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Please telephone this number to advise the office of your child’s absence from school.

30th October, 2014
FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Visit Our Website
Parents and community are encouraged to visit our website: www.upmtgravss.eq.edu.au

Our site has:
- Current newsletter
- Student notices
- Enrolment information
- Handbook
- Responsible Behaviour Plan
- School dates
- Links to YouTube with school movies
- Links to KidsMatter and You Can Do It!
- Staff information
- School profile and history
- Community information
- P&C events – tuckshop – unishop – swim club
- School Annual Report and link to My School website

School Captains 2015
The process for becoming a student leader is challenging and rewarding. I would like to acknowledge each applicant who will:
- Participate in leadership preparation
- Prepare and submit a written application
- Undertake an interview where students validate their leadership skills

Leadership is about doing something, it’s living life to the fullest and being the best you can be. Everyone at Upper Mt Gravatt State School has the potential to be a leader and make a difference every day. I am very proud of our students and their pursuit in being successful. School captains will be selected the week commencing 3 November.

ROC Race Challenge
It is an exciting time at Upper Mt Gravatt this term. Students, staff and parents are using the before school boot camps to prepare for this year’s ROC Race. There are many new challenges and the water slide and mud pit are the most popular. Please put Friday 21 November in your diary.

Prep Interviews
We are currently conducting interviews for Prep 2015 enrolments. Please contact the school office if you wish to enrol your child in Prep for 2015. The Prep transition morning will be held on Wednesday 3 December at 9am.

G20 Summit Holiday
Upper Mt Gravatt State School will be closed on Friday 14 November due to Brisbane hosting the G20 Summit.

Warm Regards
Derek Brady
DATE CLAIMERS
Year 3 Sleepover
30 – 31 October
Pitstop Car Wash
Saturday 1 November
Special Parade
Thursday 13 November
G20 Summit Holiday
Friday 14 November
ROC Race Challenge
Friday 21 November
Prep Transition Morning
Wednesday 3 December

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
Week 3: Chantelle 6A; Adam 5A; Deniz 5A; Cindy 3A; Matilda 3B; Isabelle 2A; Rafaelee 2B; Lenard 1A; Claudia 1B; Styli 1C; Joey PB; Nicholas PC; Ellyan Lady Gowrie Kindergarten;
HPE Award: 1C & 6A
Chaplain Award: 7A
Music Class Award: 4B

Week 4: Yusof PC; Alesha 1B; Finbarr 1A; Nandu 5B; Harmony 5B; Sara PA; Maya PA; Isabella 4A; Jackson 6B; Cody 6B

ADMINISTRATION NEWS
Upper Mt Gravatt State School is now on Twitter! Follow us @UPMTGSGS for the latest school communication and updates.

Remembrance Day
Poppies, badges and pens will be on sale in the office for Remembrance Day on behalf of the Returned & Services League of Australia in early November.

China Trip News Update – LOTE Teacher: Lilian Chan
Thank you to all the parents who came along to our information session recently in relation to the 2015 China trip. We appreciate that not all parents were able to attend so in this newsletter, we are including a summary of what was presented.
This message is an Expression of Interest so that we can determine if a trip to China will go ahead. We kindly ask that you consider the information we have provided in this newsletter and register any interest in this trip by way of a return slip which is on the last page of the information letter, to the school office, no later than 10 November 2014.

Eligible Students: Year 5 and 6 students who will be studying Mandarin Chinese in 2015. Parents are also welcome to come along on this trip, with their child. Please note that any parent who wishes to attend this trip must hold a current blue card – please contact Lilian Chan for further information.

Proposed Travel Dates: 18th to 28th September 2015
Supervisor of the Trip: LOTE Teacher - Lilian Chan, UMGS staff members and any other parents express such an interest.
Approximate Cost for the Trip (per person): $2800-$3300AUD (this may be subject to change depending on the money conversion rates at the time and any other airport tax fees as may be required). This approximate cost will cover the airline tickets fares, accommodation for the full duration of the trip, all meals (except for two meals where students will be given the opportunity to order whatever food they wish to try), entrance fees for all attractions and tuition fees for lessons with a local Chinese school. Please note that this estimate provided does not include fees that are required for visas, passports or travel insurance – this will be at each student’s responsibility.

Other Costs: It is recommended students take no more than $500.00 to purchase any souvenirs or gifts they would like. Please see Admin for a copy of the proposed itinerary.

SPORTS NEWS
World Cup Soccer – 2014
This year was the 10th year the WSC competition has been running at UMGS. Because it was our tenth year, I decided to contact all of the English Premier League clubs to see if they had any giveaways I could award as prizes. Aston Villa and Chelsea responded with some neat giveaways, with Aston Villa providing a bag of goodies that I was able to give to the players in their team, with some left over as prizes for others in the competition.

Brisbane Roar was also generous with their support, as was the Aust. Football Federation, supplying 48 soccer balls which were presented to the students who showed up every week to play for their teams (thanks to Mr Luke Brady).

Mitch Nichols (ex Brisbane Roar player) donated his playing shirt signed by this year’s Roar players, to be used as a trophy (thanks to Miss Megan Stalley). We decided to mount the shirt in a frame and we used this as the trophy which will be presented each year to the winning team. This will be known as the ‘Mitch Nichols Trophy’ and will be retained in the Library as a perpetual trophy for the World Cup Soccer competition.

This year we had 16 teams in the competition – a total of 110 students from years 4 to 7. The competition was fierce and there was always a strong of enthusiastic students wanting to fill in for any absentee(s). At the end of the 7-game round-robin competition, the following table shows the results – the first 4 teams in each pool went through to the quarter-finals held in the last week of term 3.

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| Mon | Quarter Final 1: Brisbane Roar vs Stoke City |
| Tue | Quarter Final 2: Melbourne City vs Perth Glory |
| Wed | Quarter Final 3: Newcastle Jets vs Tottenham Hotspurs |
| Thu | Quarter Final 4: Sydney FC vs Adelaide United |

Semi-final 1: Brisbane Roar vs Tottenham Hotspurs
Semi-final 2: Melbourne City vs Adelaide United
Final: Brisbane Roar 3 vs Adelaide United 1

A special thank-you goes to Mr Luke Brady and Mr Good for supporting the competition by giving up their lunch hours to assist with umpiring. I also wish to sincerely thank those students in my class who helped every lunch hour last term to make the competition run successfully (sometimes even umpiring for me: Flynn the ball boy; Shani and Joseph for looking after the bibs, ably assisted by Kenyi, Billy, Blake and Tommi; Sebastian, Keelan and Kasino for general assistance when needed; and a really big thank you to Carlinish (assisted by Viniana and Monica) for keeping the records from each game and keeping the score boards up to date. All of these people made my job a lot easier this year, and made the competition run very smoothly.

Well done, everyone, and congratulations to everyone who participated. Sport is not about winning, it’s all about: the friends you make, the fun you have, and the way you play the game.
Bruce McDonald
World Cup Soccer Coordinator

CHAPPY’S CHAT
Greetings
What’s the latest?

Year 4 Camp – Thunderbird Park
Last week, the majority of our year 4 students attended school camp at Thunderbird Park. I had an amazing opportunity to join in the fun with a variety of activities which included: high rope courses, flying foxes, swimming, bushwalking and a sky walk. Our students gained confidence in their physical abilities, made new friends and organised themselves extremely well. A special thanks to: Mr Good, Miss Slattery and Mr Johnson who planned,
organised and ran a variety of activities that met our students physical, social and emotional needs.

Kindy Visit
I have recently had the pleasure of visiting Lady Gowrie Kindergarten - our local kindy just down Carson's Lane. There will be a number of students from the kindy joining our school in Prep in 2015. I am hoping that seeing a familiar face will assist the children in their transition and I will attend another two visits in December.

Breakfast Club
Every Wednesday 8:00-8:30am
Either at or behind the Tuckshop area
Free toast and Milo
Free tea/coffee for parents/caregivers
It's great to see our children enjoying a good breakfast on Wednesdays so they can have the best start for their school day.

Year 6 and Year 7 Celebrations with Miss Robyn
As a special treat, the Year 6 and 7 students will be invited to join in a time of celebration. The boys will be invited to participate in a Pizza and Games lunch. The girls will be invited to participate in a High Tea (Fancy afternoon tea). The Year 7 students will have already received their invitations with the Year 6 students to receive theirs shortly.

The dates are as follows:
Thursday 6 Nov Year 7 Boys Pizza and Games
Friday 7 Nov Year 7 Girls High Tea
Thursday 27 Nov Year 6 Boys Pizza and Games
Friday 28 Nov Year 6 Girls High Tea

High Tea - this fancy afternoon tea starts at second break (1:00pm) and finishes at 2:55pm. It will be held at the Performing Arts Centre (PACh) at school. The girls may wish to bring good casual clothes to change into at school at 1pm. This is at no cost to the girls and all food and drinks will be provided.

Pizza and Games - this will be held at second break, 1:00pm until 1:45pm under the Grade 7 building ('A' Block). This is at no cost to the boys and the pizza and games will be provided.

Lost Property
Shirts, hats, lunchboxes! Please check for lost property located outside Miss Robyn's room.

Coffee and a Chat?
My working days are Monday, Wednesday and Fridays 9am - 3pm. You may choose to drop in to the Community Room which is 2 doors from the office. Alternatively you may wish to make an appointment to see me. I am more than happy to make you a coffee and have a chat.

All the best from your Happy Chappy
Miss Robyn

P&C NEWS
Swim Club
This summer, don't spend time driving your children to activities here & there.
Swim Club = One Membership, One Location, One Hour - Done!
Swim Club is a great all round sport for ALL ages and a true family activity.
The swim season kicked off with a bang on our first Friday night. Many people took advantage of the Free Fun Swim Night hosted by the swim club. The BBQ sizzled, the water was lovely and the kids had fun - pretty much what happens every Friday night! It's not too late to join. A great value activity for the whole family.
17 weeks of swimming at just $70 for a single membership and $85 for a family membership.
Contact us for enquiries or a registration form at umgawimclub@hotmail.com

ROC Race
There will be a registration table outside the canteen on Friday 7th November from 8:15am for the return of sponsorship forms and consent forms. The ROC crew will be available to answer any questions you may have. Teeshirts have been ordered and delivery is expected early November. If you are available to volunteer on the day please make yourself known to the ROC Crew.

KICK START A CAREER IN THE BEAUTY INDUSTRY
Our proud sponsor, Australis College, are very excited to announce the launch of their Diploma of Beauty Therapy.
The Diploma of Beauty Therapy is a comprehensive course for those looking to start a career or begin working in the Beauty industry.
Australis College offer flexible study arrangements, so you can choose a mode of study that fits in with your busy lifestyle.
To find out more about the program and how you can apply, visit www.australiscollege.edu.au/courses/dip-beauty-therapy or call 1300 887 961 and ask to speak with a friendly course adviser.

HALLOWEEN BLUE LIGHT DANCE PARTY
Mount Gravatt Blue Light will be holding a Halloween Blue Light Dance Party at 7pm on Friday the 20th November, 2014 at Mt Gravatt PCYC, 50 Klump Road, Upper Mt Gravatt next to the Hibiscus Centre.
The dance is for children aged between 7 and 14 years old. The dance finishes at 9:30pm and cost of entry is $7.
Prizes to be won for best Halloween costume.
The dance is fully supervised by police officers and current blue card holders.

YEAR 7 2015 ORIENTATION MORNING AT CLAIRVAUX MACKILLOP COLLEGE
To make the transition easier from primary school to secondary school, Clairvaux Mackillop College will hold two Orientation Meetings for new students. These will be held on Thursday, 30 October and Thursday, 6 November.
The program commences at 9:00am and should finish by 11:30am, at which time parents are requested to collect their children. Students have been advised to wear their current primary school uniform.
If possible, they would prefer that students at Upper Mt Gravatt State School attend the Orientation Meeting on Thursday, 6 November at 9:00am.

Messages from the Team:
YMCA will be supporting the School ROC Race. You’ll have to guess who the Night Owl is this time! A big THANKS to Scott Offer for the donated Petrie Dishes. They’ll make good specimen jars for insects and small items found during outdoor activities. Please check us out on Facebook and ‘Like’ Zonike’s Summer Vacation Care, Holiday Club competition entry. Zonike has the chance of having artwork appear on the front page going out to well over 3500 families.

What we’ve been doing:
Paige, Zonike, Tatum, Kendra, Jake, Rueben and Ava had a go at bubble painting, a difficult task which we are still refining. Children have also been commenting on the My Time Our Place Reflections which will be printed and bound into a booklet for all families to view.

Join us for:
3 Our Famous Pancake and Hot Cocolate Breakfast
November 4th 7-8am at A Block.
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