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Thursday 21 August 2025	Book Week 2025 Book Fair – Library 08:45am & 3:30pm
Friday 22 August 2025	Circus Crew Session Five Book Fair – Library 08:45am & 3:30pm (Last Day)
Friday 29 August 2025	JSC Footy Colours Day Circus Crew Session Six
Tuesday 02 September 2025	Circus Crew Concert – Montmorency Secondary College Buses Leave GPS – 09:00am Concert Starts – 10:00am Please ensure all students wear black pants/shorts and bright colour t-shirt without branding
Wednesday 3 September 2025	District Athletics Competition
Friday 5 September 2025	Prep Fathers' Day Breakfast Fathers' Day Stall Premiers' Reading Challenge ends
Wednesday 10 September 2025	Grade 6 Skaterz Excursion Maths Olympiad
Thursday 11 September 2025	R U Okay Day  P&F Food Day School Council Meeting – 7:00pm
Friday 12 September 2025	Grades 3&4 Ancient History Expo – 12:00pm to 1:30pm
Wednesday 17 September 2025	Science Week Celebration Day  Multi-Age Activity Day
Thursday 18 September 2025	Grade 2 Sleepover Grades 1&2 Expo STEM – Big Science Show – Cosmic Chemistry - Incursion
Friday 19 September 2025	Last Day of Term Three – Early Dismissal – 01:30pm
Monday 06 October 2025	First day of Term Four
Friday 10 October 2025	Swimming Program – Session 1

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Principal's Report

At the halfway point of Term Three, while staff are planning, and students are engaging in a vast array of activities and experiences, we are also putting in place plans for Term Four and, indeed, for 2026.

Book Week, Circus Skills, Athletics, Fathers' Day, Maths Olympiad, History, the Grade Two Sleepover and Science Week will be the focus for the balance of Term Three.

Term Four has Swimming, the Prep / Grade One breakfast and Transition Programs across the school from new Preps preparing to arrive at school to our Grade Six students graduating and, along with this, much anticipated activities such as the annual ice-cream truck visit.



The amount of careful planning and thought that goes into all of the above cannot be underestimated and our staff should be commended for going above and beyond as they always do. The other unsung hero in all of this is Mehgan who, for every school activity, has to ensure that all financial payments in and out are rigorously receipted and accounted for. Thank you, Mehgan!

Planning for 2026 is also now well underway with potential school staffing models being evaluated, students requiring both additional support and extension being identified and budgets to support all of this being developed.

At last week's School Council meeting, the 2026 Parent Payment schedule was approved. Whilst this won't be distributed to the school community until the first week of Term Four, the main change is that next year, rather than parents having to individually contact MAXIM to order their children's 2026 resources, we have included the Book Pack items in the Parent Payment schedule. The reason for this is that, whilst it was a relatively straightforward process for parents to order their children's packs, it definitely caused angst for some families. It was also not always ideal for some students when their resources arrived after other students because of differences in the dates that orders had been placed. All student resources will be delivered to the school in the last week of Term Four and class teachers will be able to have all resources ready for all students for the start of the 2026 year.

It would be very much appreciated if any final 2025 Parent Payment contributions could be paid by the end of this term, so Mehgan is able to focus on the 2026 payments during Term Four.

The Justice Department has restarted its Corrections Crew program which was paused during the COVID lockdowns. Every four weeks on a Saturday morning, a crew undertakes maintenance tasks in the school grounds. This Saturday, soft fall mulch will be spread under all of the playgrounds to ensure they are safe and meet compliance guidelines. We are eagerly awaiting the addition of a new piece of playground equipment which we are hopeful will be installed before the end of the school year. This equipment is being paid for by Parents and Friends, Junior School Council and a donation from the International Students and the agency that coordinates these cultural visits. The oval and all grass areas are being mowed this week after being dormant for many months and we are looking forward to having this done. Leo has ordered new soccer nets which will be another great play addition.

Whilst it is only a relatively short term (just nine weeks), a lot of active learning is taking place, so we hope everyone is able to stay rested and fresh to fully engage and enjoy everything that the balance of the term has to bring.

Margaret Hirth

Principal

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Kids Help Line

Last week, the Year 5/6 students participated in the Kids Helpline's Largest Anti-Bullying Lesson. Students engaged in an online presentation from one of the Kids Helpline facilitators and explored what bullying is, the impact of bullying and where to get help.



Athletics Trials

What a fantastic day we had for our Athletics Trials! The sun was shining, the energy was high, and our students gave their very best in every event. It was wonderful to see so much determination, encouragement, and school spirit on display.

Later this week, we look forward to announcing the students who will represent our school at the District Athletics Carnival. Regardless of the results, the trials were a true celebration of effort, teamwork, and athletic ability. We are very proud of all students who participated and gave it their all.

A big thank you must also go to all the parent volunteers who gave their time to help on the day, events like this simply wouldn't be possible without your support.

Go Greensborough!

Leo Derrick



STUDENT WELLBEING

Hi Everyone,



My daughter and her hubby began reading to their little Bub BEFORE she was born! Now they read a bed-time story each night! She is now 8 weeks old and loving it!



I remember when my son was about 18 months old, each morning he would grab my hand and 'drag' me into the lounge room with a few books and we would have a reading time together – the breakfast dishes could wait! He became an avid reader.

Below is a chart which outline the benefits of reading to children – enjoy!

The Surprising Benefits of Reading to Children and How to Inspire a Lifelong Love for Books

Uncovering the Benefits of Reading to Children



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Language and literacy development: Reading aloud exposes children to a rich vocabulary, sentence structures, and new words.

Cognitive development: Reading engages a child's brain, promoting cognitive development. It enhances their concentration, memory, and critical thinking skills.

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Bonding and social development: Reading together strengthens bonds between children and caregivers, fostering closeness and emotional connection.

Knowledge acquisition: Books expose children to a wide range of topics, information, and experiences.

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Imagination and creativity: Reading fuels a child's imagination and creativity by immersing them in different worlds, characters, and settings.

Improved communication skills: Regular exposure to reading helps children develop better communication skills.

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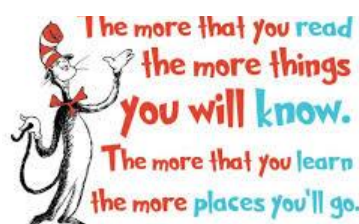


Lastly, a message from Dr. Seus:

HAPPY READING!!

Robyn Mulholland

Student Wellbeing Coordinator



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BOOK WEEK 2025

Book week is a success! Miss Gauci will have a full article for your reading pleasure with our next edition of the Borough Bulletin. Just as a tempter for our avid reader we have included a staff photo... and if you look closely you'll spot something interesting.



2025 Swimming Program

Eight weekly sessions in Term Four are commencing Friday 10th October 2024 and ending Friday 5th December 2024 (with a one-week break- 31 Oct). The Swimming Program Time-Table is listed below.

Parents are very welcome to assist with escorting students when walking to WaterMarc as well as helping students to get changed. Please note any parents in the change rooms will be required to have a Volunteer Working With Children's Check. Could you please complete the online permission form on Compass. Students new to the school will need to bring the Swimmer Ability form to the office before the 19th of September.

Term Four Swimming Dates:

- Friday 10, 17 & 24 October
- One Week Break
- Friday 7, 14, 21 & 28 November
- Friday 5 December -Fun activity session
- The cost will be \$55 and payment plans can be organised with Meghan at the office. Payment and consent are due by the end of Term 3 (19th September). Both can be done online.

Swimming Schedule for each Friday:

Prep & Grade 1/2A:

Accompanied by Ms Chen,
Mrs Zann & Mr Derrick

Depart school at 9:00am

Lesson: 9:30am to 10:15am

Depart WaterMarc at 10:30am

Arrive at school 10:45am

Grade 1/2B, Grade 3/4A & Grade 3/4B (Grade 3 only):

Accompanied by Mrs Tillotson,
Ms Celotto & Mr Derrick

Depart school at 9:45am

Lesson: 10:15am to 11:00am

Depart WaterMarc at 11:15am

Arrive at school 11:30am

Grade 5/6A, Grade 5/6B & Grade 3/4B (Grade 4 only):

Accompanied by Mr Stephens,
Mrs Simpson & Mrs Ellis

Depart school at 10:30am

Lesson: 11:00am to 11:45am

Depart WaterMarc at 12:10pm

Arrive at school 12:15pm



Pupil of the Week

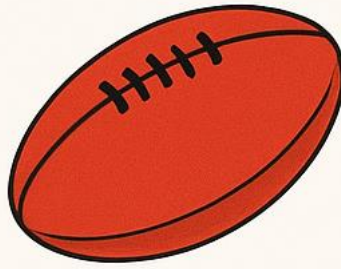


2025 ~ Term 3 ~ Week 03

Prep	Archie	Fantastic effort in your writing Archie, you have progressed making clear sentences with sounding out letters, capital letters and full stops. Well done, Archie!
Grade 1/2 A	Elise	For her outstanding effort during our Poetry unit. Elise puts so much effort and thought into the presentation of her work, and she thinks outside the box. Keep it up, super star!
Grade 1/2 B	Rainbow	For being an enthusiastic learner at GPS and showing kindness and friendship to her peers. Well done!
Grade 3/4 A	Fariz	Your participation and valuable contributions during our Literacy sessions are amazing. Keep up the great work Fariz!
Grade 3/4 B	Alex	Your Ancient Roman shield design looks incredible! Well done!
Grade 5/6 A	Evelyn	For creating some exceptional poems and always striving to achieve her best. You should be so proud Evelyn!
Grade 5/6 B	Ivy	It is wonderful to see you make responsible choices to extend yourself in your learning! Keep this momentum up!
Art	Shyamala 3/4B	For being such a bright, ray of sunshine in Art each week. You are such a positive, enthusiastic person and pour so much creativity into your work. Congratulations!
Library	Vanda Prep	For making terrific text-to-self connections with our library story this week. Well done, Vanda!
LOTE Mandarin	Mariam Prep	
PE	Kira 3/4B	For always smiling in PE, giving it your best go and picking yourself up when you fall down!
STEM	Liam 5/6A	For working hard and doing a great job when writing up all experiments this term for our Erosion topic. Liam, your hard work is always noticed!

2025 ~ Term 3 ~ Week 04

Prep	Alaana	Fantastic effort Alaana with creativity on your poem this week and the effort and enthusiasm you showed. Well done, Alaana!
Grade 1/2 A	Bella & Naomi	For their wonderful effort towards learning all subjects in our classroom and going out of their comfort zone to make friends. We have loved having you in our class!
Grade 1/2 B	Shivansh	For showing amazing skills in his circus tricks and performing them to his peers. Well done on a fantastic effort Shiv and I can't wait to see your performance.
Grade 3/4 A	Abigail	For such an outstanding effort at Athletics Trials this week. We are so proud of you Abi!
Grade 3/4 B	Kashvika	For all of the hard work and determination you have shown to gain your Pen License! Well done!
Grade 5/6 A	Isaac	For being an inclusive and caring class member, especially towards our international students.
Grade 5/6 B	Jacob	For showing kindness to your classmates, sharing insightful response in Literacy and pushing through challenges with a broken thumb!
Art	Juniper 1/2A	For the thought, effort and creativity you consistently put into your artwork. Congratulations Juniper.
Library	Archie Prep	For organising the library bags and returning picture storybooks to shelves during our library session this week, you have shown wonderful responsibility and care. Well done, Library superstar!
LOTE Mandarin	Hudson 5/6B	For helping to pack up at the end of Mandarin class. Thank you, Hudson!
PE	Harper 5/6B	When you focus and make good choices you can do anything! This was very clear after your efforts at Athletics.
STEM	Mia Prep	For always putting in her best effort in every STEM session. Mia, you are a great role model.



FOOTY COLOURS DAY

FRIDAY 29TH AUGUST

We invite everyone to wear their favourite footy team's colours to school.

Please bring a gold coin donation



Thank you for your continuing support.

Ms T and the JSC



LET'S PLAY CRICKET!

Girls & Boys Ages 7-17
Greensborough Junior Cricket Club



CALLING ALL FUTURE CRICKET STARS!

Whether you've never picked up a bat or you're already smashing sixes, Greensborough Junior Cricket Club is the place to learn, play, and have a blast!

So what are you waiting for? Grab your gear and join the team!
Scan the QR code to register.

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An invitation to join

The Greenbriar Little Athletics Club



*Improve fitness,
have fun &
make friends!*

For young people aged 5 to 16

Summer season: September - March

Cross country: May - August

Athletics focuses on the fundamentals of sport with running, jumping and throwing being at the heart of it.

For decades Greenbriar LAC has been home to athletes of all ages and all abilities.

In the summer, you'll find us at Willinda Park on Beatrix Street in Greensborough



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Registration day

Saturday, 6th September - 10am - 12pm

@Willinda Park, Greensborough

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