

Greensborough Primary School - 2062

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Friday 4 November 2022	2023 Prep Orientation Session 1 – 9:30am to 10:30am Swimming Program – Session 3	
Friday 11 November 2022	2023 Prep Orientation Session 2 – 9:30am to 10:30am Swimming Program – Session 4 Remembrance Day Service 1:25pm	
Tuesday 8 November 2022	Southern Cross Recycling Pick Up Smile Squad Visit Camp Information Night – 3:45pm	
Monday 14 November 2022	Last day to order your Student Stationery Packs Maxim Link: http://www.maxim.booklists.com.au	
Friday 18 November 2022	2023 Prep Orientation Session 3 – 9:30am to 10:30am Swimming Program – Session 5	
Thursday 24 November 2022	VHAP Excellence Excursion – MCG Sports Museum	
Friday 25 November 2022	2023 Prep Orientation Session 4 – 9:30am to 10:30am Swimming Program – Session 6	
Saturday 26 November 2022	Election Day Sausage Sizzle & Cake Stall	
Friday 2 December 2022	Swimming Program – Session 7	
Tuesday 6 December 2022	Year 7 Orientation Day	
Thursday 8 December 2022	Grade 6 Graduation	
Friday 9 December 2022	Grade 6 Big Day Out 2022 Semester 2 Academic Reports to go home	
Monday 12 December 2022	Christmas Picnic – BBQ	
Tuesday 13 December 2022	Meet Your 2022 Teacher – 9:00am to 11:00am	
Friday 16 December 2022	Tabloid Sports Day & Ice Cream Truck Visit	
Monday 19 December 2022	Last Day of School for 2022 – Normal dismissal time at 3:30pm	
Tuesday 20 December 2022	Professional Practice Day – Pupil-free Day	

Principal's Report

It was lovely to see the excited faces of the Prep and Grade One students as they arrived at school for breakfast at 8am this morning dressed in their PJs and clutching their favourite 'Teddy'. Our annual events are so important for the joy and sense of connectedness they bring to our students and are a highly anticipated and a highlight of their schoolyear.



Another highlight for our students is seeing the Grade 5/6 artwork displayed on the hoardings at the Greensborough Station renovations, which are part of the Hurstbridge rail line duplication project. Earlier in the year our senior students collaborated to create a series of six artworks and it's wonderful for them to see their work displayed in such a prominent position for the Banyule Community to enjoy. I congratulate the students and their teachers for the excellent quality of their finished projects.



Whilst we're celebrating student achievement, I'd like to congratulate brothers, Kobe and Raiden who recently competed in their first Judo competition, and both were medal winners! Raiden won a gold medal and Kobe a silver medal in their respective divisions. Their coach at Yarra Judo Club was high in his praise of the boys' determination and effort and we wish the boys continued enjoyment and success.



Student Leadership

We are currently in full swing with preparation for 2023 formal student leadership positions. The Expressions of Interest for the Student Wellbeing Leaders were handed out last week and once positions are finalised, we'll begin training in the next few weeks. Students are also busily preparing their speeches for School and House Captains which will be delivered on November 28th and December 5th respectively.

RSL Scholarships

Each year Watsonia RSL supports our school by offering scholarships to two of our Grade Six students. The scholarships are awarded to students who have displayed excellent leadership skills and have been role models for their peers. I am very proud to announce that Holly and Daniel, our School Captains, are this year's worthy recipients and congratulate them on behalf of our community. Holly and Daniel will represent our school at the Remembrance Day ceremony, at the Watsonia RSL on Friday, November 11th, at 10.30am. This very moving service will consist of speeches by veterans, followed by our students laying a wreath with other community groups. An award ceremony will then take place followed by light refreshments. Congratulations Holly and Daniel!

Remembrance Day

As Remembrance Day falls on a Friday this year and our students will be in transit for swimming classes, we will hold our whole school memorial service at 01:25pm rather than the usual 11:00am. Grades Prep - Six will gather on the netball court, weather permitting, to observe one minute's silence to remember the men and women who have served Australia in all wars and armed conflicts. Our School Vice-Captains, Evelyn, Will, and Sienna will read the Ode of Remembrance and place a wreath at the base of our flagpole.

Staffing

2023 Visual Arts position: Bronwyn has regretfully advised that she is unable to take on the role of the 2023 Visual Arts teacher. Working across several schools is proving more challenging than expected and we respect her decision and wish Bronwyn all the best in her future endeavours. Bronwyn is a terrific addition to our community and whilst she will only be with us for this term, her work with students will have longevity as they complete the artwork for the mural on our fence line. We look forward to working with Bronwyn for the remainder of this term.



The good news is that when we interviewed for the arts position, we had another excellent applicant, Kristy Bedford, who strongly impressed us and was ranked second by a narrow margin. We were so impressed by Kristy we offered her the SEL position this term and we're pleased that Kristy has agreed, and is excited, to also take on the role of Visual Arts teacher for 2023. Kristy has also been a valuable addition to our staff this term and we look forward to her increasing her role in 2023.

2023 Grade 3/4 position: The interview process for the Grade 3/4 teaching position has been finalised and once the 14-day provisional period has passed, we'll be able to announce the successful candidate to families. We're very excited to welcome our new teacher to our GPS community and the timing of the appointment allows us to have a thorough induction, including handover of student information. Our new staff member will also join the grade for the 'Meet the Teacher' morning on Tuesday 13th December.

2023 Camp

We are very pleased that we can continue with our 2023 camping program whilst still meeting the provisions of the new Victorian Government Schools Agreement (VGSA), which requires teachers to have time in lieu for working hours beyond their normal work schedule. As has been widely publicised in the media, schools have not been given additional funding to cover replacement teaching staff to cover accrued time in lieu, and many schools have reluctantly cancelled their camp program. As camps are a valuable event in students' school lives and build students' engagement, connectedness to peers, interpersonal and intrapersonal skills, Margaret and I have investigated every possible option to retain our camping program without impacting students' learning or the budgets of other school programs. The only viable option at this stage, is for Margaret and I to cover classes and a schedule has been created for this to occur. Whilst this will increase our workload, the alternative to cancel camp, was not an option we wished to take. We join with other schools hoping that DET will provide schools with funds in 2023 so that we can fulfill the requirements of the VGSA in a sustainable manner.

Please see information later in the newsletter regarding the Camp Information session for families.

Student Support Groups

Last week a post was sent on COMPASS to parents of children who have Student Support Group (SSG) meetings to arrange an appointment for this term. We ask all families who would like a meeting, to reply promptly to their classroom teacher, so we can finalise our SSG schedule.

Semester Two Reports

We are revising the layout and format of our Semester Two reports, to ensure reports are consistent with the practice of other schools and completed within teachers' usual work hours, as per the new Victorian Government Schools Agreement. This format will use the templates available in COMPASS.

The report will contain:

- Progression Points: as per previous reports
- Front page: retaining student progress as per previous reports, for Discovery, leadership, interpersonal and personal capabilities, PATHS/Respectful Relationships etc.
- Revised: Literacy, Numeracy and Specialist subjects
 - A description of the content of the teaching and learning program specific for that semester, e.g., focus on STEM-coding, Literacy-narratives, PE-basketball.
 - Curriculum outcome statements relevant to progression point student is working towards, with progress shown as 'With Support, Beginning, Consolidated or Established'
 - Area for Improvement or Future Learning

We will trial this new format this semester and review for Semester Two, 2023.



Prep Transition

We're looking forward to welcoming our 2023 Preps and their parents/carers to their first transition session tomorrow Friday 4th November. These sessions provide us with the opportunity to get to know each student and begin to build relationships with our new families. Over the next few weeks, Jill will make contact and visit the kindergartens our future students are currently at, to complete the handover of information to ensure a successful transition from kindergarten to school for our 2023 Preps. Our current Prep students attending Swimming with Mrs Mac whilst Jill engages with our new students.

Angela Morrítt

Principal

Smile Squad Six Month Fluoride Varnish Visit Tuesday 8th November

Next Tuesday, the HealthAbility Smile Squad team are heading back to our school to complete six-monthly fluoride varnish applications for those students who have provided consent. Fluoride varnish applications help make sure students have the best chance of preventing tooth decay, so we're excited Smile Squad are coming back.

Consent for this fluoride varnish application was provided when students' initial consent forms were returned. However, if anyone has changed their mind and do not wish to receive a fluoride varnish application, they can contact HealthAbility directly to let them know. Please contact the Smile Squad team via 0405 990 729 or <u>michelle.duclos@healthability.org.au</u>

Southern Cross Recycling

This term we will be collecting items for Southern Cross Recycling next Tuesday 8th November to coincide with Recycling Week. There have been significant changes to what SCR will collect and recycle. We ask families to only bring clean, wearable clothing, shoes, hats, handbags, belts, accessories, toys, towels, sheets, pillowcases and doona covers. Books, DVDs, CDs and household items are no longer able to be sent along. A flyer has been provided previously clarifying what can/can't be collected and what happens to the donated items. We ask families to please only send along the listed items, as we have to pay for the removal of items that Southern Cross Recycling will not collected.

Southern Cross pays us an amount based on the weight of items which goes towards Grade 6 Graduation celebrations. Prior to collection, if any families spy a 'treasure' in the recycled goods they would like to take home, just contact the office to make a donation. As we are paid by weight, a gold or silver coin donation would be sufficient.

Reminder: Curriculum Days Term 4

Cooperation

Families are reminded the last day of Term Four, Tuesday 20th December, is our final Professional Practice Day for the year and is also a student free day. Teachers will be planning for 2023 classes on this day.

The last day for students will be Monday 19th December and school will finish at 3.30pm. Please contact OSHClub if you require your children to attend on Tuesday 20th December.

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Empathy

Achievement





Just a reminder to get your order in before Monday 14 November 2022

HOW TO ONLINE ORDER WITH MAXIM OFFICE GROUP PTY LTD

Greensborough Primary School

Dear Parents,

Many thanks for supporting Greensborough PS with the online portal. We have partnered with Maxim Office Group Pty Ltd to ensure a seamless school start for 2023. Packs will be delivered to the school for collection.

If you have any questions, please call Maxim on 1800 25 35 35 and press option 1.

Please note:

Orders must be placed by the 14th of November 2022 to ensure delivery is on time, ready for collection from the school.

For collection date information, please contact the school office on 03 94351496.

To order your Bookpack:

- 1. Please follow this link: http://www.maxim.booklists.com.au
- Your access code is: GREENSBPS *Please note this is capital sensitive. Please enter code as displayed in screen.
- 3. Select the year level required for order
- 4. Please ensure that the students' name, your name and contact details are given and correct
- 5. Select 'Place order'
- If purchasing more than one booklist, please select 'Add another booklist' and follow the same procedure from step 3
- 7. Select 'Proceed to payment options'
- 8. Your total payment amount required will display on screen
- 9. Select 'Pay Now'
- Please choose your check-out option Credit/ Direct Debit available. Ensure payment details are correctly entered
- 11. You will receive a payment receipt and an order confirmation to the email address you provided
- 12. Your child's pack/s will be delivered to the school for collection

Thank you, Maxim Office Group Pty Ltd



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MOUNT EVELYN DISCOVERY CAMP 2023

In this session we will look at information specific to the Mt Evelyn Discovery Camp as well as answer frequently asked questions. Attendance is not mandatory for campers to attend, but is recommended for first time families attending camp.

WHERE: **3/4B CLASSROOM**

DATE: **TUESDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER** 3.45PM

Student Wellbeing

Hi Everyone,

We have had some varied SPRING weather over the last couple of weeks including rain and sunshine! Whilst sitting with students outside recently, taking advantage of the occasional sunshine, all seemed 'right within this space' and my thoughts turned to **HOPE**! With one student we watched a dragonfly dart around, with another we observed the new growth in the garden, with another we were almost 'drowned out' by the joyful sounds of the birdlife.



It is a bit like a tapestry – the underside looks a little 'messy', but it is the 'colours' of the threads that count. Our lives are made up of many 'colours' and some of the most beautiful are when life was full of good times and **HOPE**. Maybe you can use this analogy with your child when life seems hard and help them to look for signs of **HOPE** – they are always there in the people around us, in that helpful friend, in Nature, in the highs and lows of the Yarra River as it flows through our community, in the things we are **GRATEFUL** for, etc....!



Even in areas of Victoria where flooding rain has caused despair and loss, there were glimmers of **HOPE** as people reached out to each other.

In the last newsletter we discussed **GRATITUDE** and how, in the midst of life's difficulties, we all benefit from remembering and acknowledging the little and sometimes big things we are grateful for. It is the same with **HOPE** – it gives us a growth mindset, **accept the things that you cannot change, and change the things you can!** One student actually commented the 'he was feeling happier since he had the gratitude journal'!





Take care & stay well!

Student Wellbeing Mondays 10:00am to 3:00pm & Wednesdays 8:30am to 1:30pm robyn.mulholland@education.vic.gov.au

How many **signs of hope** can you and your family find around you?

May you and your family find joy and HOPE this SPRING!

AHH-CHOO!



Tennis at St Mary's Tennis Club



What an amazing day at St Mary's Tennis Club. Provided by Tennis Victoria and the Tennis Guru- Craig Haslam, students played on real courts and participated in games. Provided below are more details on programs he runs, just a quick walk away from Greensborough Primary School.



We are currently collecting testimonials for our School Website and would love to have your feedback or thoughts on our school, educational programs and

culture.



https://forms.gle/Nb MhRyxHeRAazUMh7

Visit the QR link above on your device to access our form! Alternatively, visit this website or our Facebook for access!

This should take no more than 5 minutes to complete and will help shape our school immensely!

Thank you for taking the time to help us collect testimonials!



Testimonials

What do you value most about Greensborough Primary School?

If you have any technical issues, please contact Mr. Stephens via Compass.

Parents & Friends Association

For the year so far, we have raised over \$12,000 for the school. I would like to thank those parents who have assisted/organised events. I would also like to thank the wider school community for supporting our fundraising events. All the funds raised are going towards iPad leases for Preps to Grade 2s and the AV system and projector screen in the hall.

Nick's Gnocchi & Pasta Drive – Collection this Friday Afternoon

Thank you to everyone who purchased pasta from Nick's Pasta. 20% of the sales goes straight back to the school!

Items will be delivered this Friday at 3pm and will be sent home with eldest child. If any issues, please contact the front office.





Election Day BBQ – Helpers will be required – Saturday 26th November 2022



The state election is fast approaching, and Greensborough Primary School is once again a polling booth. We will be running a BBQ on the day to provide a tasty democracy sausage as well as have a cake stall.

We will be needing volunteers to assist on the day, a volunteer slip will be coming home early next week.

For those who would like to bake goods for the cake stall, all items must be labelled with all ingredients and no fresh cream can be used. Bags and stickers are available at the office and items can either be dropped off at the school the day before (or on the day in the morning).



Christmas Party – End of Year BBQ – Monday 12th December 2022

We are anticipating running a BBQ for the upcoming Christmas Party and will require helpers. A volunteer form will be sent home closer to the event.

Thankyou,

Kím Híll On behalf of P&F



JSC News!

Welcome to our new JSC members!

We would like to welcome Maisie, Raiden and Thomas H to our team! These three superstars have volunteered to step in to represent 3/4B until the end of the year. We are very excited to have you on board!

Just a reminder that the last day to donate to our Koala Kids drive will be this Friday 4th of November. We have already received a huge number of card games and Band-Aids, what an amazing effort! On behalf of the JSC, we thank all the families who have donated. All your support and generosity is greatly appreciated.

Kind regards, Paula Ly and the JSC committee.







Pupil of the Week



2022 ~ Term 4 ~ Week 3

Prep	Millie	For always being a caring and kind friend. Millie also published an excellent Narrative! Well done!
Grade 1/2 A	Drew	For being an excellent listener at Swimming this week. Keep it up!
Grade 1/2 B	Lola	For her concentration and effort when trying new things during Yoga sessions.
Grade 3/4 A	Isla	For her enthusiastic participation during week one of Swimming.
Grade 3/4 B	Steve	For an outstanding start to life at Greensborough Primary School!
Grade 5/6 A	Jess	For her fantastic start here at GPS and for demonstrating Kindness to her peers!
Grade 5/6 B	Bella	For showing courage and persistence during Swimming. Keep it up!
Library	Thomas H 34B	For putting in an extra big effort in Library this week.
PE	Kobe 56A	For trying his best at a new sport.
STEM	Jacob 12A	For being full of interesting facts and staying focused.
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Grade 1/2A Grade 1/2 B Grade 3/4 A Grade 3/4 B Grade 5/6 A	Oliver Billie G Ren Anastasia Stirling Reece W	 For showing creativity on his writing and always lending a helping hand to his friends. For always working hard in the classroom. Keep it up Billie! For his convincing arguments when writing an exposition about whether kids should play outside. For creatively using different materials in her collage for her Picture Story Book. For completing your outstanding Picture Story Book. Great work! For always being so helpful in class and out in the school yard. For being so helpful when cleaning up during our tennis excursion.



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November, 2022

What's been happening...

What a busy fortnight we have had. The children have enjoyed making things for Halloween, celebrating Diwali, having a taste of India with Atri leading the experience, Dynamic Dinosaurs, and an extra Halloween celebration on our Pupil Free Day. So much excitement and fun!

We are very pleased to announce that our new Permanent Educator, Mikayla Martin, will be commencing with the service as of Thursday, 3rd November, We are so happy to have her on board and Welcome her to the team

Prep information sessions are starting this week and we can't wait to introduce ourselves and invite our new prep children to see what we do here at the program. If you have any queries please don't hesitate to ask. We are also in the middle of organising our next Holiday Program. Keep watching for when registration for same opens.

Photo Gallery



Special Announcements Please remember hats are required for outside play experiences.

Registrations for Summer Holiday Program will soon be announced. This will include special arrangements for the last days prior to Christmas Day. Please watch this space for further information.

BSC 6.45AM - 9:00AM ASC 3:00PM - 6:00PM 04447 868 204 Greensborough OSHClub

Coming Up



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Club News

Great News!!! Club Fomo has commenced.

Wednesday Nights belong to Dynamic Dinosaurs. Have you ever wondered how/where Dinosaurs lived or what they really look like? Come with us on a Dino dig.

Our second Fomo Club Is Around the World. This week we will focus on the United Kingdom and enjoy a feast of Cucumber sandwiches and Scones. We will attempt to make our own Paddington bear.



Quality Area Reflection QUALITY AREAS WE ARE FOCUSING ON:

Children and families getting to know the staff working within our program.





Sunday 6 November 10am – 4pm

PET & SUSTAINABILITY EVENT

Petrie Park Mountain View Road, Montmorency

Program includes:

Pet photobooth · Slime and airbrush art workshops · Live reptiles
 Face painting · Make your own holidays card and tree decoration

 Make a kokedama or plant a succulent
 Market stalls and Council departments on display
 Food trucks and live entertainment



Stay tuned for updates via banyule.vic.gov.au

Cooperation Achievement Respect Empathy

Rets must be on leads



Banyule Children's Gift Appeal

1 November to 16 December 2022

For over 20 years, the Banyule community has provided new gifts, toys and gift cards to local children and families experiencing financial hardship through the Banyule Children's Gift Appeal. In 2021, 459 local children received gifts, thanks to community donations.

Disadvantage and financial hardship affect many families in our community and can be caused by a significant change in circumstances. Christmas and the summer holiday periods can be stressful for families who cannot adequately provide for their children.

Donation Bins

New gifts can be dropped into donation bins located at:

- Diamond Valley Community Support, Shop 378a, Level 3, Greensborough Plaza
- WaterMarc Entrance, Ground Floor, 1 Flintoff Street, Greensborough
- Ivanhoe Learning and Cultural Hub, 275 Upper Heidelberg Road, Ivanhoe
- Rosanna Library, 72 Turnham Avenue, Rosanna
- Watsonia Library, 4/6 Ibbottson Street, Watsonia

Donate

All money donated to the Banyule Children's Gift Appeal will be used to purchase toys and gifts for children under 12 years and \$30 Gift Cards for children aged 12 to 16 years. Tax deductible donations can be made through Diamond Valley Community Support:

- https://gofund.me/76015cae Online:
- Phone: 03 9435 828



Every year the 3081 Angels provide a new book for every child under 12 years who is referred to the Gift Appeal. If you are interested in supporting this initiative email: 3081angels@bchs.org.au with the subject heading Banyule Children's Gift Appeal Book Project

Get Involved

Volunteer: Volunteers support the gift appeal by packing and delivering gift parcels and collecting donations. If you would like to volunteer email volunteers@dvsupport.org.au or phone 9435 8282

Community Group donations drive: Every year community groups and local businesses run donation drives for the Gift Appeal. Register your group as a participant by emailing libby.mein@banyule.vic.gov.au or phone 9457 9961.

Visit banyule.vlc.gov.au/GlftAppeal to learn more.

The Banyule Children's Gift Appeal is delivered in partnership with:









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