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Borough Bulletin 12 September 2019	
Monday 16 September 2019	Historical Expo – Grades 3 & 4 – 9.45am to 10.45am Yoga Classes – Final Session
Tuesday 17 September 2019	Curriculum Day – Student Free Day
Thursday 19 September 2019	Terrific Toy Incursion – Grades 1 & 2
Friday 20 September 2019	Last Day of Term 3 – Early finish 1.30pm Footsteps Dance Session 10
Monday 7 October 2019	Term 4 commences – 9.00am
Thursday 10 October 2019	Grade 2 Sleep Over
Friday 11 October 2019	Fire Education - Prep
Friday 25 October 2019	2019 Swimming Program
Monday 28 October 2019	Fire Education - Prep
Friday 1 November 2019	2019 Swimming Program
Monday 4 November 2019	Curriculum Day
Tuesday 5 November 2019	Public Holiday – Melbourne Cup Day
Friday 8 November 2019	2019 Swimming Program 2020 Prep Orientation Day - First session
Friday 15 November 2019	2019 Swimming Program 2020 Prep Orientation Day - Second session
Thursday 21 November 2019	Grade 5 Experience Day – Greensborough Secondary College
Friday 22 November 2019	2019 Swimming Program 2020 Prep Orientation Day - Third session
Friday 29 November 2019	2019 Swimming Program 2020 Prep Orientation Day – Fourth session
Friday 6 December 2019	2019 Swimming Program
Tuesday 10 December 2019	Year 7 Transition Day
Thursday 12 December 2019	Grade 6 Graduation
Monday 16 December 2019	Christmas Picnic
Wednesday 18 December 2019	Grade 6 Big Day Out Excursion
Friday 20 December 2019	Last Day of Term 4 2019 – Early finish at 1.30pm

Principal's Report

What a magnificent morning it was last Tuesday as our students performed for our inaugural dance concert! The delight on their faces to see so many family members in the audience, was wonderful to witness. Our students were well rehearsed and gave excellent performances. One of the highlights was the choir, who had their first public presentation. The choir has been invited to perform at the Greensborough Plaza Christmas Concert on Friday 6th December and we hope that their performance on Tuesday has inspired others to join their ranks.

Based on the positive feedback we have received from everyone in our community, we plan to make the concert an annual event and would love your feedback on your preference for a day or evening performance. There is a form at the end of the newsletter for families to complete and send us your preference. Next year we will give families notice well in advance of the event.

The Montmorency Secondary College auditorium was packed to capacity and we thank all the family members who attended. I'd also like to thank Kasi for preparing our choir, dance instructor, Michelle, and Laura for organising the venue. Special thanks also to Montmorency SC for allowing us free use of the auditorium and Jayden the sound and light technician.



Congratulations

We are very proud of past student Anya B, who has been named School Captain of Montmorency Secondary College for 2020. Anya was an excellent school leader at Greensborough Primary and we are very pleased that her skills and qualities have continued to be recognised. Greensborough Primary has a terrific track record for fostering the leadership talents of our students, as past pupils Chloe R. and Ryan S. were 2019 School Captains for Montmorency SC and Nicholas F. held the position in 2018.

Parking

Several parents have notified me that they have recently been fined for parking during drop off or pick up times, in spaces that have historically been acceptable to park in. I have contacted Banyule Council and arranged a meeting to discuss the issue and clarify parking regulations in adjacent streets. I encourage any parents who have received a fine, to contact Banyule Council to clarify the matter or advise them that you are waiting on the outcome of the meeting between the school and council traffic division. We are fortunate that School Councillor, Nicole R, is a traffic engineer and has offered her assistance to resolve the issue.

Rewarding Brilliant Behaviour!

As stated in the last newsletter we are rewarding students who display our school values by issuing them a raffle ticket. At Monday morning assembly, a ticket is drawn and one lucky student receives a \$20 voucher for Greensborough Plaza. Against all odds, as there are hundreds of tickets to choose from, Kaitlyn T's name was drawn for the last two weeks! Kaitlyn is a very deserving winner who consistently strives to achieve her best, and shows respect and empathy to her peers and younger students.

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COMPASS

Thank you to School Council President, Kim H. for organising a presentation of COMPASS Online School Management System for us recently. The features of the program are impressive and will modernise and streamline our communication with families and many of our day to day administration tasks, as well as reporting to parents. We have long wanted to implement COMPASS or similar program, however the cost was always a barrier. Fortunately COMPASS was offering a 'deal' for schools who sign up in third term and the cost for one year's licence has been reduced, along with the cost of implementing 'Kiosk' a digital sign-in platform. The cost incurred will be offset by savings made on printing, paper, first aid books, school purchase order books, Skoolbag App, Reporting software Accelerus, as well as human resources. We are very excited about the purchase and have begun the 'behind the scenes' setup. Staff will complete training after school and we anticipate launching the program to parents in 2020.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN results were sent home last Friday and staff have already begun analysing results. Whilst individual student results are important and are addressed by intervention and extension programs, it was highlighted in our recent review, the relative growth of students is the main determinant of how well a school is performing, i.e. a comparison of students' results from Gr 3 to Gr 5, – did students make a low, medium or high growth in that 2 year period? Our results indicated we have made significant high growth and exceeded state percentages for Numeracy, Spelling, Writing, Grammar and Punctuation. Overall our results are very pleasing, and staff are currently analysing our data to determine the curriculum areas across the school that are strengths or areas for improvement for our teaching and learning programs.

Walkathon

Thank you to Rebecca Gauci for organising a successful walkathon last Thursday and to all the parent helpers who helped the day go smoothly. Thank you also to all the families and friends who sponsored the students and raised money for play equipment for students to use during recess and lunch breaks.

Angela Morrìtt

Principal

Reminder: Curriculum Days Terms 3 & 4

Families are reminded that next Tuesday is a Curriculum day and students will not attend school. Staff will be completing Cultural Understanding and Safety Training. The purpose of the training is to increase understanding of Koorie culture, history and experience to ensure a strong foundation for culturally inclusive practices. Our last curriculum day for the year is in Term Four on Monday November 4th.

SunSmart

Just a reminder that all students will be required to wear their hats for outdoor activities, this includes recess, lunch and Physical Education lessons. (From September 1st – April 30th is when the average UV alert is 3 and above.) School hats are available at the office for \$11. Students without hats are required to play in designated areas with full shade. Sunscreen will be available in all classrooms for students to apply before recess and lunch.

2020 Prep Enrolments

This term we are planning in earnest for staffing and grades for 2020. So if you know anyone who is coming to Greensborough Primary next year, please advise them to register their details as soon as possible, (this includes siblings of current students) as we will be finalising numbers in the Prep class.

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2019 Footsteps Dance Concert

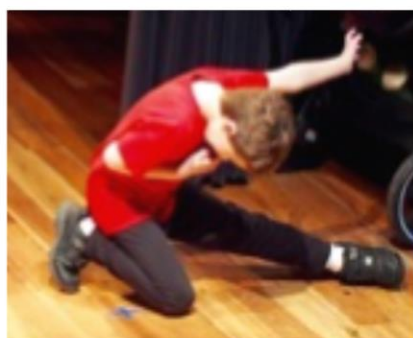
On Tuesday 10th of September, our school was lucky enough to travel to Montmorency Secondary College to perform our 'Footsteps' dances.

Our performance morning started with our wonderful choir, led by Kasi, to sing two songs, the whole crowd were amazed at their beautiful singing voices.

Next, the students wowed the audience and 'stepped back in time' to dance to some of the classics like, 500 Miles, Thriller, Footloose and many more. All dances were performed with enthusiasm and joy. All students should be extremely proud of their performances, behaviour and overall positive attitude on the day.

We would like to thank all the parents, family, friends and staff for attending our performances. Finally, an extra thank you to Michelle (Footsteps dance teacher) and Montmorency Secondary College, without them our performance would not be as successful as it was.

Laura Tillotson



Walkathon 2019

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Crazy Hat Day

The Walkathon held on Thursday the 5th of September was a great success and we would like to say a big thankyou to all the students, teachers and parents (especially Megan, Kylie, Kerryn and Karen) who made it such an exciting and wonderful event. There were many crazy hats and it was particularly hard to select the best hat from each class, however, the winners were:

Prep:	Jackson
1/2A:	Elouise
1/2B:	Maisie
3/4A:	Sienna & Tahlia
3/4B:	Gabriel
5/6A:	Nate
5/6B:	Will D



If your child collected donations from sponsors for walking we would kindly ask that these be returned to the school by Friday 20th of September, so that we can begin purchasing an outdoor construction set for the students as soon as possible.

Your support has been much appreciated.

Rebecca Gauci

Walkathon Coordinator

News from the JSC

The Junior School Council are excited to announce that they are busy planning the come-back of 'Greensborough's Got Talent' in Term 4, 2019. The talent show will be open to all year levels, where students are invited to perform a 1-2 minute individual or group performance to show off their talents (students nominate themselves to perform, it is optional). These may include singing, dancing, playing musical instruments, comedy, or any other special talent students may have. More detail with dates and entry information will be made available at the beginning of next Term. In the meantime, start practising!!

The Junior School Council will also be selling Icy Poles from the canteen again in Term 4. This will begin in Week Two, on Friday 18th October. Icy Poles will be \$1.00 each and we encourage students to purchase just one.

Alison Gibson

and the Junior School Council



BREADTAGS *for wheelchairs*

The **Junior School Council** have teamed up with the charity 'Bread tags for Wheelchairs' to **collect as many bread tags as possible before the end of the year**. This is enabling us at GPS, to help someone in need to be provided with a wheelchair and also help the environment by recycling bread tags.

The JSC representatives in each grade have created a collection point, so please keep collecting to help us make a difference.

Prep and Grade One Breakfast

Last Thursday, the 29 August the Preps and Grade Ones had Breakfast at school, as part of our Junior School Camping Program. We all arrived at school in our pyjamas, found our placemats and sat down with our cutlery. All of the students were waited on by the teachers with cereal, toast and juice. The students' manners and behaviour were exceptional and the day was a huge success. Well done to all the students and teachers!



District Athletics

On Thursday 29th August, the G.P.S District team travelled to Meadowglen Athletics Stadium to compete in District Athletics.

All students were exemplary in their behaviour and they all tried their best in each event. We had solid performances and quite a few students received ribbons in their events.

A BIG thank you to Mrs Donaldson, Mr Stephens, Mr McMahon, Irene and Emilia and the parent helpers for making sure the day ran smoothly and everyone enjoyed themselves. It was great to see lots of family members coming to support the students too.

A very special congratulations to Amihan who made it through in 100m and 200m, and Violet who made it through in High Jump. They will compete at Division Athletics on 18th September.

Well done and Go G.P.S!

Daniela Darling

Sports Coordinator



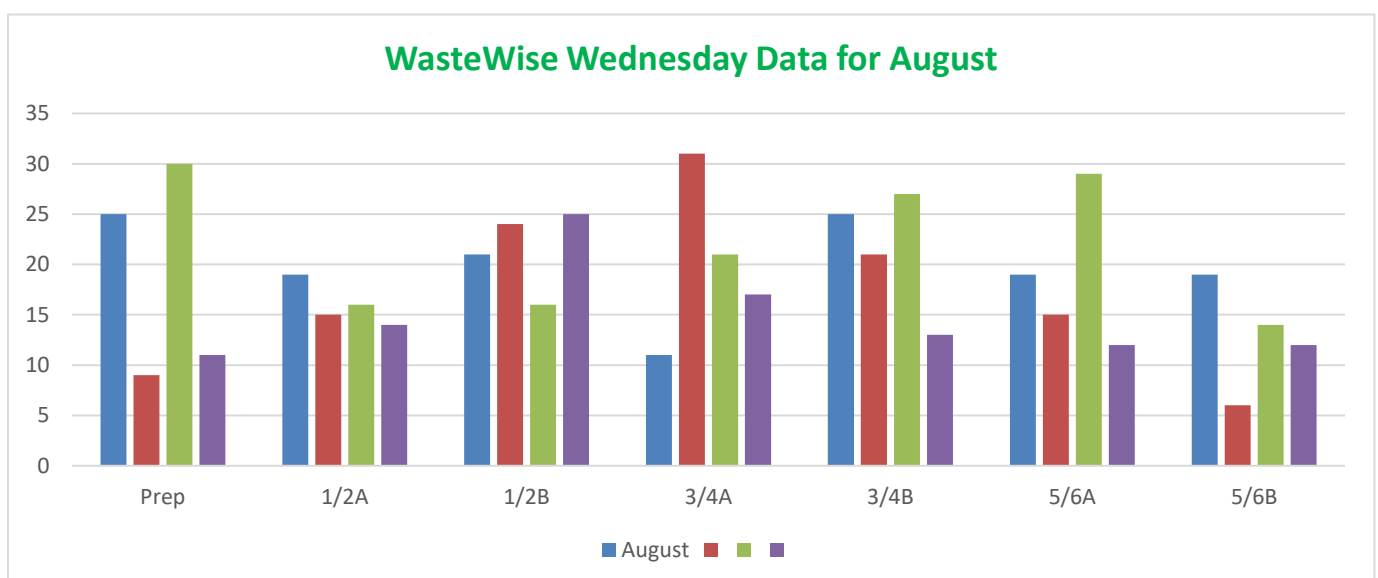
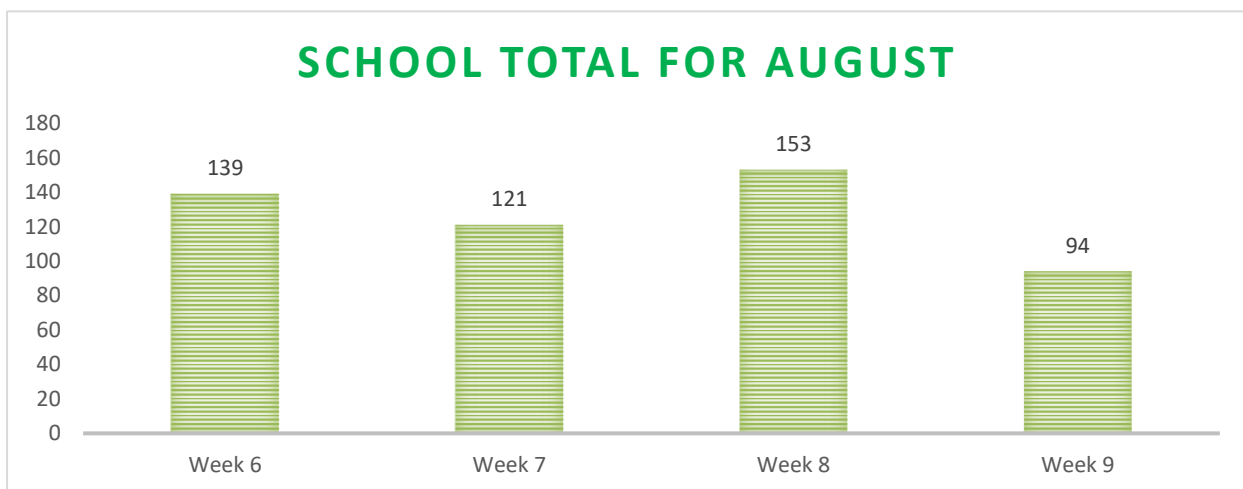
WasteWise Wednesday

Every Wednesday at Greensborough Primary School is WasteWise Wednesday!

The task is simple: reduce waste. Our school produces far too much of it! The solution is simple BUT we need to work together as a community to reduce the amount of waste that comes with children to school and out to landfill.

Every Tuesday night you are asked to pack a WasteWise lunchbox. This means that your child's lunchbox will need to have reduced waste and GO FOR ZERO! Any waste that comes with your child will be counted towards a class tally that we will aim to reduce every week. The class who is most WasteWise will be championed as WasteWise Winners for this week and will receive a special prize at assembly.

For the first time this month we got below 100 rubbish items across the school! This is an achievement we should all be proud of. Next challenge is to get below 75! Think we can do it this month?



Thank you!

From the WasteWise Wednesday Committee



Pupil of the Week

Term 3 ~ Week 7 Week Ending 30 August 2019

Prep	<i>Carter</i>	For his determination whilst learning his Magic Words!! Keep it up!!
Grade 1/2A	<i>Zahlea</i>	For her amazing organisation at our Prep & Grade 1 Breakfast.
Grade 1/2 B	<i>Charlie</i>	For his impeccable manners at the Prep & Grade 1 Breakfast.
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Aiden</i>	For doing an excellent job of converting a fairytale into a script. Well done!
Grade 3/4 B	<i>Sienna W</i>	For her consistent dedication to improving all areas of her learning. Well done!
Grade 5/6 A	<i>Amihan</i>	For outstanding efforts in all she does – including the athletics carnival. Fantastic. 😊
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Violet</i>	For her outstanding effort at District Athletics. Good luck at Division!
Chinese	<i>Sofia S 3/4A</i>	For her enthusiastic engagement with all learning activities.
PE	<i>District Athletics Team</i>	For excellent representation of GPS at District Athletics! We are so proud of you!

Term 3 ~ Week 7 Week Ending 6 September 2019

Prep	<i>Kody H</i>	For being so inclusive and inviting someone to join his group when they were alone. Well done Kody!
Grade 1/2A	<i>Charlotte</i>	For editing her Big Write with great care and accuracy. Great job!
Grade 1/2 B	<i>Jesse</i>	For creative flair when designing his Crazy Hat.
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Ayris</i>	For her enthusiasm and leadership during Footsteps Dance. Well done!
Grade 3/4 B	<i>Jhett B</i>	For your terrific presentation and pride shown on you Australian Notable!
Grade 5/6 A	<i>Will S</i>	For his outstanding leadership during the Leadership Day excursion.
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Mia</i>	For her great contributions to class discussions this week, especially during Magic Maths and Grammar.
Art	<i>Art Extension Students</i>	For their teamwork and creativity completing our project!
Library	<i>Ethan N 1/2B</i>	For working with great concentration and focus on his class task identifying the different types of library books.

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Grade 3&4 Historical Notables Exhibition – Come One, Come All!

Just a reminder that the Grade 3 & 4 historical notables exhibition is on

Monday 16th September at 9.45am-10.45am in the Grade 3 & 4 area.

We have already had a terrific response from our community. All are welcome! Look forward to seeing you there.

Mr Stephens, Mrs Byrne and Mrs Darling.



Greensborough Primary School Uniform Shop

Currently under renovation

If you require any uniform items at this time please place an order with Mehgan at the office and we will endeavour to complete your order by the following day. Please note, availability of items and sizes may affect delivery. Your patience is appreciated at this time.

2020 Dance Concert ✂

Greensborough Primary School

Family Preference for 2020 Dance Concert is:

Family's Name: _____ Student's Name: _____

☐ Day

☐ Evening

Weekday Preference ☐ Monday

☐ Tuesday

☐ Wednesday

☐ Thursday

☐ Friday

☐ Any

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