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Friday 15 July 2022	Footsteps Dance Program 1 – 11:30am to 1:30pm
Tuesday 19 July 2022	Soccer X after-school clinics commence 3:30pm to 4:30pm
Friday 22 July 2022	Footsteps Dance Program 2 – 11:30am to 1:30pm
Friday 29 July 2022	Footsteps Dance Program 3 – 11:30am to 1:30pm
Tuesday 2 August 2022	Clubs – Prep to Grade 2 School Athletics Trials – Willinda Park
Wednesday 2 August 2022	100 Days of Prep Celebration
Friday 5 August 2022	Footsteps Dance Program 4 – 11:30am to 1:30pm
Friday 12 August 2022	Footsteps Dance Program 5 – 11:30am to 1:30pm
Monday 15 August 2022	Lace Tying Incursion – Prep to Grade 2 – 9:00am to 11:00am
Wednesday 17 August 2022	Multi-Age Day – Book Week
Friday 19 August 2022	Footsteps Dance Program 6 – 11:30am to 1:30pm
Monday 22 August 2022	Poetry Competition Winner Announced at School Assembly
Tuesday 23 August 2022	2022 Book Fair
Wednesday 24 August 2022	2022 Book Fair District Athletics Competition
Thursday 25 August 2022	2022 Book Fair Book Week Dress Up Day
Friday 26 August 2022	2022 Book Fair Footsteps Dance Program 7 – 11:30am to 1:30pm
Monday 29 August 2022	Professional Practice Day – Pupil Free - TBC
Friday 2 September 2022	Final Day for Premiers' Reading Challenge Footsteps Dance Program 8 – 11:30am to 1:30pm
Monday 5 September 2022	Grandparents & Special Visitors Day – Prep – 9:00am to 11:00am
Thursday 8 September 2022	R U OK Day
Friday 9 September 2022	Footsteps Dance Program 9 – 11:30am to 1:30pm
Friday 16 September 2022	Footsteps Dance Program 10 – 11:30am to 1:30pm
Friday 24 June 2022	Term 2 – Last Day – Early finish – 1:30pm

Principal's Report

It was lovely to welcome students and families back to school after the break and hear about everyone's holiday adventures. Once again, we've had a smooth start to the term, with students settling in well and focussing on their learning programs. We've welcomed three new students and their families to GPS this term and already Nour, Loki and Ashri have made friends and become connected to our community.

Thank you to all the parents who attended parent/teacher interviews in the last week of Term Two to discuss your child's progress and learning outcomes. Teachers enjoyed celebrating our students' academic gains in Semester One, especially those who made greater than six months growth in Literacy and Numeracy. Our students are to be commended for their diligent application to their learning tasks, whether it be in Intervention, Tutoring, Extension or class programs and we look forward to building on their success in Term Three and focussing on the specific academic outcomes students need to achieve, to progress to the next level.

As well as our usual class programs we have a host of extracurricular activities and events planned. We started the term by celebrating NAIDOC (National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee) Week. This year's theme is '**Get Up! Stand Up! Show Up!**' and provided us with a great opportunity to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Students also commenced their **Discovery Lego** units. Margaret's done an exemplary job in setting up the Lego room in the heritage building and grades were very excited to have their first lessons during the week. Margaret has provided information about the program in this newsletter and from the looks of concentration and the conversations students were having, we are well on the way to achieving the program's goals.



Tomorrow all grades will commence classes with **Footsteps Dance Company**. These sessions will run each Friday for the rest of the term culminating in a concert for parents. Laura Tillotson is liaising with our local secondary schools for the use of an auditorium so that family members can attend and enjoy the performance – more information will be given in future newsletters.

Our Grade 5/6 students are continuing their **artwork** for the screens for the Hurstbridge rail line duplication project. The students have created a series of six artworks that the project will have printed onto hoarding or gawk screen (material hung on fencing to reduce the visibility) during the maintenance work and we're looking forward to seeing their work showcased to the community.

Clubs programs resumed for students in Grades Prep, One and Two. Clubs is an excellent opportunity for our students to have a voice in choosing activities beyond the scope of their usual class programs. This term they've chosen, the ever-popular *Party Games*, *Crafts*, *Robotics* and *Ninja Exercise*, (no doubt influenced by our new mandarin teacher Han Hung.)

Our Grade Six students will begin their **Graduation** preparations in earnest, as they work together to celebrate their primary school years.

Book Week is just around the corner and the Parade, Multi-Age Day and Book Fair are always highlights in our school calendar. Due to the District Athletics being held on Wednesday in Book Week, we have moved our annual Multi-Age Day to the week prior on Wednesday August 17th, The Book Parade will be on Thursday 25th August and we're looking forward to seeing everyone dressed as their favourite book characters. Frankie Ciavola, our Librarian will provide more information to families in future newsletters.

Robyn our Wellbeing Worker is continuing to run activities at lunchtimes on Mondays and Lynette is working with our Wellbeing Leaders on engaging lunchtime activities at the Friendship tree, Tuesday – Friday. Our

leadership programs involving Junior School Council members and our Kindness Crusaders are also well underway and we look forward to hearing their plans for the term.

Our opt-in programs of Tennis, Coding and Dance are continuing to be offered to families during lunchtimes, and Instrumental Music occurs during class time. This term we are also adding an after-school soccer program on Tuesdays run by Soccer X. Coach Christian spoke to students at assembly on Monday and if it rains, the program will still occur either in the hall or undercover area near the Library. Laura Tillotson will be rehearsing with our choir during lunch-times and we already have several 'gigs' booked for Term Four. The Victorian High-Ability Program and Challenge and Enrichment Series will continue this term, as will GATEWAYS and our usual extension and intervention programs.

Overall, it will be a productive term with programs designed to meet our students' academic and wellbeing needs.

Staffing

We wish Gayle Fitzgerald all the best as she embarks on a new career path! Gayle has been an invaluable Education Support staff member and assisted both teachers and students in all school programs. We will not only miss Gayle's professionalism and expertise, but we will also miss her friendship and happy personality. We know Gayle will be a great addition to her new employer and we congratulate her on her new role.

Additional Student Free Day Term Three

DET has advised schools that under the new Industrial Agreement, schools are mandated to provide a Professional Practice Day for teachers in Terms Three and Four. DET has also advised schools to hold each teacher's allocated Professional Practice Day on the same day for all staff. This is to enable the most effective and efficient use of this day and students are not required to attend school on these days.

We understand the need to give families notice of the date for this term and once School Council ratifies the proposed date, families will be notified via COMPASS and in the next newsletter. We apologise for the shorter than usual notice, however the mandate to provide a Professional Practice Day for staff is beyond our control.

(Please note that the Professional Practice days are in addition to the remaining Curriculum Day families have previously been advised of, i.e., Monday 31st October.) *If numbers permit, OSHClub will provide care for students – please contact them for more information.*

Lost Property

Emilia, one of Education Support staff does an exemplary job looking after lost property, however despite her best efforts, the amount of lost property is growing due to items not being labelled or because labels have washed off. We ask parents to please relabel lunchboxes, drink bottles, items of clothing, etc, so that we can return items to their owners as soon as they are found!

If any parents or family members would like to assist in the classrooms, hearing reading or working with students during the Literacy and Numeracy sessions, please contact your class teacher. Volunteers are no longer required to be vaccinated and Working With Children Checks which are free for volunteers and can be obtained online or at the post office. We'd love to welcome parents back into the classrooms.

Angela Morrìtt

Principal

2023 Prep Enrolments

Next term we will begin planning in earnest for staffing and grades for 2023. 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.

Lego Discovery Room

We are very excited to announce the opening of our Lego Discovery Room.

Apart from the high levels of engagement and excitement, Lego encourages and supports:

- Design skills
- Curiosity
- Problem solving
- Resilience
- Collaborative learning
- Oral language skills



In the newly painted Heritage Building, the Lego Room is spacious and warm with a range of seating options and a vast array of Lego materials.

Grades will have two hours per week in the Lego Room with there being a balance of individual design and building opportunities as well as scaffolded design and building challenges.

We hope parents will drop into the Lego Room so they can see firsthand what all the excitement is about, and we look forward to the development of great intellectual and social capabilities as the program progresses.

Margaret Hirth

Assistant Principal



Our VHAP Experience

Congratulations to Lachie, Riley, Josh, Hugo, Liam and Bella who completed the Victorian High Ability Program in Term Two. The program was called 'From Symbols to Secrets' and focused on extending the students' Maths knowledge. Next term Zak, Zoe and Madison will be completing the program and we know that they will gain so much Mathematical knowledge and will work diligently within these sessions. We are looking forward to hearing from Zak, Madison and Zoe throughout the term when they share their learning.



Mrs Claire Storey

VHAP Coordinator

2022 Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Premiers' Reading Challenge will be continuing throughout the majority of Term Three. It has been wonderful to see so many students reading a variety of books. I am currently on Long Service Leave until August 8th. Miss T will be verifying books in my absence and if anyone has misplaced their Login and Passwords, Miss T can help with this also.

Happy Reading everyone,

Mrs Claire Storey

Premiers' Reading Challenge (PRC) Coordinator



Student Wellbeing

Hi Everyone,



Did you and your family manage to enjoy some of the great outdoors over the holidays? We certainly had some lovely Winter days! It's great to see your children's smiling faces again.

Last week was NAIDOC WEEK, a celebration of our wonderful Indigenous community and opportunities to learn more about their culture. Did you manage to participate in some of the activities? NITV (National Indigenous TV) on Channel 34 is dedicated to Indigenous news, films, and other programs – a great resource which I often watch.

I have been involved with a number of Indigenous students and their families and am always fascinated by their sense of community and their knowledge of and respect for the land on which we all live. These two elements are regularly depicted in Indigenous art through various symbols.

Below is a copy of a drawing by Indigenous artist, Safina Stewart, which I encourage you to download for your child/ren to colour – please use the attached link: https://www.commongrace.org.au/inspire_colouring_in

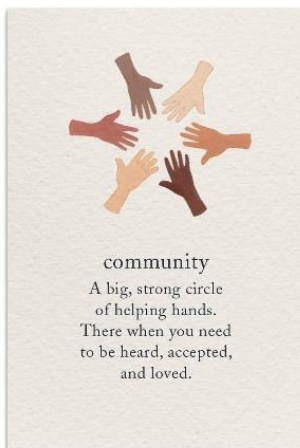


Perhaps you could have a family discussion around Indigenous culture and the symbolism in this drawing.

Safina Stewart has been an active member of her local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community through her art and family. She endeavours to develop and use her art in ways that encourages awareness, wholeness and hope.

SYMBOLISM IN THE DRAWING:

- ***A RIVER symbolises the Spirit that gives life to country and community***
- ***CAMPFIRES symbolise the strength of community***
- ***CONNECTED CIRCLES to signify pathways for partnership***
- ***PEOPLE as individuals and groups making difference***
- ***Sets of FOOTPRINTS walking together for reconciliation***
- ***The cool FIRE in cultural burning that cleans and replenishes the Land***
- ***MOUNTAINS highlight the beauty of the landscapes***



I hope that you have a great term ahead.

Stay well & stay safe!

Robyn Mulholland

Student Wellbeing

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

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On Wednesday the 3rd of August, we are very excited to be celebrating 100 days of Prep! To celebrate the day, the Prep class and I are going to dress up like we are 100 years old and participate in lots of fun activities! They have accomplished so much in their 100 days of school, and we are looking forward to celebrating their achievements. Thank you!

Kind regards,

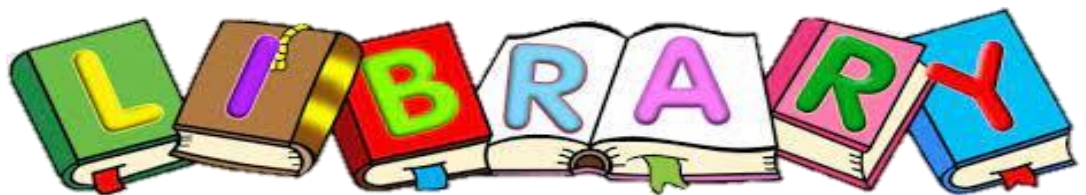
Miss Jill Chen

Prep Teacher



LIBRARY NEWS

Welcome back to a big Term 3 in the Library.



Grade 3 - 6 will have library lessons this Semester and P - 2 teachers will be able to bring their grades for visits. Also, please remember the library is open for borrowing every Wednesday morning from 8:45am and each afternoon 3:30pm to 3:45pm. Returns can be placed in the green container outside the library. When borrowing books a library bag (even a plastic bag) must be used to carry and store the books borrowed. Please ensure library bags are placed in school bags each Tuesday night ready for Wednesday.

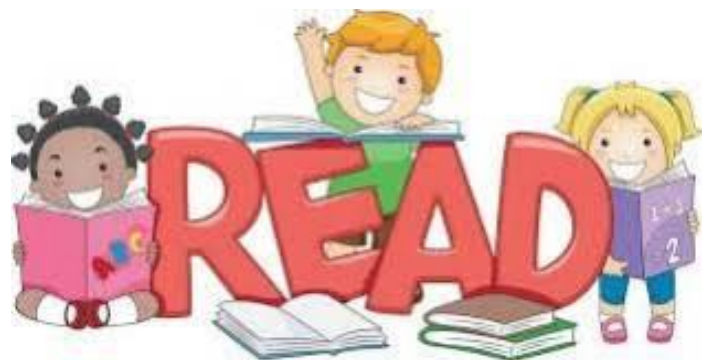
Book Week is Week 7 of this term. We welcome back the Scholastic Book Fair, so start preparing your wish lists. There will be lots of Book Week fun! What will your teacher dress up as this year? Stay tuned in the coming weeks for more details.

A busy and exciting term for the Library.

Happy Reading,

Francesca Ciavola

Librarian/Teacher



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Pupil of the Week



2022 ~ Term 2 ~ Week 8

Prep	<i>Xavier</i>	For completing his writing task using the strategies of a good writer! Keep it up 😊
Grade 1/2 A	<i>Leo</i>	For completing his class work with focus and effort. Keep it up, Leo!
Grade 1/2 B	<i>Dash</i>	For working with perseverance and determination this term in all areas. Keep it up!
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Edward</i>	For his concise summary of his Guided Reading Group's fiction book 'Basketball Bea'.
Grade 3/4 B	<i>Hunter</i>	For your incredible time here at GPS! Have a fantastic time at Eltham North Primary!!
Grade 5/6 A	<i>Hollie-Rose</i>	For your participation in all learning tasks in the past week! Keep it up!
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Tiffany</i>	For being a mature and diligent student. You are a fantastic role model to others.
Art	<i>Jasper 12A</i>	For always trying his best and being super helpful in the Art Room.
PE	<i>Lachie H 56B</i>	For being a wonderful goalie. Unbeatable!
STEM	<i>Liam G 34B</i>	For being a Coding Whizz!

2022 ~ Term 2 ~ Week 9

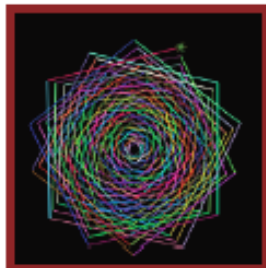
Prep	<i>Jasmine</i>	For consistently showing kindness and compassion towards her friends and being a wonderful helper!
Grade 1/2A	<i>Natasa</i>	For working really hard all term to improve her Reading skills. You're amazing!
Grade 1/2 B	<i>Raythan</i>	For his positive attitude and always making us laugh.
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Anne-Sophie</i>	For her outstanding presentation of her Ancient Roman Goddess, Juno. Very insightful, Anne-Sophie!
Grade 3/4 B	<i>Raiden</i>	For acting on feedback during our Big Write session. Great job, Raiden.
Grade 5/6 A	<i>Talia</i>	For always being so kind and thoughtful in class and in the school yard.
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Zak</i>	For displaying all our school values and being a great role model to our younger students.
ART	<i>Nikola 12B</i>	For 100% effort and improvement in Art recently.
Library	<i>Dash 12B</i>	For always giving everything a 'Red Hot' go.
PE	<i>Elsie Prep</i>	For always giving everyone a fair and fun go!
STEM	<i>Hunter 34B</i>	You are a STEM Whizz! GPS will miss you.

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

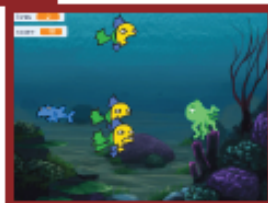


LEARN

- Computer Science Concepts
- Fundamentals of programming
Loops, Events, Randomness and more

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

- Scratch
- Python
- Javascript
- ... and many more



MAKE

- Games
- Web pages
- Apps

The club will run every term and is charged on a per-term basis. Students will use school computer during the lesson.

TERM PROGRAM

Program for **Term 3 2022** is as follows:

Year levels: 3 to 6

Term Fee: \$150 + GST

LUNCH TIME	BATCH
1:40pm – 2:25pm	Fridays 15 th Jul to 9 th Sep 2022

Fill out the form online by
Thursday 23rd Jun 2022



www.digimaker.com.au/enrol

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

** All important emails from Digimaker will be sent from info@digimaker.com.au. Please ensure this address is whitelisted in your Junk Email filters or added as a Trusted contact.

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/>

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What's been happening...

Hello everyone and hope it has been a fantastic start to term 3!

Hope you all had a wonderful and well earned break. Over the holidays we had a terrific Holiday program and did lots of fun and exciting activities! We even got to have two Incursions and excursions which were awesome!

This week the children have had lots of fun participating in the planned activities and anything spontaneous that they decide to do during their time with us!

The children love playing outside and in the hall which allows us to work on our gross & fine motor skills and also allows us to stay healthy and fit!

As you are aware we have welcomed our new coordinator Chloe and Educator Supattra to the Greensborough OSHClub team. Please feel free to pop in at any time and meet them if you have not already. They are very excited to be here and to continue building a wonderful program!

We have many things to look forward to this term, we will be discussing new clubs that will run in the afternoons which will be super fun and where we will learn lots of new things! We will also be engaging in art and craft, sports and cooking activities throughout the term.

I would like to thank everyone that follows our class Dojo posts and comments on the posts. your feedback means so much to us because it can help us improve!

Thank you

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Coming Up

5/07-
12/07

NAIDOC Week

11/07-
15/07

First week of Term 3!

30/07

International Friendship Day!

Quality Area Reflection

Focusing on.....

Quality Area 1.1.3. Program Learning opportunities.
We make sure that all aspects of the program,
including routines, are organized in ways that
maximize opportunities for each child's learning.

Each child's interests are accommodated for through
our planning cycle.

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Coordination Corner

Hello everyone!

My name is Chloe, and I am the new coordinator here at Greensborough for OSHClub! I am very excited to be here and have enjoyed meeting the staff, children, and parents. If I have not met you yet, please feel free to pop in and say hello. I would love to meet everyone!

We had a fantastic holiday program where we got to do lots of fun activities and even had the opportunity to participate in Incursions and excursions! We are currently busy planning our next holiday program so stay tuned for news around our new fun & exciting activities that will be happening next holiday program!



Recipe

Banana & Choc Chip Muffins

5 tablespoons (70 grams) unsalted butter, melted and cooled slightly

1 ½ cups (195 grams) all purpose flour

½ cup (95 grams) packed brown sugar

1 teaspoon baking powder

1 teaspoon baking soda

¼ teaspoon sea salt

3 ripe medium bananas, mashed with a fork, about 1 ½ cups mashed

1 large egg

½ teaspoon vanilla extract

¾ cup (130 grams) mini or regular-size chocolate chips

Directions

Heat oven to 180° Fahrenheit. Line muffin cups with paper liners. This recipe makes 12 regular-sized muffins.

Whisk the flour, brown sugar, baking powder, baking soda, and salt in a large bowl.

In a separate bowl, whisk the melted butter, mashed banana, egg, and vanilla until blended.

Add the banana mixture to the bowl with dry ingredients, then use a fork to combine.

Stir in the chocolate chips.

Fill muffin cups ¾ full. Bake until a toothpick can be inserted and comes out clean, 20 to 25 minutes.

Enjoy!!



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SOCCER X SCHOOL PROGRAM / FUN - EDUCATIONAL - ACTIVE

Starting in Term 3, Soccer X will be running an 8 week Soccer program at Greensborough Primary School every **Tuesday** from **3.30 - 4.30pm** beginning **July 19th 2022**.

The program is available to students from **Prep-Year 6**.
On arrival children will be split into groups according to age.
All sessions will be run by **qualified coaches** who hold WWCC.
The sessions will be **fully inclusive & fun-based**, catering for all abilities.

Cost: \$125 / 8-weeks.

For more information and online registrations please visit

www.soccer-x.com



LOOKING FOR UNDER 8 PLAYERS
GIRLS AND BOYS AGED 5-7
AT
APOLLO
BASKETBALL CLUB
Starting 9th July 2022
Register ASAP
<https://www.playhq.com/basketball-victoria/register/24e29e>

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