



Gymea North News

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday	18 th March	Uniform Shop Open 3.00-3.45pm
Tuesday	19 th March	P&C Meeting 7.00pm
Wednesday	20 th March	School Banking 9.00am Stage 3 Camp Outdoor Education Wyee 9.00am departure
Thursday	21 st March	Stage 3 Camp
Friday	22 nd March	Stage 3 Camp Year 1 Swimming Assembly 2.50pm
Monday	25 th March	NAPLAN Online Practice Tests 25 March – 5 April

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Two trees in our playground have been identified as having termites and need to be removed. **Tree work** will commence today and play areas for students will be restricted for safety reasons. Work areas will be fenced off securely by the arborists.

Don't forget that there is a **P&C Meeting** tomorrow evening, Tuesday 19 March from 7.00pm in the staffroom. Come along and learn how you can support our school. Our P&C is very active and plays an extremely important part in providing resources for the school and making it a better place for your children. All are most welcome and we hope to see YOU there!

Stage 3 students depart for their **3 day camp to Wyee** this Wednesday, 20 March. They will be accompanied and supervised by teachers - Mrs Boyce, Ms Brunner, Mrs Campbell, Mr Hill and Chaplain - Mr Mawson. We hope all students enjoy the planned activities.

NAPLAN Online practice tests will be completed by Year 3 and 5 students next week. NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. It is important to remember that NAPLAN is not about passing or failing, but about assessing learning progress. At the classroom level it is one of a number of important tools used by teachers to measure student progress.

The 2019 NAPLAN Online test window is from Tuesday 14 – Friday 24 May.

Schools will receive NAPLAN reports for their students from mid-August to mid-September, depending on their state or territory test administration authority. The school will notify you when the reports are being sent home. The same report format is used for every student in Australia.

NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy skills that students are already learning through the school curriculum. Teachers will ensure that students are familiar with the test formats and will provide appropriate support and guidance. Excessive preparation is not useful and can lead to unnecessary anxiety. If you have any questions about your child's preparation for NAPLAN, you are encouraged to make a time to speak with their teacher.

NAPLAN tests are constructed to give students an opportunity to demonstrate skills they have learned over time through the school curriculum, and NAPLAN test days should be treated as just another routine event on the school calendar. The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to reassure them that NAPLAN tests are just one part of their school program, and to urge them to simply do the best they can on the day.

The Gymea North Public School **ANZAC Ceremony** will be held on Friday 12 April from 10.00am in the school hall. Arie Havenaar from Miranda Sub Branch will attend. We ask that students wear a sprig of rosemary on the day.

Our **Easter Parade** is on Friday 12 April (Week 11) from 2.30pm onwards. The Easter raffle will also be drawn on the day. More information will follow in coming weeks.

There will be an organised **Open Morning** held on **Wednesday, 29 May (Term 2, Week 5)** from 9.30am. Please let any neighbours and friends know who may want to join the Gymea North School community next year. They will need to contact the school so we know to expect them. Those parents who submit an enrolment form before this date will receive an invitation to attend in the mail. More information will follow closer to the date.

Please see over for photos of our student leaders at Young Leaders Day at Sydney Convention Centre last Monday.

Ms Sandra Forman
Principal

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday – Supervisor, Leonie Renfrew (9.30-12), Ruth Sannes (12.30-2.30)

Thursday – Supervisor, Shawna Copas (9.30-12), Julie Radovanovic (12.30-2.30)

Monday – Supervisor, Rhiannon Blacklock (9.30-12)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Congratulations to the following children who celebrate their birthday soon. We hope you have a great day. Alex, Antony, Leo and Ashley.



CERTIFICATES OF MERIT

Congratulations to Thomas (3C) who displayed consistent achievement.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Congratulations to Mikaela (2H) on receiving the Principal's Award. There will be a special morning tea held in Week 10.

GYMEA NORTH AWARD

5/6H	Emma, Sonny
5/6C	Sarah, Petrisse
5/6B	Taylah, Emerson
4/5B	Findlay, Lily
4R	Kalarni, Max
3/4H	Josh, Olivia
3C	Marlee, Dominic
2H	Brody, Eva
1/2B	Patrick, Peyton
1S	Lachlan, Elsie
1A	Andreas, Moli



OFFICE NEWS

During the course of the year, you may receive a Statement of Account. These statements are issued to let you know the amount currently owed for various expenses for your child/ren. They are not to suggest that payments are overdue but is simply for your information.

When making payments by cash or cheque, it is preferable that you tally up amounts for all children and activities and place them all in one envelope. If paying by cheque, please issue one cheque to cover the entire amount.

All signed permission slips are forwarded to class teachers so we would appreciate you completing one slip per student.

Student Absence

To comply with the Education Act, a written note must be returned to the school within 7 days of a student's absence, after which time the absence will be recorded as unexplained. Absences can also be advised through our Skoolbag App under eForms.

UNIFORM SHOP

We would like to thank the parents and carers for their continued support of the uniform shop. All proceeds from sales go directly back to supporting our school.

The uniform shop is open from 3.00pm-3.45pm on Mondays in the school hall. Orders can also be placed via the school office. These orders will be filled and left for collection at the office.

PAYMENTS

- Cash
- Cheques made payable to Gynea North Public School P&C Uniform Shop
- EFT – Please allow 2 working days for processing (Unable to be collected until funds clear)
Account name – Gynea North Public School P&C Uniform Shop
BSB – 062177
Account – 10229907
Please use students name as the reference.

Once you have made your direct deposit please forward your completed order form, including receipt number, to the uniform shop via email gnps.uniformshop@hotmail.com or directly to the school office.

If an exchange is required, please do so within 2 weeks of purchase. These items must be in original packaging and retain all tags and stickers.

Cricket hats (\$15) and Surf Hats (\$15) can be purchased from the canteen on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Please note, our uniform shop prices are cheaper than the local suppliers and all profits generated go directly back to our school, which in turn benefits our children.

Ruth Sannes and Emily Chapman
Uniform Shop Coordinators

P&C Alert

DONT FORGET TO VOTE @ GNPS

State Election Saturday 23rd March



The P&C will be hosting a sausage sizzle and cake stall on Saturday for the State Election. If you can spare an hour during the day to volunteer or can donate to the cake stall, please let us know on 0488 376 487 or via the P&C Facebook page. Thanks!



YOUNG LEADERS DAY 2019





Please place your orders on: **Friday 22nd March 2019**

Orders will be collected **under the covered area near the hall/canteen** on this day from 9.00am until 9.30am. All order forms and payments will be checked at collection. Any orders that contain incorrect money will be returned to your child on that day. Orders will be delivered to your child's classroom within 2-3 weeks of processing.

Payment can be made as follows:

- Cash – please ensure the **exact money** is provided in an envelope showing your child's name, class and total amount - **we do not carry change**;
- Cheque – made payable to "Scholastic Australia"; or
- **Please note:** if you would like to pay by Credit Card – you will need to logon to Scholastic Australia and **order via the LOOP process** (*see below). Books will be delivered to the classroom as per the usual process.

We have experienced some children being unable to place their order/s as an order form is not accompanying their payment. Please ensure you have brought in your order form/s with your exact payment to avoid disappointment. Sorry no late orders will be accepted.

All orders placed will benefit the school through a Scholastic reward system for classroom and/or library use.

***How to order via LOOP**

LOOP is Scholastic Book Clubs **L**inked **O**nline **O**rders & **P**ayment platform for Parents.

If you want to pay by credit card for your online Book Club order, LOOP makes it easy! It eliminates the need for paper order forms plus your online order is submitted to the school safe and sound.

Log-in to <http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP> or download the iPhone and iPad app from the App Store or get it on Google Play for Android.

- For a quick start, just click on ORDER in the top menu or REGISTER first to save your details for next time
- Select your school and your child's class
- Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
- Enter the item number from the Book Club catalogue
- You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school
- All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date
- There's no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details to your school!



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The Mobile Van is coming
to a site near you!

Menai (Bookings open 10th December 2018)

Monday 21st January to Friday 1st February 2019.

Club Central, 44 – 60 Allison Crescent, Menai.

Engadine (Bookings open 24th December 2018)

Monday 4th February to Friday 8th March 2019.

Club Engadine, access via Caldarra Avenue, Engadine.

Huskisson (Bookings open 28th January 2019)

Monday 11th March to Friday 29th March 2019.

Husky Sports, 336 Huskisson Road, Huskisson.

La Perouse (Bookings open 18th February 2019)

Monday 1st April to Friday 5th April 2019.

Aboriginal Community Health Centre, 1 Elaroo Avenue, La Perouse.

Cronulla (Bookings open 25th February 2019)

Monday 8th April to Tuesday 30th April 2019.

Cronulla Sharks Leagues Club, 461 Captain Cook Drive, Woollooware.



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