



Gilles Street Primary School

2014 Newsletters

In 2014, the newsletter will only be available digitally via our webpage (scan the QR code) or via email by subscription. In the event you require a paper copy/ies please advise the classroom teacher of your eldest child ASAP.

Thank you for supporting our efforts to reduce paper.



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Coming Events:

- 3 July Student Flamenco Workshops
- Fri 4 July End of Term 2
- Mon 21 July Pupil Free Day OSHC available
- Tue 22 July Term 3 begins
- Wed 30 July Bill Hansberry Parent Workshop
- Thu 21 August ThinkUKnow Parent Presentation
- Fri 29 August "Let's Get Quizzical"

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From the Principal

Change is in the air I am thrilled to announce that Rachael Tennant in Room 7 (Reception) has been placed in an ongoing position at our school. This means Rachael is here to stay. We are so pleased that we will continue to benefit from her enthusiasm and considerable knowledge in early childhood education.

We also need to congratulate Gyllian Godfrey who has taken up a position as Project Officer - Languages in Flinders Street from the beginning of Term 3 until the end of the year. Gyllian will be sadly missed but will hopefully return in January 2015.

We also need to say congratulations and goodbye to Katie Axford who has taken a position teaching in an International School in Thailand. Katie will be gone for the rest of the year with a possibility of extending into 2015. We wish her all the best and hope to see her back at GSPS in the future. Nick Muxlow will be taking Katie's class for the remainder of the year.

Innovation and learning - TfEL Vicky Bitzios, our Teaching for Effective Learning (TfEL) pilot leader, continues to engage deeply with staff and students to further develop teaching and learning at GSPS. From next year she then moves into other partnership sites. Vicky, staff and I will be running some parent workshops next term and sharing the learning we are doing.

Pupil Free Day and other staff training and development Our next Pupil Free Day will be on Monday 21st July which is day 1, Week 1, Term 3. A majority of staff will be engaging with our Mathematician in Residence, Mike Chartre. The remaining staff will also be exploring aspects of pedagogy in Mathematics.

Angela Plew and Mary Marafioti recently trained as THRASS (Teaching Handwriting Reading and Spelling Skills) Masters. THRASS is the specific pedagogy we use for teaching phonetics. They will be training all staff next term.

Deb McMahon and I are in Melbourne this week to take part in the International Baccalaureate Next Chapter training. IB staff will be training in the new Managebac

programming portal next term.

Development site Additional drilling and core samples have been conducted this week with results reported to the builders. We will then be discussing viable options. I understand and appreciate that many families are feeling frustrated, however we need to ensure that we are following all procedures. I will keep you informed of the progress. It is also wonderful to see an interested group of parents and caregivers forming to take an active and ongoing interest in the school grounds and environment. This group will be meeting soon to develop a list of small projects and working bees to help improve and maintain our grounds. Please let us know if you are interested in joining the group.

"Let's get quizzical"

We are planning a Quiz Night for August 29th. If you have any items (new), gift vouchers etc. that you would like to donate for prizes, raffles etc please see one of the School Council members or front office staff. We will be asking for small items to create class themed baskets early next term.

Deb O'Neill

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ThinkUKnow Presentation



ThinkUKnow is an internet safety initiative which aims to raise awareness of the issues which young people face online and whilst using mobile phones. It is a partnership between the Australian Federal Police (AFP) and Microsoft Australia, and is now proudly supported by

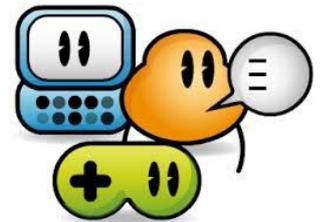
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Gilles Street Primary School will be hosting a ThinkUKnow presentation on Thursday 21st August, 6 - 7:30 pm and all parents, carers and teachers are encouraged to attend. This presentation will cover topics such as how young people are using technology to have fun, online grooming, cyber-bullying, inappropriate content and e-security.

This is a fantastic opportunity for you to learn more about how young people **have fun** online, how you can help them to **stay in control** on the net, and how to **report** a problem.

For more information, you can visit the ThinkUKnow Australia website at www.thinkuknow.org.au or contact Ginny Pryor on 82235184.

More information will be sent out early Term 3. We look forward to seeing you all at the presentation.



SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE



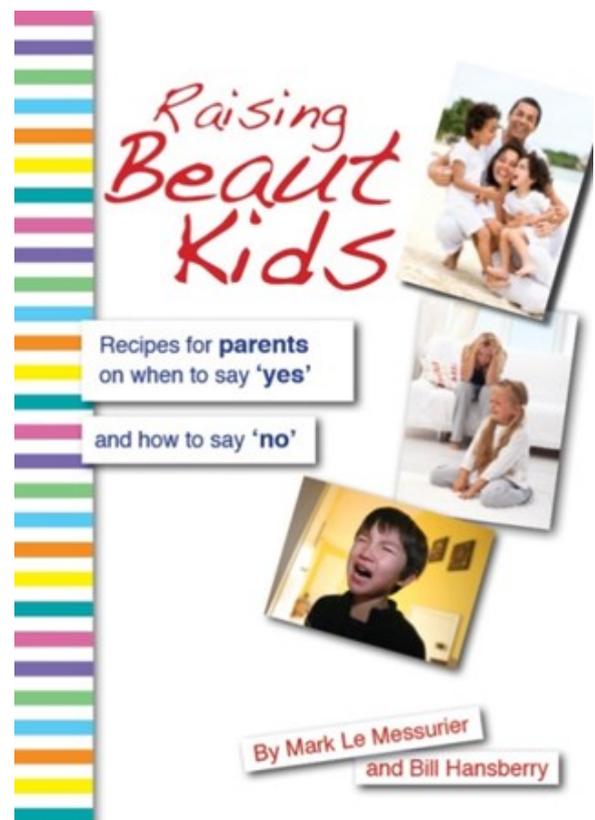
The School Dental Service is the major provider of dental services for babies, children and young people under 18 years in South Australia. Around 130, 000 children attend every year.

The Commonwealth Child Dental Benefits Schedule for 2 – 17 year olds started in 2014.

ALL children are very welcome to continue to access dental care at the School Dental Service. Dental care is FREE for most children and the School Dental Service will bulk-bill Medicare.

Children who do not qualify for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule can also attend – a small fee will apply for each course of general dental care provided.

School Dental Clinics are located across Adelaide and regional SA. To locate your local School Dental Clinic, and for more information about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule, visit www.sadental.sa.gov.au



PARENT WORKSHOP No. 2

“Recipes for Parents/Carers on when to say ‘yes’ and how to say ‘no’.”

Navigating life’s ups and downs - Recipe Rescue: Being the Best RESILIENCE COACH for your kids

When: Wednesday, 30th July 7pm - 9pm

Where: GSPS library - CRECHE AVAILABLE

A Flier will come out early next term

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Poetry - Room 11 Diamantes



Fire

Bold, fierce

Combusting, fiery, cold, wet

Dripped, powered, refreshed

Cool, flooding

Water

By Leyla

Sweet

Sugary, nice-smelling

Sweet-smelling, pudding

Confectionery, candy, dry, bitter

Stinking, stinging, curdled

Bad-tasting, gone bad

Sour

By Mark

Soup & Sox for Hutt St Centre

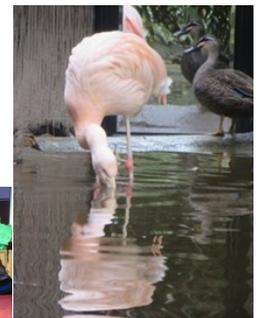
SRC is collecting 'warm winter' donations for the homeless people helped at the Hutt Street Centre. We are collecting donations of cans/tins of soup and noodles. We would also like donations of small items like warm sox, gloves, beanies and scarves for the adults. We will take all our donations in week 3 next term on Friday the 8th of August. Thank you for your support - David and Mohammad Amin (SRC reps)

"We should help homeless people"



Room 18 & 19 Visit the Zoo

On Wednesday the 25th of June, Room 18 and Room 19 went to the Adelaide Zoo. Here are some photos of our exciting excursion.



Destination Zoo

The Adelaide zoo was the destination for three classes, four teachers, two work experience students, two parents, Flinders University students and the Zoo Education Officer, Jonathan Noble, last week.

The theme was **The Arts at the Zoo**. They showed us two plays about the environment and endangered animals.

Group activities were designing and constructing models out of recycled resources, dancing, painting, drawing and plays.

Students had to create small, 2 minute plays about endangered animals like elephants, sun bears, turtles, orangutans and Sumatran tigers.

We had a quick tour of the zoo and spotted everything from meerkats to lions, pandas to flamingos, big and small, feathered and furry, predators and prey. One lucky group got to see an echidna walk through the middle of their group!

We were all super enthusiastic about the activities and animals at the zoo even though we got caught in the rain when we came back.

by Aashna, Ana, Maeve and Sean



OSHC

PUPIL FREE DAY

Monday 21st July 2014

Bookings open

Operating Times:

Open - 7.45am

Closed - 6.00pm

(\$20.00 late pickup fee applies after 6.00pm)

Cost - \$49.00 per child per day (excursion included)

CCB available to eligible Parent/Caregivers

After School Care will be available.

Please pick up booking and excursion consent form from OSHC office.

PLEASE NOTE:

Bookings will be final at the time the booking form is returned to the Service.

No cancellation will be accepted after the booking form is received and Parents/Caregivers will be charged regardless of attendance.

Last day to book:

WEDNESDAY 16th July 2014

without EXCEPTION Ph: 82271746

PLEASE NOTE:

WE WILL HAVE A FUN DAY AT SCHOOL WITH

LUNCH AT FASTA PASTA AND A JUMPING CASTLE IN THE HALL



Friday, 27 June 2014