1LF), Mila (1P), Jacobi (2G), Sienna (2R), Emrys (3M), Serena (3H), Jake (3H), Talen (4R), Luke (5D), Tracey (5M), Blair (5/6I), Kyrna (6C), Stephen (6W), Charlotte (A1)

Report Cards

This semester, Student Academic Report Cards will be delivered by email. Parents and guardians are asked to ensure that they have updated their contact details in particular their email. To update your email contact details please email us at administration@gabbinbars.eq.edu.au.

If you would like to request a hard copy of your child’s report please contact the Office either by phone or by email using the email address above.

Please contact the school on 4631 5222 if you have any questions.

Swimming

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Swimming Trials

Gabbinbar Swimming Trials will be held on 7th December from approximately 9am-1pm at Rangeville State School pool. This is for students born 2003-2008 only. As this is a selection trial to represent our school at the Zone swimming carnival early next year, students had to demonstrate their ability to swim at least 25m nonstop at swimming lessons with Darren Lange swimming academy. Mr Toleman is aware that some of the strong swimmers didn’t participate in these lessons and have been invited to go to the trial based on past performances. Please watch out for the permission note which will come home soon. All students are expected to travel by bus to the venue as it is a school activity.

“Gabbinbar’s Got Talent” update

WOW – the finalists were amazing. Voting has now opened. There will be boxes with a photo of one finalist on each box in the Office. Each student may vote with a gold coin, up to a value of $5 per student. No notes, just gold coins. Finalists may vote for themselves.

There will be a prize for P-2, 3-4 and 5-6. Good luck to our finalists!

Outstanding Accounts

A friendly reminder that all outstanding accounts i.e. Music Levies, Overdue Library book fees and Excursions need to be finalised by Friday 2 December. No payments will be accepted after this date. We are required to close due to Financial Requirements and processing for End-of-Year Close off. Please ensure all payments are made by 2 December.

Please remember also that musical instruments, performance uniforms and library books need to be returned to school.
**MUSIC UPDATES**

**FINAL EVENTS:**
Both Choirs, and the Band and Strings Ensembles are all working hard to be ready for their final major presentation for the year at Music Awards night on December 1. It promises to be a wonderful night, so please plan on bringing the whole family and all your friends to enjoy your very talented children. Full performance uniform is expected, unless other arrangements have been made.

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**Performance Uniforms**
Please return the PERFORMANCE UNIFORM no later than Tuesday 6 December 2016. 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.

**Relief Cleaners**
If you are interested in relief cleaning for the school, please leave your resume at the office or email admi@gabbinbarss.eq.edu.au

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**Fundraising**

**Tile Wall Mural**
The mural has finished being installed. A huge thank you to Kylie Tomasi and her dad, Gus, for their hard work finalising the tiling.

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**Loads of Love Christmas Appeal**
We are 2 weeks into the appeal and have had a great response from the school community. Thank you to everyone who has donated items. Please continue to drop off your items up to the afternoon of the 1st December. Lifeline will be collecting items on the 2nd December.

Donations can be left in the baskets at the admin office. If you are taking items from your pantry, please be sure to check the best before date as we can't accept items that have expired dates or will expire in December 2016.

**Week 3: 20th – 25th Nov**
- softdrink, lollies, biscuits, chocolates, chips, snacks, nuts, cake and biscuit mixes, etc

**Week 4: 28th Nov – 2nd Dec**
- toiletries, cleaning products, Christmas food, etc

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**P & C NEWS**

**Tuckshop News**

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***Please note*** on the last week of term the tuckshop will be open Monday 5 and Wednesday 7 of December.

We are always looking for new helpers and home bakers, if you would like to help out please contact me. Larry Heuston 0417731126 or leanne.heuston@bigpond.com

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**P&C POSITION VACANT: TUCKSHOP CONVENOR**

Gabbinbar P&C are calling for expressions of interest for the position of "Tuckshop Convenor" for 2017. The role is paid for 8 hours per week during the school operating period. There is also an expectation of some unpaid/volunteer hours, though this can be negotiated with the P&C. Job descriptions and further information may be obtained from the school office or by emailing the P&C pandc@gabbinbarss.eq.edu.au.

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**5c CHALLENGE**

**FUNDRAISER**

Families are encouraged to hunt around the house, car and even the piggy bank to collect 5c pieces to donate to the school.

Each class has a jar to collect the 5c pieces.

There will be a prize for the class that raises the most money.

The fundraiser will run until the 2nd December, 2016.

Last year we raised over $2000 with the 5c challenge. That is over 40 000 coins! Let’s see if we can beat that this year.

NB: The prize for the highest fundraising class will be calculated based on the average donation from each student in the class.
Second Hand Uniforms
The second hand uniform shop is now closed for the year. It will reopen in the last week of the school holidays. Times will be advised.

OSHC
Welcome to OSHC news.
Enrolments for 2017 are available now. Please see the OSHC office (in I block) for an enrolment package. This contains our Parent Handbook which is an important reference for all you need to know about after school care operations, such as fees, routines, bond, and behaviour management.
The Vacation care program and booking sheet is out now. We will be CLOSED from Monday 26th December and reopening Monday 9th January. If you have registered your need for care on the recent expression of interest sheets, please collect and complete the booking forms now. Spaces are limited and bookings processed during the vacation care weeks will be charged at the casual rate.
Our children have welcomed the new turtle habitat with great interest and enthusiasm. Pop in and have a look! Thanks to our parents who continue to donate excess items for craft and other activities. Each week we are challenging the children to create something from repurposed resources. The imagination and creativity has been awesome!
Davina
OSHC Coordinator

Mobile Dental Clinic News
The Mobile Dental Clinic 42A is coming to Gabbinbar State School next week. Dental forms have gone home for Year 5 and 6 students and their siblings. Forms for other grades will come home early next year. Our phone number is 0408 767 779.
Appointments will be made with their parents/carers so they can attend with their child /children at times that are suitable with the dental van and parent.
If there are any concerns please contact the Dental Van.
Thank you
Karen and Deborah – Dental Staff

Community News
Paediatric Occupational Therapists – Toowoomba
Karl Rutherford Occupational Therapy Services
0448 269 987

Holistic Solutions OT
Amanda Bruner
0478 512 253

Healthwise Occupational Therapists
46 131 488

Michelle Sirius
0418 193 393


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Child, Youth and Family Health Service
Toowoomba Hospital

Hearing Clinic
Are you concerned about your child’s hearing?

Hearing assessments for children aged 4 to 18 years by a registered nurse.

Hearing assessments:
- by appointment only
- GP referral required
- free if Medicare eligible.

Phone (07) 4616 6812
Child, Youth and Family Health Service Community Health, Unara Building Toowoomba Hospital, Pechey Street Toowoomba Qld 4350

Queensland Health
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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