



Gymea North News

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday	9 th March	PHHS Visit – All Year 6 Boys Dance Lesson Uniform Shop Closed today
Tuesday	10 th March	Junior Girls Dance Lesson
Wednesday	11 th March	School Banking 9.00am
Thursday	12 th March	Selective High School Placement Test Senior Girls Dance Lesson Fathering Project 'Bangers and Bingo' 6.00pm School Hall
Friday	13 th March	PSSA Sport/Tennis/School Sport Assembly 2.45pm Years 3-6
Monday	16 th March	

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Congratulations to all our great swimmers who participated at the **Cronulla Zone Swimming Carnival** last Thursday. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Brown and Miss Horton for their organisation and supervision and also Miss Kaczka for assisting with supervision of students on the day. Your support is very much appreciated. Students were well behaved and represented our school proudly. Congratulations to Jaime who came 1st in the 11 years 50m Freestyle, Butterfly, Breaststroke and Backstroke events and 3rd in the senior 200m individual medley. Jaimee will go on to represent Gymea North Public School at Sydney East Regional level on Tuesday 17 March. We omitted to announce a fourth record broken by Jaime at the school carnival. Jaime set a new record for the girls' 11 years freestyle in a time of 33.78. Congratulations.

There will be an organised **Special Assembly** held on Wednesday, 25 March (Week 9) from 10.45am in the hall to farewell our retiring principal, **Ms Sandra Forman**. We will be sad to see such a wonderful leader leave our school but we wish her well in her retirement. We would like to extend an invitation to our parents and school community to join us at this special assembly. Please let any neighbours, friends and ex-students who may want to attend, know.

Last Monday I had the privilege of attending the '**Young Leaders' day**' at the International Convention Centre, Darling Harbour with some of our senior school leaders. I had a wonderful time in their company and they represented our school well. We all walked away feeling uplifted by the inspirational speakers – Erin Molan, Rove McManus, Bianca Chatfield and John Coutis - we heard who talked about the importance of being resilient and never giving up. I asked some of our students (Nathan, Winter and Ayden) to put what touched them in their own words.

At National Young Leaders' Day, I had a 'really fun time'. I liked Bianca Chatfield because she overcame adversity. She also never liked being tall but she found a use for it in netball. She didn't like national netball at first because she was 18 and the youngest in the team. In her school years, it was an enjoyable sport but when she started playing for Australia everyone was older and she felt lost, that all they cared about was winning, but she stuck at it and it made her realise how younger members of the team now need her. So overall Bianca Chatfield was an inspiration to us all.

I liked Erin Molan because she said many nice things. I especially liked it when she told us to 'never give up'. It was really inspirational as she told us she had received 98 messages telling her she was not good enough but she kept going and never gave up herself.

An inspiration to the world, John Coutis has overcome bullying and the challenging aspect of having a disability. Being born premature, the doctors said he wouldn't make it through the night but living his best life as an amputee and inspirational speaker, he strives to keep kids chasing their dreams. Listening to John Coutis' speech made me feel strength to strive for my own goals to do what I want to in life.

The P&C have been working hard to organise a **Colour Run fundraiser**, which will be held in week 10 on April 2nd after lunch. It promises to be a fun afternoon, filled with white t-shirts, coloured bombs and loads of laughter. I know the students are most excited and the money raised will be used by the P&C to continue upgrading Smartboards and technology in classrooms across the school. A benefit to every student. Can I encourage your child/ren to find sponsors and get involved in the afternoon. All the information was on the note sent home last week and there is an update further in this newsletter.

Applicants for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2021 are required to take the **Selective High School Placement Test** to be held from 9.00am to 1.30pm this Thursday, 12 March 2020.

The test centre for students from GyMEA North Public School is:

GyMEA Technology High School

Hotham Rd & Princes Hwy

GYMEA NSW 2227

2021 High School 'Expression of Interest' Forms for government schools will be sent home this week on Wednesday 11 March. The high school your child should attend based on local enrolment areas will be written on the form. Your permanent residential address determines which school is your local school. Parents will have the opportunity to apply for non-local high school places and will need to provide reasons why you would like your child to attend the school/s based on their selection criteria. These expressions of interest are then considered by a placement panel. Please read "Moving into Year 7 in a NSW Government School in 2021" for further information as Expression of Interest forms must be returned **on or before Friday 20 March 2020**.

NAPLAN Online practice tests will be completed by Year 3 and 5 students next week. These practice tests are carried out to determine the school's network capabilities and to pre-empt any technology issues before the actual tests take place in Term 2.

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 GyMEA North Public School **ANZAC Ceremony** will be held on Thursday 9 April (Week 11). We ask that students wear a sprig of rosemary on the day. Our **Easter Parade and raffle** will be 2.30pm onwards that same day. More information will follow in coming weeks.

This Friday, March 13, is **National Ride 2 School Day**. We want to encourage active travel and this is an easy way to help students meet their minimum daily dose of physical activity (60 minutes). We know that students are more ready to learn after actively travelling to school. So this Friday, get on your bike or scooter and actively travel safely to school. We encourage our younger students to travel with a parent or carer.

Kirsty Sharman
Relieving Principal

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday – Supervisor, Ruth Sannes (12.45pm – 2.30pm)

Thursday – Supervisor, Lyn Caldwell (9.30am-12pm) Nicole Orsaris (12.45pm-2.30pm)

Monday – Supervisor, Renee Johansen (9.30am-12pm), Lisa Copp (12.45pm-2.30pm)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Congratulations to the following children who celebrate their birthday soon.

We hope you have a great day. Kayla, Ava, Lambros, Isla, Hayden, Vinuka, Frederick.



NOTES SENT HOME

Tell Them From Me survey (Years 4-6)

Stage 3 Canberra Excursion final payment reminder



CERTIFICATES OF MERIT

Congratulations to Megan (1/2L) and Alex (2H) who displayed consistent achievement.

GYMEA NORTH AWARD

1A Benntley, Mason, Edith, Ava

1S Theo, Gigi, Genevieve, Ayla

1/2L Sage, Layla, Megan, Yannis

2H Ava, Jasmine, Patrick, Stefan

2S Ashlee, Jake, Lachlan, Moli



BOOKWORK AWARD

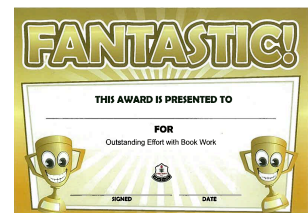
1A Liam

1S Alexander

1/2L Pablo

2H Amelie

2S Flynn



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.

PERMISSION SLIPS

All completed permission slips are to be placed in the silver letterbox in the office. Once payment has been processed by the office, all permission slips are forwarded to class teachers for collation. We would appreciate if you could please complete one slip per child.

UNIFORM SHOP

GNPS WINTER JACKETS AVAILABLE TO ORDER

Our annual sale for Winter Jackets is on now. Jackets will be available to try on for size, in the School Office from tomorrow.

Please see attached order form with more details. This is a one off order.

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 GyMEA North Public School P&C Uniform Shop
- EFT – Please allow 2 working days for processing (Unable to be collected until funds clear)
Account name – GyMEA 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

Time for Healthy Habits



Do you have a child between the ages of 2-6 years and live in NSW? Do you wonder if they are eating enough of the right foods, being active enough or getting enough sleep?

We are offering a **free** program to help parents give their young children the healthiest start to life.

For more information and to register please visit www.timeforhealthyhabitsnsw.com/ or contact time-healthyhabits@uow.edu.au

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This project has been approved by the South Western Sydney Local Health District Human Research Ethics Committee, HREC Reference HREC/18/POOL/472, and delivered in partnership with Murrumbidgee, Illawarra Shoalhaven, Southern NSW, Hunter New England, and South Eastern Sydney Local Health Districts.

FUNDRAISING NEWS

School Colour Explosion Run- Thursday April 2nd



Thank you for your support so far with our School Colour Explosion™ Run. Fundraising is full steam ahead!

How are your kids tracking towards their fundraising goal? If they haven't already, create a Profile Page at www.myprofilepage.com.au. There are some awesome features like creating your own avatar and setting your fundraising goal by choosing your favourite prizes.

You can also register for online fundraising. Share your Profile Page to family and friends anywhere around the world and request support!

Don't forget, you can win a \$10,000 Flight Centre Gift Voucher simply by raising a minimum of \$10. The more you raise the more chances to win. Once logged in, view the school's leaderboard. The highest fundraising student at the completion of the fundraiser will go into a draw to win \$5,000 cruise of your choice.

The event is only 3 weeks away and we are looking for volunteers to assist on the day of the event. It's going to be lots of fun! Please contact Megan 0415362319 or Vanessa 0488376487 if you can lend a hand.

Happy fundraising and thank you!

Coming up in April

- Easter Raffle
- Hot Cross Bun Drive



GNPS WINTER JACKET ORDER FORM

Available by special order only is the GNPS polar fleece winter jacket.

The winter jacket **IS NOT** stocked in the uniform shop and will only be available through this one off order.

As there will be no option for an exchange, we would encourage the children to try on the jackets prior to ordering. Sample sizes will be available from Monday 9 March **in the front office**.

Item	Price
GNPS Winter Jacket with Logo	\$50.00

Please return the order form together with your full payment to the uniform shop or into the school office no later than **Friday 20 March 2020**. Please allow 3 working days prior to the cut-off date for all direct deposit payments.

All orders will need to be collected from the Uniform Shop on Monday afternoon between 3pm-3.45pm or the front office.

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ORDER FOR GNPS WINTER JACKET

DEADLINE FOR ORDERS AND FULL PAYMENT IS FRIDAY 20 MARCH 2020

Student's Name: _____ Class: _____

Contact Name and Number: _____

DELIVERY PREFERENCE (please circle one)	Front Office	Pick up from Uniform Shop Monday 3pm-3.45pm
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SPECIAL ORDER ITEM	SIZE/S & QUANTITY REQUIRED						TOTAL QTY
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GNPS Winter Jacket with Logo	4	6	8	10	12	14	
Quantity							

Cash, cheque and direct deposit payments only.

TOTAL ORDER AMOUNT	\$
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Cheques must be made payable to: Gymea North PS P&C Uniform Shop

Direct Deposit Payments made to: BSB 062-177 Account Number: 10229907

Please use student's surname & winter jacket as a reference when entering payment. Please allow 3 days for processing of funds.

GYMEA NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Term Planner: Term 1 2020

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7	9/3 Port Hacking High School Visit - Year 6 students	10/3	11/3	12/3 Selective HS Placement Tests Fathering Project B&B 6pm	13/3 3-6 Assembly
8	16/3	17/3 Regional Swimming P&C 7pm	18/3	19/3	20/3 Harmony Day 21/3 K-2 Assembly
9	23/3 NAPLAN technology practice tests	24/3	25/3 Ms Forman Whole school Retirement Assembly	26/3	27/3 3-6 Assembly Band Performance at assembly
10	30/3	31/3	1/4 X country	2/4 Principal's Morning Tea P&C Colour Run	3/4 K-2 Assembly
11	6/4 S3 Camp State Swimming SSSMF Senior Choir Rehearsal	7/4	8/4	9/4 EASTER PARADE Easter Raffle ANZAC Ceremony	10/4 Good Friday

* Uniform Shop is open every Monday from 3.00-3.45pm



SUTHERLAND BASKETBALL STADIUM

SHARKS BASKETBALL CAMP

FOR BOYS & GIRLS AGES 6-15

FOUR DAYS 9AM-2PM
21st - 24th April 2020

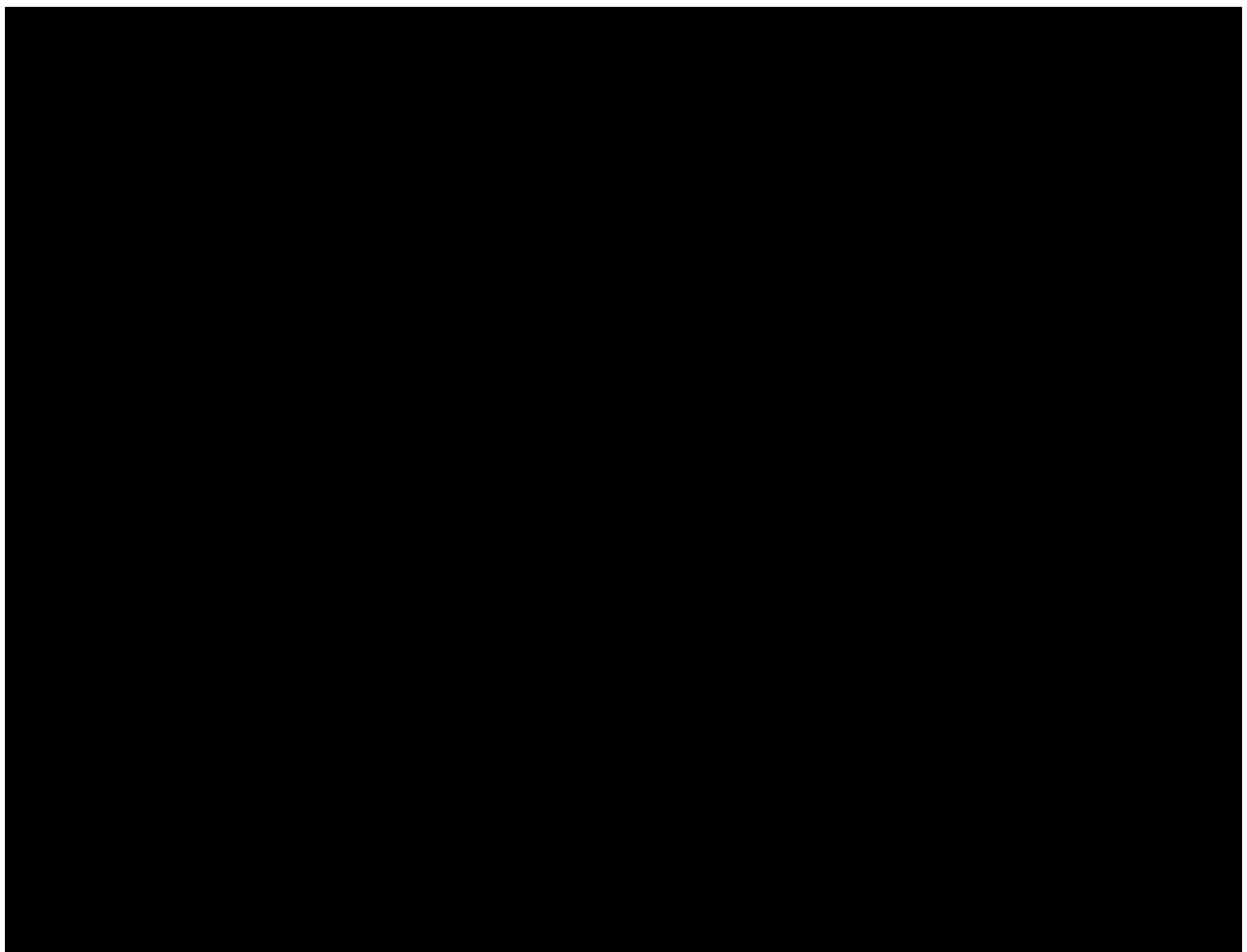
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ENROLMENTS CLOSE 15/04/20



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Expression of Interest to enrol in the Theatre/Drama Program

Magic Sounds Music & Theatre Studio is offering a Music Theatre Program for students of GyMEA North Public School after school hours.

Music Theatre classes - the program aims to incorporate acting, singing and choreography skills to develop children's performance skills, self-confidence and communication. The classes are structured in two levels according to age groups: Junior Theatre (ages 5- 7) and Stage Two Theatre (ages 8-12).

Duration of the class: one hour

When: Wednesday or Thursday (whichever day is more popular)

Time: 3:45pm in the School Hall

Cost: approx. \$30.00- \$35.00 per class

The lessons could potentially commence in the near future if sufficient interest is received.

If you are interested in enrolling your child in the program please call Natalie on **0415 971 915** or email us:
magicsounds@hotmail.com.au