



Greensborough Primary School - 2062

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Borough Bulletin ~ 24 February 2022

<i>Friday 25 February 2022</i>	ISS Norris Bank v GPS – 9:00am to 11:00am – Away Match
<i>Monday 28 February 2022</i>	2022 Starting to Read – Preschool Program – 9:30am to 10:30am 2022 Camp Weekaway – 3rd Instalment due
<i>Tuesday 1 March 2022</i>	Twilight Sports Picnic Evening
<i>Friday 4 March 2022</i>	ISS GPS v Watsonia Heights – 9:00am to 11:00am – Home Match
<i>Monday 7 March 2022</i>	2022 Starting to Read – Preschool Program – 9:30am to 10:30am Life Education with Harold
<i>Tuesday 8 March 2022</i>	Life Education with Harold
<i>Wednesday 9 March 2022</i>	Life Education with Harold
<i>Friday 11 March 2022</i>	Curriculum Day and ISS Bye – Students do not attend
<i>Monday 14 March 2022</i>	Labour Day Public Holiday
<i>Tuesday 15 March 2022</i>	2022 Camp Weekaway – Final Instalment due
<i>Friday 18 March 2022</i>	ISS GPS v St. Marys – 9:00am to 11:00am – Home Match
<i>Monday 21 March 2022</i>	2022 Starting to Read – Preschool Program – 9:30am to 10:30am
<i>Friday 25 March 2022</i>	ISS GPS v Bundoora – 9:00am to 11:00am – Home Match
<i>Monday 28 March 2022</i>	2022 Starting to Read – Preschool Program – 9:30am to 10:30am Camp Weekaway – Grade 3 to Grade 6
<i>Tuesday 29 March 2022</i>	Camp Weekaway – Grade 3 to Grade 6
<i>Wednesday 30 March 2022</i>	Camp Weekaway – Grade 3 to Grade 6
<i>Friday 1 April 2022</i>	ISS Finals
<i>Friday 8 April 2022</i>	Term 1 – Last Day – Early finish – 1:30pm
<i>Tuesday 10 May 2022</i>	School Photos

Principal's Report

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the Student Support Group meetings over the last week or 'Meet and Greet' yesterday afternoon/evening. These meetings are a valuable opportunity to meet your child's new class teacher and share information that's individual to your child. Attending meetings, online or in person, reinforces to our students that staff and parents are working together to support them.

Our swim team competed today in the District Swimming Carnival and we're proud of their efforts and achievements. The girls were excellent ambassadors for GPS. Commiserations to Evelyn B who made the team but missed competing today due to injury. Special congratulations to Kayleigh and Ann- Sophie for coming third and first in backstroke. Ann-Sophie will proceed onto the Division Carnival next week and we wish her all the best!

The inability to have swimming lessons over the last two years is very evident when we look at the number of students competing in the carnival this year. All schools fielded a greatly reduced squad, as students have been unable to attend private or school swimming lessons. Water safety is so important to our lifestyle in Australia, and we look forward to resuming lessons at Watermark in Term Four.



Congratulations to our 2022 Junior School Council members. Last week students in each grade voted for two of their peers to represent their class on the Junior School Council. Teachers were impressed with the speeches all students gave to their classmates and I believe positions were hotly contested. Our 2022 JSC is already fundraising and selling icy-poles on Fridays. Thank you Bec and Paula for coordinating this program and including a photo of our new JSC members later in the newsletter.

Twilight Sports Tuesday 1st March

We're looking forward to our Twilight Sports Evening next Tuesday March 1st. Our House Captains are eager to lead their teams and cheer for their housemates as they compete. For our new families, children dress in their house colours and there is a prize for the best dressed in each House. We're so pleased P & F are able to fire up the barbeque this year after a long hiatus! Families have the option to enjoy the BBQ or bring a picnic, with rugs and chairs. The BBQ is a terrific fundraiser for the school, and we greatly appreciate the support of Kim and her helpers. If any parents would like to volunteer to help at the Barbeque, please leave your name at the office.

Our Grade 5 and 6 students run various stalls to raise money for Graduation, including Face Painting, Hair Spraying and Nail Polishing in House colours, so please bring along your gold coins! The BBQ will begin at 5:00pm and sporting events at 6:00pm. Thanks to Laura T. for organising this event and staff for supporting her.

Life Education

We're very pleased that Harold and the Life Ed instructor, Shy Nair, will be returning to GPS on March 7th. This program was booked for 2021 but had to be rescheduled due to COVID restrictions. Unfortunately, the Life Ed van is no longer in operation due to the density factor of seating a whole grade in close confines in the van, however the Life Ed team assures us that the new delivery model is equally engaging.



Teachers will send home information about the Learning modules each grade is studying on COMPASS.

Life Education also has a ***complimentary Parent and Guardian Live Online Information Session***. This session allows parents and carers to access current and relevant information that addresses social issues your children face each day and share views with other parents, and develop strategies to help raise happy, healthy children.

Please register your interest to attend a live session with one of the Life Education facilitators where you'll be able to ask questions and share your views. Once registered, the team will send you the appropriate link to attend the Parents and carers session.

<https://www.lifesmartkids.com.au/parent-sessions>

If you're unable to attend a live session, you can request the parent resources information to be sent to you via email.

Free Dental Program Onsite



A reminder to families to return the permission forms for your child to participate in the Victorian Government's free school dental program. These forms were sent home a fortnight ago, along with a free dental pack. The dental examinations will be held at school and include a free oral health check-examination, x-rays when required, oral health and dietary advice, coaching and preventive interventions, including application of fluoride varnish.

Free follow up treatment will be provided to all students who need it, including scale and clean, fissure sealants, root canals, restorations (fillings), extractions, and impressions for mouth guards (i.e., all non-cosmetic treatments). It does not include orthodontics or cosmetic procedures. More information and FAQs are available at <https://www.smilesquad.vic.gov.au/>.

Participation in the program is voluntary and consent forms should be returned by next **Wednesday 2nd March**.

Smile Squad team have brought their attendance date forward and whilst they are still confirming dates, it's expected they'll begin at GPS on Monday 21st of March. If any parents need another consent form, please contact the office.

School Council Elections School Council 2022

One of the major tasks for first term is the election of the 2022 School Council. We have four parent positions available for nomination for a two-year term of office and two parent positions for a one-year term. We also have 2 co-opted community member positions. I would urge all families to consider involvement in this important aspect of school management. The remaining 2022 Parent Representatives on School Council at Greensborough Primary are:

Parent Member	Term on School Council Commenced	Term on School Council ends
Kim H	March 2021	March 2023
Cassie F	March 2021	March 2023
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Those parents whose two-year term on School Council have come to an end, are able to renominate for subsequent terms on School Council. School Council involvement includes two x two-hour School Council meetings per term, and involvement in a School Council subcommittee.

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School Council Elections School Council 2022 continued

Parents can either nominate themselves for School Council or they can be nominated by another person. **Nomination forms will be available at the office from tomorrow Friday 25th February and are to be returned to the office by Friday 4th March.** If the number of nominations matches the number of vacancies, then the parents who have nominated are automatically on School Council. If the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies, there is an election process.

Notice of Election and call for nominations	Friday 25th February 2022
Closing date for nominations	Friday 4th March 2022
Date by which the list of candidates and nominators will be posted	Wednesday 9th March 2022
First Council meeting to elect office bearers and co-opt Community members.	Monday 21st March (To Be Confirmed)

School Council provides a pivotal role in the effective management of the school. If you have any further queries about School Council involvement, please do not hesitate to contact either Margaret or myself or a current School Council member.

Curriculum Days

I know many families like advance notice of our Curriculum Days, so our 2022 dates are listed below:

- ★ First day of Term One, Friday 28th January
- ★ Friday before Labour Day, Friday 11th March
- ★ Monday before Cup Day, 31st October
- ★ Fourth Day: Term Two -TBC

Our joint NESST curriculum day on March 11th will focus on Numeracy and in the afternoon teachers and Education Support staff will meet in their teams to determine the focus areas for their termly meetings. These meetings are a terrific way to share ideas, knowledge and expertise across the different schools.

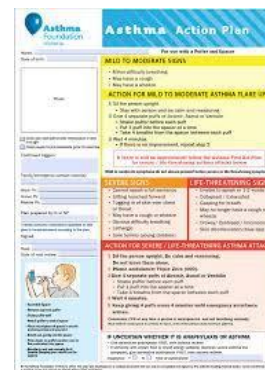
Please contact OSHClub if you wish to book your children in for care and supervision on this day.

Angela Morrill

Principal

2022 Medical Plans

A reminder to parents that we are mandated to update asthma, anaphylaxis and diabetes management plans each year, if you haven't had a chance over the holidays to visit your medical practitioner and review your child's plan, please make this a priority in the coming weeks. New Management Plans and Medication should be sent to the office.



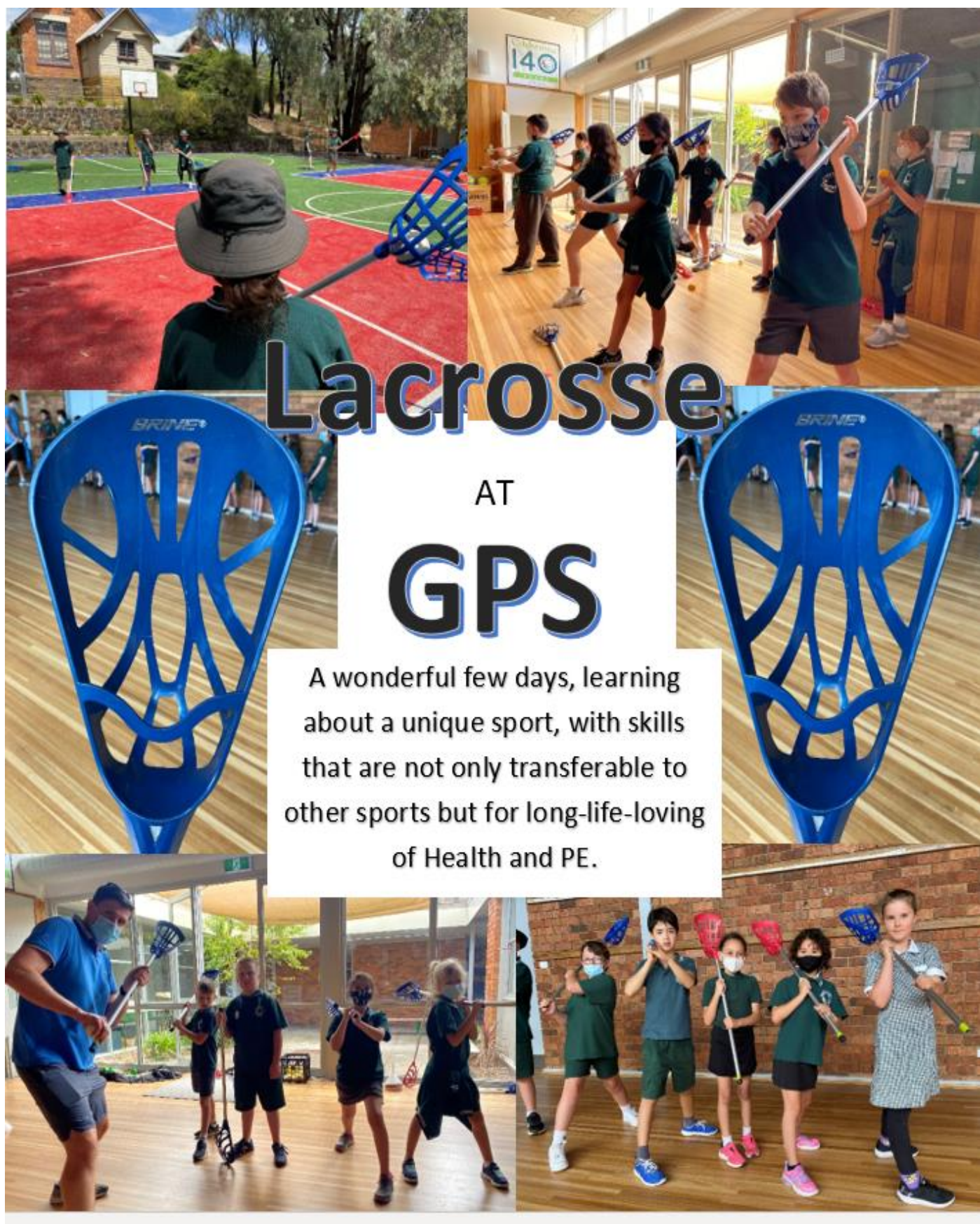
INTRODUCING OUR JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL FOR 2022!



Back Row – Reese, Riley, Charlotte, Hunter, Josh, Harmony, Bella

Front Row – Evelyn, Liam, Olivia, Patrick, Xavier & Tomas

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A big thank you to Luke and the Eltham Lacrosse Club.

Mr Leo Derrick

PE Teacher

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Library News

Hello everyone

Thank you for making the start of the year so fabulous. I have felt welcomed and supported and am looking forward to the year ahead.

Just a few things...

Literacy/Curriculum Links

Please let me know if you would like me to support or follow up on things you are doing in the classroom. I am happy to read books on certain subjects or to focus on a specific literacy skill (e.g., retelling). Email me or come in and chat.

GPS Staff Picks

Sarah and I were thinking of creating a display each week showcasing one staff member's favourite (or a book you would recommend) fiction and non-fiction book. If you would like to be involved, please let Sarah or I know.

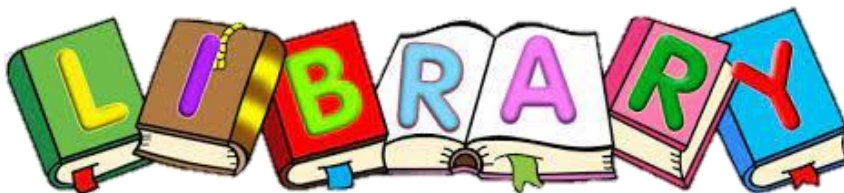
Plastic Bags

If anyone has an abundance of plastic shopping bags at home, could you please consider donating them to the library. There are many students coming without bags, and I am worried about books being lost or ruined.

Thank you again for your support

Happy reading,

Frankie



CAMP WEEKAWAY

Dear Families,

We have confirmed the numbers of students attending this year's camp and have received the final costing. We can now confirm the total cost for the 2022 Camp Weekaway is \$340.00. Please note the fourth and final instalment will be due by Tuesday 15 March 2022 and is now open on Compass. The total for this fourth instalment is \$110.



Thank you to families who have already paid the first, second and third instalment. If you are yet to make a partial payment or would like to speak with the office to discuss a payment plan, please contact Meghan or Angela on 9435 1496.

To ensure we have everything ready and organised prior to camp, we ask that the final payment is paid by the due date. We have a lot going on behind the scenes to ensure an exciting and memorable camp. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school or Mr. Stephens (Camp Coordinator) to discuss any queries you may have.

Additional information such as medical, dietary, attendees and itinerary will be sent in the weeks prior to camp. Stay tuned to Compass and the Newsletter to stay up to date!

Kind Regards,

Mr. Jesse Stephens

Camp Coordinator



Student Wellbeing

Tuesday, February 8th was **INTERNATIONAL CYBER SAFETY DAY**. But everyday needs to be cyber safety day for our young people. According to the **eSafety Commissioner**, research shows that Australians are learning and caring more about online safety than ever before.



Online spaces are an important part of our everyday lives, especially for young people. They provide connection with others, access to new information and the ability for people to express themselves. While online environments can offer many benefits to young people, they also present a number of challenges like; content that can reduce a young person's self-esteem, cyberbullying and trolling, and disconnection from the real world.



Our children need our support. REACH OUT, a well-known youth support organisation has a fantastic website covering numerous topics, including friendship, loneliness, depression, etc. This week I'd like to focus on their useful websites targeting CYBERBULLYING. Their topics use useful information, strategies and life stories from young people via video links. SAFE & Engaging APPS are also suggested. <https://au.reachout.com/search?q=Cyberbullying&page=1>

Working together with your child on an action plan as both a preventative and proactive strategy will give your child some skills. Check out REACH OUT's strategy ideas below:

<https://au.reachout.com/articles/5-strategies-for-dealing-with-cyberbullying>

<https://au.reachout.com/bullying/cyberbullying#action-plan-anchor>

The eSafety Commissioner website gives extensive information and advice and investigates serious online abuse (see below):



https://www.esafety.gov.au/?gclid=EAlalQobChMI0rib7-nz9QIVSJFmAh1iQQwyEAAYASAAEgK5g_D_BwE&gclidsrc=aw.ds

You can access the revised ONLINE SAFETY ACT (see below):

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/whats-on/online-safety-act>



Emerging Minds is also a very useful website for improving the Mental Health of our young people. There are also very useful online courses for parents. <https://emergingminds.com.au/>

Yes, 'it takes a village to raise (and guide) a child' and anyone who has tried to do it alone knows how difficult it is. OUR CHILDREN NEED THIS VILLAGE; PARENTS NEED THIS VILLAGE - A VILLAGE THAT CONSISTS OF supportive family, relatives, friends, education and professional specialists, support organisations such as mentioned above. NO ONE NEEDS TO GO IT ALONE. I encourage you to find out all you can about CYBERBULLYING AND HOW BEST YOU CAN HELP; EXPLORE IT TOGETHER so that BOTH you and your child are better equipped to navigate this growing problem within our society.



Take care & stay well!

Robyn Mulholland



Student Wellbeing

Mondays 10:00am to 3:00pm & Wednesdays 8:30am to 1:30pm

robyn.mulholland@education.vic.gov.au

JSC & ICY-POLES

The JSC will commence selling icy-poles every Friday lunchtime for the remainder of Term 1 to continue our fundraising efforts for this year! So, brush off your \$1 coins as icy-poles will be available at lunchtime this Friday 25 February 2022.

See you then!

From the *Junior School Councillors*



Rapid Antigen Test Kits

THE GOVERNMENT HAS EXTENDED THE PROVISION OF RAT KITS AND TESTING UNTIL THE END OF TERM ONE. THE NEXT ROUND OF TESTS WILL BE SENT HOME, LABELLED WITH EACH CHILD'S NAME ON MONDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2022. A REMINDER THAT PARTICIPATING IN THIS PROGRAM IS VOLUNTARY. IF PARENTS DO NOT WISH A RAT KIT TO BE SENT HOME, PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE BY 12:00PM MONDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2022.

Parents & Friends Association

Dear Parents, Family Members & Guardians,

We would love you to come and join the Greensborough Primary School Parents & Friends Association. Help us to organise fun events for our students and raise funds for the school. We have attached a link to a Google Docs Form for you to sign up to assist Parents & Friends to make 2022 a great year



https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSelbyk7Krq1BfMANkgvaClc4jDlb834HJZBMKS45MkdXGg63A/viewform?usp=sf_link

Diamond Valley Community Support Service

Contact Details:

Shop 378a, Level 3, Greensborough Plaza

GREENSBOROUGH VIC, 3088

(03) 9435 8282

info@dvsupport.org.au

<http://dvsupport.org.au>



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KidsAssist is available for families who require some extra assistance with educational expenses.



Pupil of the Week



2022 ~ Term 1 ~ Week 2

Prep	<i>Elsie</i>	For listening so well, doing her work with a positive attitude and radiating kindness towards everyone.
Grade 1/2A	<i>Jasper</i>	For his amazing effort and excellent writing this week. You are a Superstar!
Grade 1/2 B	<i>Atri</i>	For his exemplary listening skills and sunny disposition.
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Anjali</i>	For up-levering her openers in her 'Big Write' persuasive text – 'No Pool for School'! Keep up the great work.
Grade 3/4 B	<i>Rowen</i>	For a fantastic start to life at our school! Great work!
Grade 5/6 A	<i>Josh</i>	For always being a great friend and always bringing a positive attitude to all tasks.
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Naihi</i>	For a fabulous start to Term One. Keep up the wonderful work!
Art	<i>Tanishka 12B</i>	For amazing detail in her flower artwork. Well done, Tanishka!
PE	<i>Tiffany 56B</i>	For having her best go and becoming an expert!
STEM	<i>Kobe 56A</i>	For always participating and giving the most detailed hypotheses.

2022 ~ Term 1 ~ Week 3

Prep	<i>Oliver</i>	For learning his 300 Magic Words and doing his best with his work every day.
Grade 1/2A	<i>Fatima</i>	For putting 100 percent effort into all her learning tasks. You're a Superstar!
Grade 1/2 B	<i>Nikola</i>	For working so hard to learn his letters this week. Keep it up!
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Xavier M</i>	For supporting a classmate when they asked for assistance. Well done, Xavier!
Grade 3/4 B	<i>Connor</i>	For his excellent focus shown during class time to complete his work.
Grade 5/6 A	<i>Tahlia F</i>	For being such a lovely co-operative class member who always tries hard.
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Daniel</i>	For his outstanding effort in 'Writing' and for being a supportive classmate.
ART	<i>Liam S 12A</i>	For a fantastic, positive attitude and 100% effort in Art and Gardening Club!
Library	<i>Mary 12A</i>	A Library Role Model! Thank you for being a responsible and organised library student.
PE	<i>Daniel 56B</i>	For being a good sport and an enthusiastic learner.
STEM	<i>Hugo F 56A</i>	For always asking inquisitive questions.

Greensborough Primary

Newsletter

February 2022 Edition 2

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What's been happening...

Hello parents and Guardians, hope you are all doing well. Last fortnight we have had lots of fun playing outdoors and participating in our Clubs. The children decided that they want us to run a Science Club (hopefully we won't explode anything!) and a Cooking Club (we all know how much our children love cooking and eating!).

Along with the children's suggestions we decide a week in advance what we will be doing for each Club.

The children have been spending lots of time outdoors enjoying the playground, netball court and basketball court.

Our Preps have adjusted just fine, and they are making the most of their time at OSHClub playing some of their favourite games with their peers and getting to know the routines and us of course!

We are so excited to see our numbers growing and having more children in service means more fun and play!

Kind regard
Aspa



We are excited to announce that we will be running a Pupil Free Day on the 11th of March. Please ensure to create your bookings as numbers are growing fast!

Mon-Fri 06:45 am-08:45 am and 03:30 pm-06:00 pm
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1300 395 735



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Coming Up

Feb
22

Science Club: Exploding elephant toothpaste!

Feb
23

Cooking Club: Cinnamon puffs!

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Pupil Free Day running at OSHClub

Special Announcements

We are excited to welcome our Preps for 2022!

As our prep numbers are growing and we are seeing more new parents and guardians we kindly request when you are picking up your prep from After School Care please make sure you have your ID with you and display it to the staff until we get to know you all!

Thank you for your cooperation.

Quality Area Reflection

Focusing on.....

In our attempt to build up our collaborative relationships with the children (QA5) and especially with the new preps coming we will be working alongside with the children to create responsive and meaningful interactions In order to build trusting relationships which support each child to feel secure, confident, and included.

Club News

We are happy to announce that we are running Science Club every Tuesday and Cooking Club every Wednesday.

Enjoy the latest photos of our Clubs!



Coordinator's Corner

Welcome, Womingeka, Huanying!

I am so excited to see all those beautiful familiar faces on both of our sessions. I am also very happy to see new children joining us at OSHClub which makes my job more fun!

As you might all be aware we have been Introducing the More Fun than Campaign with lots of surprises! Come join the fun!



Photos speak for themselves!



Recipe

Banana Palm Tree

Ingredients

-1 Banana

-1 mandarin

-2 Kiwi fruits

Directions

-Peel the banana and cut it down the center lengthwise. On a chopping board cut each half into 1,5 cm slices. Place them onto the plate and arrange as two tree trunks.

-Peel mandarin and separate segments and place below the tree trunks to - create an Island

Peel the skin of the kiwi and cut into segments. Place above tree trunks to look like palm leaves!

-Enjoy the fun!



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