Commonwealth Games-A-Thon - One more sleep until the P&C fund raiser!! Thank you to the students and families who have returned their sponsorship notes and money, we have had a great response from the community. Tomorrow morning is the last opportunity to return any last minute money, and ensure students are in the draw for one of the amazing prizes. Next week we will announce the classes who will receive the class pizza party for raising the most money.

A few reminders for tomorrow:
- Students need to come dressed in the colours of the country their class is representing.
- Wear comfortable shoes for participating in all the activities, and wear a hat.
- K-2 sausage sandwiches will be delivered for the first break (recess).
- 3-6 sausage sandwiches will be delivered for the second break (lunch).
- Parents can purchase books from the Book Fair during the morning (9am-9.45am).
- Visitors can view the time capsule display in the hall throughout the day.

Order of events for Gamesathon 30/7/2014

1. Classes assemble at top oval ready for 10am start.
2. Acknowledgement of Country-Lorita Iskander- Deputy PM
3. Welcome to the Gamesathon-Bradley Bullivant -PM
4. National Anthem- led by the school choir
5. March Past of Countries represented by all classes K-6.
6. Opening Address-Mr Corcoran- Principal
7. Opening Ceremony-Hip-hop dance group
8. Opening ceremony-School choir
9. Athletes Oath
10. Return to classrooms
11. Recess 10.55am-11.35am -BBQ for K-2 students
12. Gamesathon -6 rotations from 11.45am-1.15pm-15 minutes per rotation
13. Return to classrooms
14. Lunch-1.25pm-1.55pm -BBQ for 3-6 students
15. Return to classrooms after lunch for reflection and normal lessons

Time Capsule - The contents of the time capsule will be on display throughout the week. We are hoping that many past students, teachers and community members will come along and have a look at the work collected 20 years ago (1994) for the Year of the Family. Our current students have also contributed work to the display in the hall. The hall will be open between 9am-3pm from tomorrow, Wednesday 30 July through to Friday 1 August. We will also be opening the hall on Saturday 2 August between 9am-12 noon.

Pink for Cancer Day - Last week our students participated in a fund raiser for cancer. It was amazing to see the many shades of pink that students wore to support this amazing cause. Overall we raised approximately $800!! An amazing effort from our staff, students and community. Thank you. Congratulations to Maryam Schaba from 5LF as the winner of the guessing competition, enjoy the lollies!! Congratulations also to the runner up Corey Lloyd from 2SV. The winning amount of lollies was 71.

Stage 3 Canberra - Snow Excursion Countdown 34 days.
**Time Capsule** - This year 2014 is the Year of the Family and we are excited to exhibit the contents of our time capsule, buried in 1994.

Due to previous schools experiences when unearthing their time capsules and discovering the contents were destroyed by the elements, we made a decision to unearth the Time Capsule, prior to Education Week.

The capsule has been unearthed recently to enable us to salvage and organise the contents. This salvage has been a lengthy process, as many booklets containing information were water damaged.

During Education Week, tomorrow, 30 July – Friday 1 August Term 3, you are welcome to view the display of the contents of the capsule. This display will be in the school hall.

The Time Capsule viewing will also be on this Saturday 2 August, from 9am - 12 noon. Ms Halabe.

**Plovers** - The plovers have returned once again this year to nest and hatch their eggs. Please be conscious of this as you enter and leave the school via the back gates. They are very territorial and will swoop anyone walking through that area in an attempt to protect their chicks. Where possible please avoid this area.

**Book Fair News** - The Book fair is here and Library has been transformed into a book store, filled with wonderful books for students to purchase.

The Book Fair is now open for sales and finishes on Tuesday, 6 August, (8:00am - 3:00pm) The Book Fair is open for everyone!

Books inspire young minds and give children educational advantages. A successful book fair will not only benefit our school, but it will also help your child discover the rich rewards of reading.

Why not buy a book for your child and one for the school library! Any donations purchased from the Book Fair would be greatly appreciated. Your child's name will be noted on a Book sticker in the front inside cover, of your donated book.

Please note, we will be running a raffle during the Book Fair. Purchases over $20 will entitle the purchaser to a raffle ticket. The winner will receive $60 worth of books chosen from the Book Fair. Good Luck everyone! A free book mark with every book purchase. Ms Halabe.

**Home Parent Borrowing** - Parents, please note, due to the Book Fair, borrowing will recommence on Thursday, 7 August.

Thank you for your understanding. Ms Halabe.

**Values Education** - The value for Weeks 3 and 4 is Self-discipline. Self-discipline is when we have the capacity to achieve goals, delay gratification and act according to a set of priorities. It is an exercise of internal control over one's actions. It is creating good constraints for us. When we use the strength of our mind we say we have will power or self will. It leads to self-improvement and self-regulation. Children need to practise self-control in many instances in their daily life. They need to stop, think and then respond, rather than react in different situations. Please encourage your child/children to practise self-control and self-discipline. Mrs S. Kumar, Student Engagement.

**Safe, Respectful Learner Program** - The focus rule for week three is *Be respectful – Speak politely to others*. Ms Dolz, Student Engagement Team.

**P&C News** - The GPK Commonwealth Games is finally here!!

Thank you to all the students and families who have worked hard to raise sponsorship. Last day to put in your Sponsorship will be Wednesday, 30 July.

Have a go - do your best, but most of all have fun!!

Sausage sizzle pre-orders are now closed. Thank you to all the students who have ordered a record number of sausages this year. Years K-2 will receive their sausages at recess, and Years 3-6 will receive their sausages at lunch. Parents and visitors can buy their sausage sizzle on the day from 10am for $2 each. We will also be selling bottles of water for $1 each.

Second hand uniform sale will be on Thursday, 7 August between 9am and 10am near the office.

The next P&C Meeting will be Wednesday, 6 August at 7pm in the Staff Room. All welcome.

If you have a P&C enquiry please contact me on 0428 475 252 or email on gpkspc@gmail.com. Mark Cavanaugh, P&C President.
2015 Kindergarten Enrolments - We have already had a large number of parents making enquiries and completing applications for enrolment for Kindergarten in 2015. New DEC enrolment forms are now available from the Office. Parents are now able to come in and obtain an enrolment package for completion and supply of the usual documentation for their child to start Kindergarten in 2015. This will ensure you and your child are included in all important Kindergarten information sent out, particularly for Kindergarten Orientation. I would encourage families to complete the enrolment forms 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 process for enrolment at Governor Philip King.

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

School Website Class of the Week - Visit our school website to see if your class is the class of the week!

Instructions:
Click on 'School Years' tab
Click on side tab ‘What’s Happening in …’
Click on your grade under ‘School Years’ tab if you missed seeing your class!

Thursday 31 July 2014 is GPK’s Jeans for Genes Day.

What is Jeans for Genes Day?
Jeans for Genes Day is a special day when we raise money to allow scientists at the Children’s Medical Research to continue their research. They are working to prevent children’s diseases, such as leukaemia, muscular dystrophy and many other disorders. This will benefit children around the world!

What can I do?
Wear your jeans to school + bring a gold coin donation.
All $2 donations will receive a special edition pencil pack!
Hope to see you wearing your jeans on Thursday!
Department of Social Justice
GPK Parliament

Monday 4 August 2014 is GPK’s JustBU day.

What is Just BU Day?
Just BU Day is an opportunity to inspire, educate and act as a catalyst for youth spreading the message that "It’s OK 2 Just BU!"
Just BU Day is all about SCHOOL STUDENTS celebrating who THEY really are - the good, the bad, the fun, the cheeky, the person who they know about but really wish their classmates, teachers, friends and family did as well! Just BU day encourages students to celebrate and embrace their true selves as well as acknowledge their fellow students for their positive traits and differences within the school student community.

What can I do on Just BU Day?
- Wear clothes that show the real you! The clothes that you feel the best and most comfortable in! Of course make sure that they are suitable to wear for a day at school.
- Bring in something to share with your class that tells everyone something about you - THAT THEY DIDN’T KNOW BEFORE!
  Show other GPK students that being yourself, having inner belief, strength and living your "real" life is OK.

Have a great week!

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