Donations for Stage 3 Mini Fete - In Term 4, Stage Three will be holding a mini fete. We are asking our community to assist us in the lead up to this fund raiser. Many people have a variety of contacts and people who work for various companies. If you know someone who may be able to make a donation to this fund raiser, or if you yourself are able to donate items, prizes or things that we could raffle, we would greatly appreciate hearing from you. Please contact Mr Hamilton, Mr Corcoran or any of the Stage 3 teachers.

2014 Special Swimming Scheme - At this stage I am negotiating dates with the DEC around the swimming program for this year. Over the last 5 years we have continually received dates that fall in the cooler months of the year. I am aware, and fully understand, that parents are not prepared to send their children to swim while it is so cold. Mrs Power and I wrote a lengthy letter last year requesting dates in the warmer months. Unfortunately we were again given dates in the middle of winter. At this stage I am not prepared to accept the dates we have been given and am attempting to negotiate for dates in either late Term 3 or early Term 4. I will keep you informed of the outcome.

Stage 1 Workers in the Community - This term Years 1 and 2 have been learning about workers in the community. They have had a number of visitors come and speak about their jobs. Some of the amazing jobs they have heard about or will be hearing about include being an SES volunteer (Ms McMahon), a zoo handler (Mr Atterton), a police officer and a fire fighter. I was invited to speak to Stage 1 about my job as Principal at Governor Philip King. The students listened extremely well and asked some great questions. Thank you for the invitation Years 1 and 2!

Choir Performance - Congratulations to our school choir on an outstanding performance last Friday. The choir were invited to perform 3 songs at the Sydney South West SAM (School Administration Managers) conference at the Liverpool Catholic Club. By all accounts they were amazing with many in attendance commenting to Mrs Wignell about how amazing they were. We are, of course, very proud of their efforts and performance. Congratulations and thanks must also go to Mrs Esquivel and Mrs Richter who lead this amazing group of students.

Zone Cross Country - Congratulations to all students who represented Governor at the Cross Country last Friday. All participants competed with enthusiasm and did their best on the day. The following students will represent Sydney South West at the Area Cross Country Carnival: Abbas Salame, Chantelle Maniti, Patricia Moser, Nikola Skatarić and Nicholas Libri. Special thanks to Mr O’Neill for his organisation leading up to the carnival. Also thank you to Mr Samuel and Mr Hosking for accompanying the students to the event.

Cyber Bullying Sessions - Last week Stage 3 were involved in a talk given by the Police Liaison Officer. The talk covered all aspects of being a responsible electronic media user. The students were given some valuable advice and suggestions about using social media, and what to do if bullying occurs online.

Parliament Induction - Last Tuesday I had the pleasure of inducting our 2014 Ministers and presenting them with their parliament badges. It was also pleasing to induct 24 new class representatives who will attend parliament, make decisions and report back to their classes. Congratulations to all students elected and inducted last week.

Book Club - Book club forms have been handed out to the students. If you would like to place an order, fill out the form with your child’s name, class and order. Clearly label an envelope with your child’s name, class, book club and amount of money included. Drop your envelope in the money slot located in the office. These are due back NO later than Friday, 13 June. Orders take up to 2 weeks from the closing date to be returned to students.
Canberra - Snow Excursion - Students who paid a deposit for this excursion need to make sure they are making regular payments to ensure they have paid in full before the due date. Thanks Mr Hamilton.

PSSA Sport Payment Reminder - The last day for payment of the PSSA sport levy is this THURSDAY, 5 June. If payment is not received by this date your child will not be able to participate in a Winter PSSA Sport Team.

School Website Class of the Week - Visit our school website to see the exciting learning happening in 2SV.

Instructions: Visit - [http://www.govphilkin-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/](http://www.govphilkin-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/) Click on 'School Years' tab. Click on side tab 'What's Happening in 2SV'. Click on your grade under 'School Years' tab if you missed seeing your class!

2015 Kindergarten Enrolments - We have already had a large number of parents making enquiries and completing applications for enrolment for Kindergarten in 2015. Please be aware that the DEC is currently in the process of changing school enrolment forms. This means we are unable to hand out enrolment forms to parents. However, parents are still able to come in and complete the expression of interest form and provide all of the usual documentation for their child to start Kindergarten in 2015. This will ensure you and your child is included in all important Kindergarten information sent out, particularly for Kindergarten Orientation. I would encourage families to have their child listed on our paperwork to ensure placement is available, particularly families seeking out of area enrolments. If you have family or friends whose child will be starting Kindergarten next year, please make them aware of the expression of interest process for enrolment at Governor Philip King.

Head Lice - Parents are warned to check the heads of all their children as we are aware that pediculosis (head lice) is prevalent in some classrooms. Students should not return to school until all nits and eggs have been removed. An egg is dead when it can be slid along the hair. If it will not move it is still alive.

Your local chemist will provide you with the appropriate treatment.

Values Education – The value for Week 6 is Freedom. Freedom is the state of not being imprisoned, enslaved, or otherwise constrained. It is having free will to control our actions, decisions and choices. Freedom is when we experience liberation and a feeling of no limits as if the earth, the skies and the seas are at our service. Freedom is not simply granted by rules and legislation. It is connected to social justice which is the ability to live with basic necessities and good health, that is, a life of choices and opportunity free from discrimination. Parents know that nowadays children are demanding more and more freedom in all aspects of life. It is important for them to understand that with free choice comes responsibility and consequences. Please encourage your children to discuss about freedom and the related responsibilities. Mrs S Kumar. Student Engagement.

P&C News - The next P&C Monthly Meeting will be held on Wednesday 11th June at 7pm in the staff room. We will be discussing the events for Term 3, including our major fundraiser for the year and Fathers’ Day.

If you have a P&C enquiry please contact me on 0428 475 252 or email on gpks.pc@gmail.com. Mark Cavanaugh. P & C President.

Safe, Respectful Learner Program - The focus rule for weeks six and seven is ‘Be Safe, Share the playground’.

We need to learn to share the space, include others and choose safe games to play with our friends. Please discuss this with your children. Ms Dolz. Student Engagement Team.

Governor’s Buzz - Guess what? Governor’s Buzz is coming!

When: Week 8 & 9
What will be in this issue: Articles, photos, comic strips, jokes and more!

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PSSA SPORT Round 5 - This week Years 3 & 5 Netball play against St Johns Park, Years 4 & 6 Netball play against Smithfield West and Rugby League play against Cecil Hills at Endeavour Park. Soccer will play against Cecil Hills at Allambie Reserve. Basketball will play against Canley Heights at GPK.

Have a great week!
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