21 November 2017



Newsletter

Gillwinga Public School

A Leader in Excellence, Innovation + Opportunity



YEAR 6 LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Thank you to all those year five students who put themselves forward for leadership positions for 2018. The speeches that students have delivered this week have been of a very high quality and it will be a difficult job to select our three leaders for 2018. Thank you to all those students who have nominated and thank you to Mrs Magarry and Mr Banks for the work they have done in helping the students prepare their speeches. Voting for next year's leaders will take place on Thursday 23rd November.

SWIM SCHOOL

Students had a chilly start to swim school this week, hopefully the weather will improve and the water will warm up. Students, parents/carers are reminded that students need to bring all the items they need for swim school each day plus pay their entry fee. If students don't have the items they require or their entry fee they will be unable to attend on that particular day.

LIBRARY STOCKTAKE

Library stocktake is underway and it would be greatly appreciated if students could return library books. As I mentioned last week quite a number of library books go missing each year and it obviously costs a lot of money to replace lost books, money that could be otherwise spent on purchasing additional resources for students. The Library is only open on Tuesday's and Wednesday's but Library books can be dropped off at the front office on any day.

SCHOOL REPORTS

Teachers are currently preparing end of year reports and these are due to go out in the last week of term. As per normal practice reports will be handed to students. Any students who are absent will have their reports mailed home to the current address that we have on file. If you have changed your current address it would be greatly appreciated if you could please advise the office so that our information is up to date.

SCHOOL VISITOR

Next week we will be getting a visit from the new Director of Literacy and Numeracy, Louise Stewart, who is now in charge of the Early Action for Success program which has been running at Gillwinga for a number of years. This a great opportunity for us to show case the work that the staff have been doing with the students to improve their skills in Literacy and Numeracy.

YEAR 3/4 EXCURSION MEDICAL FORM

I owe an apology to parents/carers of students in years three and four as I forgot to attach a medical form to the original excursion note that went out. All students have now received the medical information sheet and it would be appreciated if this could be returned to school no later than Monday 4th December. Parents/carers are reminded that all payments need to be finalised by this date as well.

SLUSHY DAY

Next week Mrs Carrigan has organised a Slushy Day. Students will be able to purchase a slushy at lunch time. A note will be sent home providing more information in regards to the price and size of the slushies. Money raised from this day will go towards the National Heart Foundation to supplement the money raised from this year's "jump off."



Hyde Street, South Grafton NSW 2461 • 02 6642 2344 • gillwinga-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au • www.gillwinga-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Principal: Mr Phil Cavanagh



CURRENT CSI STUDENTS

Just a reminder that the showcase evenings are on this week. Gillwinga students and their families attend this Wednesday evening, 22nd November from 5:30-6:30pm at South Grafton High School. This is an opportunity for the students to show their parents what they've been doing through the year. Students come on the day that matches their day of attendance.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'We don't remember days we remember moments'

CANTEEN ROSTER:

Monday 27th November: Joy Carr and Christina Adams

YOU CAN DO IT

RESILIENCE

What To Do To Help With Resilience

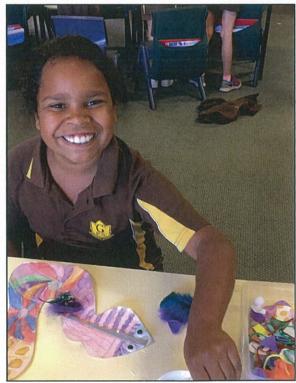
THINK POSITIVE – Talk about how negative things do and will happen. They happen to everyone. It is how we deal with these situations that shape us and our ability to be successful.

FEELINGS – Encourage discussions about how you and your children feel. It is difficult to manage your emotions if you are not sure of what they are and how they affect you. Positive feelings are just as important to discuss as they are the goals we are chasing in life.

WORKING TOUGH – Discuss that it may be easier to have physical, verbal, emotional outbursts but very little positive comes from them. It is much more difficult to have a thoughtful response to a difficult situation but there are far more long term successes as a result.







Emotional Resilience

Hyde Street, South Grafton NSW 2461 • 02 6642 2344 • gillwinga-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au • www.gillwinga-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Principal: Mr Phil Cavanagh

Promoting freedom of choice for individuals and communities

Extra workshop due to popular demand

Managing Anger

December 13, 2017

9.30am to 12.30pm

How to reduce stress and conflict caused by anger:

This is a short workshop with information and strategies for managing anger and teaching children the safe expression of strong emotions

LOCATION 3-7 Prince St Grafton

Who is eligible: Anyone with primary care or support role in the care of a child or seeking access or restoration of a child.

Cost: FREE

Childcare: available for no charge. Limited spaces, bookings essential To register: Contact CRANES on 66427257 or email FARS@cranes.org.au About CRANES: please visit our website www.cranes.org.au

CRANES' Family and Relationship Services is funded by the Dept. of Social Services

COMMUNITY NEWS





CVCon Ensembles in Concert Saint Cecilia's Day Concert

Coming next week to the Clarence Valley Conservatorium are two concerts highlighting the talents of the CVCon students and staff.

This Sunday will see the ensembles of the CVCon showcasing their work for the year, while on Wednesday night our teachers will honour St Cecilia, the patron saint of musicians.

Tickets for both concerts will be on sale at the door from 30 minutes before each concert

Sunday 19 November 2017 3.00pm Clarence Valley Conservatorium

CONCERT

8 Villiers Street, Grafton

TICKETS \$5 each or \$10 per family

CONCERT Wednesday 22 November 2017 7.00pm Clarence Valley Conservatorium 8 Villiers Street, Grafton

TICKETS \$5 each or \$10 per family