

Greensborough Primary School - 2062

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Borough Bulletin ~ 24 March 2022 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 Space Discovery Day – Space Dome Incursion – Whole School Thursday 31 March 2022 JSC Dress Up Day – Space Theme – Gold Coin Donation **ISS Finals** Friday 1 April 2022 JSC Icypole Friday – Fundraiser for RCH Good Friday Appeal Easter Hat Parade – 9:10am Friday 8 April 2022 Term 1 – Last Day – Early finish – 1:30pm Monday 25 April 2022 **ANZAC Day Public Holiday** Tuesday 26 April 2022 First Day of Term 2 2022 Starting to Count – Preschool Program – 9:30 to 10:30am Monday 2 May 2022 Monday 9 May 2022 2022 Starting to Count – Preschool Program – 9:30 to 10:30am School Photos Tuesday 10 May 2022 Monday 16 May 2022 **District Cross Country Event** Tuesday 17 May 2022 2022 Sizzling Science – Preschool Program – 9:30 to 10:30am Friday 20 May 2022 **Curriculum Day** Tuesday 24 May 2022 2022 Mandarin Sing-a-Long - Preschool Program 9:30 -10:30am Wednesday 1 June 2022 2022 Art for Tiny Tots – Preschool Program – 9:30 to 10:30am Wednesday 8 June 2022 2022 Stories at School – Preschool Program – 9:30 to 10:30am Monday 13 June 2022 **Queen's Birthday Public Holiday** Friday 24 June 2022 Term 2 – Last Day – Early finish – 1:30pm

Principal's Report

There is an excited hum around the school at the moment as our Grade 3 - 6 students prepare for camp next week. Camp Weekaway is located in the Benloch Valley in over 72 acres of bush and open grassland. There are a myriad of fun and challenging activities for students and I'm sure many delightful, lifelong memories will be built. We're looking forward to waving the campers on their journey Monday morning and then hearing about all their adventures when they return on Wednesday afternoon.



Of course, an event like this requires extensive planning to ensure our students are safe and activities are highly engaging, and I'd like to thank our camp coordinator, Jesse Stephens, medical officers, Bec Gauci and Paula Ly, and staff Erin Donaldson, Kylie Freestone and Lynette Taylor for their support and the many, many hours they've put into ensuring the camp is successful. I'd also like to thank the parent volunteers, Janet D and Marcel S for volunteering their time and expertise to attend an induction session and to assist on camp, and the 'B Team' of parents and staff who are preparing to come aboard at the last minute, in the event of personnel having to isolate. I'm sure there'll be many tired, but happy, campers (adults and students) on Wednesday afternoon!

The day after camp, the excitement continues as we have a **Space Discovery Day on Thursday 31st March.** Our whole school Discovery unit this term has been exploring the wonderful world of space. To celebrate this and further extend students' understandings we are holding this special activity day, where students will take part in classroom activities that will focus on further pursuing their questions about Space. The highlight of the day will be a visit to the 'Space Dome', where all classes with have a 50-minute session under the stars, in an inflatable planetarium dome.



Students are invited to wear 'Space' themed casual clothes or costumes. Outfits don't need to be extravagant, as we know many students will have just returned from camp. A hand-crafted hat, a yellow t-shirt or something space related you have at home would be a wonderful addition to our Space Discovery Day. Please note this is not compulsory, with regular School Uniform being the alternative.

The dress up component is a JSC initiative to raise money for the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal and more information about this is included later in the newsletter.

Emergency Management and Anaphylaxis Drills

Student safety is very important to us at Greensborough Primary and each term we practise emergency management drills. This includes evacuations, lock-ins and treatment of an anaphylactic reaction in the yard or classroom. Prior to our drills, teachers discuss correct procedures in a sensitive and age-appropriate manner with their grades. We were very pleased with our students' sensible, timely responses this term. Whilst none of the staff have ever had to evacuate or administer an epipen to a student in our teaching careers, being prepared is always our best management option. (Many of us do have memories of our 'lock-in' several years ago, when a local marsupial hopped into our grounds!)



Greensborough Plaza Rainforest



Many parents may have seen that Greensborough Plaza will be transformed into a natural, serene environment with a rainforest that comes to life in the coming weeks! We normally would have had a local excursion to enjoy this event, however due to the available dates we're unable to attend. Families however, will be able to follow the boardwalk and enjoy time amongst live plants and trees, while learning about native Australian animals, during the school holidays.

The Greensborough Plaza website has further information about the many activities on offer, including reptile shows, craft activities and live performances.

Free Dental Program Onsite

Many students attended the Smile Squad van this week and received free dental examinations and treatment. This is a great initiative from the Victorian Government and feedback from families is that they appreciated the savings in both time and money. The importance of oral health was discussed with children and the prevention of tooth decay.



Easter Festivities

A reminder to families 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 pre-schoolers wear their wonderful creations, each grade then has a special activity, followed by an Easter Egg Hunt on the oval. Events such as these make long lasting and powerful memories that stay with children for much of their lives. Everyone in the community is welcome to come along and share the joy of the morning.

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.

Thank you to the families who have donated eggs for the hampers Parents and Friends are making, as prizes for the Easter Raffle. Any families who would like to donate items for raffle prizes, may send them along to the office.

Footsteps

We like to give parents/carers advance notice of events to assist with family budgets. In Term Three, students in Grades Prep – Six will participate in the ten-week Footsteps dance program, at a cost of \$38.00 per student. The program uses dance as a vehicle to develop students' inter/intrapersonal skills, fitness levels and provide 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 venue, and we are liaising with them to see if that's a possibility for this year also.

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 \$38.00 to cover the cost of the program. Please contact the office if you have any queries.*

School Council 2022

On Monday evening, we held our first meeting of the 2022 School Council. Our office bearers were elected, and we're pleased to welcome back Kim Hill as our School Council President and Cassie Fox as Vice president. There is still a one-year casual vacancy to fill, so if any parents are interested, please contact the office or a school council member.

School Council meet twice per term in the evening and councillors are part of sub-committees which also meet twice a term either in the day or evening, depending on the availability of members. School Council plays 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.

Curriculum Days

We know parents appreciate advance notice of our pupil free Curriculum days, so the dates for the remaining 2022 Curriculum Day dates are listed below:

- ★ 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 have siblings of current students who are starting school next year, please contact Mehgan at the office and lodge an enrolment form. If families know anyone who is coming to Greensborough Primary next year, please encourage them to register their details as soon as possible. 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.

Camp Weekaway

Dear Parents/Carers/Campers,

Can you believe we are only days away from Camp Weekaway? We know it will be an amazing occasion and one that will build many amazing and long-lasting memories!



Please read the following information as it relates to the morning of departure and arrival back at school on the **28th** and **30th** March respectively.

DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Arrival at School: From 8:25am Monday 28th March

Where: Please drop your child and their luggage at the Lorimer Street gate between 8:25am – 8:35am and report to teachers (3/4 Mr. Stephens & 5/6 Mrs. Donaldson) inside the gate to have your name **ticked off** and receive your **green wrist band** from our Parent Helpers.

Medication: Families with **medications** will need to hand the medicine, with instructions, to Paula Ly (Grade 5/6A) and Rebecca Gauci (Grade 3/4A) who will be wearing 'high viz' on the cricket-net side of the footpath by the Lorimer St Gate. If possible, please provide this in a labelled zip lock bag with everything needed to administer the medication.

Information: Students <u>must pack</u> morning tea, lunch and drink bottle for their first morning at camp. All luggage will be placed in students' suitcases, so food and drink bottles will need to be packed in a <u>backpack/daypack</u> that students' will be taking on the bus. Students must also be wearing a <u>mask</u> on the bus unless they have an exemption. <u>School/sun smart hat</u> will also be worn at camp, so please ensure these are inside their backpacks, rather than their suitcases for ease of access.

Please speak to Mr. Stephens or Mrs. Donaldson if you are unable to pick your child up upon return to school and have booked them into OSHC so we can assist students on the day to find their way, or if you have made alternate plans for them on the day.

Please ensure you are not parked in the allocated bus zone. Busses will depart from Lorimer St at 9am.

ARRIVAL INFORMATION

Arrival Back at School: 3:15pm (approx.) Wednesday 30th March (Stay tuned to Compass for updates on the day!)

Where: Buses to return to Lorimer Street. On pick-up all parent/guardians who are collecting their child **must** inform the classroom teacher and sign them out.

Information: Any medication which has been administered at camp must be signed out from the Medical Officers (Rebecca Gauci & Paula Ly).

We ask all families to assist with bringing luggage from the buses to the oval to ensure the buses can depart for their next booking as soon as possible.

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Please contact the school if you have any questions or concerns.

Kind Regards,

Jesse Stephens on behalf of the Grade 3-6 teachers



LIBRARY NEWS



Hello Families,

What an exciting start to the Library year we have had. It has been fabulous getting to know the students and some of the parents. We have read some funny, informative and enthralling picture story books in Library lessons and we have many more to explore this semester.

Thank you to everyone who takes advantage of the great buys in Book Club. The second issue is out now, and orders are due by Friday 25th.

Please remember the Library is open each Wednesday morning from 8.45am and after school until 3.30pm.

Happy Reading

Francesca Cíavola

Librarian



ANZAC DAY 2022

The Greensborough RSL Sub Branch will be holding an ANZAC Day Memorial Service on **25 April 2022**.

This will commence with the March which will step-off at **8:45am** from the Greensborough RSL Club at 11 Main Street Greensborough and will proceed to the Wreath Laying Ceremony at **9:10am**.

The Wreath Laying Ceremony and ANZAC Day Service will be held at the Greensborough Memorial Park, 203 Henry Street and our families are more than welcome to attend the morning service or there is a dawn service at 6:00am.





JSC & ICY-POLES

The JSC will be selling icypoles every Friday lunchtime for Term 1 to enhance our fundraising efforts for 2022! Icy-poles will be available at lunchtime on Friday 25 March 2022 and Friday 1 April 2022. There will be no sales of icypoles on Friday 8 April as this is the last day of Term 1 and school will be finishing early at 1:30pm.

See you then!

From the Junior School Councillors



Student Wellbeing

Hi Everyone!



Harmony Day is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural linguistic background, united by a set of core Australian values.



We come together to celebrate *Harmony Day* on 21 March each year. Created in 1999 to celebrate unity and diversity, Harmony Day was originally an Australian celebration but is now marked worldwide. Whether you want to be better friends with your neighbours or stand in the shoes of another, there are many opportunities to embrace cultural diversity.

Take opportunities to expose your families to different cultures by attending cultural festivals, open days at mosques Buddhist and Hindu temples. Also enjoy the

many different cuisines on

offer – Indian, Malaysian, Chinese, Italian, Thai, Japanese, Greek, Lebanese, Vietnamese ARE ALL ON OUR DOORSTEP IN GREENSBOROUGH! There are also many other delicious cuisines throughout Melbourne.

Many cultures can teach us much about community and caring for one another. When I have visited other cultural groups including Papua New Guinea, Indonesia and Madagascar, it was a joy to see how they embrace each other, especially across the generations. Also, their joy in the simplicity of life – for example the joy in the faces of Malagasy children as they played soccer with a 'ball' made up of rolled paper or playing with a stick and tyre!



What a **PRIVILEGE** we have in Australia to **EMBRACE** and to LEARN from so many cultures.

Let's work together in helping our children to become WORLD CITIZENS who EMBRACE CULTURAL DIVERSITY and HARMONY!





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



ISC TERM 1 FUNDRAISING

This term the JSC voted to raise funds for the Good Friday Appeal, which enables the Royal Children's Hospital to provide the best possible care to patients and families.

Some of the projects that our funds will assist are:

- Research
- Equipment and Technology
- Patient and Family Centred Care
 - Education and Training

We will hold two big events in a big fundraising week from 31st March - 1st April.

OUR FIRST EVENT DRESS UP DAY

To coincide with the Space Dome incursion the JSC have decided this would be a great day to dress up, the theme being SPACE. Celebrate our Discovery Unit Space by dressing up out of this world

Date: Thursday, 31st March 2022

Dress Code: Dress as an astronaut, alien, your favourite planet, or in your favourite colour in our solar system

Cost: A gold coin donation

OUR SECOND EVENT ICY POLES

All sales of Icy poles on Friday the 1st of April will be donated to the Good Friday Appeal.

Thank you for your support,

JSC 2022



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Pupil of the Week



2022 ~ Term 1 ~ Week 6 For working hard during Writing time. You are an absolute Gino Grade 1/2A Superstar! For her creativity and persistence when constructing her rocket Grade 1/2 B Shyamala during Discovery. For generously giving up his time to assist the Prep students in the Grade 3/4 A Thomas T vard. Keep up the great work! For improving his stamina and persistence whist reading. Keep up Grade 3/4 B Joel the great work. Grade 5/6 B Riley M For being a responsible student and helping others in the yard. Art Ella F Prep For 100% effort and fantastic results in her insect artwork. Daniel 56B For being the first two Kahoot Winners on Chinese Tones, PinYin Chinese and Pronunciation. Madison 56A PE Carter 34A For scoring a basket because he kept trying his best. STEM Josh 56A For staying on track and always predicting the best. 2022 ~ Term 1 ~ Week 7 For being an enthusiastic learner and doing so well with her Writing Prep Arlowe and Maths! Grade 1/2A Zoe J For reading with great fluency and showing amazing understanding. Charlie J Grade 1/2 B For his descriptive language when writing his Narrative. For using a Snapshot Lead in her Narrative titled 'The House on the Grade 3/4 A Amava Hill.' For her descriptive start in her Narrative titled 'The Grooms'. Grade 3/4 B Maisie Amazing! Grade 5/6 A Kobe For producing such an engaging Big Write last week. Keep it up! Grade 5/6 B Liam S For his outstanding effort in Writing this week. Keep it up! For settling in very well in the Art Room and his hard work in ART Leo 12A Gardening Club. For consistently exhibiting a positive and enthusiastic attitude Chinese Patrick 34A towards topic studies. For her outstanding commitment as Library Monitor and for always Olivia M 12A Library doing her best. PE Adam 34A For his love of basketball and constant efforts. **STEM** Liam G 34B 'A' for effort! Keep up the good work. Student *Charlotte* 34B For being welcoming to the new students at our school Wellbeing

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Parents & Friends

A belated thank you to everyone who helped assist with BBQ at twilight sports. We raised over \$600 from the BBQ. This year, all money fundraised by P&F is going towards iPad leases (Prep-Grade 2) and the projector screen/AV system in the hall.

Food Day – Bakers Delight this Friday

Thank you to the families who placed orders for the upcoming food day – hopefully the kids enjoy it.

Thank you also to Bakers Delight Greensborough Plaza for their ongoing support!



Easter Raffle – Donations needed!



Each year P&F run an Easter Raffle with items donated from the school community. If you would like to donate Easter eggs or crafts, there is a prize donation box in the foyer of the school office.

Thank you to Hahndorfs in Greensborough Plaza for their donation.

Raffle tickets have been sent home and the raffle will be drawn on the last day of term –Friday 8th of April. Additional tickets are available up at the office.

Hot Cross Buns – Orders due back Friday 1st April

This year we will be selling Baker's Delight Hot Cross buns as our fundraiser. We sell these for the same price as in store however each pack sold raises \$1.50 for our school. Order forms have been sent home; however extra ones are available at the office – please return orders by Wednesday 24th March (EFT payments can be made at the office).

This year our price is cheaper than what is sold in-store, so make sure you order some!

Hot Cross buns will be ready to collect Friday 8th of April (last day of term)

Thank you to Yvette for organising this event.



Trivia Night – Save the Date – FRIDAY 27th of MAY (adult only event)



Pop the date into your diary! We are excited to announce we are planning a trivia night fundraiser (along with a silent auction) this year. This is our major fundraiser of the year, but more importantly, it is a fabulous social event for the community.

More details to come early term 2!

If you know of a business who would be happy to donate items/services for this event, please let either myself (Kim), or the office know.



Thankyou,





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What's been happening...

Hello parents and Guardians,

Hope all of you are doing well and that you all enjoyed your long weekend and had fun with your loved ones!

It has been a very busy fortnight with lots of fun activities and play.

It was great to celebrate Masie's 9th Birthday at OSHClub! Our Clubs have been successful, and the children have been very busy experimenting and cooking!

Our Pupil Free Day was a great Day and the children that attended had an amazing time with us enjoying all the fun activities!

This fortnight we also introduced a new sign in/out system! Kind reminder that you all must have your phones with you to do this!

We are also excited to start running Class Dojo! I have sent out invites to all of you. Please inform me if you would not like to participate or if you need any clarification on what this new app is all about!



OSHClub

We are extremely excited to introduce Class DOJO to you all! Join us as we will be taking OSHClub to another Level!

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Coming Up



Special Announcements

NEW OR CODE SYSTEM FOR SINGING IN AND OUT!

As you must all be aware off by now, we have moved on to a new way of singing in and out! You are all now required to sign your child/children in upon drop off in the morning and out, in the afternoon upon pick-up. This is done by scanning the QR code displayed on the iPad on our outdoor display table.

Please make sure you have your phone with you to do so!

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any question or in need of any help.

Quality Area Reflection

Focusing on.....

Quality Area 3.2.3 The service cares for the environment and supports children to become environmentally responsible.

We promote sustainable resources and provide high quality activities based on sustainable awareness!

Club News

Enjoy the latest photos of our Clubs!









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Coordinator's Corner

Welcome, Womingeka, Huanying!

Autumn Holidays are fast approaching, and we are very excited as the themes are incredible and the activities amazing!

You should all have been notified by now that bookings are open, so make sure you book in for the sessions you are interested as the numbers are already high!

I will be sending the program out to all of you soon via Kidsoft and the activity planner!

This Information will help you and your child/children decide what days they would like to attend the service.

Looking forward to an amazing Autumn Holiday Program. Regards Aspa

Photos speak for themselves!





Recipe

Pie Maker spinach and cheese fritters

Ingredients

- -240g frozen spinach, thawed
- -200g cottage cheese

-2 eggs

-1/4 cup milk

-2/3 cup self-raising flour

-1/3 cup grated cheese

-2 green onions chopped

Directions

-Squeeze excess moisture from spinach

-Whisk cottage cheese, eggs, and milk together in a bowl. Add flour, cheddar, spinach, and onion. Season with salt and pepper and mix well.

-Spoon 1/4 cup spinach mixture into each hole. Cook for about 12 minutes until browned.

-Enjoy!



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COMPUTER PROGRAMMING CLUB!

@ Greensborough Primary School

In a world where technology touches every aspect of our lives, it is crucial that our children understand how it works. To accomplish this objective, there is an exciting coding club running at the school.



DEVELOP SKILLS Creativity Logical thinking Problem solving 	Fundame	er Science Concepts entals of programming s, Events, Randomness and more
PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES • Scratch • Python • Javascript and many more		MAKE Games Web pages Apps

The club will run for 8 to 10 weeks each term (depending on the length of the term) and is charged on a per-term basis. Students will use school computer during the lesson.

BATCH

8 WEEK TERM PROGRAM

Program for Term 2 2022 is as follows:

Year levels: 3 to 6 Term Fee: \$135 + GST

LUNCH TIME

- 1:40pm 2:25pm
- Friday's 29th Apr to 17th Jun 2022

Fill out the form online by Thursday 7th Apr 2022

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www.digimaker.com.au/enrol

Digimaker will confirm your child's spot via email**

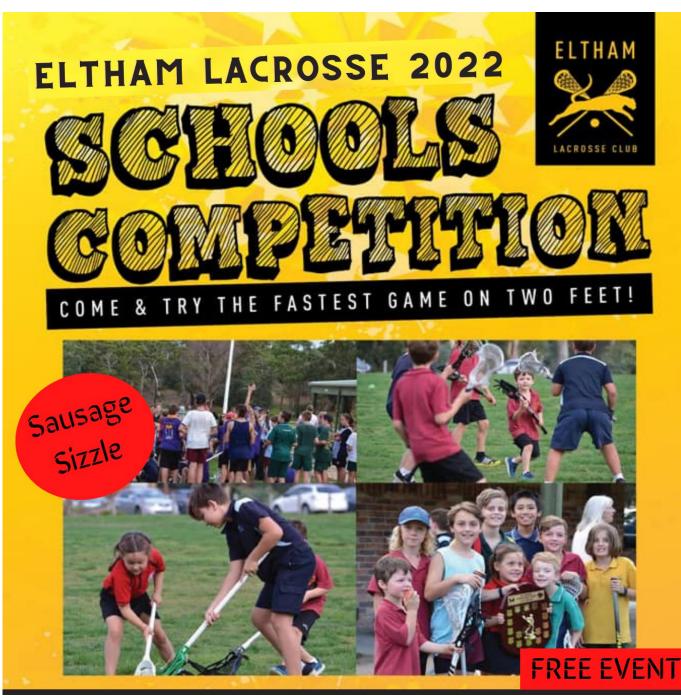
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HOLIDAY E-LEARNING PROGRAM

2 HOURS OF FUN FILLED CODING FULLY SUPERVISED OVER ZOOM (5 DAYS A WEEK!)

https://www.digimaker.com.au/events/school-holiday-coding-program/





Date: Wednesday April 6th **Time**: 5:15-7:30pm **Location**: Lower Eltham Park, 570 Main Road, Eltham 3095

TO REGISTER VISIT https://www.elthamlacrosseclub.com.au/registration/

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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