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Monday 12 August 2024	Grades 5 & 6 Basketball Program – 09:00am to 11:00am
Friday 16 August 2024	Footsteps Dance Program – Session 4 (<i>Whole School</i>)
Monday 19 August 2024	2024 Book Week commences – Student Poems on display Smile Squad Dental Visit P & F Pie Drive Fundraiser – flyers to go home this week School Council Meeting – 07:00pm
Tuesday 20 August 2024	Grades 5 & 6 – Monty SC Production – 10:00am to 01:00pm Book Fair – 03:30pm to 04:15pm
Wednesday 21 August 2024	Book Week – Multi-Age Day Activities Book Week Parade – 09:05am Book Fair – 08:15am to 09:00am & 03:30pm to 04:15pm
Thursday 22 August 2024	Book Fair – 08:15am to 09:00am & 03:30pm to 04:15pm
Friday 23 August 2024	Footsteps Dance Program – Session 5 (<i>Whole School</i>) Book Fair – 08:15am to 09:00am & 03:30pm to 04:15pm
Wednesday 28 August 2024	District Athletics Competition 09:00am to 02:30pm
Friday 30 August 2024	Footsteps Dance Program – Session 6 (<i>Whole School</i>) Prep Fathers' Day Breakfast Celebration P & F Fathers' Day Stall – 09:00am to 10:30am
Monday 02 September 2024	School Council Meeting – 07:00pm
Tuesday 03 September 2024	P & F Pie Drive Orders – Last day for order to be placed
Friday 06 September 2024	Footsteps Dance Program – Session 7 (<i>Whole School</i>) Premiers' Reading Challenge closes P & F Pie Drive Fundraiser – Orders to go home
Sunday 08 September 2024	Bunnings Barbeque Fundraising Event – Volunteers required
Wednesday 11 Sept 2024	Grade 6 KingPin Excursion Grades 3 & 4 Space Expo – from 02:45pm
Thursday 12 September 2024	R U OK Day Grades 3 & 4 Space Expo – 09:00am to 10:00am
Friday 13 September 2024	Footsteps Dance Program – Session 8 (<i>Whole School</i>)
Monday 16 September 2024	Circus Event – 09:00am to 11:00am
Thursday 19 September 2024	Footsteps Dance Concert – Monty SC – 09:45am to 11:00am Grade 2 Sleepover – from 05:30pm
Friday 20 September 2024	Footsteps Dance Program – Session 9 (<i>Whole School</i>) JSC !!Big Freeze!! Fundraising Event Last day of Term 3 – Early Dismissal – 1:30 pm
Thursday 12 December 2024	Grade 6 Graduation Celebration

Principal's Report

It was terrific to see our Preps celebrate 100 days at school last week! They clearly had fun dressing up as centenarians, completing tasks related to one hundred and capping off the day with their Grade 6 buddies. Thank you to families for joining in the fun and to Jill for making this milestone such a memorable day. We look forward to celebrating hundreds of more days at GPS.



The sun shone for our Grade 3 – 6 students as they competed in the Athletics trials at Willinda Park yesterday. For our Grade 3 students it was the first time many of them had the opportunity to participate in track and field events on an official track and with the Paris Olympics currently being held, I think many felt like future champions. Judging by the smiles on their faces as they returned to school, a great day was had by all! Teachers and ES staff were impressed with the children's sportsmanship and encouragement for their peers and their willingness to 'have a go' in every event. A highlight was the elation shown by our senior students when Sawyer, one of our international students, jumped 1.2m in High Jump! Special thanks to Leo for coordinating the event and staff and parents who assisted with marshalling and measuring. Leo is in the process of finalising the team that will go on to the District Athletics Carnival and organising practice sessions at school.



Book Week

We're looking forward to celebrating Book Week in a fortnight. I know many families have begun organising outfits and I'm sure I'll bump into a few in Savers as I hunt for my book character's costume. Family members are invited to attend the Parade on Wednesday 21st August at drop off time. Following the parade students will be split into multi-age groups to read the Australian Book Council Short-listed Books and complete related craft activities. The Book Fair will be held in the library and this is a great opportunity to purchase gifts.

During Book Week we also celebrate our students' writing skills. In Term Three our focus is on poetry and our Poetry Competition coincides with Book Week. Students in each class vote for their favourite poems and the top four in each class are displayed in the foyer. Staff then have the difficult task of voting for the winner in each grade, with winners announced at the Book Parade. I encourage family members to drop by the foyer during Book Week and be amazed at the standard of students' work.

Yours sincerely,

Angela Morritt

Principal

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2024 Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey:

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey and is seeking your feedback. The survey, offered by the Department of Education, is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement. The survey will be conducted **online** and only takes **20 minutes** to complete. It can be completed on any internet enabled device (desktop computer, laptop, tablet or smartphone) and is compatible with most browsers.

To complete the survey, simply:

1. Click on the link below, or copy and paste the text into your browser. This link will take you directly to the survey – <https://www.orima.com.au/parent>
2. Select the School and Campus name – School Name: Greensborough Primary School
3. Enter the School PIN – **422327**

When complete, please click on the tick button at the end of the survey to submit your answers. Please note that the survey will time out after **60 minutes of inactivity**.

PLEASE NOTE: Only **one parent / caregiver / guardian** from your household is invited to complete the survey on behalf of the student's family. To protect your responses, please **DO NOT** share the survey link and PIN with others, or on a public website, forum or similar.

Please be assured that your responses are completely confidential. The survey is conducted anonymously, and it is important to our school that you complete the survey as honestly as possible.

The survey is available in English and 10 other languages. *Please reach out to your child's teacher, or the school if you require assistance in another language.*

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open online from **Monday 29 July to Friday 30 August 2024**.

Questions?

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any general queries about the survey. For specific technical or participation-related queries, you may also contact the department or the supplier administering the survey, ORIMA Research.

- Should you have any technical queries regarding the survey, or questions regarding the privacy and confidentiality of your survey responses, please do not hesitate to contact ORIMA Research on 1800 654 585 (toll-free during business hours), or by email: pos@orima.com.
- Should you have any participation or survey-related queries, please contact the school, or the department by email: school.surveys@education.vic.gov.au.

Free Dental Care from Smile Squad

The Smile Squad team from HealthAbility are coming to our school soon. Smile Squad is the Victorian Government free school dental program. This means all students can get a free dental check-up, preventive services, and treatment at school.

How to access free dental care

Smile Squad need your consent before they can provide services. Sign up to Smile Squad at: <https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic> OR use the QR code attached:

Paper copies of the consent form are available. Please contact the school office if you would like to request one. The electronic consent form can be translated into more than 100 languages, and the paper form is available in 13 languages.



Parents do not need to attend their child's appointment, however you if you would like to, and you can take your child to the community dental clinic if you prefer. The HealthAbility Smile Squad look forward to seeing you soon.

2025 Prep Enrolments

If any school 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). Under the new DET guidelines all 2025 Prep enrolments should be completed by 26 July 2024. We have already had a number of enquiries and school tours for places in 2025 and the sooner we get a sense of our intake for next year, the sooner we can start planning for grade structures.

STUDENT WELLBEING

Hi Everyone,

Recently I have had several year 3 & 4 girls coming to me with friendship issues as they try to navigate this very important aspect of their lives. So, this week I have an article by 'Raising Children Network' which is a great overview of FRIENDSHIP which you and your child may like to discuss together.



Friendship

Did you know...

You can be your own best friend. Sounds weird? Think about it. Who are you with all the time? Yourself. So, take some time to really get to know yourself. Start by asking yourself some questions.

Who am I?

- ♥ Am I a friendly person?
- ♥ Am I a positive person who looks forward to each day?
- ♥ Am I a good listener?
- ♥ What am I good at?
- ♥ What do I like to do in my spare time?
- ♥ What do I like about my looks?
- ♥ Do I like myself?

You will have times when you mess up or feel ashamed about things you may have said or done, but you're still OK as a person - believe it or not that happens to everyone, even parents and teachers!

If you are feeling sad and can't seem to find things that you like about yourself ask people like mum, dad, grandma, your teacher, family friends or your friends. Or, **talk to a trusted adult about how you feel**. If you like yourself, others will probably like you too.

If someone doesn't like you don't worry - you can't expect everyone to like you. After all, you don't like everyone either, do you? You can show what a nice person you are by always being pleasant and good mannered - even to people you don't like.

What is friendship?

- 👉 Spending time together.
- 👉 Sharing ideas and treats.
- 👉 Having fun.
- 👉 Respecting each other's differences.
- 👉 Loyalty, sticking up for each other.
- 👉 Caring for each other's safety and wellbeing.
- 👉 Both of you working on the skills to keep your friendship going.



Friendship skills

How to be a friend! Always!:

- ♣ **Talk** - be interesting; keep up with what's going on around you, e.g.: TV, sports, music, shared interests - so that you have something to talk about.
- ♣ **Share** the conversation, so that you each get a chance to be listeners and talkers.
- ♣ **Listen** to what your friends are saying and ask questions about it.
- ♣ **Praise** your friends when they do something well.
- ♣ **Use your manners** - say please and thank you. Friends like to be pleasant to each other.
- ♣ Think of yourself as being a friendly person, **look friendly and be friendly** - and others will find you friendly.
- ♣ **Be helpful** - do things for your friends without keeping a score on who's done the most favours.
- ♣ **Give back** things you have used or borrowed from each other (this is a good idea for brothers and sisters, too).
- ♣ **Be aware of others' feelings** - think before you speak. (Sometimes it is a good idea to keep your thoughts to yourself rather than upset people's feelings.)
- ♣ **Handle conflict** - by being clear about what you want and how you will compromise.
- ♣ **Share your time** with other friends.
- ♣ **Be honest** about your feelings, e.g.: "*I don't think this is a good idea because...*" But don't always try to be the leader - try out other people's ideas.
- ♣ **Try to understand** people by thinking about things from their point of view.
- ♣ **Don't argue** and get upset if your friend doesn't agree with you about something. That's O.K. She has the right to an opinion too.

Things you should try not to do:

- 👉 **Don't brag** about what you've got or done.
- 👉 **No put downs** - you wouldn't like it if someone did this to you.
- 👉 **No prejudice** - don't make comments about country, colour, religion or physical appearance. "*If you can't find anything nice to say about someone, say nothing!*" is a good motto for everybody.
- 👉 **Don't take over** - let others tell their own jokes and news.
- 👉 **Don't fight** your friends' battles. You can support your friends by helping them to deal with their problems:
 - ✓ Be a good listener.
 - ✓ Help them to stay safe.
 - ✓ Encourage them to try.
 - ✓ Be there when they need you to be.
 - ✓ Help them to make good choices.
 - ✓ Encourage them to look for help from trusted adults.
- 👉 **Don't talk about them** without their permission.

You are a **unique** (*only one like you*) person with lots of different sides to your character, so you can have different friends who share your different interests, e.g.: friends at school, in your street, in sport clubs, at church, in your family, etc. It's good to have a best friend but it's good to have other friends too.

What makes a good friend?

- ✧ Having equal shares, not one always the leader and the other following.
- ✧ Having lots of fun together. (if not, you'd better look for another friend!)
- ✧ Both of you working at keeping the friendship. Giving each other some space.
- ✧ Even best friends need some time to be alone or with other friends, so don't try to 'own' each other.
- ✧ Respecting each other's differences.
- ✧ Feeling safe talking to each other about your feelings and problems.
- ✧ Trusting each other and looking out for each other.
- ✧ Not sharing their secrets. (If your friend tells you that he or she is 'unsafe', encourage them to tell a trusted adult.)



Being 'popular', and having real friends, is not always the same thing.

Most adults would think themselves really lucky to have one true friend - someone they can trust and rely on for their help and support when they need it. Real friendship lasts through good times and bad times.

Remember: *Good friends can play with other people sometimes and still be friends.* This is what one child has written about friends:



Friends are always nice to each other.

Respect your friends and they'll respect you.

I like friends a lot.

Encourage one another to be good.

Nice people are usually good people to be your friends.

Deserting your friends is very unkind.

Sticking up for one another is what good friends do.

By *Matthew*

"It's good to share the good times and the bad times with friends. You can have different friends who share your different interests. Best friends are special. Most people would say that they are friendly with lots of people but they only have a few close friends, even when they are grown up."

http://raisingchildren.net.au/articles/supporting_schoolage_friendships.html

As we work together, let's help our young people develop friendship skills that will remain with them for life.

Robyn Mulholland

Student Wellbeing Coordinator

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100 Days of Prep!

On August 1st, we celebrated 100 days of Prep. It was a wonderful time commemorating our significant achievement and all the hard work we've put into our learning this year.

Our day began with a craft session where our grownups joined us for some quality time and made our 100 Days of Prep Headbands. We then used our imaginations to write about "What I Will Do When I'm 100 Years Old."



The Preps enjoyed different activities to do with the number 100. Our buddies visited us with handmade cards to celebrate, and we shared lunch together and finished the day with a dance party and bubble session outside. We also took '100-year-old' selfies and captured many memories under our beautiful '100' balloon arch. Thank you to everyone who made our 100 days of Prep a memorable, fun, and special day. We can't wait to keep learning!



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100 DAYS OF SCHOOL!



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2 Week To Go!!!

**Book Week Parade
Wednesday 21st August -
9:05am**

**Do you have your
costume
organised??**





MATHS OLYMPIAD

Grade 3 – 6 students completed the third session of Maths Olympiad this week. Students showed great resilience when completing some challenging worded programs and worked with great determination and focus. The final stage of the challenge will be before the end of Term Three.



GATEWAYS

developing and extending children's special abilities

Ethan, Fariz, Jacob, Tomas, Vidur and William have been nominated to participate in a Mathematics GATEWAYS program. These students have shown excellent problem-solving skills in both Magic Maths and Applied Maths sessions. Students will participate in a series of Mathematical challenge while working collaboratively with the disposition of a Mathematician. We look forward to hearing from these students after their day of Mathematical learning.



VHAP VICTORIAN HIGH-ABILITY PROGRAM



This Term Greensborough Primary School's VHAP participant in Adam Collins. Adam commenced VHAP English sessions during the first week of Term Three and has been highly engaged and focused during these sessions. The focus for VHAP English this term has been Writing. Adam has been working with other students around Victoria in Webex sessions to extend his story writing skills, with a focus on Narrative texts, with particular focus on studying plot, character, setting, perspective, voice and genre. We are excited to see what Adam will achieve during these sessions.



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Congratulations to the following students who have completed the 2024 Premiers' Reading Challenge:

- Prep:** Shaylah, Sophie, and Vinnie.
- 1/2A:** Tiarna, Sofia and Max.
- 1/2B:** Harriet.
- 3/4A:** Kashvika, Raythan and Shyamala.
- 3/4B:** Victor and Billie.
- 5/6A:** Yamee.
- 5/6B:** Hayden, Mounina and Maisie.

There are another 40 students who are currently completing this year's Premiers' Reading Challenge. Students who complete this challenge will receive a certificate at assembly in Term Four and a special lunchtime reward in Term Four also. Well done to all participants – Happy Reading!

Kindness Crusaders

Hi everyone,

The Kindness Crusaders have signed up GPS to take part in the BICs 'Best In Class' recycling program. This means we can now collect used pens, textas, whiteboard markers, highlighters etc., that will be recycled. We have placed a box in the shared learning areas, photocopy room, art room, library and heritage building. On top of the box is a list of what items are accepted. Please start using them, we are very excited about how much waste we will prevent from going into landfill.

Thank you

Claire E

For the Kindness Crusaders



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Pupil of the Week



2024 ~ Term 3 ~ Week 2

Prep	Mason	For dedicating time to his reading at home and demonstrating great improvements!
Grade 1/2 A	Zoe	For engaging in all aspects of school at GPS! Keep smiling, Zoe.
Grade 1/2 B	Rona	For showing improvement by self-correcting during Spelling Mastery.
Grade 3/4 A	Laura	For her positive and enthusiastic attitude in our dance session this week.
Grade 3/4 B	Billie G	For a fantastic Diamante poem using nouns, adjectives and verbs. Well done!
Grade 5/6 A	Liam	For showing high levels of resilience and returning to school with a big smile.
Grade 5/6 B	Isaac	For outstanding enthusiasm during Applied Maths building our Mars Colony.
Art	Charlie J 3/4B Billie G 3/4B Nour G 3/4B Ren L 3/4B	For being amazing helpers in the Artroom. Thank you for going above and beyond to help out.
Library Grades P – 2	Max F 1/2A	Max, a terrific effort in Library this week.
Library Grades 3 – 6	Connor D 5/6A	For his short but powerful acrostic poem about the book, 'If I was a horse.'
STEM Prep – Grade 2	Hunter H 1/2A	For his positive participation and his great Habitat design.
STEM Grades 3 – 6	Heidi S 5/6A	For her wonderful contributions and work ethic during all classes.

2024 ~ Term 3 ~ Week 3

Prep	Amelie	For her beautiful handwriting and her love for learning. I thoroughly enjoyed her bio poem last week!
Grade 1/2 A	Noah	For his engagement and effort during Rocket Writing.
Grade 1/2 B	Matias	For his impressive efforts at making a sizzling start during Rocket Writing! Well done.
Grade 3/4 A	Gino	For his terrific cinquain poem about movies. Keep up the great work!
Grade 3/4 B	Olivia	For her hard work and effort during our poetry lessons. Great job!
Grade 5/6 A	Heidi	For completing some wonderful imagery poetry.
Grade 5/6 B	Hayden	You have written some great poetry! I am very impressed!
Art	Celeste C 1/2A	For a brilliant effort with weaving. Well done, Celeste.
Library Grades P – 2	Sidharth L-K 1/2B	For always trying your best and enjoying Library.
Library Grades 3 – 6	Sofian E 5/6A	For his focus and participation this week. Keep it up!
PE	Ivy D 5/6B	For giving PE her best and always giving a helping hand.
STEM Prep – Grade 2	Ollie D Prep	For great persistence creating his animal parts puzzle. Well done, Ollie.
STEM Grades 3 – 6	Eden B 5/6B	For the great effort she always displays when participating in STEM!

Parents & Friends Association

Friday 30th August – Fathers' Day Stall

Each year we conduct a Fathers' Day Stall as a service to our students who learn valuable life skills. This year, we are in need of volunteers to help set up the hall on Thursday 29th August at 03:30pm, as well as volunteers to assist with the actual Fathers' Day Stall on the Friday.

Helpers are needed 09:00am to 10:30am on the Friday 30th August. If you can assist there will be a sign-up sheet at the office.



Friday 6th September – Tony's Pie Drive



- ☆ Order forms will go home with students the week of 19th August 2024.
- ☆ All orders need to be finalised by 3rd September 2024.
- ☆ Delivery and distribution to families on Friday 6th September 2024.

To make things easier for our families, Tony has provided a QR code for online ordering.

Sunday 8th September – Bunnings BBQ

Put it in the calendar! We are lucky to have a spot at Bunnings Eltham on Sunday 8th September 2024. We are asking families to volunteer to help out during the day. This is a big fundraiser for the P&F Association and we would love your support! There will be a sign-up sheet at the office and there will also be a compass post with a link closer to the event.



Food Day Fundraisers Update



Due to circumstances changing Yvette is no longer able to organise and run the Food Days. We are looking for either one or two volunteers to run the Food Days for student lunch order days going forward. We usually like to offer the students lunch orders twice a term, the children enjoy these events and it's also a fundraiser for Parents & Friends Association. We have been running the food days on a Friday but they could be any day. If you would like more information on what is involved please get in touch with Yvette who will be able to go through it with you.

If we are unable to find anyone to take over then we unfortunately aren't able to offer this service to students anymore.

Kind regards,

Yvette M & Annie A

for Parents & Friends Association of Greensborough Primary School



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Rise then Shine Update



Our rise and shine program has been growing in the past week. Our Breakfast Club has included yummy items that the students that chosen which includes TINY TEDDY cereal!

The students have been really into have a slow start to their morning. We have been starting our mornings with a smooth OSHC playlist with a bunch of the children's favourite songs. The students have been either picking to play with Lego or do some mindfulness colouring, reading to wake up their brains ready for day.

Stay and Play Update



In Our Stay and Play program, we've introduced themes for the next couple of weeks! Which is a trip around the world. This week's country being VIETNAM. A highlight of this was making rice hats with our students.

Our arts and craft also produced an amazing craft! Paper fans! The helped guide the younger students in creating their own fan!

Service details

Our contact details are:



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Greensborough@oshclub.com.au

Other information:

Rise then Shine: 6:45am - 9:00am

Stay & Play: 3:30pm - 6:00pm

Holiday HQ: 6:45am - 6:00pm

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COORDINATOR NEWS

- Hello Everyone!

We would some feedback on the OSHCLUB program. What would you as parents/guardians like to see in the program?
What would your kids like to see?
Please come and let me know! I want to hear your thoughts.

Also, if anyone has any story books, they are willing to donate we would be very grateful.

STARFISH OF THE WEEK

We have introduced our starfish of the week for last week. This child received this award as he is always using his manners and is the first to help his friends and always listens to instruction.

This last weeks starfish of the week was:

HENRY



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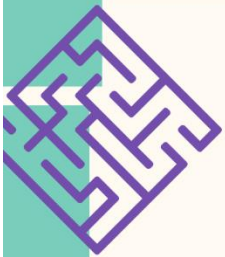
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FOR
GRADES
5 & 6



- Suitable for youth with a range of interests & abilities, not just those who already love maths
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- Butterfly House
- Petting Zoo
- Spring Menu Sampling
- Rhythm & Moves
- Face Painting



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Greenbriar Little Athletics Club

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About Us

Greenbriar Little Athletics offers weekly competitions for children of all abilities between the ages of 5 and 16. Little athletics is a great way to introduce children to sport as it helps children develop important motor and social skills including: sprinting, hurdles, race walking, distance running, jumps (high, long and triple) and throws (discus, shot put, javelin).



SCAN THE QR CODE TO BE DIRECTED TO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

Jaryd Clifford



Former Greenbriar Little Athletics athlete and now Paralympic medallist. Diagnosed at the age of three with the genetic condition juvenile macular degeneration. Only when he started running did frustration turn to something far more positive;

Only on the Little Athletics track as an 11 or 12-year-old did he feel truly uninhibited and free from limitation.

"I think the fact that people of all different abilities can participate is super-important, and I know the power of sport is not just health or that social connection, it's that feeling of being able to be competitive, to compete against other people."

Jaryd is now on the cusp of his third Paralympic Games #Paris2024.

WILLINDA PARK BEATRIX STREET, GREENSBOROUGH 3088

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