



Greensborough Primary School - 2062

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Borough Bulletin ~ 20 March 2025

<i>Friday 21 March 2025</i>	Interschool Sports Round 7 – Streeton PS V GPS – Away
<i>Monday 24 March 2025</i>	Pie & Sausage Roll Food Day Orders due by 10:00am STEM Quantum Excursion – 3/4A School Council Meeting – 7:00pm
<i>Thursday 27 March 2025</i>	Pie & Sausage Roll Food Day Lunch
<i>Wednesday 2 April 2025</i>	STEM Quantum Excursion – 3/4B
<i>Friday 04 April 2025</i>	Easter Bonnet Parade – 9:15am Whole School Assembly – 1:15pm Last Day of Term 1 – Early finish – 1:30pm
<i>Monday 21 April 2025</i>	Easter Monday – Public Holiday
<i>Tuesday 22 April 2025</i>	First Day of Term 2
<i>Friday 25 April 2025</i>	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
<i>Wednesday 30 April 2025</i>	Cross Country Trials - TBC
<i>Friday 2 May 2025</i>	Interschool Sports Round 1 – Watsonia PS V GPS – Away
<i>Friday 9 May 2025</i>	Interschool Sports Round 2 – Norris Bank PS V GPS – Away
<i>Monday 12 May 2025</i>	District Cross Country Competition – Banyule Flats
<i>Wednesday 14 May 2025</i>	Camp Angahook – Grades 3 to 6
<i>Thursday 15 May 2025</i>	Camp Angahook – Grades 3 to 6
<i>Friday 16 May 2025</i>	Camp Angahook – Grades 3 to 6
<i>Friday 23 May 2025</i>	Interschool Sports Round 4 – Streeton PS V GPS – Away
<i>Monday 26 May 2025</i>	Curriculum Day – TBC
<i>Tuesday 27 May 2025</i>	MSP School Photos
<i>Wednesday 28 May 2025</i>	Interschool Sports Round 3 – GPS V St Marys PS – Home
<i>Friday 30 May 2025</i>	Werribee Zoo Excursion – Whole School – Depart 8:30am
<i>Friday 6 June 2025</i>	Interschool Sports Round 6 – Watsonia Hgt PS V GPS – Away
<i>Monday 9 June 2025</i>	Kings Birthday Public Holiday

Principal's Report

It's hard to believe we've only 2 more weeks until the end of term. This has been a productive term as we've welcomed our short-term international students, staff have settled into new roles (I know Bec Gauci is loving teaching Library!) and we've been working on achieving our academic and wellbeing goals from our Annual Implementation Plan. Clara Ellis is leading staff on the implementation of Positive Classroom Management Strategies and Jacinta Simpson and Jesse Stephens are coordinating Numeracy 2.0 and Literacy 2.0 respectively. With our intervention, extension, tutoring and Tier Two programs coordinated by Margaret and wellbeing initiatives, we are ensuring the needs of our students are met.

Easter Festivities

Students are looking forward to our annual Easter Hat Parade activities, including the Grade 6 egg toss, and egg hunt on the last day of term, Friday 4th April, at 9:15am. Over the next fortnight, classes will be practising for their events and several of our Grade 6s are already strategizing about the best way to catch the egg without breaking it! Across the school, students are excited about wearing their special Easter Hats and searching for eggs on the oval. Each year we're amazed at the creativity and millinery skills of students and family members who help them. All students who join in the fun and wear a hat will be given an additional Easter treat.



Family members are welcome to attend, and pre-schoolers can also join in the fun of the parade. The Grade 6 egg toss event is a highlight of the morning and then our Grade 6 teachers, Clara and Mel, will challenge the student winners for the overall title! Events such as these make long lasting and powerful memories that stay with children for much of their lives.

Thank you to the families who have donated eggs for the hampers Parents and Friends will make, as prizes for the Easter Raffle. There is a basket in the foyer ready for further donations.

NAPLAN

Well done to our Grade Three and Five students who completed NAPLAN in the last fortnight. The protocols for NAPLAN testing are very different to the way students normally work in class, as they are unable to ask the teachers for assistance, nor speak to their classmates and the tests have strict time limits. All tests, apart from Grade 3 Writing, were completed online, and I thank Mr Stephens, our NAPLAN coordinator, for ensuring the tests ran without a hitch. Class teachers had ensured students, especially grade threes, were familiar with the process and that they felt comfortable to complete the tests. NAPLAN is only one form of assessment and over the school year, teachers analyse data from students' class work, online and hard copy tests, and also their anecdotal notes to determine students' achievements levels.

New DET Photography, Filming and Recording Students At School Consent Form

DET has updated the Photography, Filming and Recording Students At School consent form, therefore we are required to send families the new information and collect new consent decisions. There are many occasions during the school year when staff photograph, film or record students participating in school activities or events. We do this for many reasons including to celebrate student participation and achievement, showcase learning programs, camps, excursions, sports events etc, and to communicate with our parents and school community in newsletters and on our website.

Today information will be sent to families via a post on COMPASS explaining the three categories in which images are used (see below) and instructions on how to log your responses. If any families prefer a hard copy of the form, please contact the office or your child's class teacher. The consent form will be valid for your child's entire time at Greensborough Primary School, however families may notify us to withdraw or change your consent at any time.

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New DET Photography, Filming and Recording Students At School Consent Form-Cont.

1. Use of images within the physical school environment

If you consent, photographs, video or recordings of your child may be used by our school within the school environment in any of the following ways:

- For display in school classrooms, corridors, foyer, grounds outside classrooms e.g. in displays of student work, on noticeboards to celebrate achievements.

2. Use of images within the school community

If you consent, photographs, video or recordings of your child may be used by our school within the school community in any of the following ways:

- In the school's online communication, learning and teaching tools (e.g., emails, classroom blogs or apps that can only be accessed by students, parents/carers and school staff with passwords.)

3. Use of images beyond the school community/publicly

If you consent, photographs, video or recordings of your child may be used in publications that are accessible to the public, including:

- On the school's website [including in the school newsletter which is publicly available on the website
- On the school's social media accounts

We will notify you individually if we are considering using images of your child for specific advertising or promotional purposes.

2025 Remaining Curriculum Days

At next Monday's School Council meeting we will ask for ratification of our Term Two Curriculum Day and advise families of the date in our next newsletter.

- Term Two TBC
- Monday before Cup Day, 3rd November

Angela Morritt

Principal

From DET: Annual privacy reminder for our school community

Our school collects and uses student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the [Schools' Privacy Policy](#) and the [Schools' Privacy Collection Notice](#).

Our Photographing, Filming and Recording Students Policy <https://greensborough.vic.edu.au/our-school/#policies>, describes how we collect and use photographs, video and recordings of students. The policy also explains when parent consent is required and how it can be provided and withdrawn.

We ask parents to also review the guidance we provide on how we use [Microsoft 365/Google Workspace for Education](#) safely at the school and what parents can do to further protect their child's information. If after reviewing the guidance, you have any questions or concerns regarding your child using Microsoft 365/Google Workspace for Education, please contact the school.

For more information about privacy, refer to: [Schools' privacy policy: information for parents](#). This information is also available in ten community languages: Amharic, Arabic, Chinese, Dari, Gujarati, Mandarin, Somali, Sudanese, Turkish, Urdu and Vietnamese.

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STEM NEWS



Our amazing 1/2s and 3/4s having been learning about Life Cycles this term. We have been lucky enough to consolidate their learning with a *Butterfly Chrysalis from Butterfly Adventure*, to watch them transform. The students watched as their Chrysalis developed and changed colour over the days from a teal/aqua to a black to a see-through colour. Our 34 Butterfly-JimBob, emerged during the night time and students got to see it the following day, make a special wish and release the next day. Our 1/2 students were lucky enough to see their Butterfly-Buttercup, emerge in their STEM class!!! It all happened very quickly and the butterfly was much

larger than they were thinking. It has been a great way to cement their learning.

-Leah Ryan
STEM Teacher.



34B watching JimBob settle on a tree near the classroom



Buttercup emerging from its Chrysalis

butterfly adventures



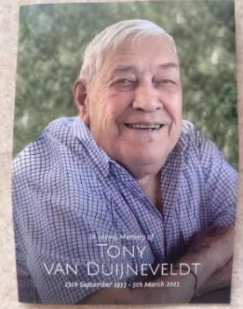
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STUDENT WELLBEING

Hi Everyone,

Yes, many, many thanks Tony!

Last Thursday, March 13th I attended the funeral of our beloved Breakfast Club helper, Tony. Tony passed away suddenly from natural causes in the early hours of Wednesday, March 5th at the aged of 91 and a half. Unfortunately, he didn't make Breakfast Club that day. The GPS students celebrated his 90th birthday at Breakfast Club in September 2023. Tony served the GPS community two Wednesdays a month at Breakfast Club since mid-2021.



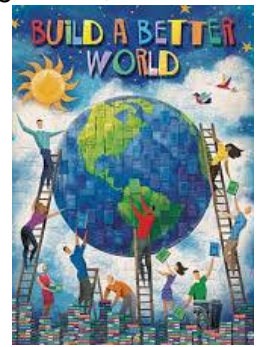
Tony's funeral was attended by over 100 people at Living Faith Church, including his four children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and great, great grandchildren! His wife died six and half years ago. There were many tributes from family and friends. Tony left Holland (the Netherlands) in 1956 with his new wife after surviving WWII, to start a new life together in Australia. After his retirement as a toolmaker, Tony spent his life enjoying his growing family and serving others through working bees both local and in outback Australia, and, of course, Breakfast Club, amongst other voluntary activities. He enjoyed singing and sang in choirs including the Carols by Candlelight choir.

What a legacy Tony has left for all of us to follow – a life of resilience, caring and helping others, a true and faithful servant. **THE WORLD NEEDS MANY TONYS!**

It's great to see our students in many caring and serving roles: Breakfast Club, fruit monitors, Kindness Club, Friendship Tree, Prep buddies, JSC, leadership roles as positive role models, to name a few. A number of parents serve the school community



through the School Council, Parents' Association, classroom help, clubs, etc... I know that some of our families also serve the wider community through various groups. We are also fortunate to have community volunteers who serve through Breakfast Club and the Kids Hope mentoring program (which has been running for 20 years and one of our mentors has been with us all that time).



Let' continue to work together, making a difference and encouraging our children to be kind, to smile, to respect, to try to understand others and to **MAKE A DIFFERENCE**. Remember: 'MONKEY SEE, MONKEY DO!'

Also, don't forget the **FREE HOMEWORK CLUB** at the All Saints Church Hall, being offered to our students. Please see the brochure attached to the bottom of this newsletter for more information.

Robyn Mulholland

Student Wellbeing Coordinator

Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays

robyn.mulholland@education.vic.gov.au




**Term 1 Book Club orders are closing tomorrow
Friday 21st March 2025!**

If you have placed a Book Club Order, they will be sent home with your child/ren as soon as they arrive. If your order is a surprise for your child, please inform Claire Embling by email: Claire.Embling@education.vic.gov.au and your order will be placed in the office, and you will be notified once it's ready to collect.

Thank you again for your support,

Claire Embling

Book Club Coordinator

The background of the poster is decorated with several colorful Easter eggs and flowers. The eggs feature various patterns: one with purple hearts on a yellow background, one with white daisies on a purple background, one with orange and purple stripes, one with white daisies on a pink background, one with orange and purple stripes, and one with orange and purple floral patterns. There are also several flowers in white, orange, purple, and pink scattered throughout the design.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS
ASSOCIATION WOULD LOVE
YOUR HELP TO SUPPORT THE

Easter Raffle!

If you are able to
make a donation of
Easter chocolate or
other goodies that can be
included in hampers,
please leave your
donation at the
office.

Thank you!

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Pupil of the Week



2025 ~ Term 1 ~ Week 7

Prep	Beth	For her beautiful handwriting for the letter 'Pp' this week. Well done, Beth!
Grade 1/2 A	Sophie	For entering the classroom in the morning with positivity and working diligently during writing.
Grade 1/2 B	Hudson	For showing improvement in the quality of his work. Well done this week, Hudson!
Grade 3/4 A	Victor	For being such a wonderful helper and always striving to do his best in all learning areas.
Grade 3/4 B	Charles	What great enthusiasm you demonstrated at our Twilight Sports event!
Grade 5/6 A	Evelyn	For going above and beyond with her maths homework, completing optional tasks to enhance her learning. Well done!
Grade 5/6 B	Jackson	For demonstrating how to express your point of view in a respectful manner while listening to others' perspectives. We appreciate your display of empathy!
Art	Fatima 5/6B	For demonstrating excellent colour blending and shading skills on her Lava Lamp artwork. Fantastic effort, Fatima!
Library	Philippa 5/6B	For being a valuable participant in our class discussions by consistently providing thoughtful insights and meaningful observations.
LOTE Mandarin	Raythan 3/4A	For his enthusiasm in learning Mandarin and doing the finger gestures for his birthday
PE	Isabelle Prep	For staying on task and focusing on PE. You are a super star!
STEM	Sansa, Aifeina & Zoe 3/4A	For their great work they put into making their STOP-MOTION clip and linking this to their butterfly life-cycle understanding.

2025 ~ Term 1 ~ Week 8

Prep	Nehaarika	For always listening carefully to instructions and following them with a big smile. Whether it's a drawing, an activity, or a task, she approaches everything with great enthusiasm and finishes her work with pride. Keep up the amazing work, Nehaarika!
Grade 1/2 A	Lee May	For her wonderful efforts during Rocket Writing and arriving on time to school with a big smile on her face.
Grade 1/2 B	Vinnie	For always showing great dedication to her schoolwork and presenting her work beautifully. You should be very proud of yourself, Vinnie!
Grade 3/4 A	Elsie	For such an amazing positive attitude to NAPLAN and all school activities.
Grade 3/4 B	Gino	You have demonstrated such high growth in your reading! You should be proud of the hard work you have put in. Keep up the great work!
Grade 5/6 A	Heidi	For consistently demonstrating our school rules and values and being a wonderful role model for those around her.
Grade 5/6 B	Anjali	A growth mindset is what enables you to take on challenges throughout your day with a positive attitude. Thank you for modelling this to your peers and keep up the great work!
Art	Levi Prep	For drawing an excellent example of implied texture on your cute little chickens. Keep up the great work, Levi!
Library	Nick 5/6A	For always bringing a positive attitude to our library lessons. You take time to think carefully about your answers, which helps you give detailed and thoughtful responses. Keep up the great work, Nick!
LOTE Mandarin	Connor 5/6A	For helping others. We were learning about writing the 'day' in Chinese and he did a great job explaining it to others. Thanks for your help, Connor!
PE	Tien 3/4B	For always giving your best go in PE; you listen with your eyes, help others and always put your hand up.
STEM	Olivia 3/4A	For her great labelling and descriptions on plant life cycles and how some fire natural disasters can help our ecosystem. Well done, Olivia

Greensborough Primary OSHC Update

March 2025

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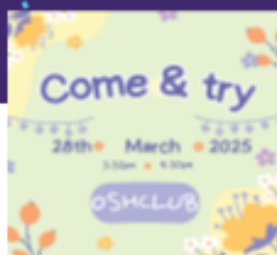
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OSHCLUB NEWS

IMPORTANT DATES

- Come and Try – 28th March
- Last day of Term 1 – extended afternoon 1:30pm- 6:00pm 4th April
 - Movie afternoon- 4th April
- HOLIDAY PROGRAM STARTS – 7th April



You and your child are invited to our come and try session next Friday the 28th of March, 2025.

Come enjoy some afternoon tea where we can answer any questions that you may be about our service as well get a little bit of view of how our service is run.

The kids can join in on the fun as well!!! there will be games crafts activities and group play that they will be able to participate in.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!

From Ruby and Emmerson

HOLIDAY HHQ- GAMES ZONE

- The holiday program is out now!!
- Find everything on the GREENSBOROUGH OSHCLUB website!
- **BOOK IN NOW!**

Reminders:

- Please remember HATS and WATER BOTTLES!
- Please note my service working hours are from 6:45am – 9:00am , 3:00pm-6:00pm. Outside those hours I will not be available to answer any calls or messages. However, I will always reply or call back when in service.
- Book in advance to guarantee a spot in a R&S or S&P as we can't always ensure that there will be room.

Rise and Shine & Stay and Play



Over the past two months at OSHClub, we've had an exciting time filled with creativity, fun, and new friendships! We got our hands messy with clay crafts, shaping and molding some amazing creations. Our baking skills were put to the test as we made and decorated delicious cupcakes . A big highlight was welcoming the new preps, helping them settle in and feel at home. We also had a fantastic teddy bear picnic, where everyone brought their favorite stuffed friend for a day of games, snacks, and laughter. It's been a wonderful couple of months, and we can't wait for more adventures ahead! 🍪 🎨 🍰

Service details

Our contact details are:



0447 868 204



greensborough@oshclub.com.au

Other information:

PHOTO GALLERY

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NORTHERN MELBOURNE MUSIC

www.NorthernMelbourneMusic.com.au 0451 717 551 NorthernMelbourneMusic@gmail.com

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

Singing Lessons now at Greensborough Primary.

The Northern Melbourne Music team is expanding at Greensborough Primary and we are now able to offer Singing, Piano and Guitar lessons.

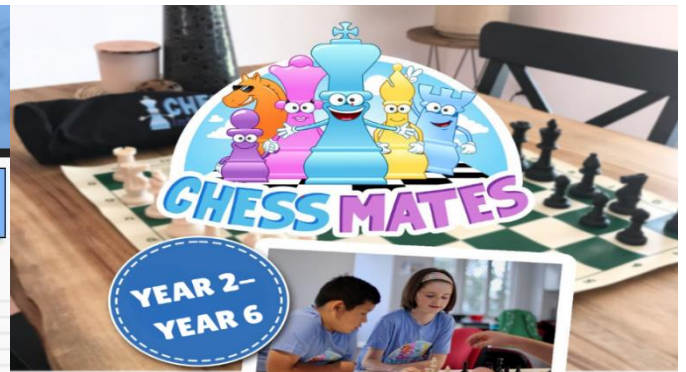
Music teaches life-long skills that students can enjoy with their peers. Music education also helps build a better understanding of co-operation, resilience, improves concentration, and helps development of cognitive skills.

For further information, please contact us at NorthernMelbourneMusic@gmail.com or visit NorthernMelbourneMusic.com.au

NORTHERN MELBOURNE MUSIC

providing music lessons to students of all ages and abilities in schools, in homes and online

Enrol online NorthernMelbourneMusic.com.au or contact us at NorthernMelbourneMusic@gmail.com 0451 717 551



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TUESDAY

1:40 – 2:20 PM The Library

Weekly classes will help improve:

- Creativity
- Memory
- Concentration
- Planning Skills
- Independent Decision Making
- General Aptitude for Learning
- Problem Solving
- Teamwork



Learning chess has been shown to improve overall performance at school by nearly 20% compared with children who have not

To book online, scan or go to chessmates.com.au/schools

INFO@CHESSMATES.COM.AU
1300 CHESS MATES

Autumn Plant Sale



NATIVE PLANT & BOOK SALE

Saturday 12th April, 2025

10am – 3pm

Eltham Community & Reception Centre, 801 Main Road, Eltham

Entry by gold coin donation.

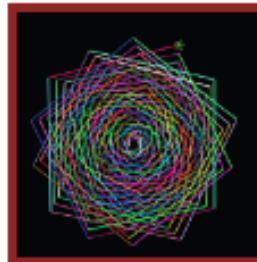
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In a world where technology touches every aspect of our lives, it is crucial that our children understand how it works. To accomplish this objective, there is an exciting coding club running at the school.



DEVELOP SKILLS

- Creativity
- Logical thinking
- Problem solving

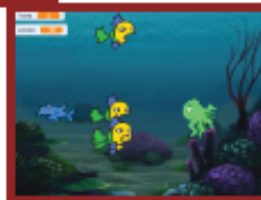


LEARN

- 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.

9 WEEK TERM PROGRAM

Program for Term 2 2025 is as follows:

Year levels: 2 to 6

Term Fee: \$252 incl GST

LUNCH TIME	BATCH
1:40pm – 2:25pm	Fridays 2 nd May to 27 th Jun 2025

To enrol, fill out the form online:

www.digimaker.com.au/enrol



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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Make Friends
Have Adventures
Learn New Skills
Be Creative
Excessive Fun

Ages 5 -18

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SOFTBALL

School Holiday
Program



Locations:

Albury Wodonga Softball Association
Dandenong Softball Association
Geelong Softball Association
Glen Eira Moorabbin Softball Association
Hume City Softball Association
Melbourne Softball Association
Northern District Softball Association
Sunshine Softball Association

APRIL HOLIDAYS

Time: 9am – 1pm

Scan the QR Code for more info and
to register



www.softballvic.org.au/events

Cost: \$75.00pp for non members, \$50.00pp for members

Price Includes a glove and ball (or a \$25 Ausport Voucher)



ABOUT US

All Saints' Anglican church Greensborough ensures all volunteers and staff have training & Safe Child Qualifications. Homework Club remains a safe space for all children and teens to seek help with schoolwork.



EVERYONE WELCOME

WEDNESDAYS

3:30-5PM

ALL SAINTS' GREENSBOROUGH

Do you need some help with homework? Friendly volunteers can help on Wednesday afternoons during the school term!



HOMework CLUB

HELP AFTER SCHOOL



Contact:

📍 14 Church Street,
Greensborough
<https://>

🌐 www.asgb.org.au/

☎ -03-9435-5266

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