LIFE EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Life Education program empowers young people to make smart life choices for a healthy future. The Life Education Team has begun the visiting workshops. From November 16th – 21st, notes have been sent home with all students explaining the program designed for their class.

SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

Our Year 6 and Year 7 students headed off on their annual camps last week. For both camps, the attendance was high – an increase on previous camps, which is a measure of the confidence the kids have in heading off, away from home and all our parent community recognising the very positive learning experiences that camps engender.

Best of West!

As we enter the last 2½ terms, we are starting to 'wrap up' various features of our year. This includes the award that is a key element of the School Wide Positive Behaviour System.

The review of our SWPBS processes conducted last year, revealed a need to acknowledge the positive behaviour of our students more systematically and specifically. This result in the formalisation of our green card data and 'Bronze – Silver – Gold' awards being presented at whole school assembly.

Best of West! as a highly aspirational and elite-level award was introduced.

To be nominated for a Best of West award, students must have attained a Gold Certificate (positive behaviour – safe, responsible, respectful); must have 'straight A's for performance OR effort (academic application); and must have an attendance record of better than 95% (less than 10 days absent).

Students who meet these criteria are 'presented to the staff – a 'yes'! Don't know' staff survey will be conducted; a 'No' would be recorded only if a staff member is aware of an adverse issue or event involving that student and will result in that student being removed from the list of nominees. Best of West Students will be listed on our BOW Plaque that will be displayed in the office for 12 months.

The vast majority of our students have earned at least a Bronze Certificate – that is a minimum of 25 'green cards' acknowledging the positive behaviour displayed by the students. WOW!

Achieving a Silver of Gold Certificate, means the student has consistently sustained on that minimum. Woohoo!

To be named as a Best of West student, is OMG – outstanding, Magnificent and Glorious!!

GRANDPARENTS DAY – WEDNESDAY 13 NOVEMBER

Grandparents – or those other friends, aunts and uncles who undertake the grandparent role – are very important in the lives of our students. Our staff benefit greatly by offering them the opportunity to show their work to their beloved grandchildren.

'Grandparents' are invited to visit classrooms between 9am – 10am and then all meet up for morning tea at 10am which will be provided for our visiting grandparent. Parents may join between A Block and B Block after they have finished perusing the classrooms.

ATTENDANCE – Every Day Counts

What a difference a Day Makes
• Missing One Day a Term is 2 weeks
• Missing One Day a Week is 9 weeks
• Missing One Day a Year is 400 days + 2 years of school!!!

Throughout 2013, one of our goals has been around student attendance and our target was to match the Education Queensland expectation of 95% or above.

Our attendance for the Year to Date is 92.4% and for Term 4 it is 93.6%, Year level attendance to date:

Prep - 92.7% Year 4 – 92.4% Year 9 – 91.9%

Year 1 – 92.3% Year 5 – 92.0% Year 10 – 92.2%

Year 2 – 91.8% Year 6 – 90.0% Year 11 – 91.4%

Year 3 – 93.2% Year 7 – 90.5%

PAC

The November meeting will be on tonight at 6.30pm in the staffroom in Administration building. All welcome.

MUSIC UPDATE

Upcoming Events

Thursday 21 November – Book Fair

Friday 22 November – Rocktober Roller Disco

Christmas Performances

The Gladstone PCYC Roller Derby League (GRD), in conjunction with the Gladstone PCYC, are proud to present the ROCKTOBER Roller Disco on Friday, November 15. We hope your students (and parents and staff) may be interested in attending.

DISTANCE LEARNING

ROCKTOBER ROLLER DISCO

The Gladstone PCYC Roller Derby League (GRD), in conjunction with the Gladstone PCYC, are proud to present the ROCKTOBER Roller Disco on Friday, November 15.

The Gladstone PCYC Roller Derby League is proudly presenting: A roller rocking disc for all ages $10 includes skate hire, door prizes, games and a rocking soundtrack.

Friday, November 15 from 6.30pm until 9pm
At Gladstone PCYC, Yarram St.

FURTHER INQUIRIES

SCHOOL TELEPHONE NUMBER – 4979 7333
www.facebook.com/GladstoneWestStateSchool

RICHARD HAWKES)

STUDENT ABSENCE LINE – 4979 7366

library@ gladstone-ws.qld.gov.au

ROCKTOBER ROLLER DISCO

The Gladstone PCYC Roller Derby League (GRD), in conjunction with the Gladstone PCYC, are proud to present the ROCKTOBER Roller Disco on Friday, November 15. We hope your students (and parents and staff) may be interested in attending.

DISTANCE LEARNING

ROCKTOBER ROLLER DISCO

The Gladstone PCYC Roller Derby League (GRD), in conjunction with the Gladstone PCYC, are proud to present the ROCKTOBER Roller Disco on Friday, November 15.

The Gladstone PCYC Roller Derby League is proudly presenting: A roller rocking disc for all ages $10 includes skate hire, door prizes, games and a rocking soundtrack.

Friday, November 15 from 6.30pm until 9pm
At Gladstone PCYC, Yarram St.

FURTHER INQUIRIES

SCHOOL TELEPHONE NUMBER – 4979 7333
www.facebook.com/GladstoneWestStateSchool

RICHARD HAWKES)

STUDENT ABSENCE LINE – 4979 7366

library@ gladstone-ws.qld.gov.au

C一类