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From the Principal

Staff Changes

Congratulations to Ms Thompson, who has been asked to undertake the role of Acting Principal at Cedar Creek State School. This comes on the back of the great work she has done at Gaven and the wonderful results we have achieved over the past few years. It is a compliment to our school that the Regional Leadership team have asked her to share with another school the great learning and teaching practices that have been embedded at our school. Mr Gislingham will continue to act as Deputy Principal until 15 August by when we should have determined the outcome of the Expression of Interest for the position. Our Acting Deputy should commence on 18 August.

Innovative Teachers Award

The Gold Coast Innovative Teacher Awards will again be held in conjunction with the Teachers' Ball on Saturday 6 September. Our nominee this year is Mrs Lisa Martyr. Mrs Martyr is not only an outstanding teacher and mentor, but she also co-ordinates the LIFT Program across the school. I am sure you will join with me in wishing her every success with the awards ceremony.

Playing in the School Grounds After School

A timely reminder to all parents that students should not be playing on the playground equipment or in the school grounds after school unless they are in a supervised activity like Afterschool Care or a sporting activity.

Unfortunately, one of our students broke an arm because of such unsupervised play. Students should walk out of the school grounds in an orderly fashion and I would ask parents to remind students of these procedures. If a student is considered to have sustained a serious injury in the school grounds, we always ring an ambulance to ensure the safety of the student. Parents will be phoned to advise them of the situation. Where the parent is present, the decision is the parents but we advise against moving a student who has sustained a serious injury. It is always more prudent to call for an ambulance to avoid further injury. There is no cost to parents for the ambulance service.

iTerrific iPad Professional Development

Last week our staff spent 2 hours after school learning more about the educational application of our ipads.

Thanks to Mrs Stuart MacKenzie, who is now based at Worongary State School, the teachers learnt how to use a small number of apps to put together a multi-media presentation and I am sure that this will be a welcome addition to many classroom programs over the course of the year. My thanks to Mr MacKenzie and all of the staff for their commitment to ongoing professional learning.

Life Education

The Life Education Van will again be at Gaven State School from the 1-10th September. This year we are fortunate to again have sponsorship from the Northern Gold Coast Communities for Children, who are an initiative of the Australian Government. As a result the lessons will only cost parents \$4.00 instead of the usual \$9.00. The Life Education Program is a very worthwhile program for all of our students and I encourage you to take up this offer on behalf of your children.

Whole School Assembly

Next Tuesday will be a Whole School Assembly. This assembly will see one student from each year level presented with the Gaven Spirit Award, which consists of a certificate and morning tea with the Principal and Deputy Principal. We will also present our usual awards including Students of the Week and the Readers are Succeeders awards.

NAPLAN Trialling Tests

Gaven State School was randomly selected to be involved in trialling the 2015 tests. Some of our students in Years 3, 5 and 7 were involved in trialling 2 writing tasks. The aim of this trialling assessment is to determine whether or not trial questions are of sufficient quality to be included in future NAPLAN tests. This trial will not be used to report student or class results. The people from ACER, who were trialling the tests, commented on the attitude and behaviour of our students. Well done to all staff and students involved.

Gaven State School Website

STOP PRESS!!!

Gaven State School has a new and much improved website. You'll find lots of information, news, current events and photos. Go to www.gavenss.eq.edu.au and check it out!!!


Sports Photos

Due to a clash with the NAPLAN Trial Tests, the Interschool Sports Team photos are now being taken on Thursday 28 **August**. Students need to wear their socks/boots (except netball). The boys and girls Sun's Cup teams will also need their socks and boots for these photos.

Absence Line

We have a convenient absence line available 24/7 for you to call if your child is going to be absent for the day.

We encourage parents to utilise this service as it frees up our office staff during the busy mornings.



Student Absence Line

5514 7366

- **Students name**
- **Class**
- **Reason for absence**

Prep Enrolments for 2015

Enrolments for the 2015 Preparatory Year will now be taken for eligible children; that is, **children born in the period 01 July 2009 to 30 June 2010**. Enrolment Packs are available for collection from the school office. The enrolment process will include:

- Completion of the enrolment form by a parent
- Submission of the enrolment form with attached copy of a birth certificate or equivalent (mandatory before enrolment will be accepted)
- An interview with the Principal or Deputy Principal

Please notify neighbours who may not yet have direct contact with Gaven State School of this information, if they have a child who will be eligible to enrol in 2015.

School News



Dates of Significance

Term 3

Term Three– Dates of Significance						
	Week Commencing	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 5	11/08/14		Whole School Assembly 2pm			
Week 6	18/08/14		P&C Meeting 6:30pm			
Week 7	25/08/14				Sports Photos	
Week 8	1/09/14		Whole School Assembly 2pm			
Week 9	8/09/14					

Week 10	15/09/14		P&C Meeting 6:30pm			
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Week 3

Junior	Senior
PA-	3/4D -
PB -	4A -
PC-	4B -
P/1 D -	5A -
1A -	5B -
1B -	5C -
1C -	6A -
2A -	6B -
2B -	6/7C -
2C -	6/7D -
2D -	
3A -	
3B -	
3C -	

Week 4

Junior	Senior
PA - Brooke, Jett & Ryan	3/4D -Jackson & Dylan
PB -Alex & Kayla	4A -Joshua
PC-Jacob & Maia	4B -Camryn & Emma

P/1 D -Ayla & Jaspa	5A -
1A -Shae & Valeria	5B -Eden & Seth
1B -Jack & Caleb	5C -Ali & Molly
1C -	6A -Xian-Dei & Mackenzie
2A -Brooklyn & Bailey	6B -Mekaila & Eric
2B -Isley & Kurtis	6/7C -
2C -Aedan	6/7D -
2D -Rafferty	
3A -Samantha & Rick	
3B -Aaliyah & Kirstie	
3C -Jack	

Gaven Spirit Award

Prep -	Year 4 -
Year 1 -	Year 5 -
Year 2 -	Year 6 -
Year 3 -	Year 7 -

Sports News

District Athletics

The Gaven State School District Athletics Team competed Wednesday 6th August and Thursday 7th August at Griffith University track. Competition in our District is extremely tough. The top students from 36 schools compete with the very best making the Gold Coast North representative team. Gaven State School have two boys who have qualified for the team. Zac (12 year Shot Put) and Thomas (11 year High Jump).

All Students competed to the best of their ability and represented the school well. Congratulations to the following students for making the Gaven State School team.

Zac , Riley, Diego, Rio, Cooper, Thomas, Thomas, Blade, Noah, Levi, Ethan, Ruby, Alice, Natasha, Anika, Anastasia and Grace.

Kurt Gislingham

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For more information about AUSKICK please [click here](#).

Special Needs News

STUDENT SERVICES

Excursions and Payments Due


Please allow 2-3 business days for payment to go through if paying via internet

Activity	Year Level	Amount	Date Due
Student Resource Scheme	ALL	\$20 (Instalments - Final Payment)	NOW
Life Education	ALL	\$4	13 August
AFL Sports Excellence	Selected Yr 4 & Yr 5 Students	Year 4 - \$25 Year 5 - \$50	22 August

Student Absence Line

We have a convenient absence line that you can call to inform us if your child is not going to be at school. Please

follow the steps below to ensure we have all the correct information.

 Student Absence Line 5514 7366
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students name• Class• Reason for absence

Student Banking



Just a few points to remember when completing your student banking:

- Fill out deposit slip completely
- Include STUDENT ID on deposit slip (If you don't know your child's student ID please see the office)
- Keep all tokens at home until ready to redeem
- No foreign currency will be accepted

When your child is ready to redeem his/her tokens please complete a reward coupon and hand it in with your bank book on banking day. Reward coupons can be found in the student banking information pack. These can be collected from the office if you don't have one.

Parents and Citizens Association

UNIFORM PRICE LIST CHANGES

There have been a couple of amendments with Polo Shirts increasing in price and we also no longer stock
Fleecy Track Pants.

This latest Uniform Price List will be effective as of

Term 2 – Tuesday 22nd April 2014

[UNIFORM PRICE LIST AS OF APRIL 2014](#)

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TUCKSHOP VOLUNTEERS

Our tuckshop is in desperate need of volunteers. If you are able to spare even a couple of hours a week, especially Friday mornings, please ring the school to speak to Dee Cullen our Tuckshop Convenor

SECONDHAND UNIFORMS

All donations of secondhand uniforms can be sent to the office.

NEW TUCKSHOP MENU

Please [click here](#) to view the new tuckshop menu.

Facebook Page



Please [click here](#) and 'like' us to stay up to date with news, information and reminders about upcoming events.

Medication at School



This is a reminder that students are NOT to bring medication to school unless they are a prescribed medication and the pharmacy label is attached with the students name and dosage clearly marked.

Medication must be handed into the office and parents must sign an administration of medication form.

Students are NOT to bring non-prescription medication such as Panadol/Nurofen etc to school to keep in their bags. The only exception is Ventolin and students are able to keep their own puffer in their bags or on them at any time.

Chappy's Space

HELPING YOUR CHILD MAKE SENSE OF MH 17 CRASH Reports of the recent shooting down of Flight MH17 over Ukraine air space has saturated newspapers, television and the Internet for the last week. The events were shocking and many of the images shown on our television screens have been quite confronting. Worldwide outrage has been the result.

But what about the impact of the event and the subsequent media coverage on children and young people?

As adults we all want our children to live carefree lives and keep them from the pain and even horror of such tragedies and natural disasters. In reality we can't do this.

So what is a parent, teacher, or other caring adult to do when such events fill the airwaves and the consciousness of society? Here are some ideas:

1. Reassure children that they are safe. The consistency of the images can be frightening for young children who don't understand the notion of distance and have difficulty distinguishing between reality and fiction. Let them know that while this event is indeed happening it will not affect them directly.
2. Explain what happened. Sounds obvious but it's important not to simply assume that children and young people understand what's happened. Be calm and stick to the facts, using a map to show older children where it happened.
3. Be available. Let kids know that it is okay to talk about the unpleasant events. Listen to what they think and feel. By listening, you can find out if they have misunderstandings, and you can learn more about the support that they need. You do not need to explain more than they are ready to hear, but be willing to answer their questions.
4. Help children process what they see and hear, particularly through television. Children are good observers but can be poor interpreters of events that are out of their level of understanding.
5. Support children's concerns for others. They may have genuine concerns for the suffering that will occur and they may need an outlet for those concerns. It is heartwarming to see this empathy in children for the concerns of others.
6. Let them explore feelings beyond fear. Many children may feel sad or even angry with these events so let them express the full range of emotions.
7. Avoid keeping the television on all the time. The visual nature of the media means that images are repeated over and over, which can be both distressing to some and desensitizing to others.
8. Be aware of your own actions. Children will take their cues from you and if they see you focusing on it in an unhealthy way then they will focus on it too. Let them know that it is happening but it should not dominate their lives.

Children's worlds can be affected in ways that we can't even conceive of so adults need to be both sensitive to children's needs and mindful of what they say and how they act in front of children.

In difficult times, it is worth remembering what adults and children need most are each other.

You'll find more ideas and advice to help you raise happy, confident kids at parentingideasclub.com.au

BREAKFAST CLUB: Thankyou, thankyou to those wonderful mums Renee and Bryony along with Lace and Shirley who have been helping out at breakfast club. Your help is so invaluable to keeping the breaky club up and running. A great big thankyou also to Taylors Bakery Nerang Mall corner of New street who have been supplying our bread. Please support this business who supports us when in the area.

BREAKFAST CLUB:

Breakfast club is held every Tuesday down by the hall from 8.10 -8.40am. We usually serve toast and fruit cordial and on occasion chocolate milk or french toast and more regularly baked beans or cheese toasties. Any parent/ grandparent/carer is welcome to come in and help. We are normally packed up by 9.15am. Thankyou to all of our regular volunteers. If anyone is interested in sponsoring our breakfast club please contact the school chaplain.

PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILIES :If there are any families in our community who wish to send prayer

requests to our School Chaplain, no need to go into detail, you can access this community service

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Phone: 07 5553 9918 Website: newlifeuniting.com/contact/pacific-pines

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Swedish Proverb quotes

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Bible quote-Proverbs chapter 11 verse 25

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You can access the Chaplaincy service at Gaven via Ms Thompson, your class teacher or by contacting

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Pacific Pines SHS - Year 7 & 8 2015

Parent School tours

Thurs 21st Aug or Tues 16th Sep - 9:15am

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Dental Health Week

August is Dental Health Awareness Month

[Dental Health Month](#) aims to raise public awareness as around ¼ of Australians have untreated dental decay and only 39% of Australian adults visit the dentist for a yearly check up. As most dental diseases are completely preventable, we need to focus on early intervention and prevention to keep enjoying good oral health.

Let's keep our teeth for life, and help our children do the same!

Read more at www.dentalhealthweek.com.au

Gold Coast Child and Adolescent Oral Health Service

In the case of a dental emergency, telephone the Oral Health Client Service Centre 1300 300 850

Monday to Friday 8:00am – 4:30pm excluding public holidays.



Oral Health Service

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