

GARDEN SUBURB PUBLIC SCHOOL



Wednesday 10th December

Week 10 Term 4

Mrs Samuels had a baby boy Hugo,
last Thursday, mother and baby both
doing well.

Dear Families

A huge thankyou to Jacki and her team for the organisation of our Community Christmas Disco night. It was great to see parents chatting, helping, dancing and just enjoying a couple of hours to catch up. The BBQ, jumping castle and ice-cream stalls went non-stop. The behaviour of our students was excellent. Thankyou to all the hard workers, Santa and to my staff who volunteered their time to support the event. A great night.

Don't forget to return raffle tickets for the draw tomorrow at Presentation Day. Donations are still greatly appreciated for some great prizes tomorrow.

Last week four long term committed volunteers were awarded a 2014 Charlton Volunteer Award for services to Garden Suburb students in reading. Pam Young, Gerry Atkinson, David Price and Meg Moylan were invited to receive these from Pat Conroy MP. David represented all recipients at the ceremony. Thank you to these volunteers from GSPS students and staff.

Our Certificate Ceremony was a great success on Friday and highlighted the diversity of learning and opportunities our students can access at our amazing school. Even staff accepted the Premiers Sporting Challenge organised by Mrs Bailey and were given their certificates as well. Next Monday morning will see our last awards with our amazing sculptures being judged by Ms Street. We also hope to have a fire truck come and show us how it works and Principals lunch.

As this is our last newsletter for 2014 I thank my outstanding staff for their dedication and commitment to our students. As always teachers for 2015 will be announced next year. We are 4 local enrolments short of a 9th teacher.

I thank our parents and community for their ongoing support of all we do. We couldn't do as many things without you.

Last but not least I thank our students. What an amazing school we have because of them. I look forward to 2015 with our new kindies and wish our departing Yr 6 all the best for their next adventures in life.

Merry Christmas to everyone and be safe

Mrs Swadling and the staff at GSPS

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 11th December

Garden Suburb Presentation
Day CANTEEN CLOSED

Friday 12th December

Cardiff High Presentation Day
Volunteers Morning Tea

Monday 15th December

Principals lunch
Final Assembly 9.30 am
Year 6 Farewell

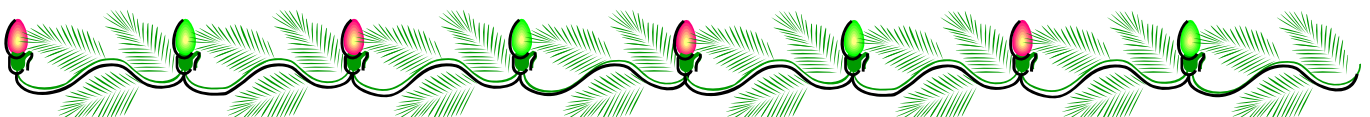
Tuesday 16th December

Class Parties Bring Water Bottles

Wednesday 17th December

Last Day, Out of Uniform, Mugs
Cup, Clap out

**Don't forget to return your Raffle
Tickets. Drawn tomorrow**



From the Canteen

The canteen will be **CLOSED TOMORROW** Thursday 11th December for the Presentation Assembly. Only over the counter sales next week **NO ORDERS NEXT WEEK.**

We are currently on the lookout for some new helpers in the canteen. At this time of the year we need to look at who will be leaving us next year when their children move onto high school. If you can help out in 2015 please contact Terri on 0405 212 318.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Thursday 11th December

CANTEEN CLOSED

Friday 12th December

C Rankin, K Firbank

Monday 15th December

T Clark

Tuesday 16th December

PARTY DAY, T Clark

Wednesday 17th December

LAST DAY, T Clark

PAYMENT REMINDERS

Stage 2 Party day \$22

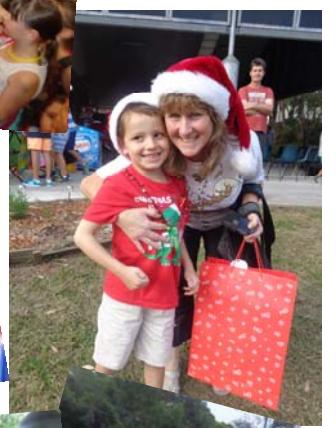
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Stage 3 Party day \$22

Due by Thurs 11th Dec



David Price—Volunteers Award



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Our winning Christmas Tree at the Glendale Bunnings store with Santa and Emma.

RUN NEWCASTLE SUCCESS

On top of raising money for the John Hunter Adolescent Ward, our wonderful school team that participated in Run Newcastle managed to finish 1st in the overall teams event. Well done to all the runners who came and had a go on the day. Hopefully it will inspire people to get active and run more often. Our school regularly has runners participating in various Newcastle ParkRuns on Saturday morning and we would love to have more friends and community members come along. Ask Mr Mathews for more details or visit www.parkrun.com.au to find your nearest run.

SCHOOL ROCKS!

Last night our school Rockband performed at the annual Cardiff High Music Night. The group performed four songs, including 'The Wire', 'Seven Nation Army' and 'Hey Ya', while Indigo performed the solo piece 'Naïve'.

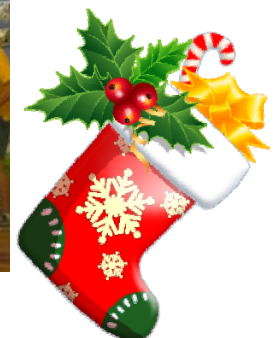
"We always enjoy getting Garden Suburb to perform, there are some really exciting music developments going on up there", commented Cardiff High Creative Arts Head Mr Rod Glassop.

The students have made some wonderful growth and performances like this are helping them hone their musical skills and become more confident when performing.



JETS FAIL TO TAKE OFF

Last Saturday afternoon our PSSA Junior Soccer team, accompanied by Mr Mathews and Miss Leedham went to the Newcastle Jets home game against Wellington Phoenix. While the team unfortunately lost 3-1, it was a great experience for the students, some of whom hadn't been to a game previously. We would like to thank the Newcastle Jets for giving our students free passes to the game and we wish the team better luck in future games.



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