From the Principal...

School Musical - What an amazing production we saw last week. The feedback from the community and audience members was fantastic. Our staff and students worked tirelessly to produce a performance that was outstanding and enjoyed by all who came along to see it. Congratulations to everyone involved. Another Governor highlight for 2015.

Executive Planning - The entire executive team undertook a full day planning session off site yesterday. The day gave us an opportunity to evaluate current policies and practices across the school as well as looking at what we would like to achieve in 2016. There are many new initiatives and processes we will be excited to share with our school community in the coming school year. There are a number of changes to current school practices which we believe will be welcomed and embraced by the school community.

Congratulations - On behalf of our staff, students and community I would like to wish Miss Morcom all the best as she starts leave from tomorrow in the days leading up to her wedding this weekend. We look forward to seeing some amazing photos from your special day.

Anaphylaxis - As mentioned previously in the school newsletter, we have a number of students who have severe allergies to various food products. These students have specific health care plans in place to ensure their safety and appropriate medical care if required. These allergies are extremely serious, and as most of us can only imagine, worrying for parents. We are asking parents to be extremely mindful of the food products that are sent to school. It would be greatly appreciated if parents can avoid products such as peanut butter, nutella or any nut product. If we work together as a community and support these students and parents we can avoid creating a severe medical situation.

School Car Park - Parents are reminded that the staff car park is not an area to drop off students in the morning or collect students in the afternoon. Our car park has limited space considering the large number of staff we have here at Governor Philip King. We are requesting that parents do not drive into the school in the morning or the afternoon. The safety of our students is our number one priority. Parents driving in and out of the car park pose a significant risk to both students and parents using the pedestrian access.

Walkathon - The P&C walkathon will take place this Thursday morning. We are hoping that all students are collecting sponsorship money from family and friends. Please ensure you are doing all that you can to support the fundraising effort of the P&C, all money raised comes back to providing resources for our students and improvements for our school.

Furniture - Tomorrow (Wednesday) morning at 8am we are offering some excess furniture for free to any interested parents. We have 3 cupboards and 16 student tables, but no chairs. The furniture needs to be taken tomorrow. It will be located at the back of the hall. Please see Mr Gee who will be there.

Library News - Parent Borrowing - There will be no further parent borrowing from Friday, 20 November. Please return all books to the library by Friday, 27 November. Thank you. Ms Halabe.

Values Education - The value for Weeks 7 and 8 is Caring. Caring is a feeling of reverence and an attitude of care and regard towards someone or something. It acknowledges the unique dignity in everyone. We are practicing caring when we treat everyone the way we would like to be treated. Caring for property is an attitude of responsibility towards our own and other’s property. Being caring includes self-respect.

Please help your children develop a caring attitude towards others by practicing the same. Mrs S Kumar, Student Engagement.
**Book Club** - Book club forms have been handed out to 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 27 November. Orders take up to 2 weeks from the closing date to be returned to students.

**School Website Class of the Week** - 6GH is GPK's class of the week! Visit our website to see all the great things that have happened in 6GH.

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!

**Safe, Respectful Learner Program** - The focus for Weeks 7 and 8 is 'Be a Learner - Be a problem solver'.

When we are young, we rely on our parents, family and teachers to look after us and to solve any problems that we may encounter. However, as we grow older, we must learn to find answers and solutions for the many problems or questions that we might be faced with. Help your child/children to become a problem solver by encouraging them to take on small responsibilities at home and by giving them simple things to do to find solutions to problems at home. Anna Dolz. Student Engagement Team.

**Upcoming Events**

**Week 7**
Wednesday 18 November - Year 6 Bossley Park High School Orientation
Thursday 19 November - P&C Walkathon.

**Week 8**
Friday 27 November - P&C - Annual General Meeting - 9am in the Staffroom.

Have a great week!

Jason Corcoran
Principal

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Governor Philip King and all other schools in the area have been asked to collect groceries and gifts to support the Fairfield Uniting Church Diner, which feeds more than 300 people of all ages and backgrounds each week.

After our AMAZING efforts over the past years, with a donation of 23+ trolleys, the Departments of Social Justice and Environment in our School Parliament have taken up the challenge.

We are asking all families to donate an item, to help support the needy people with the Fairfield area this Christmas and in 2016.

Deliver your groceries and gifts to the box provided to your classroom before Tuesday 1 December.

Please bring in at least one item each, to help feed hungry people in our community.

**ITEMS NEEDED**

- TINS
  - vegetables
  - spaghetti
  - tuna
  - baked beans
  - soups
  - fruits
  - cereals
  - soap
  - sauces
  - flour
  - jelly

- noodles
- juices
- all types of pasta
- long life milk
- tea
- coffee (jars)
- cordials
- biscuits
- lollies
- fruit cakes
- chocolates
- rice
- sugar
- pasta sauces
- cake mixes

- Toys for children-babies to 10 years-boys and girls and small gifts are also welcome

- **NO PERISHABLE FOODS PLEASE**