PRINCIPAL'S NOTES:

CURRICULUM DAY NOTICE

Tues. 11th June (no students at school)

On Curriculum Day, teachers will be working on Science and Sustainability with a very interesting day being planned. This area of curriculum is very much a key part of what we do at Glen Katherine and we continue to build not only our students’ knowledge and understandings about Science and Sustainability, but also the knowledge and understandings of our staff as well. Tuesday 11th June follows the long weekend which hopefully will suit the majority of our families. The Out of School Hours Care program operates on Curriculum Day and bookings are essential.

SPORT UPDATE

It has been a busy time with a number of students training and participating in cross-country events and as well, next week, students in years 4-6 will participate in our House Athletics day at Meadow Glen Athletics track. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us! All of the competitors are to be congratulated on their determination and effort and ultimately, it’s about trying your hardest and doing the best you can. Whether you win or not, it’s important to be a good sport and just give any event your best effort. No-one can ask any more than that. We wish all of the year 4-6 students well next Wednesday along with those students who have qualified for the next round of Cross Country competition.

STATE SCHOOL SPECTACULAR UPDATE

At least half of the grade 6 students have been working hard in preparation for the State Schools’ Spectacular Performance which will be held on July 27th at Hicense Arena. Three thousand primary and secondary college students participate in this spectacular event. Our students will be participating as dancers or choir members, along with multitudes of other students. Our choir group attended a rehearsal this week at Dallas Brooks Hall and have got their first taste of what it will sound like when they sing with hundreds of other voices. Wow!!! By the end of term, we hope to have both our choir and dance groups join together to perform one of their items at assembly. Well done to all of our performers for their hard work and commitment. There’s a lot to learn and practice so it’s a very busy time ahead. A special thank you to Lucy Dineen, Shazz MacKay, Nikki Ramsay and Leanne Tingwell for the work they are putting in behind the scenes with organizational details and rehearsals.

WELCOME BACK MRS TINGWELL

It’s great to have Mrs Tingwell back at GK again after taking three weeks of very well deserved leave.

Jill Ramsay
Understanding Addition Strategies

Want to help with maths at home? Here is some information about addition that may help.

**Addition** is joining together two or more numbers or amounts to make a total. We use the sign + to show addition. Other words used for addition include add, plus, joined together, the sum of (the answer we get when we add numbers together), more and total.

\[ \text{e.g. } 2 + 4 = 6 \]

\[ \text{+7=10 } \quad 3 \text{ more than } 4 \quad \text{The sum of 4 and 7} \]

**Addition Strategies** are little tricks to help you add numbers in your head. Let’s look at some of them.

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<th>Count on from the larger number to find the total of two numbers (when you are adding 1, 2 or 3)</th>
<th>Fact Families</th>
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<td>e.g. 16+3 (the answer is 19) “Start at 16 and count forward 3. So say 16 and then count on 17, 18, 19. End on 19.”</td>
<td>e.g. 3+12</td>
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<td>You can turn around the numbers. If you know that 12+3=15 then you know that 3+12=15</td>
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<td>e.g. 7+8 (answer is 17) “7+8 is nearly double 7, Double 7 is 14 and this is one more so it’s 15.”</td>
<td>e.g. 8+5</td>
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<td>“You have 8 and can add 2 from the 5 to make 10, and then add the 3 to get 13.</td>
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<th>Combining numbers that add to ten</th>
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<td>e.g. 3+4+7 (answer is 14) “Move the numbers around so that pairs of numbers that add to 10 are together. 3 plus 7 equals 10, so write 3+7+4</td>
<td>e.g. 24+33 (answer 57)</td>
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<td>“Split the tens and ones. Add the tens, add the ones, and then find their total. 24+33= 20+30+4+3= 50+7+57”</td>
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<th>A strategy for adding 9, the Compensation strategy</th>
<th>Hop strategy</th>
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<td>e.g. 16+9 (answer is 25) Adding 9 is the same as adding 10 and then taking away 1. “16+9 is nearly 16+10 So 16 plus 10, minus 1 to get 25</td>
<td>Using a number line and landing on consecutive (one after the other) numbers.</td>
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<td>e.g. 7+2 (answer is 9) Start at 7. Hop and count on 2</td>
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Want to know more? Visit [www.amathsdictionaryforkids.com](http://www.amathsdictionaryforkids.com)

*This site has over 600 mathematical terms and maths words in simple language and has animated definitions and interactive examples.*

GK Maths Team: Leanne Tingwell, Di Bewley, Annette Rough, Luisa Rinaldi
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NEW Yo-Yo Cookies $1.00 each
Pretzels 30g 50c each
Recyclable Lunch Bags $2.00 each

Also looking for extra help on the following days:

1st, 2nd & 4th MONDAY – 1 HELPER NEEDED FOR EACH OF THESE DAYS
2nd & 4th TUESDAY – 1 HELPER NEEDED FOR EACH OF THESE DAYS
2nd FRIDAY – 1 HELPER NEEDED

If you are available on any of these days or for our emergency list, I would really appreciate hearing from you. It is just once a month, 9am to 11.45am.

Cheers, Suzi Cunningham

REMINDERS:

2ND INSTALMENT OF BULK BILLING DUE 30TH MAY.

CSIRO Grade 6 Excursion due
Grade 4—6 House Athletics due

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Catalogues for Issue 4 of Scholastic Book Club were distributed to students this week. If wishing to place an order, please complete the order form and enclose with payment in an envelope which is clearly labelled “BOOKCLUB” and includes the student’s name and grade. [Your purchase may be a “surprise” gift. If this is the case, please contact the Library direct].

For credit card payments, please refer to the Scholastic catalogue. If ordering from more than one catalogue, you can tally them and just make one credit card payment to Scholastic. Please ensure you record the receipt number on the order form and return to school. For your reference, it is a good idea to take note of the receipt number.

Orders for this issue close on Friday 31st May 2013.

Astrid Bathen & Gail Elliott
These awards will be presented at assembly on Monday.

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<td>Carly Park</td>
<td>Consistently coming to school with a positive attitude, and demonstrating excellence in her schoolwork and homework.</td>
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<td>Chelsie Dick</td>
<td>For displaying a more enthusiastic attitude towards reading and persisting with reading tasks. Keep it up Chelsie, you are making great progress!</td>
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<td>5V</td>
<td>Hannah Wade</td>
<td>For showing persistence when tackling new and challenging maths tasks. Well Done Hannah, keep up the good attitude towards your learning.</td>
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<td>Sam James</td>
<td>For showing respect towards the other children in the class, by offering assistance on numerous occasions.</td>
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<td>Cooper James</td>
<td>For his excellent creativity during Carnevale mask making. Bravo. Signora Portaro</td>
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<td>Taya Hansen</td>
<td>For always displaying a positive and responsible approach to her work. Taya willing to give anything ago. Great effort Taya!</td>
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<td>6M</td>
<td>Holly Taylor</td>
<td>For continually trying her hardest in everything that she does. Holly, you always produce such wonderful work due to your persistence and fabulous efforts. Keep up this amazing effort!</td>
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<td>6W</td>
<td>Tiarne Shell</td>
<td>For displaying an enthusiastic attitude towards all class tasks. Tiarne always puts in her best efforts in all that she under takes and willingly participates in class discussions. Well done Tiarne.</td>
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**RESPECT**

**TOLERANCE**

At assembly this week, the following students were congratulated on being noticed for doing the right thing and showing TOLERANCE last week:

Kelsie N (6A), Jade O (4C), Sophie N (3O), Kane M (2O), Keeley G (PD)

Lots of nominations were in the Do the Right Thing box AGAIN. Wow!!! How proud are we of everyone's effort! Keep up the great work!

All nominated students receive their 'Doing the Right Thing' nomination slip to keep and be proud of.

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This week ‘DO RIGHT DETECTIVE’ is looking for:

**CREATIVITY**

which means that we do our own thinking and work and we can come up with new ideas and solutions to problems. We can also use our imagination too!
SPORTS NEWS

DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY
The District Cross Country was held on Thursday 23rd May at Bundoora Park. The team performed extremely well, finishing 2nd overall. The students are to be commended for their commitment to training and efforts on the day. Thank you to Jai Lincoln, Amy Murray, Jane Angel and Mary Green who assisted with the training of the students over the past 4 weeks.

There were many outstanding individual performances with 9 students qualifying for the Division Cross country which will be held on Wednesday 12th June at Bundoora Park.

The following students have qualified –

9/10 boys – Jonas M (8th)
9/10 girls – Cassey W (4th)
11 boys – Liam McMahon (2nd) Artie L (6th)
11 girls – Rhiannon S (2nd), Courtney W (4th), Charlotte M (6th), Kiara F (7th)
12 girls – Abbey R (6th)

Full results are on the PE blog

FINAL SCHOOL PLACINGS
1st HURSTBRIDGE 105
2nd GLEN KATHERINE 83
3rd APOLLO PARKWAYS 72
4th YARRAMBAT 70
5th DCE 69
6th GREENHILLS 56
7th LAURIMER 46
8th PLENTY VALLEY 40
9th DIAMOND CREEK 25
10th SACRED HEART 23

GK CROSS COUNTRY SINGLETS
Cross country singlets need to be returned to the PE office by Monday 3rd June

INTERSCHOOL SPORT RD 5
GK DARKS vs LAURIMER (AWAY)
GK LIGHTS vs SACRED HEART (HOME)

HOUSE ATHLETICS
The House Athletics will be held on Wednesday 5th June at Meadow Glen Athletics Track for Gr 4 – 6 students. The students will participate in high jump, long jump, discus, shotput, 100m, 800m and hurdles throughout the day.

PARENTAL ASSISTANCE REQUIRED
Parental Assistance is required on the day. We need some parents to assist by travelling on the bus to ensure correct students to staff ratios. Other jobs may take the form of timing, measuring distances or assisting at an event. Please contact David Blackburn if you can help out.

DAVID BLACKBURN
(PE & SPORTS COORDINATOR)
Planetkids Playgroup provides fantastic and engaging sessions that cater for the needs of children at each particular stage of development. Playgroup is a great time to interact with your child in a safe and fun environment. We encourage families to play games, share activities and role model friendly play in a group atmosphere.

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