Main School Entrance - I realise that this information has been placed in our newsletter on a number of occasions recently, however, we still have parents and students who are not following our afternoon procedures. Our procedures for entering and exiting the school in the morning and afternoon have not changed. Parents and students should be using the pathway into the school during morning arrivals. The front pedestrian gate will be open throughout the day for parents to access the front office via the main footpath. We are requesting that in the afternoon parents use the side gate into the infants area and the front gate behind the Year One classrooms to enter and exit the school. There should be no pedestrian traffic down the main footpath. This avoids large volumes of people all trying to leave using the same footpath resulting in the gardens being trampled. Under no circumstances should any parent or student enter or leave the school via the car park gates. Please support us in ensuring the entry into the school remains intact by following our simple routine and reinforcing this with the students. Your support with continuing our procedures will be greatly appreciated.

Easter Raffle - Thank you to the families who have already contributed Easter chocolates for the raffle and sold many books of tickets. A reminder that all sold and unsold tickets must be returned to school by Tuesday 22 March 2016. We are looking forward to our community supporting this fund raiser with the chance to win baskets of Easter treats. Any families who would like additional tickets will be able to contact the front office after this week. All Easter raffle donations can be dropped off to the front office and placed in the baskets provided. Raffle donations can include anything Easter related such as Easter biscuits, marshmallow rabbits, Easter eggs, or chocolate.

School Uniform - At Governor Philip King Public School we take great pride in our school uniform. The uniform is a reflection of our school. Please support our high standards and insist that your child wears their correct full school uniform each day. This includes the correct school hat and either black school shoes or black supportive joggers.

PSSA Money - As outlined in the PSSA note that went home to students at the start of the Summer Competition, money for each round must be paid by Wednesday each week. This allows coaches time to finalise teams, ensure we have buses booked and if need be forfeit games if there are not enough players. Payments for PSSA cannot be made on Friday mornings. Students who have not paid for PSSA will be unable to attend. Please assist us in our school organisation by paying on time each week.

Voluntary School Contributions - Families have received information about the voluntary school contribution fees. This year the cost is $65 per student. This money greatly assists our school to continue running effective programs and provide high quality resources for our students. It would be greatly appreciated if contributions could be finalised by Friday 8 April (Week 11 Term 1).

Parent Online Payments - The Parent Online Payments (POP) system has now commenced. We are now able to accept electronic payments from parents/carers using the Westpac Quick Web. This allows parents/carers and the community to deposit funds directly into the school’s bank account via a secure Westpac site. This payment option can be accessed via the school’s website.

Years 5 and 6 Cake Stall - Thank you to the generosity of the families that kindly donated cakes for last week’s cake stall. It was an amazing response from the GPKPS community. Also to all who purchased cakes last week, thank you from Stage 3.

We would also like to thank “Krispy Kreme Donuts” Liverpool, who donated donuts for the cake stall.
Values Education - The value for Week 6 is “Humility” or “Humbleness”. Humility is accepting ourselves as we really are. It is staying easy and light inside. It is freedom from pride and arrogance. Humility is having a modest opinion of one’s worth. It goes together with self-respect, knowing your own good qualities. Children need to be humble about themselves and their qualities. Please have discussions about this value with your child/children at home. Ask them to share stories they have heard from their teachers and activities they have completed. Mrs S. Kumar, Student Engagement.

Head Lice - Parents are asked to check the heads of all their children. 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 and removed. If it will not move it is still alive.

Your local chemist will provide you with the appropriate treatment.

PSSA Sport - Round 3 -This week all sports will be played at Allambie Oval.

Upcoming Events -

Week 8
16 March - GPK School Disco - Kindergarten, Years 1 & 2 - 4Pm to 5:30pm
Years 3 - 6 - 6pm to 8pm.
18 March - P&C Meeting at 9am in the staffroom

Week 9
21 March - Harmony Day
24 March - Easter Hat Parade

Have a great week!

Jason Corcoran
Principal
Harmony Day 2016 - A sense of belonging for everyone.

The theme for Harmony Day 2016 is our diversity is our strength. Governor Philip King will be celebrating Harmony Day on Monday, 21st of March, 2016. Term 1, Week 9.

Harmony Day is a celebration of Australia’s cultural diversity. It’s about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging. It recognises the important role and positive influence that cultural diversity has in our multicultural nation. It is a day for all Australians to embrace cultural diversity and to share what we have in common.

Harmony Day is a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home. By participating in Harmony Day activities, we can learn and understand how all Australians from diverse backgrounds equally belong to this nation and make it a better place.

GPKPS will be making a special effort to recognise Harmony Day on Monday, 21st of March, 2016. As the official Harmony Day colour is orange, students are encouraged to wear something orange on this day to show their support for the idea of living in harmony. This will be a multi day for all students, but no money is required.

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Fairfield Bulls Soccer Club

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...Id Bulls Soccer Club welcomes you to the 2016 Soccer season.

Our club has been working with the local community over 45 years to build and maintain a culture of sportsmanship.

We would like to inform you that our juniors’ soccer trial (6-17 Yrs old) has started and it will be running every Monday and Wednesday between 7-9 PM at our home ground, St Johns Park Oval, which is located on Edensor St Johns Park, next to St Johns Bowling Club.

For your enquiry you can call Sabah Nissan on Mob 0439 473 171 or Derek Dankha on Mob 0452 255 759 or visit our website: www.fairfieldbullssooccerclub.com.au
Looking forward to seeing you all.