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<i>Friday 28 July 2023</i>	100 Days of Prep Celebration Footsteps Dance Session 3 P&F Pie Drive commences
<i>Monday 31 July 2023</i>	Athletics Trials School Council Meeting – 7:00pm
<i>Friday 04 August 2023</i>	Swimming Session 1 Footsteps Dance Session 4
<i>Tuesday 8 August 2023</i>	Poem Competition commences
<i>Wednesday 9 August 2023</i>	Grade 6 TimeZone Excursion
<i>Friday 11 August 2023</i>	Swimming Session 2 Footsteps Dance Session 5 P&F Pie Drive Orders due
<i>Monday 14 August 2023</i>	Poem Competition – Shortlist Display in Foyer
<i>Friday 18 August 2023</i>	Swimming Session 3 Footsteps Dance Session 6
<i>Saturday 19 August 2023</i>	Bunnings Barbeque Fundraiser - Eltham
<i>Monday 21 August 2023</i>	Book Week Winner of Poetry Competition announced
<i>Tuesday 22 August 2023</i>	Book Fair
<i>Wednesday 23 August 2023</i>	Book Fair District Athletics – Grades 4 to 6 – Meadowglen
<i>Thursday 24 August 2023</i>	Book Week Parade – 9:10am Book Fair Multi-Age Day Pie Drive Orders Delivery
<i>Friday 25 August 2023</i>	Swimming Session 4 Footsteps Dance Session 7
<i>Saturday 26 August 2023</i>	Trivia Night – 7:00pm (Parents only)
<i>Monday 28 August 2023</i>	School Council Meeting – 7:00pm
<i>Tuesday 29 August 2023</i>	Footsteps Dance Concert – 10:00am Montmorency Secondary College
<i>Friday 01 September 2023</i>	Swimming Session 5 Footsteps Dance Session 8 Last day of the Premier's Reading Challenge
<i>Friday 8 September 2023</i>	Swimming Session 6 Footsteps Dance Session 9

Thursday 14 September 2023	R U OK Day??
Friday 15 September 2023	Swimming Session 7 Last Day of Term 3 2023 – Early Dismissal at 1:30pm

Principal's Report

We're very excited to celebrate our Preps 100th day at school tomorrow! This is a milestone in their first year of school and we congratulate them on their terrific efforts thus far. Jill has planned a day of special activities themed around the number 100 and we're looking forward to our Preps continuing the theme by coming dressed as 100-year-olds.

As mentioned at assembly, Margaret has planned some very special activities for our students each week. Every classroom will receive a surprise box each Friday, prompting everyone's curiosity and wonder about what could be inside. On Mondays we'll eat lunch earlier than usual, then grades will be able to satisfy their curiosity and open their box and go outside to play with their new possessions. As the Grade 3 – 6 students have Athletics Trials next Monday, we will move the surprise to Tuesday. Going forward 'Surprise Mondays' will be a highlight for the term. Already any box that's delivered to the school has many children following it and guessing what might be inside. This program is funded with our Wellbeing Boost funds that all schools recently received.

Staffing

This week we welcomed Han Hung back as our Mandarin teacher. Han was with us for a short time last year and we're pleased he's rejoining our staff and our Mandarin lessons can continue. We're in a similar situation as other schools our size, in that it's difficult to recruit and maintain a language teacher for 1 – 2 days per week.

Grants

Families living in Banyule may like to check Pg.12 of the Banyule Banner to see some of our Grade Six students and teacher, Jesse Stephens, as they showcase our fence mural to the community. The mural was made possible by a Banyule Arts and Culture Grant and is based on Bunjil the eagle, the Wurundjeri creator spirit.

Jesse and I are planning to apply for the grant again this year and extend the mural further along the fence.

We have also applied for another community grant from the North East Link Community Funds and we'll be notified of the outcome in October. Margaret has applied for a Planned Maintenance grant to replace our wooden window frames and once again, we're hoping we'll have a successful result.

Choir

It was lovely to see so many students join teachers Jill and Paula, for choir rehearsals this week. The choir typically enjoys singing at Christmas events at the Plaza and our Christmas Concert and I know Paul and Jill are keen to accept invitations to sing at community events.



2023 Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey:

WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents / caregivers / guardians think of our school. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate,



student behaviour, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage all families to participate. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. All families are invited to participate in the survey.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open from Monday 7 August to Friday 8 September 2023. The survey will be conducted online, only takes 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese. A link will be sent to families to complete the survey. Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.

Friendship Tree Garden – Help Needed!

Wayne is doing a terrific job replacing the sleeper wall of our Friendship Garden and is almost finished. This garden and seating area is greatly enjoyed by our students, especially the Preps. Moving the heavy sleepers however, is difficult for one person to achieve and we would greatly appreciate it if a couple of parents were able to join forces and carry some of the sleepers from just inside the gate near the outdoor learning area, to the Friendship Garden, so that Wayne can continue his work. Wayne donates many hours of his time and expertise to maintain or buildings and grounds for our students and we greatly appreciate his support.

Angela Morrìtt

Principal

Library News



Dress up as a book character on Thursday 24th August for our Book Week Parade. Parents, guardians and friends are very welcome to attend and cheer on our students.

Library Bags – Reminder to everyone, especially the grade 3 – 6 students attending library lessons that a library bag is essential for borrowing. A plastic shopping bag is sufficient. If anyone has any of these bags to donate, please bring them in for the library so we can give them out when students forget bags. Library bags help keep our library books protected.

Thank you – A big thank you to Jackson and Zoe's family for donating 6 novels to our library. Thank you for your generosity, our Literacy Extension students have already started reading these books.

Happy Reading Everyone

Ms Ciavola

Librarian/Teacher

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We are taking part in VHAP, which is a High Ability Program we are in the English class and our focus is writing. We enjoy taking part in the program as we are meeting students from other schools in Victoria who are participating in VHAP also.

Our weekly sessions are every Tuesday, and in these sessions we look at ways to expand our writing skills and make our writing more creative. Our first three sessions have focused on characters and their strengths and ways in which we can make the readers feel that they are part of a story. We have also looked at heroes in Narrative stories and problems that they go through and how these problems get resolved.

We are enjoying the VHAP program and love the creativity that is helping us with our current writing.

By Reese and Charlotte 5/6A

Maisie, Thomas, Xavier and Anne Sophie are continuing to take part in VHAP Maths and we will be learning more about their discoveries in the coming weeks.



Congratulations to the following students who are currently recording their reading and are completing this years' Premiers' Reading Challenge:

Prep Thomas M, Sofia, Celeste, Liam M, Lee-May and Max.

1/2A Shyamala, Kashvika, Natasa, Raythan, Elsie, William and Ethan R.

1/2B Mary, Olivia M, Billie G, Victor, Lily, Abigail and Ella F.

3/4A Ella M, Jacob, Ren, Yamee, Isaac W, Evelyn and Lachie G.

3/4B Scarlett, Dan Anh, Kaitlin, Lizzie.

5/6A Charlotte.

5/5B Hugo, Elouise C, Anjali, Bella, Josh, Liam S and Maisie G.

Congratulations to Kaitlyn, Raythan, Max, Elsie, Ella, Mary and Kashvika who have already completed the challenge and are excited to receive their certificates and a special fish and chip lunch next term.

Claire Storey

VHAP & PRC Coordinator

STUDENT WELLBEING

Hi Everyone,

"HANG ON, HELP IS ON ITS WAY..."

OK, I 'BORROWED' THE WORDS FROM 'THE LITTLE RIVER BAND!'

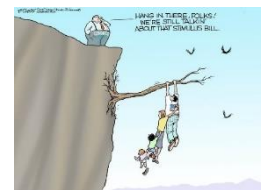


When I was at Greensborough Plaza this week I saw an information stand about the ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR SERVICE (RFDS), who reach out to those in need of medical help in regional and remote areas of Australia. It must be reassuring to regional communities to know that if they **HANG ON, HELP IS ON ITS WAY!**

In life you learn that everyone has a 'life story', and **EVERYONE** needs **HELP** at different points along the 'JOURNEY'. Sometimes family or friends can help, other times we may need help from within our communities and various services.

It is not always easy to reach out for help in all circumstances and **TAKING THAT FIRST STEP** can be difficult. This week I would like to focus on some local and general services and an online service:

- ♥ Diamond Valley Community Support <https://www.dvsupport.org.au/> located near KMART, offering free financial and practical advice and referral.
- ♥ Greenshills Neighbourhood House <https://www.ghnh.org.au/> for food relief and support
- ♥ Health Ability in Eltham, offering services for all stages of life and support for families <https://healthability.org.au/>



Helpful Websites:

- ♥ <https://healthyfamilies.beyondblue.org.au/>
- ♥ **Parentline** is a statewide telephone counselling and support service for all Victorian parents and carers of children from 0-18 years. Experienced social workers, psychologists and family therapists can give you counselling and information around a wide range of parenting issues. <https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/serviceprofiles/parentline-service>
- ♥ Services provided by PARENTLINE:
 - ♥ Telephone helpline (available 8 am to 12 midnight, 7 days, every day of the year). CALL 13 22 89.
 - ♥ Expert parenting advice and support from qualified and experienced counsellors.
 - ♥ Confidential and anonymous advice and calls are not time limited.
 - ♥ Ring as often as you need, and you can ask to speak to the same counsellor.
 - ♥ Advice on issues such as child behaviour and development, family relationships, education, bullying, living with teenagers, family violence and parental stress.
 - ♥ Information on parenting services in your local area.
 - ♥ The Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS National) is available (24 hours, 7 days) for callers who speak other languages. Call 131 450.

These are just some of services you can reach out to. Don't do it alone. Also, as a community we can be looking out for each other. **SOMETIMES THE FIRST STEP IS JUST HAVING SOMEONE WE CAN LEAN ON FOR SUPPORT, GUIDANCE AND ENCOURAGEMENT!**



"WHAT WOULD IT BE LIKE TO WALK A MILE... IN SOMEONE ELSE'S SHOES"

Take Care,

Robyn Mulholland

Student Wellbeing
Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays
9:00am to 3:30pm
robyn.mulholland@education.vic.gov.au



Physical Education

2023 ATHLETICS TRIAL

On Monday 31 July 2023 we will be holding the Greensborough Primary School Athletics Trial at Willinda Park Athletics Track in Greensborough, between 9:00am and 1:30pm.

The Greensborough Primary School Athletics Trial helps us to organise our team for the District Athletics Competition later in Term Three. This is an opportunity for our students to experience an Athletics Trial where everyone will be encouraged to participate in all events on the day.

It is always a great day out for everyone! Please don't forget to bring:

- ★ Good running shoes
- ★ Sportswear
- ★ Full water bottle
- ★ Packed lunch and snacks

GO GREENSBOROUGH!

Leo Derrick

Sports Coordinator



Parents and Friends Association

Hello Families and Friends,

Term 3 is in full swing...

We have our annual Bunnings Warehouse BBQ approaching quickly on Saturday 19 August 2023. If you would like to volunteer for the BBQ we will have a post coming out on Compass this week where you can sign up to help. Otherwise please text Kate on 0439 141 838.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Don't forget our major fundraiser for the year. Get your dancing shoes on for this parents-only 1980s themed Trivia Night Disco and Silent Auction. These events will all be held 26 August 2023 in our school hall. Get your friends together and book a table for this fun-packed night. Thanks to all those who have donated so far towards our Silent Auction to be held at our Trivia Night. Tickets are available at the office for \$30.00 per person.



We will be sending order forms home on Friday 28 July for the 2023 GPS Pie Drive with Tony's Pies. You will have a delicious opportunity to stock up your freezer with yummy pies for these cold winter days. Please return your Tony's Pies Orders by 24 August 2023.

Many thanks to everyone for the ongoing support.

Kind regards,

Kate S Doyle

For P & F Association team



GREENSBOROUGH PRIMARY'S



CHOIR!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



We have had a fantastic start to our school choir! Practice will be held every Wednesday at lunchtime, so come down and join the fun! We will be performing at the end of the year, so be sure to sign up soon!

For more information, please see Miss Ly or Miss Chen.

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Pupil of the Week



2023 ~ Term 3 ~ Week 1

Prep	<i>Kenzi</i>	For settling so well into our class and always trying her hardest to complete her work beautifully. Well done!
Grade 1/2 A	<i>Joe</i>	For being an excellent listener and putting effort into your work this week. Keep it up!
Grade 1/2 B	<i>Nikola</i>	For fantastic effort in his learning and being an enthusiastic reader.
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Eloise</i>	For her fantastic Diamante poem on flowers. Keep up the great work, Eloise!
Grade 3/4 B	<i>Tomas</i>	For his enthusiasm and engagement in class discussions. Well done!
Grade 5/6 A	<i>Arad</i>	For always trying his best throughout all learning areas. Well done!
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Billie M</i>	For your great contributions during our NAIDOC week celebrations.
Art	<i>Laura C 1/2B</i>	For an excellent piece inspired by Aboriginal artwork.
Discovery	<i>Billy J 5/6B</i>	For his enthusiasm and creative ideas for his Lego Stop-Motion Movie.
Library	<i>Charlotte V 3/4A</i>	Great effort in your first Library session at GPS. Well done!
PE	<i>Zoe C 5/6A</i>	For showing great technique.
STEM Prep – Grade 2	<i>Joe L 1/2A</i>	For being focussed and trying his best.
STEM Grades 3 – 6	<i>Liam S 5/6B</i>	For his enthusiasm for learning.
OSHClub	<i>Isaac K 3/4B</i>	For having a fun Holiday Program.

2023 ~ Term 3 ~ Week 2

Prep	<i>Hazel</i>	For your great efforts during Reading and Writing this week. Awesome work!
Grade 1/2A	<i>Sidra</i>	For making an excellent start here at Greensborough Primary. Welcome!
Grade 1/2B	<i>Lily</i>	For her fabulous care of our new class pet and a great week, especially during Writing.
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Connor</i>	For his fantastic poem on the Number Eleven. Well done, Connor!
Grade 3/4 B	<i>Edward</i>	For consistently (and modestly) being a good friend, student, learner and leader. 'Time to Shine', Edward!!
Grade 5/6 A	<i>Ashri</i>	For your fantastic efforts during reading groups this week! Well done!
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Jenny</i>	What a great start to life at Greensborough Primary School!
Art	<i>Joe L 1/2A</i>	For creating an excellent piece of art that demonstrated a solid understanding of line work.
Discovery	<i>Billie G 1/2B</i> <i>Olivia M 1/2B</i>	For creating an amazing cityscape out of Lego.
Library	<i>Arad M 5/6A</i>	Your contributions this week were fabulous. Great work, Arad!
PE	<i>Liam G 3/4A</i>	For putting his best foot forward!
STEM Prep – Grade 2	<i>Mary B 1/2B</i>	For amazing teamwork, you have such a kind nature.
STEM Grades 3 – 6	<i>Olympia M</i> <i>Prep</i>	For always being focused and ready to learn.

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We provide one-to-one, paired, and group 30 Minute music lessons to students of all ages and abilities.

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What's been happening at OSH holiday care...

The OSHClub room has been buzzing with the children enjoying a variety of activities and especially our fabulous Friday Funday.

Our team are working hard to provide a well balanced menu which reflects the suggestions of the children (i.e.: Garlic Bread, pinwheels, fresh fruit platters to name a few) and the student leadership team are having a great time actually running some of the craft sessions whilst program staff are still onboard helping in the background. Take a look at the wonderful photos below or why not check us out on Class Dojo or our Reflection Journal.

Our student reps have enjoyed assisting serving fruit and we seem to get through snack time just a little quicker.

Photo Gallery



Special Announcements

Parents please ensure that when cancelling permanent care arrangements that you do so via the parent portal otherwise you may find that you are charged as an absence for the session and you will continue to be charged accordingly.

Coming Up

28th
July

Friday Fun Day - Garfield Loves Lasagna

4th
Aug

Finger Painting

8th
Aug

Splatter Painting

Student of the Week

Our Incredible student of the week is someone who comes to OSHClub with a big smile and an open minded attitude each session they attend. We love it when people try EVERYTHING and that is just what this beautiful person does. Our congratulations go to Harriet Hancock.



THANK YOU FROM THE STAFF

A big thank you for the warm wishes received for Educator's Day. We are humbled that you took the time to think of us but we want you to know that it is OUR pleasure to be of service to you and how privileged we feel working here at Greensborough PS. Thank you for making our jobs a dream.

Quality Area Reflection

QUALITY AREAS WE ARE FOCUSING

ON:

Links with the Community.

LET'S JUMP, BOUNCE & PLAY!



Join us for a family fun day at Inflatable World Doncaster!

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Saturday, 12 August 2023

4.30PM - 6.30PM

Help us raise funds for Lower Plenty Kindergarten!

\$25/child 2yr+ (Adults FREE)

Includes:

- Return pass
- 2hr exclusive venue hire
- Popcorn & Fairy bread
- Unlimited cordial/water

That's \$40+ value!

Plus more fun on the day!



Scan the QR Code to book

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