

Greensborough Primary School - 2062

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Borough Bulletin ~ 10 March 2022 Curriculum Day and ISS Bye - Students do not attend Friday 11 March 2022 Monday 14 March 2022 Labour Day Public Holiday 2022 Camp Weekaway – Final Instalment due Tuesday 15 March 2022 ISS GPS v St. Marys – 9:00am to 11:00am – Home Match Friday 18 March 2022 Monday 21 March 2022 2022 Starting to Read – Preschool Program – 9:30am to 10:30am Friday 25 March 2022 ISS GPS v Bundoora – 9:00am to 11:00am – Home Match 2022 Starting to Read – Preschool Program – 9:30am to 10:30am Monday 28 March 2022 Camp Weekaway – Grade 3 to Grade 6 Camp Weekaway – Grade 3 to Grade 6 Tuesday 29 March 2022 Southern Cross Recycling due Wednesday 30 March 2022 Camp Weekaway – Grade 3 to Grade 6 Friday 1 April 2022 **ISS Finals** Friday 8 April 2022 Term 1 – Last Day – Early finish – 1:30pm Tuesday 10 May 2022 **School Photos**

Principal's Report

What a fantastic night we had at Twilight Sports on Tuesday! After rescheduling from last week, we were so pleased that the weather was perfect. After the past two years we certainly appreciate having our community onsite together enjoying whole school events. It was terrific to see parents enjoying picnics brought from home, or the sausages and hamburgers from the Parents and Friends barbeque. It was wonderful to see so many ex-students who returned to lend a hand or just join in the fun and catch up with old friends. Our student leaders did an outstanding job as marshals and were perfect role models to the younger students.

Once again, our students made the evening even more memorable by dressing up in their House colours and adding accessories for extra effect – thankyou to parents for supporting their efforts. The Grade 5/6 students did a magnificent job spraying hair, painting faces and nails, and adding to the evening's fun. Congratulations to all the competitors who performed to the best of their ability, especially those in **Banksia** for being the overall winning House for 2022.



A night like this requires a lot of work behind the scenes as well as on the actual night and I'd like to thank everyone who contributed to make this night so successful, especially <u>Parents and Friends</u> who organised the barbecue and sales of icy-poles and drinks. Special thanks also to Laura and the organizing committee for preparing the students and ensuring the night ran smoothly.

We love to celebrate students' achievements at GPS, so well done to our Prep students as they're completing their first fulltime fortnight at school! It's always a pleasure to visit the Prep classroom and see their excitement at learning new skills, and their pride and enthusiasm to share their efforts.



Further kudos to Ann-Sophie for coming third at the Division Swimming Carnival. This is a great result for Ann-Sophie, and we are very proud of her achievement – the third fastest 9 to 10 years old backstroker in our Banyule network!

We're delighted to share the news with you that Kashvika participated in the Banyule Library's **Big Summer Read Challenge** and has been selected as being in the top twenty students from three councils - Banyule, Nillumbik and Whittlesea. Kashvika read 167 books during this Summer, including chapter books, and is now inspired to write her own book. A fantastic effort!



Free Dental Program Onsite – Beginning March 21st



Thank you to families who returned the permission forms for your child to participate in the Victorian Government's free school dental program. The dental examinations will begin at school on March 21st. They include a free oral health checkexamination, x-rays when required, oral health and dietary advice, coaching and preventive interventions, including application of fluoride. If any parents need another consent form, please contact the office.

Harold and Life Education



Our students were very excited on Monday when Harold made a surprise visit to assembly. Harold and educator, Shy Nair, are regular visitors to GPS and their health units are always highly engaging and informative. Teachers will continue to develop the themes their grades studied with Harold and Shy, in their class programs.

The Life Ed program was booked for 2021 but had to be rescheduled due to COVID restrictions. *Families who paid for their child's Subject Contributions in 2021 had covered the cost of the program. Families new to GPS this year, and those who had not paid their full Subject Contributions last year have been sent an invoice for \$15.50.*

Footsteps

In Term Three students in Grades Prep – Six will participate in the ten-week Footsteps dance program. The program uses dance as a vehicle to develop students' inter/intrapersonal skills, fitness levels and provides teachers with classroom resources. The program is fun and exciting for students and culminates in a performance for parents. Previously, Montmorency Secondary College donated the use of their theatre as our concert venue, and we are liaising with them to see if that's a possibility for this year also.

Once again Footsteps was scheduled for last year and cancelled due to COVID restrictions. Families who paid for their child's Subject Contributions in 2021 have covered the cost of the program. Families new to GPS this year, and those who did not pay their full Subject Contributions last year will be sent an invoice for the cost of the program.

FROM DET

The rapid antigen testing program will continue in schools until the end of Term 1 2022, although this will continue to be monitored and may end early if recommended by health advice.

All students and staff in mainstream schools are recommended to test twice a week, while students and staff in specialist schools are recommended to test each school day. The next fortnight's test kit will be sent home with students on Tuesday 15th March. Any families who do not wish the kit to be sent home, please contact the office.

Easter Parade

Families new to our school this year may not know that on the last day of term, Friday 8th April, we will have our annual Easter Hat Parade at 9.10 am on the netball court. This is a fun morning when students, and preschoolers wear their wonderful creations, each grade then has a special activity, followed by an Easter Egg Hunt on the oval. Our Grade 5/6 student leaders are planning for this special day and we hope many family members can join us.

A highlight of this day is the Grade 6 egg toss, where students in pairs try to throw and catch a real egg the longest distance without breaking it! Our Grade Six teachers, Paula and Erin, will then attempt to throw further than the students and challenge for the overall title.

Parents and Friends are creating hampers as prizes for the East Raffle, so if families would like to donate eggs or Easter items for raffle prizes, please send them along to the office.

School Council 2022

Thank you to the parents who nominated for School Council, we are pleased to welcome our new school councillors, parents, Michael Cove and Edward Duckworth. I'd also like to welcome back Megan Boff and Shareen Bottrell who renominated for a second term, and Tracy Herbert who returned to fill a casual vacancy. Simone Wilson and Wayne Robinson have been co-opted as community members and they join Kim Hill, Cassie Fox, Margaret Hirth, Jesse Stephens and Rebecca Gauci who are in the second year of office.

We thank our retiring school councillor, Claire Hensley who has very generously shared her time and expertise to support our school.

We still have a one-year casual vacancy to fill, so if parents or carers have any queries about School Council involvement, please do not hesitate to contact either Margaret or myself or a current School Council member.

The first meeting of the new School Council to elect Office Bearers will be Monday March 21st at 7pm and I look forward to working with the 2022 School Council members this year.

Curriculum Days

A reminder that tomorrow is a Curriculum Day and students do not attend school. Staff will work offsite with schools in our North Eastern Team.

The remaining 2022 Curriculum Day dates are listed below:

- ★ Tomorrow Friday 11th March
- ★ Term Two: Friday 20th May
- ★ Term Four: Monday before Cup Day, 31st October

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

Angela Morrítt

Principal

2023 Prep Enrolments

If any families know anyone who is coming to Greensborough Primary next year, please encourage them to register their details as soon as possible, (this includes siblings of current students). We have already had a number of enquiries and school tours for places in 2023 and the sooner we get a sense of our intake for next year, the sooner we can start planning for grade structures.



Preschool to Prep Transition Sessions

In Term Two we have exciting sessions for children transitioning to school next year. Please find below the attached flyer for our Pre-schooler Transition Program. You can contact Mehgan in the office to book a place on (03) 9435 1496.

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.

District Swimming Trials



Congratulations to Anne-Sophie on her outstanding achievement at Division swimming, coming third in 50 metres backstroke.

On Tuesday 8th March we were thrilled to celebrate our Twilight Sports event together with our whole community after postponing last week. The school spirit was high with our students, teachers and even some parents wearing their house colours in creative outfits to celebrate the evening.

Each year level participated in their events with enthusiasm as they encouraged their teammates, and all tried their best with smiles on their faces.

Once again, we thank our wonderful families who supported and cheered all the students as well as run the BBQ providing a delicious dinner for all.

Congratulations to Banksia (Green) house for being the longawaited and gracious victors on the night, as well as all houses for their good sportsmanship, and for demonstrating the G.P.S school values.





The teachers had a tough job picking the best dressed for each house but their decisions were as follows:

Banksia - Green House: Scarlett and Matthew

Grevillea – Red House: Josh and Kayleigh

Eucalyptus – Blue House: Bella and Zoe

Acacia – Yellow House: Tahlia and Ella

We look forward to another successful Twilight Sports in 2023!

Ms Tíllotson



Twilight Sports Coordinator

Art Room News

Our grade 1&2 students have settled in extremely well in the Art Room and have already produced some stunning results. After looking at artwork by Vincent Van Gogh and Gorgia O'Keeffe on the theme of flowers, the students learnt about observational drawing – drawing what you see.

Using examples of real flowers in the art room and school grounds, they recorded details and information by drawing several sketches. The students then used oil pastels and learnt the art of blending by using different shades of one colour. The final stage of this project involved painting a background using food dyes. Well done to all our Grade 1s & 2s!



Janet Troy Visual Art Teacher

Student Wellbeing

Hi Everyone!

SOME INSPIRATION THIS WEEK TO HELP US TO SOAR!

Consider the eagle....

Powerful Life Lessons from the Eagle

The eagle is a fascinating bird. Known for its power and ability to fly at high altitudes in the sky. It flies where no other bird can fly. As children, we are often told to soar like an eagle. Aim high and FLY. Oh, but if only it were that simple! I thought I'd highlight SOME 'lessons' that we can learn from the eagle which are great for us, and great to share with our children & young people, especially when facing challenges!



"May you soar on eagle wings,

high above the madness of

the world."

Jonathan Lockwood Huie

<u>Life lesson</u>: Associate with people who are at your level, or who can help you to grow. Also, not everyone will share your vision or dream. Not everyone will understand. Find people who think like you so that you can both dream and grow together. And don't share your dreams with just anybody. You've got a dream? Protect it!

Eagles have excellent vision and concentration. To catch their prey, they focus on it with laser like intensity, and set out to get it. <u>Life lesson</u>: Do the same with your goals. Focus on one thing to accomplish at a time. Give it your effort, time and energy. Focus and "set out to achieve it".

bring opportunities



BE YOU & SOAR!

Just a little inspiration to help us through 'troubled' times!

Eagles love the storm. They get excited when storm clouds

gather. Why? They welcome the challenge it brings. They

know the storm winds will lift them above the clouds. Above the

clouds, they can rest their wings and become stronger.

<u>Life lesson</u>: Embrace our challenges and learn from them. That's how we learn new skills, grow and get stronger. Is this easy to do? Of course not. But we can learn how to. Challenges

We can learn so much from nature!

Even from 'Harold the Giraffe' this week in Life Ed!

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! Due to the curriculum day tomorrow, Friday 11 March 2022 there will be no icy pole sales. But, icy-poles will be available at lunchtime on Friday 18 March 2022.

See you then!

From the Junior School Councillors

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 sigh up to assist Parents & Friends to make 2022 a great year.



https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeIbyk7Krq1BfMANkgvaClc4jDlb834HJZBMKS45MkdXGq63A/ viewform?usp=sf_link

CAMP WEEKAWAY



Dear Families,

The total cost for the 2022 Camp Weekaway is \$340.00. This is the final reminder that camp must be paid in full by Tuesday 15 March 2022. Payments can be made over the phone, so call Mehgan now.

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

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. All additional information such as medical, dietary, attendees and itinerary will be

sent home soon. Stay tuned to Compass and the Newsletter to stay up to date!

Kind Regards,

Mr. Jesse Stephens

Camp Coordinator



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Prep	Ethan	For always trying his best and bringing a bright smile to school every day.
Grade 1/2A	Liam S	For always being an enthusiastic and motivated learner! You are amazing.
Grade 1/2 B	Caleb	For consistently being an attentive listener and trying his best.
Grade 3/4 A	Sofian	For being a great role model by teaching the junior students the school values.
Grade 3/4 B	Billie M	For your determination to improve your handwriting! Well done!
Grade 5/6 A	Gabriel	For always looking out for his buddy and being such a great role model.
Grade 5/6 B	Bella	For her outstanding work in writing this week. Keep up the fabulous work!
Art	Evelyn H 12B	For outstanding work in all her Art projects so far this year!
Chinese	Thomas H 34B	For his fabulous work and effort in learning 'My First 10 Chinese Phrases' and being able to say all of them.
PE	Evelyn B 56B	For being a star and always encouraging her friends.
STEM	Harmony 56A	For always giving it her best shot.
2022 ~ Term 1 ~ Week 5		
Prep	Garrus	For setting the best example as PATHS Kid of the Week and trying his best!! Amazing effort!
Grade 1/2A	Olivia M	For always completing her work with 100 percent effort. Keep it up Superstar!
Grade 1/2 B	Nina	For her impressive ability counting by 2s in Magic Maths.
Grade 3/4 A	Adam	For effectively using persuasive techniques to justify arguments in his paragraphs.
Grade 3/4 B	Elvi-Li	For your positive approach to learning ! Keep up the great work!
Grade 5/6 A	Zoe C	For always bringing a fantastic attitude to school and always trying her best in everything she does.
Grade 5/6 B	Sienna	For outstanding and entertaining persuasive writing piece about vaccines.
ART	Fatima 12A	For showing an excellent understanding of symmetry in Art and her hard work in Gardening Club.
Chinese	Aidan 34A	For his excellent participation and efforts in learning 'My first 10 Chinese Phrases', and being able to say them from memory.
Library	Ethan R Prep	Wow! What a great start to Library lessons. Congratulations on your love of learning.
PE	Hugo F 56A	For giving it his best go and picking himself up and always trying again.
STEM	Liam G 34B	For being engaged and wonderful in science.





What's been happening...

Hello parents and Guardians, hope you are all doing well. And with a blink of an eye another fortnight is already here with a new Newsletter.

We have been very busy here at OSHClub! Our Science and Cooking Clubs are running smoothly, and the children are loving all the activities that have been setting up for them.

Our Pupil Free Day is now official and as you are all aware by now it will be running on the 11th of March! We have also sent out the program with all the activities that will be set up for the day and you can also get an idea of what will be happing as I have attached the planner here too!

Come join us for a day full of fun and games!

Our Preps have settled in perfectly and are making the most of their time whilst being with us. They love getting crafty and enjoy playing in the playground!

As Easter School Holidays are fast approaching, we are also in the process of organizing a fun and engaging program with some pretty awesome excursions and Incursions so stay tuned as more information will be coming soon In our next newsletters!

Please feel free to contact me If you require any assistance!

Kind regard Aspa

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Coming Up



Special Announcements

Implementing Class DOJO at OSHCLUB!

I would like to announce that we will soon be implementing Class DOIO at our service.

As I am still in the process of setting it all up you will all be receiving an invite to join! This is a no cost app which will give you all the opportunity to see what your child/children have been up too during our session from the comfort of your home or at your own time!

You will also be able to check on any special days and announcements.

You will soon hear from me with your invite.

If by any chance you are not interested in being part of it, please let me know.

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 to build trusting relationships which support each child to feel secure, confident, and included.

Club News

Enjoy the latest photos of our Clubs! Science and Cooking!





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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

No bake Oreo Cake Pops!

Ingredients

-24 Oreo cookies

-4 ounces cream cheese

-5 ounces chocolate melted

-sprinkles

 Place cookies in food processor and pulse It a few times until thoroughly crumbled.

-Poor the crumbs in a bowl and add the cream cheese. Using your hands thoroughly mix the cream cheese in with the crumbs. Roll Into 1 Inch balls.

-Refrigerate balls for at least 10-15 minutes.

-Melt chocolate then take the cake balls and stick a lollipop stick in them, then dip in the chocolate one by one.

Sprinkle with coloured sprinkles.

-Refrigerate again until chocolate sets.

-Enjoy!



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