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<i>Thursday 06 April 2023</i>	Last Day of Term 1 2023 – Early Dismissal at 1:30pm Easter Bonnet Parade & Easter Festivities at 9:10am
<i>Friday 07 April 2023</i>	Good Friday Public Holiday
<i>Monday 24 April 2023</i>	First day of Term 2
<i>Tuesday 25 April 2023</i>	ANZAC Day Public Holiday – Pupil-Free Day
<i>Wednesday 26 April 2023</i>	Cross Country Trials
<i>Friday 28 April 2023</i>	Winter Interschool Sports – Greensborough PS v Norris Bank PS - Home
<i>Friday 5 May 2023</i>	Winter Interschool Sports – St Mary’s PS v Greensborough PS - Away
<i>Monday 8 May 2023</i>	Professional Practice Day – Pupil-Free Day
<i>Friday 12 May 2023</i>	Winter Interschool Sports – Greensborough PS v Streeton PS – Home
<i>Monday 15 May 2023</i>	District Cross Country Event School Council Meeting – 7:00pm – TBC
<i>Friday 19 May 2023</i>	Winter Interschool Sports – Greensborough PS v Watsonia Heights PS - Home
<i>Tuesday 23 May 2023</i>	MSP School Photo Day
<i>Wednesday 24 May 2023</i>	Artvo/Ice Skating Excursion – Grade 6 – TBC
<i>Friday 26 May 2023</i>	Winter Interschool Sports – Bundoora PS v Greensborough PS – Away
<i>Wednesday 31 May 2023</i>	History Box Incursion – TBC
<i>Friday 2 June 2023</i>	Winter Interschool Sports – Watsonia Nth PS v Greensborough PS - Away
<i>Friday 9 June 2023</i>	Winter Interschool Sports – Greensborough PS - Bye
<i>Monday 12 June 2023</i>	Monarch’s Birthday Public Holiday
<i>Friday 16 June 2023</i>	Winter Interschool Sports
<i>Monday 19 June 2023</i>	School Council Meeting – 7:00pm – TBC
<i>Wednesday 21 June 2023</i>	Parent / Teacher Interviews
<i>Friday 23 June 2023</i>	Last Day of Term 1 2023 – Early Dismissal at 1:30pm

Principal's Report

We were so pleased that we had terrific weather for our Twilight Sports this week. It was lovely to see all the students come dressed in their house colours and cheer their teammates on. Special mention to Charlotte, Patrick, Zoe and Mounina, who were declared the most colourful house members. Our House Captains and school leaders were excellent marshals for the events, Leo kept everyone up to date as MC and our Grade 5/6s busily painted and sprayed to raise money for graduation. Congratulations to Grevillea who were the overall winners on the night!

Thank you to all the parents who attended and supported the P&F fundraiser, by buying their dinner and purchasing raffle tickets. It was terrific to see our prize winners were in attendance and Evelyn H, Liam D, Margaret H, Joyce family and Elsie H walked away with huge smiles and baskets of eggs. Special thanks to those who worked on the barbeque and Kate for all her organisation.

Special mention to the staff who ran the evening! We were severely short staffed this week due to illnesses and found ourselves facing the teacher shortage other schools had experienced all term, but we had fortunately missed. Teachers and aides at school did a stellar job ensuring the night (and week) ran smoothly and our students enjoyed Twilight Sports, which is one of their highlights of the year! I'd like to thank our wonderful teachers and aides who worked together as a team to ensure our students had a safe and happy end to the term.



Last week we welcomed our tired and happy campers (students and staff!) home from Mt Evelyn Discovery Camp. I joined the campers on Tuesday and was impressed with how the students challenged themselves and stepped out of their comfort zones on the giant swing or stacking crates task. The strategic thinking was evident in the Initiatives tasks, and the variety of activities ensured our students had an excellent time and built many great memories. Laura and Jill joined the campers for the 'Greensborough's Got Talent Night', and were impressed with the performances on the night! Thank you again to our staff and parents who generously gave their time to attend camp and ensure students had a wonderful time and returned safely it's greatly appreciated!



Art Extension and Friendship Tree Garden

Our students in the Art Extension class are to be congratulated for their artistic prowess as they worked with Lisa from Bunnings and our art teacher Kristy to transform simple pots and pavers into works of art! Our Friendship Tree garden has been greatly enhanced and the 'fairy village' is being enjoyed by our younger students. I encourage everyone to wander past and see their wonderful work.

Student Achievement

We like to celebrate student achievement both at school and externally, and we're pleased to share the information below with our community.



Congratulations Atri, Vidur and Dash who represented their local soccer club at the Australia vs Ecuador game at Marvel Stadium. The boys did the 'Little Legends' walk on the pitch before the start of the match. Vidur also got to play a little bit of soccer at half time, which was called 'Half time Heroes'. The highlight for the boys was watching the players up close and walking around the pitch waving to everyone and Vidur had the opportunity to shake hands with players at half time.



Last week Adam received his Grey Wolf Award in Cub Scouts. This is the highest honour in Cubs (8 – 11yrs) before moving up to the next level into the Scout group (11 – 15yrs). Getting to this level involves many badge achievements, such as Bushwalking, bushcraft, camping and outdoor skills, special interest badges as well as planning and running your own adventurous journey. It also included a weekend leadership camp and a speech/reflection in front of the Cub group of about 30 members. Adam has been his Patrol Leader in Black Six for the past 9 months where he has led the flag ceremony and some activities on many occasions. Adam also won his basketball grand final for Eltham Wildcats, so it's been a terrific week for Adam!



We congratulate Charlotte on her initiative to raise funds for the earthquake victims in Turkey and Syria. Charlotte made some very handy and attractive keyrings and sold them at school. Thank you to everyone who supported Charlotte in this fundraiser for a very worthy cause.



ANZAC DAY 2023

Traditionally each year our school captains and leaders in Grade 5/6 lay a wreath on behalf of our community, at the Anzac Day service at War Memorial Park. Students from other grades who attend in their school uniform are also welcome to walk up with our leaders to lay the wreath and we arrange to meet at a pre-appointed location. This year we have been invited to attend the Anzac Day Service held by both Watsonia and Greensborough RSLs. I will attend the Greensborough Service and one of our School Council members, Michael C, has kindly offered to meet any students at Watsonia RSL who would prefer to attend this service and lay a wreath.

We will send out a COMPASS post on our first day back as a reminder and this will include information about the times and meeting points.

Weather permitting, we'll hold our usual school service for our Prep – Gr 6 students on the netball court Monday 24th April at 10.50am. Parents are very welcome to attend, however if we have inclement weather we will hold the service in the hall with only students and staff present.

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It's hard to believe that it's the end of term. It's been a busy and productive term with tutoring programs in Literacy and Numeracy, as well as our usual extension, intervention, core curriculum programs and extra curricula activities. Our new wellbeing programs of The Resilience Project and Respectful Relationships are becoming entrenched and Robyn, our Wellbeing Worker has successfully obtained a grant from Headspace to run a Canine Comprehension program with a targeted group of Grade 5/6 students next term. Our new staff members, Vanessa and Alessia are settling in well and are building great relationships with staff, students and family members. The school is enhanced by the new skill sets they've brought and the enthusiasm and passion they've shown for making a positive contribution to our school community.

Unfortunately, I missed the Easter Parade today as I have taken a few days Long Service Leave, however I'm sure the students and families greatly enjoyed the parade and Easter egg hunt on the oval. I look forward to seeing the photos of the Easter bonnets when school starts back.

I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday break and I look forward to seeing everyone in Term Two!

Angela Morrìtt

Principal

Curriculum Days

We know parents appreciate advance notice of our pupil free Curriculum days, so the dates for the remaining 2023 Curriculum Day dates are listed below:

Term Two: Monday 8th May: Focus on PAT R – Reading Assessment
Term Four: Monday 6th November (*before Cup Day*): Assessment and Reporting

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

2024 Prep Enrolments

If any families know anyone who is coming to Greensborough Primary next year, please encourage them to register their details as soon as possible, (this includes siblings of current students). We have already had a number of enquiries and school tours for places in 2024 and the sooner we get a sense of our intake for next year, the sooner we can start planning for grade structures.

Diamond Valley Community Support Financial Assistance



DIAMOND VALLEY
community support

Diamond Valley Community support (DVCS) is an independent not-for-profit organisation that provides direct aid, assistance, support and information for people who live in the Banyule City Council area and have an address showing on their Centrelink card in one of the following suburbs: Briar Hill, Bundoora (part of), Eltham North (part of), Greensborough (part of), Lower Plenty, Montmorency, St Helena and Watsonia.

DVCS services currently include a Back-to-School Program, which provides eligible families a cheque for **\$100 per child** (up to \$500 per family). The cheque will be made out to the school, and is to be used for educational purposes, i.e., Subject Contributions, camps, excursions, and so on. DVCS is located at Shop 378a Level 3, Greensborough Plaza. Ph: 03 9435 8282 / 03 9435 5440.

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STUDENT WELLBEING

Hi Everyone! Wow, the end of term one is here!

AUTUMN – my favourite season. AUTUMN is a season of change – changes in the weather, changes in nature, etc.... It reminds me that life is full of changes too – changes that bring joy, difficulties, or wonder. If we and our children learn to cope with change and make appropriate choices, we become resilient.



Last week I listened to an Iraqi gentleman who said that enduring a refugee camp before he came to Australia gave him the resilience to cope as he adjusted to life here.

This term has certainly been one of constant change and challenge with its busyness! Even this week there has been constant change due to COVID challenges. I wish all those recovering a speedy recovery so they may be well for the upcoming term break!

Let's look at some of the great things that happened this term:

- ★ CAMP,
- ★ SPECIAL DAYS,
- ★ TWILLIGHT SPORTS, to name just a few.

Also, I would like to thank 'The Good Guys' who are providing all Breakfast Clubs in Victoria with equipment to enhance their programs. We now have a new fridge, a four-slice toaster, a four-space toasty maker (they will help with the queues of students who wait 'patiently' each week for their breakfast) and a Nutri Bullet for smoothies (watch for these in the near future)!

Thank you to our community helpers who assist in the breakfast club – it couldn't run without you!

I would also like to thank the generosity of the 'Inner wheel Club of Bundoora' whose monetary donation ensured that all students could enjoy camp.

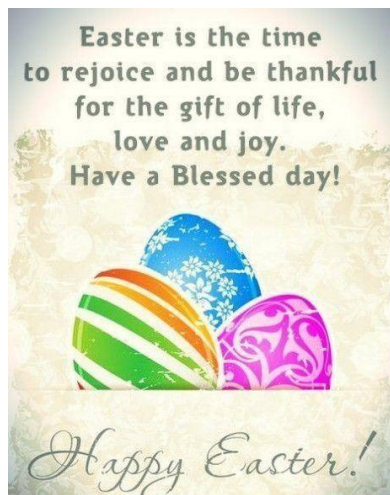
We are also receiving funding from the 'School Focused Youth Service' next term to enable ten Year 5/6 students to enjoy sessions with a trained therapy dog leader and their dog!

AHH – EASTER & TERM BREAK!

Laura T – all the best as you leave us to await the birth of your precious first child! Have a great overseas holiday Jesse Stephens – we all eagerly await news of a great trip!

To ALL the staff at GPS have a restful and relaxing break – YOU TRULY DESERVE IT!

Thank you to all the parents who have assisted the school this term.



I wish you all a special time of renewal and hope this Easter.

Enjoy some beautiful Autumn weather in the great outdoors – parks (Fitzroy Gardens outside Jolimont Station is a great place to experience autumn leaves), outdoor games, Melbourne Zoo; check out the local library and neighbourhood centre for special activities. Time away from technology will refresh your children and assist their eye health and mental wellbeing.

Take care & stay well!

Robyn Mulholland

Student Wellbeing

Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays 9:00am to 3:30pm

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Physical Education

INTERSCHOOL SPORT REPORT

Wow! What a season, a few good wins and a few tough loses. As we always say, great practise.

With Term Two fast approaching, all ISS summer uniforms need to be washed and returned to coaches by the **end of term**.

Reminder for Winter ISS teams:

- ★ AFL players must wear a mouth guard.
- ★ Soccer players must bring shin-guards to play.


Attached is the Winter ISS fixture, hope to see lots of supporting families there.

GO GREENSBOROUGH!

Leo Derrick

Sports Coordinator



 Watsonia District School Sports Association	
Round 1 Friday 28 th April	Round 2 Friday 5 th May
Streeton Vs Watsonia North St Marys Vs Watsonia Heights* Bundoora (BYE) Greensborough Vs Norris Bank *	Streeton (BYE) Watsonia Heights Vs Bundoora St. Mary's Vs Greensborough Watsonia North Vs Norris Bank
Round 3 Friday 12 th May	Round 4 Friday 19 th May
Greensborough Vs Streeton Watsonia North Vs Bundoora St Marys (BYE) Watsonia Heights Vs Norris Bank	Streeton Vs St Marys Greensborough Vs Watsonia Heights Watsonia North (BYE) Bundoora Vs Norris Bank
Round 5 Friday 26 th May	Round 6 Friday 2 nd June
Streeton Vs Watsonia Heights Bundoora Vs Greensborough St Marys Vs Watsonia North Norris Bank (BYE)	St Marys Vs Bundoora Watsonia Heights (BYE) Watsonia North Vs Greensborough Norris Bank Vs Streeton
Round 7 Friday 9 th June	Finals dates
Bundoora Vs Streeton Greensborough (BYE) Watsonia Heights Vs Watsonia North Norris Bank Vs St Mary's	One round of make-up round, due to wet weather cancellation. : Friday 16 th June <i>Note: Friday 16th June has been allocated as one make-up round if required or finals day. Finals will then be the following week on Wednesday 21st June if required.</i>

*Same home ground for soccer and softball at Whatmough Park. This round Greensborough v Norris Bank can play soccer and softball at War memorial. If Norris Bank has no football team, or book Partingtons Flats Reserve through council.

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Pupil of the Week



2023 ~ Term 1 ~ Week 8

Grade 1/2 A	<i>Arlowe</i>	For her amazing effort in all areas of her schoolwork.
Grade 1/2 B	<i>Zoe</i>	For her beautifully written procedural text. Great job!
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Row</i>	For being a co-operative, caring, enthusiastic student at Camp. You are a very respectful member of 3/4A!
Art	<i>Lizzie S 3/4B</i>	For her excellent contribution to our Art Extension Fairy Garden Project. Thanks for your help Lizzie!
Discovery	<i>Caleb P 1/2B</i>	For being such a creative person, Caleb you put so much effort into your Lego creations each week. Well done!
Library	<i>Leo M 1/2B</i>	Congratulations on your creative Fractured Fairytale. Great work!
PE	<i>Billee R 1/2B</i>	For always trying her best.
STEM Prep – Grade 2	<i>Harriet H Prep</i>	For your love of STEM and slime!
STEM Grades 3 – 6	<i>Aidan H 5/6B</i>	For working well with others and trying your best in Coding.

2023 ~ Term 1 ~ Week 9

Prep	<i>Sofia</i>	For being a good role model within the classroom and always helping others.
Grade 1/2A	<i>Kira</i>	For her wonderful effort in writing this week.
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Yamee</i>	For her desire to improve her maths outside of Magic Maths time.
Grade 3/4 B	<i>Malachai</i>	For his bravery in reaching the highest point on the giant swing.
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Bella</i>	For your fantastic study of the book 'Holes'. You are thinking deeply.
Art	<i>Jess S 5/6A</i>	For your excellent contribution to our Harmony Day mural.
Discovery	<i>Gino G 1/2A Raythan N 1/2A</i>	For their creativity in designing and building a plane that can break icebergs to stop ships from sinking.
Library	<i>Vidur R Prep</i>	You impressed us all with your confidence and knowledge about books.
PE	<i>Joel J 5/6A</i>	What wonderful sportsmanship you showed.
STEM Prep – Grade 2	<i>Shiv R Prep</i>	Your design skills really showed.
STEM Grades 3 – 6	<i>James B 5/6A</i>	Coding can be tricky but not when someone with your work effort is around!

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Empathy





Choose your Adventure!

Our Adventures are created for children and the best part is that children get to choose which Adventure they'd like to bring to life everyday.

Book your Adventure here



Join us at OSHClub for your next Adventure!

Building friendships is what we are great at.

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Created for children



RISE then SHINE

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Our morning programs are now called 'Rise then Shine'

'Creating the best start to the school day'

Fueling children's curious minds and growing bodies to set children up for their best day ahead - they'll be ready to learn and ready to shine.

STAY and PLAY

Stay and Play

Our afternoon programs are now called 'Stay and Play'

'Where friendships are made'

Creating meaningful connections and friendships by providing children with a place to stay and have fun after school.



Some examples of our Adventures



Breakfast Club

Enabling children to be ready to learn, and with a focus on developing a better understanding of healthy eating habits, this nutritional Adventure will support children to build connections through the fun of healthy eating and play.

Children might be mixing and serving the yummy breakfast delights, reading the recipe for others to follow or learning good hygiene practice. They might crack an egg or flip a pancake.

And all the while making some great food and hanging out with their friends.



Get Active

Providing children the opportunity to develop a love for being active with friends, these Adventures will offer children the opportunity to participate in mindfulness activities, setting up team games, keeping score, and playing and supporting team mates.

And all the while creating meaningful ways to connect with friends.



Snack Squad

Providing children with a great place to stay and play after school, this Adventure adds the fun to developing a love for delicious and nutritious food.

Our Snack Squad Adventure provides children an opportunity to unwind at the end of the school day and connect over a table of yummy food.

And all the while creating lifelong habits of the joy food can bring to friendships.



Chat with one of our Educators at your service for more information about any of our Adventures



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DIGIMAKER

Programming for young Makers

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



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.

8 WEEK TERM PROGRAM

Program for **Term 2 2023** is as follows:

Year levels: 2 to 6

Term Fee: \$150 excl GST

LUNCH TIME

1:40pm – 2:25pm

BATCH

Fridays 28th Apr to 16th Jun 2023

Fill out the form online by
Thursday 6th Apr 2023



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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Tennis Coaching & Competitions
State & National Award-Winning Program

Holiday Tennis Programs

(Ages 5 to 12)
At St. Mary's Tennis Club (Greensborough)

Thurs April 13 & Friday April 14

9am to 12noon

\$40/session

Snacks & Drinks provided
Lots of games and prizes 😊

Note: Also running at Warrandyte TC
Tues April 11 & Wed April 12

For information or bookings:
The Tennis Guru
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