



Greensborough Primary School - 2062

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<i>Friday 5 September 2025</i>	Prep Fathers' Day Breakfast Fathers' Day Stall Premiers' Reading Challenge ends
<i>Wednesday 10 September 2025</i>	Grade 6 Skaterz Excursion Maths Olympiad
<i>Thursday 11 September 2025</i>	R U Okay Day  P&F Food Day School Council Meeting – 7:00pm
<i>Friday 12 September 2025</i>	Grades 3&4 Ancient History Expo – 12:00pm to 1:30pm
<i>Wednesday 17 September 2025</i>	Science Week Celebration Day  Multi-Age Activity Day
<i>Thursday 18 September 2025</i>	Grade 2 Sleepover Grades 1&2 Expo STEM – Big Science Show – Cosmic Chemistry - Incursion
<i>Friday 19 September 2025</i>	Last Day of Term Three – Early Dismissal – 01:30pm
<i>Monday 06 October 2025</i>	First day of Term Four
<i>Friday 10 October 2025</i>	Swimming Program – Session 1

Principal's Report

At last Friday's afternoon assembly, the last five minutes before the bell went, were spent giving students the opportunity to share things about school that they were really enjoying or were excited about. It was extremely gratifying that pretty much every student put their hand up with something to share and it was such a happy experience to witness their collective excitement about events and activities at school. Without question, the Circus program featured heavily in students' contributions as to what they were particularly excited about. The past six weeks of Circus sessions have been filled with determination, resilience, laughter and happiness which was reflected in Tuesday's joyful performance at Montmorency Secondary College. Many thanks to The Circus Crew, to Jesse and Laura for organising the concert logistics and to all of the families and friends who came along to share the joy and encourage the efforts and achievements of students.

People who spend time in many schools such as Education Department staff and Trades people often comment on the magnificent condition of our buildings and facilities. I always explain that this is substantially due to the enormous contribution of Wayne and Geoff. For new families, Wayne and Geoff are Grandfathers whose grandchildren have left the school many, many years ago but Wayne and Geoff have stayed on to volunteer their skills and energy to support the school. Wayne and Geoff spent their careers in trades and have boundless expertise when it comes to problem solving maintenance issues. For four hours every Monday morning, Wayne and Geoff achieve miracles in the prompt repair of minor issues and the design, planning and completion of major projects. We are indebted to Wayne and Geoff for their commitment, and we really don't know what we would do without them.

There are many unsung heroes providing invaluable assistance and support at the school and, in future newsletters, we will continue to acknowledge their contributions and the positive impact they have on the school as a whole.

While there are just two weeks of Term Three remaining, there are still many exciting and engaging activities still to be enjoyed. In future years all these experiences will be treasured as the happy memories of Primary School.

Margaret Hirth

2026 Grade Planning- Parent Requests

Behind the scenes we are busy planning for 2026 with all the information we currently know! Early next term, teachers will ask students to nominate friendship groups so we can begin the process of allocating students to their 2026 grades. This process includes teachers' consideration of students' friendship groups, school data on academic abilities and needs, and parent input on specific requests for their children.

We will be finalising grades and staffing by the end of October, so we can begin handover of student information from this year's teacher to next. ***Therefore, if parents or caregivers have any specific requests for next year, it's very important that you send in your requests via email, phone, handwritten note or in person, to Margaret or myself by Friday October 17th and this can be factored into decision making. We do not have the capacity to change placements once grades are finalised.*** Students will meet their 2026 teachers and spend the morning with them on Tuesday 9th December.

SunSmart – Hats Required

It's that time of year again when the UV rating is reaching 3 and above. Students are required to wear their hats for outdoor activities, this includes recess, lunch, Physical Education lessons and walking to swimming. (From September 1st – April 30th is when the average UV alert is 3 and above.) The weekend may be a good time to check children's school bags or wardrobes for hats. School hats are available at the office for \$13.00.



Student Support Group Reminder

An invitation was recently sent to parents of students who have SSGs, to contact your child's class teacher to arrange a mutually convenient time for your Term Three meeting. If any parents have yet to do so, we ask you contact your child's teacher to arrange a meeting before the end of term or advise teachers you do not wish to have an SSG this term. Thank you to parents who have already responded to the invitation.

A huge thank you to Margaret, for leading the school while I was on Long Service Leave for the last two and a half weeks and to staff for ensuring the exciting extracurricular events of the Circus Concert and Book Week were successful.

We hope all our fathers and adults who play an important role in our students' lives have a terrific day on Sunday and receive some well-deserved recognition. Thank you to Parents and Friends for organising the Fathers' Day stall tomorrow and bringing great enjoyment to our students.

Angela Morrill

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STUDENT WELLBEING

Hi Everyone,

It was great to see the perseverance and resilience of all the students at the Circus Crew performance on Tuesday! But sometimes we can feel overwhelmed to the point of needing an empathetic caring helper.



NEXT THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH IS 'RU OK? DAY

Actually, we like to spread the news that EVERYDAY IS THE DAY TO ASK 'RU OK?' Do you have a feeling that someone you know or care about is not themselves. Trust your gut instinct and act on it. By starting a conversation and commenting on the changes you've noticed, you could help them open up. Follow the 4 step conversation steps below to show them you support them and help them to find strategies. If they are OK, then they will know that you are someone who cares enough to ask.



Our school community has been participating in **RU OK? DAY** for several years now, raising our students awareness of **LOOKING AFTER EACH OTHER, SHOWING LOVE AND EMPATHY AND ASKING RU OK? ALSO SEEKING HELP FOR OURSELVES IS ALSO VERY IMPORTANT!**

Students are taught that it is **OK TO BE NOT OK, AND HOW THEY SHOULD ASK FOR HELP IF THEY ARE STRUGGLING WITH ANY ISSUES. WE ALL STRUGGLES AT TIMES.**

Students are also encouraged to offer help and learn strategies in how to **ASK OTHERS 'RU OK?'**

Students will also be learning about **KIDS HELPLINE** and how they can have access to caring listeners when they have a problem.

TO HELP REINFORCE THE IMPORTANCE OF RU OK? DAY, we are asking the students and staff to wear yellow next Thursday, September 11th. It can be as simple as a yellow t-shirt, a yellow bandana, a yellow shirt, a yellow ribbon, etc...

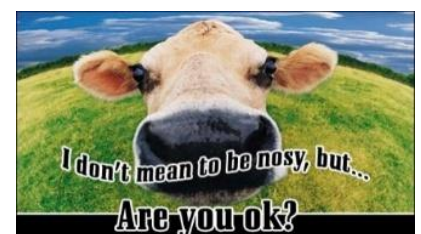
Also, we are asking that students bring a gold coin donation which will be donated to **KIDS HELPLINE**.



SO, LET'S PROMOTE THE MENTAL HEALTH WELLBEING OF OUR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE, AND OF OUR FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES and OURSELVES.

Robyn Mulholland

Student Wellbeing Coordinator





We are in the final days of this year's Premiers' Reading Challenge. Congratulations to the following 42 students who have completed this year's challenge.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Prep – Levi, Nehaarika, Evanna, Vanda, Oliver and Archie.

1/2A – Sophie, Amelie, Elise, Lee May, Liam, and Sofia.

1/2B – Vinnie, Harriet, Neelabh, Celeste, Sidharth, Max and Vidur.

3/4A – Abi, Victor, Olivia, Zoe, Elsie, Lily, Fariz and Ella.

3/4B – William, Kleo, Kashvika, Shyamala, Ethan and Billie.

5/6A – Shashvat, Ella, Sofian, Evelyn and Lachie.

5/6B – Lydia, Philippa, Ren, Jacob and Lizzie

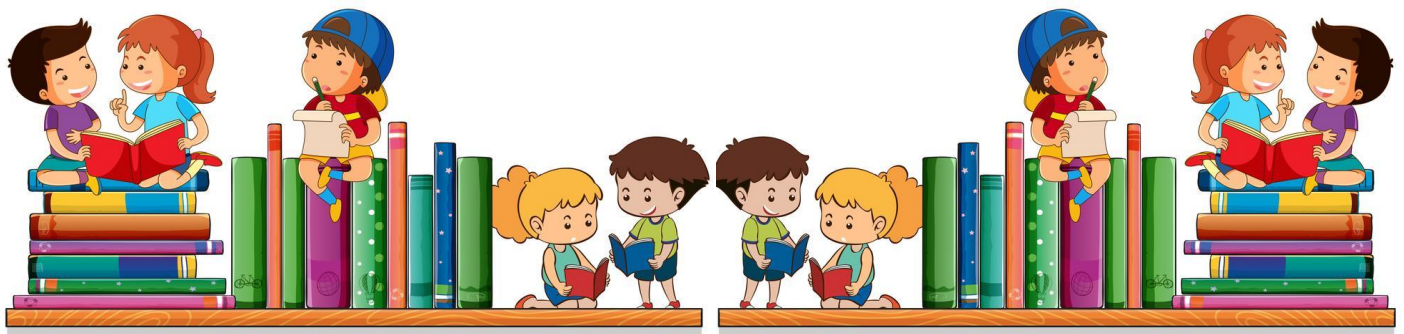
It's not too late to check Home Reading journals and log your reading onto the challenge website before the end of Thursday to ensure books are verified.

Challenge certificates will be presented to students during assembly in Term Four and students will also be rewarded with a special Fish and Chip lunch in Term Four also.

Congratulations amazing readers of G.P.S!!

Claire Storey

PRC Coordinator



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BOOK WEEK



Children's Book Week
16–23 August 2025



SOURCE: JESS MCGEACHIN, BOOK AN ADVENTURE (2025). IMAGE FROM THE CHILDREN'S BOOK COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA, [HTTPS://CBCA.ORG.AU](https://CBCA.ORG.AU)

BOOK PARADE

Students booked an adventure this year for Book Week. On Wednesday, the sun shone brightly, and music blasted from the speakers as students made their way around the netball court, proudly showing off their creative costumes of favourite book characters.



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POETRY COMPETITION

The shortlisted poems from the poetry competition were acknowledged, and the winners announced at the Book Parade. Some of our winning authors are below. Their poems will remain on display in the foyer for a couple more weeks. Don't miss the chance to check them out!



MULTI-AGE DAY

Students enjoyed listening to the CBCA shortlisted books, followed by fun and artistic craft activities inspired by the stories.



Greensborough Primary School Presents

SPECTACULAR

CIRCUS SHOW

Circus Concert – Tuesday 2nd September

On Tuesday 2nd September, our whole school community came together at Montmorency Secondary College for our annual Circus Concert. The event was a colourful celebration of creativity, teamwork, and performance skills.

Each year level had the chance to shine:

Preps – Ribbons

Grade 1s – Juggling

Grade 2s – Poi

Grade 3/4A – Devil Sticks

Grade 3/4B – Staffs

Grade 5/6A – Hoops

Grade 5/6B – Spinning Plates

The students wowed the audience with their energy and enthusiasm, and the show was filled with vibrant colours, laughter, and lots of audience participation.

We were fortunate to have the Circus Crew working alongside us, bringing expert guidance and encouragement.

Their support helped make the performance a truly memorable occasion for our school.

It was a wonderful event that showcased not just the circus skills, but also the confidence and joy of our students.

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TERM 4 INCURSIONS

HEALTH AND WELLBEING



No Cost!

Prep-2

Prep-2: Yoghurt Masters

📅 Wednesday 8th October

🕒 9.15am - 10.45am

Students will take part in a 90-minute session where they work in small teams to design and create their own yoghurt bowls. The program encourages collaboration, creative thinking, healthy choices, and nutrition - with the final challenge being to enjoy their creations!

Allergies: Please notify your child's classroom teacher of any allergies or dietary requirements by Friday 12th September.

Cost: Fully covered by the school.

Consent: Not required as part of the core curriculum (families may opt out if preferred).

3-4

Grades 3/4: MiniBOSS - Minute to Win It

📅 Wednesday 8th October

🕒 11.30am - 1.00pm

Students will rotate through a series of fast-paced circuit stations, each filled with physical, mental, and creative challenges. This 90-minute program is designed to promote teamwork, movement, focus, and problem-solving.
Cost: Fully covered by the school.

Consent: Not required as part of the core curriculum.



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HAVE YOUR SAY: **WHOLE SCHOOL REWARDS**

This year, our school has been implementing the different practices of the Positive Classroom Management Strategies. We are now at the exciting stage of developing a whole school rewards system where students earn points linked to our valued behaviours of Cooperation, Achievement, Respect and Empathy (C.A.R.E), which are outlined in our Whole School Behaviour Expectations Matrix.

We are now seeking input from parents and carers to help shape the next stage of this system. By working together, we can create a meaningful and motivating approach that celebrates positive choices at school and reflects the values we want to see in the wider community.

Your ideas and feedback are an important part of this process. Please click the following link to complete a short survey:
<https://forms.gle/PxWyFyAAEZk1e7zf9>.

The survey will be closed on **Friday 12th September 2025**.

If you have questions, contact Clara Ellis at Clara.Ellis@education.vic.gov.au with the subject line Whole School Rewards Queries.

Together, we can continue to build a strong sense of belonging and pride in our school community while encouraging students to live our C.A.R.E values every day.

Kind regards,
Clara Ellis



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Our School Values & Behaviour Expectations

C OOPERATION

We work safely and calmly to stay on task to achieve our goals.



Raise hand and wait for permission to speak or leave the learning space.



Move to the next location calmly.



Silently wait for instructions and follow them quickly.



Make choices that allow everyone to achieve their best.

A CHIEVEMENT

We are organised and ready to learn.



Have resources ready to submit tasks on time.



Use time to achieve Learning Goals and Success Criteria.



Ask for help and apply feedback to improve.



Show your best effort in all learning opportunities.

R ESPECT

We show respect to ourselves, others and our environment.



Use 'active listening' to understand and respond.



Use correct 'Level of Voices' to support everyone to learn.



Ask for permission to consider everyone's personal space and belongings.



Celebrate others' by clapping or sharing positive messages.

E MPATHY

We care about how others feel and how our actions impact others.



Line up to enter and exit areas calmly.



Keep all spaces ready to learn in.



Consider others' perspectives before responding.



Show kind, fair and safe behaviour and encourage others to do the same.

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Pupil of the Week



2025 ~ Term 3 ~ Week 05

Prep	Hayley	Fantastic effort this week on your narrative on what you did on the weekend. You extended yourself. A big achievement. Well done, Hayley!
Grade 1/2 A	Lee May	For her outstanding work during our poetry unit. She has put so much hard work and effort into publishing each of her poems. Well Done!
Grade 1/2 B	Indie	For showing great creativity during Multi-Age Day and being a great role model to her peers.
Grade 3/4 A	Zoe	For being such a valued member of 3/4A and a fantastic learner. Well done, Zoe!
Grade 3/4 B	Billie	Fantastic effort and progress related to written multiplication and division in mathematics! I am so proud of you.
Grade 5/6 A	Lachie	For always being one of the first people to offer his assistance with any job around the school. You are a wonderful team player; we are so grateful for you!
Grade 5/6 B	Fatima	You are always showing your best effort, especially when you need to provide feedback to help others improve. You're a superstar!
Art	Ethan 3/4B	For the effort you put into sculpting your special artifact. Well done, Ethan!
Library	Billee 3/4A	For her enthusiasm and engagement in all Book Week activities, especially her terrific tooth fairy basket.
LOTE Mandarin	Aidan 1/2A	For settling in and working hard in class
PE	Caleb 3/4B	For always taking feedback well, working hard and showing determination. These skills will take you far in ANY sport you choose.
STEM	Ethan 3/4B	For showing great listening this week and putting in your best effort, well done.

2025 ~ Term 3 ~ Week 06

Prep	Vanda	You always demonstrate our class expectations, such as putting your hand up and listening quietly during group time. Thank you for being such a positive role model for our class this week. Well done, Vanda!
Grade 1/2 A	Eddie	For his great effort and teamwork during our information report writing this week, well done!
Grade 1/2 B	Harley	For showing great dedication in her mathematics work and trying her best in sharing items equally.
Grade 3/4 A	Victor	For consistently displaying such a positive attitude to all areas of your schoolwork. Amazing work, Victor!
Grade 3/4 B	Will	Your enthusiasm for history is exciting! Keep up the inspiring work!
Grade 5/6 A	Charlie	Your insightful contributions to our discussions about our literacy novel are impressive. Keep it up Charlie!
Grade 5/6 B	Lola	Your ability to understand the perspectives of others and take on challenges with positivity is something to admire. 5/6B are lucky to learn with you!
Art	Sidra 3/4B	For the beautiful 3D artifact you sculpted out of clay. We love the decorative features you added using paint too. Well done!
Library	Ella 5/6A	For her insightful ideas and effective collaboration when writing her group's script in library this week, Ella demonstrated strong problem-solving skills and a positive mindset.
LOTE Mandarin	Tyren 1/2A	For doing a good job writing down the footy team he liked in Mandarin.
STEM	Charlie 5/6A	For always putting in his best effort and completing tasks to his full capability. Charlie you are a great role model in STEM and we appreciate your hard work.

HOLIDAY HQ FEST

Greensborough Primary School

130 Grimshaw Street, Greensborough, VIC, 3088

Monday 22 September to Friday 03 October 2025

Ph: 0447 868 204

6:45AM
TIL
6PM

BOOK FOR A CHANCE TO WIN THE ULTIMATE
KIDS DAY OUT WORTH \$1,000*

TIMEZONE
ZONE BOWLING

Scan
to book
online!



MON 22 SEP



Launch Into Fun!

Service Day

Let the fun begin! Create your own festival wristband, then work together to build a Kids Fest Photo Frame prop, ready to capture the best holiday moments!

BASE FEE \$67.00
DAILY TOTAL \$67.00
FROM AS LOW AS*

MON 29 SEP



Funfair Frenzy

Make & Take: Illusion Money Box

Make and take home your very own illusion box to amaze your friends and master fun tricks, then mix up some custom funfair popcorn bags to enjoy!

BASE FEE \$67.00
EXPERIENCE FEE \$18.80
DAILY TOTAL \$85.80
FROM AS LOW AS*

TUE 23 SEP



Craft Carnival

Make & Take: Gear Imaginer

Get ready for the Craft Carnival! Create market style goodies; then build a gear-powered stadium or castle with moving parts and characters to take home!

BASE FEE \$67.00
EXPERIENCE FEE \$17.50
DAILY TOTAL \$84.50
FROM AS LOW AS*

TUE 30 SEP



Food Fest

Special Event: Pizza Making Party

Lunch Included!

Get ready for a tasty event as a pizza crew visits Holiday HQ! Learn to make your own delicious pizzas, then enjoy them fresh and hot for lunch.

BASE FEE \$67.00
EXPERIENCE FEE \$32.40
DAILY TOTAL \$99.40
FROM AS LOW AS*

WED 24 SEP



Game On!

Excursion: Coles Healthy Kicks x AFL

Get active on today's excursion with special AFL guests! Try soccer, footy, and more in a fun day of fitness, skill-building, and games that inspire healthy bodies and minds.

BASE FEE \$67.00
EXPERIENCE FEE \$60.20
DAILY TOTAL \$127.20
FROM AS LOW AS*

WED 01 OCT



Adventure Quest

Excursion: AFL Max

Step into the brand-new AFL Max entertainment centre with exclusive Holiday HQ access! Celebrate footy finals season with games, skills challenges, and action-packed fun.

BASE FEE \$67.00
EXPERIENCE FEE \$67.60
DAILY TOTAL \$134.60
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THU 25 SEP



Festival of Colours

Special Event: Colour Blast Relay

Bring a change of clothes

Get ready for a colourful day of fun! Dash through our sporty colour relay with rainbow powder and take on exciting challenges!

BASE FEE \$67.00
EXPERIENCE FEE \$27.80
DAILY TOTAL \$94.80
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THU 02 OCT



Circus Spectacular

Excursion: Timezone Bowling + Arcade

Lunch included!

Strike, roll, and game on! Team up at the bowling lanes, then level up with arcade challenges and non-stop action for everyone to enjoy!

BASE FEE \$67.00
EXPERIENCE FEE \$79.00
DAILY TOTAL \$146.00
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FRI 26 Sep



SERVICE
CLOSED

Public Holiday

FRI 03 OCT



Festival Finale

Service Day

Celebrate the end of Kids Fest with a burst of fun! Play exciting Fun Fest carnival games and create your own colourful face painting designs!

BASE FEE \$67.00
DAILY TOTAL \$67.00
FROM AS LOW AS*

Competition T&Cs apply. Please ensure all food complies with allergy guidelines. *Childcare subsidy (CCS) may apply. Please refer to Services Australia Childcare Subsidy for eligibility and entitlement. Please note that programs and surcharges may be subject to change. Visit our website for full terms and the most up-to-date information



COMPUTER PROGRAMMING CLUB!

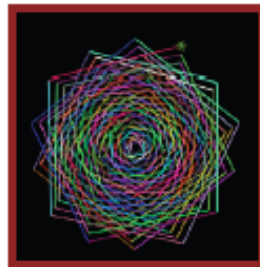
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In a world where technology touches every aspect of our lives, it is crucial that our children understand how it works. To accomplish this objective, there is an exciting coding club running at the school.



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 4 2025** is as follows:

Year levels: 2 to 6

Term Fee: \$252 incl GST

LUNCH TIME

1:40pm – 2:25pm

BATCH

Fridays 10th Oct to 5th Dec 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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