

STUDENT LED INTERVIEWS ARE TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 11TH.

PLEASE NOTE : THESE INTERVIEWS WILL COMMENCE AT 12:00 PM.

FATHERS DAY STALL



Sunday 7th September is Fathers Day. To help you celebrate and appreciate your dad, we are having another Fathers Day stall on Wednesday 3rd September. Assorted gifts ranging in price from 50c—\$5- will be available for purchase. Any parent, carer or volunteer who can spare time on this day from 9am to help man the stall, would be most appreciated.



Interested in playing cricket?? Southern Pumas Cricket Club is looking for new players to join the under 14team for the upcoming 2014/15 season. Any enquiries to Andrew O'Connor on 0403 484 287.

WANTED (for Art room)

Empty match boxes for this term please. Could each student please supply an empty match box for use in Art.



The Bank of Melbourne continue to conduct school banking every second Wednesday. For those students currently partaking, please note next banking day is Wednesday 10th September. Any students wishing to start school banking, kindly see the representative on that date to sign up and begin saving.



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Forthcoming Events

Grade 6 students continue to visit local kindergartens

September

September 11th—Student led interviews. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE INTERVIEWS COMMENCE AT 12:00 PM.**

September 17th—School Council Meeting (3:50pm)

September 19th— End of term 3. **2:30 finish.**



Look what we found!!! Junior students rejoice after finding dinosaur bones buried in an ancient sandpit within the school grounds. Team leader George, (in white expedition leader coat) hailed the search as a success and proof that these prehistoric creatures once roamed the Hamilton area. Future finds or sightings can be reported to the school, our team is on standby.



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From the Principal's Desk



Our senior students have been out and about this week as they continue on with their Inquiry Learning around sustainable practices in Hamilton. Students have contacted their business of choice and set up meetings in order to interview owners or managers. I visited Mitre 10 this week with a small team as they interviewed Brendan, the store manager. I couldn't help but beam with pride when I noticed a customer trying to read their logo on our new blazers and overhear another adult ask where the students were from. They do look smart in their blazers. I am hoping to introduce these blazers across the senior school (Grade 5 /6) in 2015. These blazers will be sold at below cost price to ensure affordability.

I just want to remind parents that Student Led Interviews will be held on Thursday 11th September. Students are completing work for their visual diary and have begun practising. It is critical that a family member attend these interviews as children have gone to great effort to impress their family.

REMEMBER: School finishes at 12:00pm on Thursday 11th September for these interviews, however students are expected to attend with their family in FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM at their designated time.

The School Bus will not be operating on this day, therefore alternative arrangements will need to be made.

As I continue my walkthrough of the school, I can't help but notice student behaviour that is deteriorating. I have heard in recent days some extreme language used by some of our students, along with violence. Students are very quick to use language they're familiar with, particularly if overheard at home, therefore please be mindful of what is said at home. We will continue to remind students of the appropriate language and level of respect they are to demonstrate to one another, but reinforcement from home is often the key to success. Also I'm saddened to report that we have seen some extreme violence over the last couple of weeks. This is not the answer to solving issues and the school is adopting a zero tolerance to such methods of communication. Any child that hits, pushes, kicks another student will receive the appropriate consequences, so too will students who swear or argue with staff.

Tina Walkeden
Principal

Term Dates 2014

Term 3: 14 July—19 September

Term 4: 6 October—19 December

BE ON TIME EVERY TIME

It takes less time to do a thing right than to explain why you did it wrong.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow



What's happening at GSPS.

ARTIST OF THE WEEK—WEEK 6



This week in art, we worked on information for our Student Led Interviews which are coming up at the end of this term. We also continued our work on Portraits. Junior students created a self-portrait using oil and dry pastels. They could turn themselves into a

king, a princess, a fairy or a superhero. We have been focusing on using "the whole page" and drawing people. Well done Zoe, our Artist of the Week.

Miss Azzopardi's class



Last week my class went to Prestonholme's Nursery as part of our sustainability lesson. We learnt a lot about the nursery as well as how to care for plants. At one stage the cows tried to escape but luckily they didn't get into the plants. The nursery was kind enough to donate some vegetable plants for us to plant in the school garden. These were planted on August 22nd and hopefully in a few weeks we will have some fresh vegies ready to be picked.



Mrs Walkeden's class

As students continue with their Inquiry Learning work, last week they took the time to visit a local business of their choice. They spoke to business owners/managers on their sustainable process.



Here we have Trey, Jye, Mitch & Brooklyn with Angela from Barry Francis.



Ken, from PAC, thanks Kayla, Jacob, Jai and Tajhaun after their discussion.



Reece Plumbing's Brad, explains to Nick, Blake and Joe their sustainable practice.



The mighty helpful Brendan from Mitre 10, answers the hard hitting questions thrown at him by Cooper, Amelia and Ebony.



Demyx Ackroyd—4th September
Chloe Bradley—5th September
Casey Thomas—7th September