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**Celebrating the Strengths of Gardeners Road**
Thank you to all families who attended our Meet & Greet evening. It was a great success with more families coming along than ever.

At Gardeners Road we believe that education is about the whole child. Academic, behavioural, physical, social and emotional outcomes are important. Our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) program is designed to meet those outcomes.

This year students will continue to be rewarded for achieving 20 G-Force awards for being safe and respectful at school. Students will also receive G-Port awards for academic achievement and be invited to a special celebration with me when they achieve bronze, silver or gold levels.

There is a more detailed sheet of information about our award system included further in the Gazette.

A special thank you to Kester, Asher, Lila, Nicholas, Abbygail, Taj and their families! The school grounds are looking much better thanks to their hard work.

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**Well done Stevany!**
Stevany was awarded a special prize for her artwork below. Thank you for sharing this with us Stevany.

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**Let’s keep our students safe**
Please use the correct gate to enter the school. If you are walking, the gate to use is at the corner of Botany and Gardeners Road located at the intersection. Please remember to shut the gate behind you. Thank you.
Class 3B loved writing about food!

**Chocolate**
Dark chocolate
It’s yummy, gooey.
I’m dreaming I can swim in chocolate.
It feels like I’m drinking a whole chocolate pool.
It’s my favourite food!
It’s icky
It’s rich
It’s sweet
That’s chocolate.

**Fruit Salad**
Banana is soft while you eat
Nice and juicy watermelon is nothing you can beat
And mango very sweet!
Apple very crunchy
Pear ripe and green.
Add a few grapes
Best fruit salad I’ve ever seen.

**Ice-cream**
Ice-cream is cold.
Ice-cream is sweet.
Ice-cream makes me sick when it melts.
Ice-cream makes me happy and free.

**School Costs and Contributions**
A big thank you to those parents who have already paid for school costs and contributions.

Every parent at our school received a list of school fees and costs. A note will soon be sent home about the cost of individual class workbooks.

Please note that School and P&C funds are voluntary. However, these funds are used by the school to fund our literacy and numeracy programs and benefit all our students.

The other costs, including music, are not voluntary and do require payment.

If you are having difficulty with payment please be aware families are able to pay costs off over the year rather than all at once. Please don’t hesitate to discuss this with me.

**Budgeting & Planning**
As a school we are committed to providing the optimal learning environment for all our students. We are also aware of the need to consider the requests made of parents in terms of money and resources.

Below are the requirements that apply to all students. A more complete list with information about class requirements will soon be distributed.

Information about excursions and in-school experiences will be provided as soon as the planning is completed.

Payment for the items below can be made any time from now. Credit Card payment is available in the office.

**Thank you for your support with this.**

| Music Program | $70 per student |
| Paper Levy | $5 per student |
| P&C Fundraising Contribution | $5 per family |
| School Contribution | $38 (or discounted family rate of $32 per student) |
| Reading Eggs | $10 per student |

**Ms Kim Sheen - Principal**

**From an interview with Doctor Seuss.**

On how long he expected the Cat in the Hat to take to write: “I figured I could knock it off in a week or so.”

On how long it really took: “A year and a half.”

On nonsense: “I like nonsense, it wakes up the brain cells. Fantasy is a necessary ingredient in living; it’s a way of looking at life through the wrong end of a telescope. Which is what I do, and that enables you to laugh at life’s realities.”
Ms Sheen,

I strongly believe that we should get new books in the library for the following reasons.

Firstly, we need a wider range of books. In the library there are books that everyone has read at least once. I have read a series of books but once I finished I went on a search but there were only books I had already read. The books in the library are mostly books that are too easy or books that are not interesting.

If you don’t have enough money in the school to buy new books then we could raise money by holding fundraisers. We could set the lolly shop up again or have a disco. There are more ideas that I haven’t thought of yet.

Our class (5/6S) has done a survey and the results show that 65% say we should get more fiction books. 93% said that we should get more books. This survey clearly demands that the majority of students/people want new books in the library.

In conclusion, 93% of people and I say we should get new books. Can you make this dream come true? If this didn’t convince you, I don’t think I have any other arguments that would.

Jasmine

Dear Ms Sheen,

We should get new books in the library and here is why.

Firstly, we should get new books so we can stay on track with our learning. We always learn when we read, even if it is a fiction book. For example we learn new words and improve our writing and reading. Also we need more non-fiction books in our library to learn about the wonders in this world and how this world works.

Further, if you don’t have enough money to buy better books you could organise a disco and use the disco money for books or you could just organise a raffle and use that money for books. There are so many ways to get money for books that I didn’t include in this letter. You could even sell old books from the library.

Finally, we conducted a survey for children and teachers in the playground and here are the results. 93% of the children said yes that they want new books in the library and 7% said no they didn’t. 65% of the children said they like fiction more than non-fiction and 35% said they like non-fiction more than fiction. You could buy books based on the survey.

This is why we should get new books in the library – to keep our learning on track.

Daniela

The P & C AGM will be held at 6.30pm, 10th March in the school staff room followed by our usual P & C meeting. The P & C executive positions are decided at this meeting. If you would like to nominate yourself for a role, or join the P & C, please feel free to attend.

NEXT P & C MEETING: First Tuesday of every month. Everyone is welcome.

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What's a G-Force at Gardeners Road?
To be part of the G-Force team, students need to collect 20 G-Force cards. These cards are given to students by all teachers at the school for ways in which they show that they are being Safe, Respectful Learners.

Students are rewarded with G-Force cards for things like moving around and playing safely, being considerate and helping others, lining up quietly and sensibly, taking care of property, being a team player, making the right choices and even for things like remembering to use an inside voice when moving through the building.

Once students have their 20 G-Force cards they are acknowledged in our K-6 Assembly. Our special G-Force song is sung to these students as part of our whole school acknowledgement. They will be rewarded for their effort by the Principal at a morning Assembly with a G-Force Prize. Photos of the students achieving their 20 G-Force cards will be displayed on the G-Force Wall located at the front Office and have their names printed in the school Gazette.

What's a G-Port at Gardeners Road?
The G-Port is a Passport system that operates at the school to acknowledge student academic learning and progress. Students work through Bronze, Silver and Gold levels by collecting stickers to put onto their G-Port cards in the classroom.

At each of the levels (Bronze, Silver and Gold) students will need to collect 20 stickers to be rewarded with first a ribbon (Trainee), then a pennant (Sidekick) and after that a medallion (G-Force Hero).

Those students achieving their ribbon, pennant and medallion status will be acknowledged at assembly and in the Gazette. They will also be invited to a special celebration with the Principal.
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