Wednesday, 26th April 2017 Dear Families,

NEWSLETTER – Week 1 Term 2

Welcome back

We were all pleased to welcome back students the holiday break and to see their smiling faces.

'Wired to Relate' by Maggie Dent

As humans we are biologically wired to be social beings living in relationships within smaller units called families within larger units called communities. We are not meant to live alone or be separate from other humans.

When communities lived much more closely together and focused on the greater good, it seemed that everyone thrived better especially our young children and our elderly folk.

To ensure our physical, mental, social, emotional and cognitive wellbeing, we need to have loving and caring relationships of some kind. Within such relationships what we are seeking is intimacy – a close sense of belonging that is nurtured and valued as often as possible. There is a lot of research to suggest technology is sadly eroding social skills and relationships.

Happy birthdays

Last term we celebrated Dyllan's 16th birthday and Jayden's 14th birthday. Thank you to their families for providing such delicious cakes.



Tamworth excursion

The excursion to Tamworth during the last week of term was a huge success with the students. All of the students had a fantastic time at JumpUp Trampoline Zone then lunch at Endeavour Park. Thank you to our older students who had to take care of their younger 'buddy' throughout the day.



Ryley's farewell

Last Friday of Term 1 we had a farewell party for Ryley's last day. Ryley's sister Carly will be attending university in Newcastle and there will be a lot more post school options for Ryley once he finishes school. We wish Ryley and his family all the best for their new chapter in Newcastle.

Thank you to Kath Lord who organised a farewell book which showed Ryley's time over his 5 years at GS Kidd School. The students and staff included some lovely hand written messages for Ryley to remember us by.



DATES

AECG meeting – Thursday, 4th May

RDA – Friday, 5th May

Tennis with Robyn Louis – Thursday 11th May, 'Sporting Schools' starts in week 2 (fitness group until tennis) and finishes in week 9 each term **P&C meeting –** Thursday 4th May, 6pm at Imperial Hotel. RSVP to office

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STAR OF THE WEEK



Dyoaka Morris – showing a huge improvement in social skills across all settings