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Gabbinbar Gazette

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As the year draws to a close I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of all staff to thank you all for your support throughout the year. In particular, we thank the many parents and community members who have given up their time to volunteer in our classrooms and as part of our P&C and Tuck shop.

Staffing for 2017

Staffing arrangements for 2017 are currently based on a 'predicted' enrolment with the information we have to date.

Our staffing structure for 2017 is as follows:

Class Teachers

Prep Mrs Trina Savio

Prep Ms Andrea Watson

Year 3 Mr Glen Hanssen

Year 3 Mrs Lisa Freeman

Year 3 TBA

Year 6 Mrs Melissa Darvall

Year 6 Mr Glen Whisson

Year 1 Ms Rachael La Franchi

Year 1 Mrs Michelle Lee

Year 1 Mrs Donna Parker

Year 4 Mrs Marion Elvery

Year 4 Mrs Sam Ritchie

Year 4 Mr Scott McGovern

Year 2 Ms Carolyn Cartmill

Year 2 Mrs Vanessa Gordon

Year 2 Ms Jennifer Rahder

Year 5 Mrs Sue Coleman

Year 5 Mrs Marg Innes

A1 (Alternate Class)

Mrs Bev Guffin

Special Education 2017:

Miss Liz Connell (HOSES)

Ms Bev Guffin (Alternate Class)

Specialist Staff 2017:

Ms Sharon Robertson (Guidance Officer)

Ms Monica Nightingale (Speech Language Pathologist)

Mrs Julie O'Reilly (Support Teacher Literacy & Numeracy)

Mrs Rae Ahern (Literacy & Numeracy Support)

Mr Anthony Seng (Librarian)

Mr Russell Toleman (Physical Education)

Mrs Gretchen Graf (Chinese)

Mr Brett Gredig (Music)

Mr John Clyde (Instrumental Music)

Mr Michael Stockwell (Instrumental Music)

Please note that staffing arrangements will be confirmed after Day 8, 2017, pending confirmation of student enrolments. If any class changes are necessary we will communicate these to all parents early in the new school year. Draft class lists have been placed on classroom doors and in the front office; these will also be confirmed after Day 8.

We farewell from our School Mr Jarrod Flowers and Mrs Sylvia Free from our school staff. On behalf of staff and students I thank them for their work to provide the best learning opportunities for our students throughout the year and wish them all the success in their new schools.

We also say goodbye to Mrs Wendy Peckham, Kerry Andrew, Sandra Wilson and Kay Bird who have completed their contracts with us and look forward to the opportunity to working with them again in the future.

I would like to thank all of our staff for their commitment and dedication to ensure that all of our students have access to a variety of quality learning experiences throughout the year.

I wish you all a safe and relaxing summer break and look forward to working with you all in 2016.



School News

Date Claimers

09.12.16	Last day of term 4
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2017 School Calendar

Term	Dates	Length
Term 1	Monday 23 January - Friday 31 March	10 weeks
Term 2	Tuesday 18 April - Friday 23 June	10 weeks
Term 3	Monday 10 July - Friday 15 September	10 weeks
Term 4	Tuesday 3 October - Friday 8 December	10 weeks

Year 6 Graduation

Congratulations to the Year 6 students who will receive their Graduation Certificates and Medallions as a reminder of their years spent at Gabbinbar tonight. As part of this Graduation Ceremony we will recognise the achievements, efforts and contributions our Year 6 students have made throughout 2016.

Tonight we will announce the winners of the Citizenship, Encouragement, Academic and Sporting Achievement Awards for 2016. We will also present the Bonnel Family Award nominees and announce this year's recipient.

On behalf of staff I am proud of the achievements of our Senior Students, congratulate them on their success and wish them all the best with their secondary schooling.

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. The office will be open from 9am until 2pm. Please note our office will be closed for training on Thursday 19 January.

Classroom supplies can be dropped into classrooms from 2.30 to 3.30pm Wednesday 18 January.

End of Year Concert

Congratulations to all students and their teachers for their outstanding performances on Monday night. In particular I thank Mr G for coordinating the evening's performances and program. It was great to see students performing as a group to a huge appreciative audience.

"Gabbinbar's Got Talent"

What a great group of talented children we have at Gabbinbar. I'm sure that everyone enjoyed the performances this year's contestants. Last Friday, the winners were announced.

Prep – Year 2 Armini & Amelia 'Shut up & Dance'
Lachlan 'Whip Cracking'

Year 3 & 4 Oliver 'Poetry'

Year 5 & 6 Charolette, Tyla, Kaziah, Tammy, Bindi
'Yr 6 Dance Group'

Congratulations and well done.



Report Cards

Semester 2 Academic Reports will be emailed home tomorrow. If you wish to receive a hard copy of your child's report please notify the Office as soon as possible. Parents who have requested a hard copy of their child's report will receive it today.

Prep-Year 6 Booklists for 2017

Booklists from Browns Bookstore have been sent home with students and are available on our website. Browns Bookstore at the Bernoth Centre in Toowoomba has an established service that offers parents the opportunity to place orders online 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.

Student of the Week

Week 8

Kaelan (PW), Maddison (PS), Brayden (PC), Caitlin (2G), Thomas (2R), Chloe (3M), Hayley (3H), Lauren (3F), Hannah (4E), Blake (5/6I), Bailee (6C), Nathaniel (6W), Freyja (A1), Annika (Mr G)



Week 9

Penelope (PW), Rosie (1L), Busolami (2G), Samuel (2F), Keeley-Anne (2R), Lila (3M), Jake (3H), Bella (3F), Rosie (4E), Brook (5M), Connor (5/6I), Hans (6C), Jorja (6W), Luke (A1)



Gotcha Awards

Week 8

Phillip

Week 9

Cody, Rikki



Gold Award Ceremony

On Thursday 1 December, we recognised the positive contribution the Semester 2 Gold Award nominees make to our school community. On behalf of staff I take this opportunity to congratulate these students on this achievement and thank parents for their support, working with us to see children making these positive behaviour choices consistently throughout their school life.

The recipients are:

6W Ruby Matthew	4E Emma Jake Max	A1 Charlotte	1L Kaiah Lachlan Seth Leilani	PC Brayden J-Jay Indie Dean Ally Campbell
5/6I Ethan Jaiden	William Olivine Gurnoor	2F Arwen	1LF Lars Annabelle Max Claire Lachlan Harry Gemma	PS Drew Georgina Maddison Seffanie Sala
6C Kyrna Amitty Kellie Bryce Madison Lulu	4R Grace Bailee Rasheed Tycannah	2G Jenna Lilian Mikkaela Zoe Ava	1P Mila Gabrielle Phoenix Zani	PW Elijah Daniel
5D Cerys Triistan Masyn Jordon	3F Jack Joshua Sophie	2R Taylah Hayley Taylah Ava Isabelle Eli Hailey		
	3H Holly			
	3M Addison			

Encouragement Award Recipients

Congratulations to our many Encouragement Award recipients for 2016. It makes us very proud to see our students receive this award as for some students they are close to achieving a Gold Award and for others we acknowledge the great progress that they have made this year. We should be very satisfied as a school community that so many of our students are demonstrating the highest standards of our School Values and Expectations.

- **Achieving our Best**
- **Being Respectful and Responsible**
- **Caring and Confidence**

6W Patrick Nathaniel Stephen	5M Max Cooper Daniel	2G Idedi Hayden William	1LF Tobi Jamie-lea Charlie Violet Felicity Baileigh Mia Harry Giselle	PC Zara Amelia Claire Gracie Sonny
6C Jack Jack Ned Emily	4E Joseph Edward Michael Hannah	Joshua Isabel Ivy Lachlan Marcos Caitlin	1P Alakai Jesse Allie Seth Poppy Elizabeth Cooper Ella Jorge Ellord Lachlan Stephanie	PS Dhruvin Chloe Sarah Ali Cormac Audrey
5/6I Lilly Connor Tyla Lachlan Corey	4R Lilly Tyler Dola Toby	2R Dominic Eoin Savannah Jadzia Emma		PW Penelope Hayleigh Natasha Jemima Jesse Izabella
A1 Dominic Luke	3H Katie	1L Emily Brayden Jamie Jackie Phoebe Ethan		
5D Rikki Chris Cody Aaliya	2F Ashlyn Layla Logan Joel			

Swimming Trials

Gabbinbar Swimming Trials were held today. Congratulations to all students who participated in these trials.

Our Age Champions for 2016 are:

8 Year Boys	Thomas
8 Year Girls	Savanah & Chloe
9 Year Boys	Riley Gardner
9 Year Girls	Heather McKenzie & Addison
10 Year Boys	Samuel Beard
10 Year Girls	Kiara McMahon
11 year Boys	Sienna Deurloo
11 year Girls	Rory McDonald
12 year Boys	Sam Leahy
12 year Girls	Kellie McMahon



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.

P & C NEWS

Tuckshop News

Well after many years, it's time now for Mr Larry to move on from Primary School to High School. Next year I will be working full time at Highfields Secondary College, so I will not be able to continue with the tuckshop. I would like to thank the many fantastic helpers and home bakers that have worked with me in the tuckshop. Without your help the tuckshop would not exist. I certainly will miss all the staff and all the students. It has been a pleasure to be a part of the Gabbinbar Family.

Good luck to all the year 6 students off to high school next year, you will love it!!

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.

Student Banking

I would like to thank you all for such an amazing effort with student banking this year. Our numbers are always increasing each year and it's great to see. The students have had a blast ordering the awesome Outback Adventures reward items..... I wonder what next year's theme will be??? School banking is still on this week on THURSDAY and will commence the FIRST week back to school on WEDNESDAY 25th January. I know it's a hectic time but we would love for the students to have the opportunity of collecting all 10 tokens each term (there are quite a few who do achieve 40 deposits a year).

Also, can the year 6 student bankers please redeem/return their tokens this week in the great banking bag in your classrooms.

On that note, on behalf of myself and my awesome banking team we wish everyone a fantastic and safe holiday and will see you back next year.

Regards,
Amy Manthey, Student Banking Co-ordinator

Fundraising

Loads of Love Christmas Appeal

Lifeline Darling Downs would like to express their gratitude to everyone involved and let the students and school community know that a whopping 200kg of food was donated which is an amazing effort and very much appreciated. Thank you so much to everyone who donated.



Scent Challenge

Total funds collected for 5c challenge was \$671.35. A big congratulations goes to 2R the winners of the challenge! Thank you for everyone who contributed to the fundraiser.

Thanks so much!

Fete

The P&C are calling for people interested in helping out with a fete to be held in 2017. We will need parent representatives from each class to coordinate a stall or game. Suggested stalls BBQ, Coffee Shop, Plant stall, Home-made sweets. New ideas welcome. Please contact Shauna on 0401 790 829 or Julie on 0418 763 549



OSHC

Hello and welcome to the last issue of OSHC News for 2016! Vacation care is nearly fully booked for this December and January. Please remember 48 hours' notice is needed for any cancellations as we have children on the waiting list. As many of you are aware, it is extremely difficult to find suitable safe care for your children when you have to work, so please extend the courtesy to other working parents and let us know if you don't need the care you have booked.

We would like to thank our wonderful families and children for their support in 2016, and hope to see you next year. Until then, have a safe and happy Christmas and New year!

Davina
OSHC Coordinator

Community News

Carols at the Bluff

You're invited to

Christmas Carols
at
Spring Bluff Railway Station
Sunday 18 December 2016
4.00pm—6.30pm

Music by
The Jim Miller Big Band

BBQ and drinks available at the Spring Bluff Café.
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CENTRE: Toowoomba Hockey Association Inc.
CONTACT NAME: Toowoomba Hockey Association **CONTACT NUMBER:** (07) 4633 1229
LOCATION: Clyde Park, 564 Boundary Street, Toowoomba QLD 4350

START DATES AND TIMES:
2pm - 4pm Saturday 23rd January 2017 8am - 11am Hockey 2000 January 2017
Saturday 4th February 2017 Hockey 216 February 2017

COST: \$10 **AGES:** Participants 16 and 4 has like team of hockey skills and games.

EMAIL: office@toowoombahockey.com.au **WEB:** <http://toowoombahockey.com.au/>

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: To Register your interest visit www.hookin2hockey.com.au and enter 4350 into the program finder.

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Length: 1 Hour
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DATE: Wednesday 14th December 2016, Tuesday 24th January 2017
LOCATION: Clyde Park
564 Boundary St, Toowoomba QLD 4350 All equipment is provided

Register Your Interest
<http://hookin2hockey.com.au>
Enter the postcode: 4350
Select Program: Toowoomba Hockey Association Hookin2Hockey Come & Try

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT
WWW.HOOKIN2HOCKEY.COM.AU
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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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