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<i>Friday 18 November 2022</i>	2023 Prep Orientation Session 3 – 9:30am to 10:30am Swimming Program – Session 5 Baker's Delight Food Day
<i>Thursday 24 November 2022</i>	VHAP Excellence Excursion – MCG Sports Museum
<i>Friday 25 November 2022</i>	2023 Prep Orientation Session 4 – 9:30am to 10:30am Swimming Program – Session 6
<i>Saturday 26 November 2022</i>	Election Day Sausage Sizzle & Cake Stall
<i>Friday 2 December 2022</i>	Swimming Program – Session 7
<i>Wednesday 7 December 2022</i>	Inter School Sports Training
<i>Thursday 8 December 2022</i>	Grade 6 Graduation Choir First Public Performance – Aged Care Facility
<i>Friday 9 December 2022</i>	Grade 6 Big Day Out Excursion 2022 Semester 2 Academic Reports to go home Reminder last day to return Home Readers
<i>Monday 12 December 2022</i>	Christmas Picnic – BBQ
<i>Tuesday 13 December 2022</i>	Meet Your 2022 Teacher – 9:00am to 11:00am Year 7 Orientation Day
<i>Thursday 15 December 2022</i>	Choir Performance – Greensborough Plaza
<i>Friday 16 December 2022</i>	Tabloid Sports Day & Ice Cream Truck Visit
<i>Monday 19 December 2022</i>	Last Day of School for 2022 – Normal dismissal time at 3:30pm
<i>Tuesday 20 December 2022</i>	Professional Practice Day – Pupil-free Day

Principal's Report

We are very pleased to update families on the status of our community grants. Coree and Lyn are able to start painting our fence mural this weekend and we're ecstatic that the white background has remained graffiti free until they were able to begin. (Families may remember that our thoughts and well wishes were with Coree and Lyn while they dealt with the massive clean-up of family homes in the Shepparton area due to recent floods). Funding for our Creation Mural is from Banyule Council Arts and Culture Project and the mural will celebrate and acknowledge the rich history of our First Nations in Banyule and promote the spirit of reconciliation. Coree is a Gunnai, Yorta Yorta, Gunditjmara and Wurundjeri emerging artist and his mother Lyn is an artist and aboriginal educator. The Creation Mural will symbolise important earth elements: water, earth, fire and air from a Wurundjeri/Aboriginal cultural context. Our grade 5/6 students have been working with Bronwyn, our Visual Art teacher, to paint discs to be added to the mural, depicting flora and fauna native to our area. I'm sure you'll agree from the photos below that they have done an amazing job and we can't wait to see them completed and added to our mural.



Jesse Stephens and I were also extremely pleased to hear recently that we have been successful in our grant application to the North East Link Community Funds. We have received funding to build “Tiny Town” which will provide multisensory and collaborative learning opportunities for our students and a variety of community groups to gain the numerous benefits that outdoor exploratory play provides. Community Grants are extremely difficult for schools to obtain, and we thank the local kinders who supported our application. We anticipate “Tiny Town” being established in Term One , 2023 on the Lorimer St boundary of the school.



STAFFING

We are very pleased to announce Vanessa Cunningham was the successful applicant for the Grade 3/4 Classroom teaching position for 2023. Vanessa was clearly the best applicant for the position and we welcome her to our Greensborough Primary Community. Vanessa has completed Tutoring and CRT work at GPS and knows our school culture and programs well, and is building strong relationships with students and staff.

Over the next few weeks Vanessa will have a thorough induction, including handover of student information and will meet the students in her new grade on our ‘Meet the Teacher’ morning on Tuesday 13th December.

Montmorency Secondary College Art Competition



Congratulations to our budding Grade 4 artist, Reese who was a finalist in the recent Montmorency SC art competition! Students were asked to portray their image of ‘The Best Day Ever’ and Reese’s painting certainly evokes thoughts of an excellent event. We’re very proud of Reese, for not only her final artwork, but for her willingness to ‘have a go’ and enter the competition and her determination to design and create her winning entry.

In Reese’s words: “I aimed to produce the best painting I could and use colour to represent happiness because that would be part of the best day ever. I was so happy to be able to get to the finals because I was nervous before I entered it. I was excited and surprised to get the prize at assembly because I had no idea that I was a finalist.”

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Remembrance Day Services

We're also very proud of our current School Captains, Holly and Daniel, who have had their leadership skills recognised by Watsonia RSL and have been awarded a scholarship to assist with their Year 7 tuition. We were very pleased that the awards ceremony could proceed this year, after being cancelled for the last 2 years. Bill Wyndham from Watsonia RSL made the presentation to Holly and Daniel along with MP Colin Brookes and Grimshaw Ward Councillor, Rick Garotti. We are very proud that our School Captains' leadership qualities have been recognised and rewarded by the RSL and wish them all the best as they continue their leadership journey in Secondary School. Congratulations Holly and Daniel.



Back at school, several of our other school leaders Evelyn, Sienna, Will, Kayleigh, Harmony, Reece and Michael, led our Remembrance Day service in the hall due to wet weather. Our Leaders did an excellent job as they explained that our service was to commemorate the men and women who have served Australia in all wars and armed conflicts and read the Ode of Remembrance. The students in Grade Prep – Six observed a minute's silence and were very respectful of the occasions as our Student Leaders laid a wreath.

Student Reports on COMPASS

Parents and Carers are reminded to save student reports from COMPASS on to your computer hard drive, so that you will always have access to them. As our Grade 6 students are nearing the end of the primary school journey, and teachers are preparing their final reports, we're mindful that once they are exited from our school, they will no longer have access to their COMPASS accounts and their semester reports. If any family members have difficulty completing this task, please contact your child's teacher for assistance.

End Of Year Twilight Picnic!

Save the Date
End of Year
Twilight Picnic

We're all looking forward to our end of year picnic on Monday 12th December. This family evening is one of the highlights of our school year and we're grateful that we are able to hold this outdoor event and celebrate together as a community. Teachers have organised activities for the evening and each grade will sing a Christmas Carol at the picnic. Families are encouraged to purchase dinner from P&F barbeque or bring a picnic dinner, and we sincerely hope everyone can join us.

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Year 6 – 7 Orientation Day Moved to 13th December

Our Grade 5/6 teachers have just been advised by Montmorency and Greensborough Secondary Colleges that the Year 7 Orientation Day has been moved to Tuesday 13th December.

Angela Morrìtt

Principal



Reminder: Curriculum Days Term 4

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.

Parents & Friends Association

THE DEMOCRATIC SAUSAGE







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. P&F will be running a BBQ on the day to provide a tasty democracy sausage. We will also be having a cake stall and are seeking volunteers to assist. If you are able to spare an hour or so, we would greatly appreciate some assistance with the BBQ.

To sign up you can contact the office or sign up via <https://signup.com/go/aKscjYJ>

For those who would like to bake goods for the cake stall:

-  All items must be labelled with all ingredients
-  No fresh cream or raw egg can be used
-  Cooked goods can be dropped off all day on Friday 25 November or Saturday morning
-  Bags and stickers are available at the office



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,

Kim Hill

For Parents & Friends

Student Wellbeing

Hi Everyone,

Do you know that nine types of intelligence have been identified?

Sometimes as parents we focus on our children's numeracy and literacy abilities, while putting lesser emphasis on other areas of the curriculum.

I have seen how uncomfortable some students can become if they are finding maths or reading and writing difficult despite doing their best. But many of these students have special abilities in music or art/craft or sport activities or in people skills which need nurturing and encouragement.

My son had a natural ability for mathematics and science, especially physics, from an early age. My daughter was more insightful when it came to people, showing social awareness and empathy from an early age. Each year, during her primary school years, her teachers would tell us how well she relates to the students with additional needs in her class, showing empathy and respect.



So, when it came to further studies we were not surprised when our son studied aerospace engineering and now works for BOEING, and our daughter studied disability and teaching, and is now a caring, empathetic teacher who shows special care all her students, especially those needing extra understanding.



Howard Gardner, a professor at Harvard University, likes to think about how people think. He's been studying how people think and learn for over fifty years. As a result of his research, Gardner believes that there are nine different types of intelligence, which he calls multiple intelligences.



- ! **Naturalist:** nature-smart, e.g.: zoo-keepers, gardeners, rangers or geologists.
- ! **Musical:** sound-smart, e.g.: musicians or sound technicians.
- ! **Logical-mathematical:** number/reasoning-smart, e.g.: engineers, trades, musicians or designers.
- ! **Existential:** life-smart, e.g.: spiritual leaders.
- ! **Interpersonal:** people-smart, e.g.: social workers, often retail workers, pastoral care workers or teachers. (All the staff at GPS)
- ! **Bodily-Kinaesthetic:** body-smart, e.g.: athletes or dancers. (Think of Cyril Rioli, Hawthorn Champion – thanks for the memories!)
- ! **Linguistic:** word-smart, e.g.: authors or interpreters.
- ! **Intra-Personal:** self-smart (understanding of self), e.g.: psychologists or counsellors.
- ! **Spatial:** picture-smart, e.g.: architects, artists or designers.

We usually have some intelligence in all these areas to varying degrees, but dominate in one or two areas. One may love nature, but also are insightful when it comes to people. One may love music, but enjoy solving mathematical problems. I have also found that many doctors are also skilled musicians!

So, what special intelligences does your child have? Encourage them and allow them to shine as they discover their unique skills and interests.

Our world needs diverse people with diverse skills and intelligences.

Celebrate your unique child.

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



Do not underestimate yourself by comparing yourself with others. It's our differences that make us unique and beautiful.

Prep & Grade One Breakfast



The Prep/One Breakfast was great! I had so much fun with my two best friends. We arrived in our pyjamas, found our seat and Miss Chen read us a menu. I decided that I would have corn flakes, toast and apple and blackcurrant juice. After our breakfast, we did our dishes and brushed our teeth. We changed back into our school uniform and brushed our hair. We came back to class and got ready for school

By Olivia



On the day of the Prep/One breakfast the Preps and Grade Ones came to school before everyone else. We came to school in our Pyjamas and found our seats. We sat down and then picked our breakfast. We picked cereal, toast and juice. When we were finished we washed our plates, bowls, cups and spoons and then we got dressed. The boys changed in Miss T's room and the girls in Mrs Storey and Mrs Gibson's class. We brushed our teeth and started the school day.

By Billie



When it was the Prep/ One breakfast, I came to school in my pyjamas. I found my spot at the table and ate my cereal. I had rice bubbles. Then I had to wash my dishes and get dressed and brush my teeth. It was fun.

By Victor



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Friendship Tree – Christmas



Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are going to decorate the Friendship Tree for Christmas and we need your help to do this. If you have any Christmas decorations you no longer need or want we would be happy to take them off your hands. We can not use cardboard, glass, anything sharp or broken as our tree is outside. All donations can be left at the office.

Thank you on behalf of all the students at Greensborough Primary School for helping us to make our school a wonderful place to be.

From the Student Wellbeing Leaders



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Pupil of the Week



2022 ~ Term 4 ~ Week 5

Prep	<i>Annabelle</i>	For showing great persistence in her work and not giving up. Well done and keep it up!
Grade 1/2 A	<i>Natasa</i>	For always working with her best effort. You are doing a great job!
Grade 1/2 B	<i>Shyamala</i>	For being organised and enthusiastic during our swimming lessons.
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Carter</i>	For his detailed labelled diagram which he completed in our 'Mindful and Nature' activity.
Grade 3/4 B	<i>Yamee</i>	What a terrific start to life at GPS. Keep it up!
Grade 5/6 A	<i>Michael</i>	Well done for all your hard work and effort in all learning areas!
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Evie</i>	For her outstanding effort at swimming, keep it up!
PE	<i>Gabriel 56A</i>	For his sizzling backhand!

2022 ~ Term 4 ~ Week 6

Prep	<i>Garrus</i>	For trying his best in Reading and showing improvement. Keep up the hard work.
Grade 1/2A	<i>Gino</i>	For always working to the best of his ability. Keep it up!
Grade 1/2 B	<i>Raythan</i>	For his sense of humour and making us all smile.
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Xavier M</i>	For enthusiastically sharing his wonderful picture story book 'The Bank' with his peers.
Grade 3/4 B	<i>Heidi</i>	For an amazing and creative picture story book! Well done!
Grade 5/6 A	<i>Gabriel</i>	For showing kindness towards our younger students, especially during buddies.
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Will P Sienna & Evie</i>	For their respectful leadership during our Remembrance Day Service.
Library	<i>Amaya 34A</i>	For being an enthusiastic reader.
PE	<i>Liam G 34B</i>	For trying something new and trying his best.
STEM	<i>Dash</i>	For presenting such wonderful facts, even if it's nerve-racking.

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What's been happening...

The weather has been extremely inclement so no wonder the children (and adults) have been feeling out of sorts. Just when you feel we should be breaking out short sleeve shirts we are instead pulling on our winter gear.

The children celebrated Remembrance Day, experienced food from the United Kingdom and continued exploring the world of Dinosaurs. We have also been creating our own dinosaur enclosures, beyblades/arenas, dressing up and serving food from our pop up café. The robots created were very cute too. When not out enjoying some fresh air we have had group fames and bowling happening in the hall.

Prep Orientation sessions have been happening and it is with pleasure that I hope to meet some of the lovely families joining our school community in 2023.

Photo Gallery



Special Announcements

Holiday Program bookings will soon be open for members of the Greensborough Primary School Community so keep your eyes and ears open. We are limited to 35 places and sometimes places do fill in a hurry (especially Incursion and Excursion days). There will be a program operating from Tuesday, 20th, December to Thursday, 22nd, December and the summer program will commence on January, 9th, 2023.

Coming Up

7th
Dec

Club Fomo Dinosaur Dig

14th
Dec

Club Fomo Around the World
Community Food Sampling

19th
Dec

Final day of School.

Club News

Great News!!! We are already nearing the final weeks of our Club Fomo activities. To celebrate we would love to invite members of the school community to our two special events.

Wednesday 7th, December, 2022 we Invite you to a classic Dinosaur dig (weather permitting). Come and see if you can find some of the remains of the Greensborough OSHClub Dinosaurs. This will commence at 4.00pm

On Thursday 14th, December we Invite you to a sampling of our around the world Menu that we have been enjoying. A celebration of nations. Again this will commence at 4.00pm.

Come see what we have been doing and share some of the fun we have enjoyed.

Quality Area Reflection

QUALITY AREAS WE ARE FOCUSING
ON:

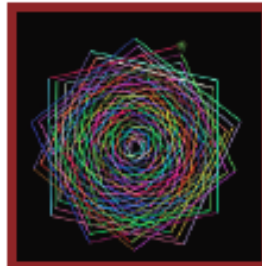
Program planning and inclusion of
children's ideas/feedback in same.

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

Digimaker structured program runs each term and is charged on a per-term basis. Students will use school computer during the lesson.

TERM PROGRAM

Program for **Term 1 2023** is as follows:

Year levels: 2 to 6

Term Fee: \$165 excl GST

LUNCH TIME

1:40pm – 2:25pm

BATCH

Fridays 3rd Feb to 31st Mar 2023

Fill out the form online by
Thursday 8th Dec 2022



www.digimaker.com.au/enrol

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

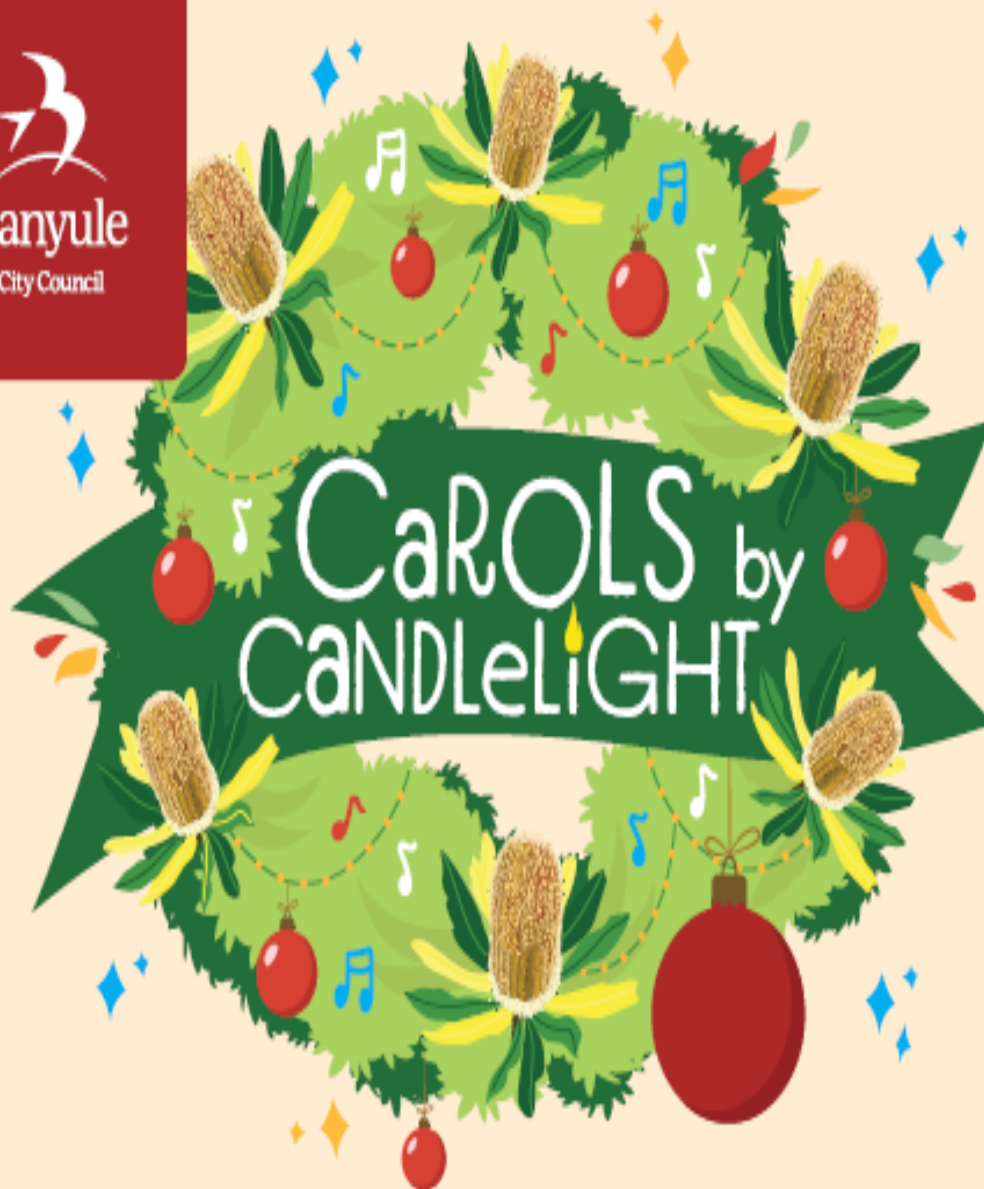
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HOLIDAY E-LEARNING PROGRAM

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

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

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Saturday 17 December 2022

Greensborough War Memorial Park

Henry Street, Greensborough

5:00pm: Food trucks and
preshow entertainment

7:00pm: Carols showtime

Apollo Rockets

"come and try clinics"



Apollo Rockets are running two clinics for girls and boys who have never played basketball before, but eager to begin their basketball journeys. These sessions are perfect if you want to try basketball out before committing to a team/ season, or if you want to get a little practice in before you participate in your first season of basketball. The clinics will be run by experienced coaches who will touch on the fundamentals of the game. Your child is welcome to participate in both sessions if they want and the cost is completely free. Please RSVP your attendance prior to the sessions by emailing us at apollobasketballclub@gmail.com

When:

- Friday 18th of November 4:30pm- 5:15pm
- Friday 9th of December 4:30pm- 5:15pm

Where: Apollo Parkways Primary School
(in the gym)

Who: All girls and boys aged 5-9 years old
(we will make sure all kids are grouped according to their age, unless requested otherwise.)

Cost: FREE



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