



Greensborough Primary School - 2062

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<i>Friday 2 June 2023</i>	Grandparents/Special Friends Morning – Prep to Grade 2 – 9:15am to 10:30am Winter Interschool Sports – Watsonia Nth PS v Greensborough PS – Away P&F Pasta Drive Orders and Payment due
<i>Friday 9 June 2023</i>	Winter Interschool Sports – Greensborough PS – Bye P&F Pasta Drive Fundraiser – Pick up 3:30pm
<i>Monday 5 June 2023</i>	Premier’s Reading Challenge commences
<i>Monday 12 June 2023</i>	Monarch’s Birthday Public Holiday
<i>Wednesday 14 June 2023</i>	Winter Interschool Sports – Bundoora v Greensborough PS – Away
<i>Friday 16 June 2023</i>	Student Reports for Semester One sent home to Parents
<i>Monday 19 June 2023</i>	School Council Meeting – 7:00pm
<i>Wednesday 21 June 2023</i>	Parent / Teacher Interviews – 2:10pm to 7:00pm
<i>Friday 23 June 2023</i>	Last Day of Term 1 2023 – Early Dismissal at 1:30pm
<i>Friday 8 September 2023</i>	Last day of the Premier’s Reading Challenge

Principal’s Report

Thank you to the families who completed the feedback survey, emailed on COMPASS, to assist us with accurate data for our School Review later this year. It’s extremely important that we have at least 60% of families complete the feedback survey below to give us accurate data for our School Review. Currently we have had only 23% of parents respond and we ask families to please click on the link <https://forms.gle/vrinoxbQr1LHRADr6> and answer the 2 questions.

- ✦ **Name three things Greensborough Primary School does well**
- ✦ **Are there any areas for improvement that you would like to see implemented at the school?**

Thank you in advance for your support, as the information you provide will assist us to not only evaluate our progress, but also plan for the future. Students and staff will also have opportunities to give their feedback in class.

History Discovery Unit

Students in Grade 3 – 6 have been highly engaged in their History unit this term and the highlight was definitely yesterday’s History Box incursion. Some students had the opportunity to dress up as characters of yesteryear with Grade 3/4s learning about First Australians and the First Fleet, and Grade 5/6s investigating Gold, Eureka and Federation. Thank you to Bec Gauci for organising this excellent incursion.



It's interesting when you discuss with students, the fact that the times we're living in now, form part of history. This was brought home with an old sign from the recently remodelled Greensborough railway station, being donated to GPS this week. Our local MP, Colin Brooks presented the sign to our School Captains, Bella and Riley, and we'll find a suitable home for it. Many visitors to our school enjoy viewing the photos in the corridor, of our original school (built in 1878) and township of Greensborough when transport was by horse and cart.

Photos of the very first Greensborough Station are included in the display.



Reports and P/T interviews: Wednesday 21st June, 2:00pm – 7:00pm

Reports will be emailed to parents and carers on COMPASS on Friday 16th June. This will be followed by Parent/Teacher interviews in the final week of Term Two on **Wednesday 21st June, 2:00pm – 7:00pm**. Information will be sent home via COMPASS next week for parents/carers to book a time for Parent/Teacher Interviews. Our Compass booking system will be open **Thursday 8th of June from 4:00 pm**. If any parents/carers experience difficulty with the COMPASS booking process, please contact the office for assistance.

Families with more than one student attending GPS are advised to book early to arrange sessions to be booked close together rather than have large time gaps between meetings. To avoid inconveniencing families, meetings will need to run on time and adhere to the ten-minute time allowance. If any parents require additional time, a further meeting can be arranged on another date.

Student Support Group Meetings

Last week a COMPASS post was sent to parents of students who have Student Support Group meetings (SSGs), asking if they would prefer to attend the mid-year Parent/Teacher Interview after reports are sent home, or an SSG in the week before. If parents prefer an SSG, please contact your child's class teacher to arrange a mutually convenient time.

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club Program is increasing in popularity each week! Our wellbeing worker Robyn and her loyal volunteers are warming students with hot chocolate and toasties in the hall each Wednesday and our Student Leaders, Bella and Maisie are serving fruit cups, homemade muffins and milk drinks on every other day. It's terrific to see some of our Grade 3/4 students assisting with Breakfast Club and stepping up as future leaders for our school. So, if you're feeling peckish before school, please come along to Breakfast Club and have a great start to the day.

Emergency Management Drills

Student safety is of course, a priority for us and over the last fortnight we have practised our Lock-In Drills and Managing an Anaphylaxis reaction at recess. Pleasingly, students and staff responded in a timely and calm manner. Claire E, our OH&S Coordinator observes drills and notes any areas for improvement. Fortunately, we've never had to respond to an actual incident, however it's good to know our students know how to react in an emergency.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Later in this newsletter, Claire S. has information about the Premiers' Reading Challenge, and we hope to increase the number of students participating. The importance of reading to and with children each day is well documented, and we hope all families can set aside twenty minutes each day to read together and reap the benefits. We greatly appreciate Claire organising this event for students each year.

Thank you to Parents and Friends for organising the recent pasta fundraiser and all families for supporting this event. We greatly appreciate the resources P&F purchase for our students to use and enjoy!

Angela Morrìtt

Principal

Rapid Antigen Tests and Cloth Masks

A reminder to families that we have a small supply of RATs which are free for families in the office foyer. With the cold and flu season upon us, as well as COVID cases, many families have requested RATs.

We also have some cloth masks that were supplied to us by DET. If anyone would like a pack sent home with their child, please contact the office.

2024 Prep Enrolments – Due 28 July 2023

Under the new DET Enrolment Guidelines, all 2024 Preps should submit their applications by July 28th 2023. If any families know anyone who is coming to Greensborough Primary next year, including siblings of current students, please encourage them to register their details by July 28th 2023. 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.

Parents and Friends Association

Hello family and Friends,



Term 2 has been flying by. Our pasta drive is currently in progress with our last for orders due in this Friday June 2nd.

Thank you to everyone who has made a purchase so far. For those who have selected pickup rather than delivery, the pasta will be arriving at 3:30pm on

Friday 9th June 2023 in the afternoon and orders can be collected direct from the van at the car park on Lorimer Street.

Term 3 is shaping up to be a big one. We have our Pie Drive, 80s Trivia Night and our Referendum BBQ. Thanks to all those who have donated so far towards our silent auction to be held at our Trivia Night.

Many thanks to everyone for the ongoing support.

Kind Regards,

Kate S Doyle

For P & F Association team



Library News

Well done to the Prep to Grade Two students for all their wonderful work this semester in library sessions.

Grade Three to Six will commence library lessons next semester.

Students are still able to borrow from the school library throughout the year. The library is open each Wednesday at 8:45am to 9:00am, at lunchtime and between 3:30pm to 3:45pm.

Please remember to return all your library books for the end of term.

Happy Reading

Ms Ciavola

Librarian



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Grade Six: Big Day Out (No.2)!!!



Because we are special and in our final year of primary school, we had the opportunity to go on a special day out each term. This Term, we chose to go Ice Skating and to Art-Vo, with lunch from the food court. What an amazing, interesting and exhaaaaaaaaaaustingly fun (with a few little pains, scratches, bruises and bumps) experience that we all had!

Ice Skating at O'Brien Icehouse

After a bus ride to the Docklands, we entered O'Briens freezing Olympic Icehouse where we were guided by Shannon to get ready for ice skating. After we got our ice skates and helmets on, we all jumped carefully onto the ice and, holding on tight both to the rail and to our friends and selves, we slid and clumsily dragged our wobbly legs to the starting position. After a brief lesson standing upright, balancing, falling, moving and turning, we were given the opportunity to build our confidence around the ice skating rink.

"It took two-three laps before I could even start!" - Mia

"It took some practise but then it felt natural and I learnt how to skate quickly and even on one leg!" - Vanessa

"My Knees Hurt" - Matthew

"My Fingers Were Numb" - Josh

"It Is So Cold!" - Olivia

"That was a cool fall" - Jess

"Ice Skating was Easy and Hard at the Same Time!" - Madison

An award for the most professionally awkward figure skater and number of stacks goes to Riley. Vanessa is ready for the Winter Olympics and a BIG PROPS to Tammy for her professional assistance.



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ArtVo

ArtVo was an interactive and immersive art gallery where we had lots of fun, took heaps of photos and became immersed in the illusions of the art. There were so many different exhibits and yet so little time. Here are some quotes from some of the Grade Six students who experienced ArtVo:

"My favourite exhibit was the big landscape with the icebergs. It felt like we were really jumping from one iceberg to another." - Hugo

"ArtVo was cool and mind-exploding!" - Liam and Zak

"ArtVo was so cool. The 3D effect and how they came alive was amazing" - Talia

Some other great exhibits were the wings, Ironman, Frozen and the boats. Everyone had a BLAST!



Overall - What a Great Day!! - The Grade 6s

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STUDENT WELLBEING

Hi Everyone!

Being **GENEROUS** often consists of simply extending a hand.

Generosity takes an open heart and a love that asks for nothing in return.



There are many forms of **GENEROUSITY** – giving of **MONEY, TIME, A LISTENING EAR, VOLUNTEERING, SHARING A MEAL/A SMILE/A CONVERSATION, A HELPING HAND, etc, etc...** It may mean a change of routine, a change of plans or a sacrifice.

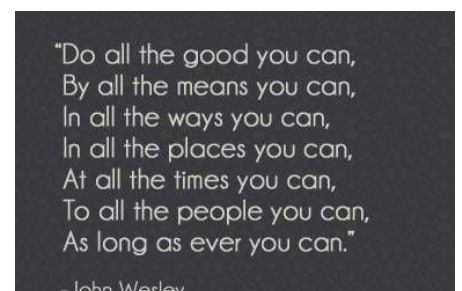
Here is an example of some of our students being **GENEROUS** with their **TIME** last week on 'Walk to School' Day, by coming to school early to provide a special breakfast for GPS students who walked to school – Bella,, Maisie & Jackson. Bella and Maisie have also been giving their time four mornings a week throughout the school year, providing a 'take away' breakfast, and are also training other students to join the team.



Another way the whole school community has shown **GENEROUSITY** over the last three weeks have been *through* donating to the Diamond Valley Foodshare. Your generosity will help to feed needy local families with food this Winter.



So... as I like to say, 'let's continue to work together' teaching our children how to make this world a better place through **GENEROUSITY!**



Take care & stay well!

Robyn Mulholland

Student Wellbeing

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

robyn.mulholland@education.vic.gov.au

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SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB NEWS

Dear Families,

Book Club catalogues were sent home last week with your children. If you'd like to place an order this can be done online or complete the student order form on the back of the catalogue and take this, with your payment, to Mehgan in the Office.



Orders are due by **Friday the 9th June 2023**.

Thank you again for your support,

Claire Embling

Book Club Coordinator

Physical Education

INTERSCHOOL SPORT REPORT

Round 4

The students in Years 4-6 participated in the Round 4 of Interschool Sport. We played at home against Watsonia Heights Primary School.

Round 5 was cancelled due to weather.

The Round 4 results vs Watsonia Heights Primary School were:

★ AFL:		0 – 60	(WHPS won)
★ Soccer:		2 – 4	(WHPS won)
★ Softball:		2 – 9	(WHPS won)
★ Netball:	Mixed:	2 – 18	(WHPS won)
★ Netball:	Girls:	4 – 37	(WHPS won)

Next week we play away against Watsonia North. A big thank you for all our parent support, even with the cold weather.

All parents, guardians and friends are more than welcome to continue to come and support the students!

GO GREENSBOROUGH!

Leo Derrick

Sports Coordinator



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2023 Premiers' Reading Challenge

Every year at GPS, we strongly encourage and fully support all our students to participate in the Premiers' Reading Challenge. Each and every book that a child reads continues to build their knowledge, wonderment, fluency in reading, vocabulary and comprehension.

Since the challenge began 19 years ago, Victorian children have read more than 45 million books – that is enough to fill nearly 11 Olympic swimming pools. This year children across Victoria will read at least another 4 million books.

We are excited and optimistic that our students at GPS could read a record number of books during the 2023 challenge. **In the coming weeks,** letters will be sent home to families that will provide further information regarding the Premier's Reading Challenge and these letters shall contain your child's Premiers' Reading Challenge login and password alongside a special bookmark.

In 2022, 62 students completed the challenge which was a remarkable achievement. Students were presented with a certificate at our end of year assembly, and had a special 'fish and chip' lunch in Term Four.

We are expecting that this year's Premiers' Reading Challenge to be bigger than ever!

Claire Storey


P.R.C Coordinator



*Grandparents' and Special
Friends' Day*

WE INVITE YOU TO CELEBRATE THIS DAY WITH US

GRADE PREP - 2 STUDENTS ONLY



Date: Friday the 2nd of June
Location: Your child's classroom
Time: 9:15 am

Morning Tea will commence at 10:30 am, we ask that you please bring a plate of food to share (strictly nut free). Tea and coffee will be provided. We look forward to seeing you there!





Pupil of the Week



2023 ~ Term 2 ~ Week 4

Prep	<i>Indie</i>	For being a helpful and caring friend in and out of the classroom. Keep it up!
Grade 1/2 A	<i>Ella F</i>	For working hard this week to complete all her learning tasks with effort and care.
Grade 1/2 B	<i>Atri</i>	For such great contributions to our class.
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Elvy</i>	For her kind and gentle nature in the classroom. Elvy is always the first to help others.
Grade 3/4 B	<i>Philippa</i>	For her selfless nature and demonstrating the most impressive organisational skills I have EVER seen!
Grade 5/6 A	<i>James</i>	For your amazing efforts during Applied Maths. Keep it up!
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Thomas T</i>	For some great 'deep thinking' during Philosophy. Great work!
Art	<i>Rowan R 3/4A</i>	For an excellent effort with her Spirograph Stitched Artwork.
Discovery	<i>Edward E 3/4B</i>	For a terrific design and build of a Sloth Habitat.
PE	<i>Riley M 5/6A</i>	For setting a great example at District Cross Country.
STEM Prep – Grade 2	<i>Mary B 1/2B</i>	For always trying her best and encouraging her friends.
STEM Grades 3 – 6	<i>Reese P 5/6A</i>	For being an amazing team mate and friend.
OSHClub	<i>Rowan R 3/4B</i>	For always being a willing helper.

2023 ~ Term 2 ~ Week 5

Prep	<i>Tom M</i>	For improving his focus and going out of his comfort zone to try new things!
Grade 1/2A	<i>Elsie</i>	For being an exceptional role model and always putting in 100 percent.
Grade 1/2B	<i>Victor</i>	For a fantastic effort in Writing and engaging in thoughtful discussion.
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Jacob</i>	For the interest and knowledge that he shared with the class about Ned Kelly.
Grade 3/4 B	<i>All 3/4B</i>	To every member of 3/4B for conducting themselves with respect, and showing respect. Proud of you all!
Grade 5/6 A	<i>Thomas H</i>	For your thoughtful and interesting discussions when learning about the Gold Rush! Well done!
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Mia</i>	For your terrific work ethic in class. You are a Superstar!!
Library	<i>Billie G 1/2B</i>	Your contributions continue to help us all learn. Thank you.
PE	<i>Kleo T 1/2A</i>	For having an amazing attitude and trying her best.
STEM Prep – Grade 2	<i>Atri R 1/2B</i>	Your design skills have blown us away!
STEM Grades 3 – 6	<i>Matthew H 5/6B</i>	Your confidence and presenting skills have truly improved! A big well done, mate.

What's been happening...

We are so pleased to announce the release of the Winter holiday program. We have attached a copy of the brochure for you to see first hand all the exciting days we have planned but are even more excited to announce the return of our Movie Excursion, something we have known people have been long asking for.

You will notice that part of our plan is our commitment to helping raise funds for The Smith Family. We will be doing some great activities this day but also in the weeks leading up will also be doing some exciting projects also aimed at raising awareness and funds for this amazing cause. If you can find it in your heart to contribute or sponsor us please reach out to program staff who can give you more information about what we are working on.

Bookings for Holiday program are now open and can be made via your parent portal.

Photo Gallery



Special Announcements

Greensborough OSHClub are going to be raising funds for The Smith Family over the next month. If you can support us in any way (sponsorship, donations, buying our baking/cooked produce) this would be truly appreciated. ALL proceeds will go directly to this amazing charity for use in their programs and supporting those in need.

Coming Up

- 1st June** Reconciliation Paintings
- 7th June** Toblerone Cheesecake
- 9th June** Great Greensborough/Smith Family Bake Off

Student of the Week

This week it gives me great honour in announcing Billie C. as our Student of the Week. Billie is quite often the one who puts her hand up to clear up after others. Quiet in nature, Billie has a loving disposition and a great love of animals. Sometimes I wonder if she will grow up to be a Lion Tamer or a Vet but one thing is for sure, any animal would be lucky to have Billie looking after them. From all of us at OSHClub we say thank you and well done.



Quality Area Reflection

QUALITY AREAS WE ARE FOCUSING ON:
Links with the Community.

NOTICE - ALLERGY - Please ensure all food is nut free



Monday 26 June

CAMPING FUN

IN-SERVICE

Hi ho, hi ho, a-camping we will go. Pack your bags and join us on our camping trip as we tell camp stories and make some camp crafts.

Learn to fend for yourself in the bush today with DIY binoculars and homestyle damper.



Monday 03 July

WHOLESOME WARRIORS

IN-SERVICE

Jump on board our Zen train at OSHClub today and learn how to look after you health and mind whilst having fun.

Become a Zen master by making stress balls, creating gratitude trains and stretching during some garden yoga.



Tuesday 27 June

IN + \$7.00

MASTER DETECTIVE

INCURSION - FOOTSTEPS FUN DANCE PROGRAM

Get your dance shoes on, as we head to the dance floor, busting out some new and original moves!



Tuesday 04 July

IN + \$15.00

NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

INCURSION- SELF GUIDED NAIDOC KIT BUNDLE

Today, we celebrate our First Nations persons through art and Craft experiences. Including a Pencil case, ply boomerang and toy kangaroo.



Wednesday 28 June

IN + \$19.00

CHALLENGE THE MIND

INCURSION - A MINUTE TO WIN IT!

This is so much fun and a great team building activity! Watch the kids as they put a whole range of different skills to the test. It's fast, it's active, it's fun, it takes concentration, it takes skill and did I say it's fun?



Wednesday 05 July

MASQUERADE PARTY

IN-SERVICE

Who is that behind the sparkly mask? Go incognito and see if you can find your friends at today's fun masquerade party!

Come dressed to impress and we'll make our own masks, hop in a photo booth and prepare fancy fruit snacks.



Thursday 29 June

EXPERIMENT 626

IN-SERVICE

Time to put on our lab coats and do some experimenting. Will you create another experiment 626, or just a foamy mess? Create your own experiment 626 from clay, explore reactions with mentos and oil and go on a hunt for monsters.



Thursday 06 July

EX + \$22.00

HOLLYWOOD HEROES

EXCURSION - HOYTS CINEMAS GREENSBOROUGH

Today we're walking to the movies to see the latest children's release, popcorn and drink included. (Movie time to be confirmed, please see coordinator)

Please arrive by 8.30am. This is a walking excursion



Friday 30 June

THE SMITH FAMILY DREAM RUN

IN-SERVICE

Join us for our Smith Family Dream Run! A variety of active games and activities, all for a great cause! Please pack a spare change of clothes!

Come dressed colourful and bright so we can bring some sunshine into someone's life.



Friday 07 July

CLOWNING AROUND

IN-SERVICE

Roll up, roll up, the circus is in town! There's plenty of fun, games and heaps of clowning around.

Make your own circus popcorn, create some circus dolls and try drawing a clown face of your own.



Mon - Fri 6:45am - 6:00pm
Greensborough Primary School - 0447 868 204
130 Grimsshaw Street Greensborough VIC 3088

Daily price: \$64.50 | Excursions and incursions are an additional cost to the daily fee and are charged for each child that attends whether they choose to participate or not.

Book now at oshclub.com.au | be quick as places are limited

Customer Service 1300 395 735

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Junior Adventures Group continues to pioneer the OSHC sector, building stronger communities and brighter futures for more than 70,000 children, 50,000 families and more than 450 schools across Australia.



Our Values

- Considerate - Be there for others
- Passionate - Bring energy and determination
- Courageous - Challenge ourselves

The values we share guide our behaviour as we work towards our vision to **build brighter futures together.**



What we offer

- A healthy, safe, respectful and engaging environment
- Caring, enthusiastic, fun and friendly team
- New and popular excursions, incursions and theme days
- Stimulating experiences tailored to children's interests, abilities and current trends
- OSHClub endeavour to link each fun experience to key learning outcomes

We are a child safe organisation



What Does My Child Bring?

Please bring breakfast, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and a refillable drink bottle. If bringing food please make sure it's nutritious and doesn't require heating or cooking.

Please be mindful of the planned incursion/excursion and ensure your children are dressed appropriately. Don't forget your sun smart hat, comfortable clothes, closed shoes and a drink bottle.

To avoid loss or disappointment, please leave your valuables, money and electronic toys (including tablets and smartphones) at home.



Healthy Eating

OSHClub follows the Australian dietary guidelines which can be found at <https://www.eatforhealth.gov.au>

Activity Changes

If an excursion or incursion (if applicable) is cancelled, an alternate activity of equal value will be provided where possible.



Before making your booking & cancellations

Enrol your child with OSHClub prior to booking via oshclub.com.au. Holiday bookings can be made online up to 5 days before the session commences. To make a booking after this time, please contact our Customer Experience team on 1300 395 735. Late bookings will incur an additional \$4.00 fee. To avoid any out of pocket costs, cancellations must be made at least 7 days before the session commences. Cancellations within this period will incur the full fee, less any applicable CCS.

Child care subsidy

All our services are CCS approved. To find out whether you are eligible, please contact the Centrelink Family Line on 13 61 50. CCS is applicable to both the base fee and additional incursion and Excursion surcharges.

Children with additional needs

We support all children including children with additional needs. If you would like to provide additional information about your child and his/her needs or require inclusion support funding, please contact us 6 weeks prior to program commencement on 0447 868 204 for staffing purposes.

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