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### Celebrating the Strengths of Gardeners Road

I would like to acknowledge all the students who do the right thing in the playground at recess and lunchtime. Doing the right thing at Gardeners Road means:

- **Being safe** – being in the right place at the right time and keeping our hands and feet to ourselves.
- **Being respectful** – respecting the property of others and the school, listening to others, and taking turns when playing.
- **Being a learner** – listening to, and following, teacher instructions.

When I walk in the playground it is great to see so many instances of students following these expectations and having lots of fun at the same time.

Congratulations to the following students for becoming members of the **G Force**.

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Congratulations to the following students for achieving **G Port** medallions for doing their personal best in learning.

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### Musical Morning

I look forward to hearing our school band perform at morning assembly next week. Parents are welcome to come along and listen.

You are invited to:

**Inaugural Band Performance for 2015.**

When: 8.55 am  
Wednesday, 25th March.

Where: Morning Assembly

**Informed and Active Citizenship**

Bosko (5/6G) is shaving his hair for charity. Please support Bosko by bringing a gold coin donation to morning assembly on Wednesday 25th March.
Chess Champions
Well done Ellen, Yigit, Joshua and Bradley for representing our school so successfully at a recent chess tournament. Our team ranked third – a great result! Thank you also to Mr Kubala for coaching and organising the team.

Great learning happening in 1H
It was great to visit 1H and see the wonderful work that is being done by the students and Ms Huynh.

An important part of developing high level literacy skills involves visualisation. The class have been using a quality text called The Secret Garden.

In the work below, Mobina is being asked to use her imagination to create an image matching the description provided by Ms Huynh.

The whole class has been working on developing an extensive vocabulary based on the characters in The Secret Garden. The class has created word banks of adjectives to describe Mr Craven and Mary.

“One glance at a book and you hear the voice of another person, perhaps someone dead for 1,000 years. To read is to voyage through time.”
- Carl Sagan

Dominique (below) wrote a great recount of her weekend.

Abbygail completed this work (below) in reading groups. She did a great job of understanding and describing the character’s feelings.

The students are reading and writing daily and increasing their knowledge of different types of texts.
James has been doing some great work in Mathematics.

Wow! Some students in 1H are just about ready to be teachers.

Very Important People

Celebrating and recognising the strengths of individuals is an important part of the program in Ms Beattie and Ms McDermott’s class.

Congratulations Will on being a 2/1MB VIP.

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 of 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.

Ms Kim Sheen – Principal

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| **Week 9:** Parent /Teacher meetings commence  
Tuesday 24 March  
School Photos |
| **Week 10:** Parent/Teacher meetings continue  
Thursday 2 April  
Easter Hat Parade |

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.

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

Payment for the mandatory fees, contributions, and items invoiced and sent to parents can be made at any time but would be appreciated before the end of term. Payment can be made in the office by either cash, cheque, or credit card.

Thank you for your support with this.

Reminder School Photos
Please ensure children are in full school uniform on Tuesday 24 March.

Stewart House Bags
Stewart House bags were sent home earlier in the term. Please return them by Week 1 next term. Thank you for your support with this.

Stewart House provides a wonderful opportunity to many children from NSW public schools to receive care and assistance in an educational setting.

Bags can be returned to the office area.

Thank you.
Gardeners Rd Public School invites you to come to school on

Thursday 2nd April at 2pm

for

our Annual Fun Easter Hat Parade.

Students will be wearing their creative hats that they have made with their buddy classes and the P and C will draw the Easter raffles.

Please help raise funds for our school by purchasing Easter Eggs and donating them for our annual “Easter Guessing Competition”.

We will use your donated eggs to create wonderful baskets of chocolate goodies.

Please bring your eggs to morning assembly where the children are invited to put them in the Easter Bunny Basket. You may also take them to the school office if you want to avoid eggs being crushed in school bags.

Tickets have been sent home and are $1.00 each or 6 tickets for $5.00. Prizes will be drawn at the Hat Parade at school on 2nd April.

Thank you for your support.

P & C Executive
Local Rosebery and Mascot businesses are invited to have a regular ad placement in Gardeners Road School’s newsletter each week. Prices (by the term) from $75 incl. GST. The ad sizes are: 1. Business Card size – 90mm x 50mm; 2. Banner size – 165mm x 28mm; 3. Double Ad (Portrait) size – 90mm x 104mm. All submissions must be in jpeg or pdf format.

Please contact Claire Williams on 0447573309 or email her at claire@insydneytutoring.com.au if you would like to place an advertisement. While we exercise due care, Gardeners Road Public School does not endorse or guarantee any goods or services advertised.

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Bosko Stosic 5/6G

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Community Advertising

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