Golden Grove Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Harmony Day, Monday 21 March, celebrates Australia’s cultural diversity. It’s about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. It is a day for all Australians to embrace cultural diversity and to share what we have in common.

We will acknowledge and celebrate Harmony Day with a range of activities in classrooms, particularly in relation to the 2016 theme: our diversity is our strength.

Students are invited to wear orange on Harmony Day.

(If not wearing orange, students are required to wear school uniform as usual)

Safety Reminders

Please assist us to keep our students safe in and around school grounds.

In particular, please remember to:

- Drive at school speed limits
- Be alert to pedestrian traffic at school crossings
- Use school crossings when walking to and from school
- Ensure that children do not arrive at school before 8:30am when teacher supervision begins in the yard
- Allow children to alight from cars only at the kerb

Pupil Free Day Amendment

In our first newsletter this year, dates for Pupil Free days were provided. Please note that the Term 2 Pupil Free day will not be the first day of term as stated (as this date clashes with the Year 4/5 camp).

The newly amended date for Term 2 will be available soon.
Our first meeting for Class Parents was held this week. This year’s Class Parents are as follows:

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Families are reminded that dogs are not permitted on school grounds regardless of how cute and cuddly they may be!

Governing Council Amendment

The name of Bec Feltus was omitted from our list of Governing Councillors in our previous newsletter. Bec is a much welcomed new addition to GC this year.

Student Absences

Parents are asked to text the school regarding student absences providing the student’s name, homebase and reason for absence to 0416 906 270 at any time. (not just school hours). Please add this number to your phone contacts.

If a student remains absent without an explanation by 10am each day, the attendance system will activate a text message to the parent. Parents can simply reply by text or by phoning the school.

0416 906 270

Lost Property

Are you missing any items after Swimming Week?

Come and check out the many items we have left over in the Reading Detectives Room.
Do you like to sing, dance or act? Are you in Year 6/7? Want to try something new and challenging? Everyone is welcome!

Then the Festival of Music **Performance Troupe** is for you!

**Audition bookings open on Monday, February 15, 2016!**
Audition bookings close on Wednesday, March 30, 2016.

**Weekly rehearsals** are held at 3 locations:

- North - Parafield Gardens Primary on Tuesdays
- Central - Gilles Street Primary on Wednesdays
- South - Darlington Primary on Thursdays

Rehearsals are from 4.15 - 5.45 pm. There will also be a few Sunday workshops. Each troupe will be involved in 4 performances accompanying the massed choirs at the Festival Theatre between the 12th and 23rd September, 2016.

Ask your choir, drama or dance teacher or principal for more information. Check out our website: [www.festivalofmusic.org.au](http://www.festivalofmusic.org.au) or call the Festival Office on 8261 5438 for more information.

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**School Fees 2016**

A **HUGE** thank you to all families who have made full or part payment. If you have not made any payments, please make arrangements to do so (either full or part). **Second instalment due 18th March** and the **FINAL instalment is due 15th April 2016**.

**School Card**

If you think you are eligible for School Card and have not yet returned a form, please ring or come into the office to collect one. **A new application needs to be filled out at the beginning of every year.** Please be advised that **completed forms need to be in by the 18th March 2016**.

Payment window is **OPEN every morning from 8.30 – 9.15am and Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 2.45 – 3.15pm.**

If you wish to pay outside this time you can either:

- Put money in an envelope and hand into the front Office, or
- Ring and pay by credit card over the phone.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Karla Groot Obbink  
(Finance Officer)

**Other reminders:**

Uniform shop is **OPEN Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning’s 8.30 to 9.15am and Tuesday and Thursday afternoon’s 2.45 to 3.15pm.**

If you wish to purchase outside this time please complete a uniform order form from the Front Office.
SAPSASA Swimming – Friday 4th March

Caitlyn Ekins from Year 4, HB2 was our sole representative at the SAPSASA Swimming Carnival held at Waterworld. At times she was competing against students up to 3 years older. Throughout the carnival Caitlyn was determined and positive. She was eager to compete and do her best. Caitlyn competed in the 5 events listed below.

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All the staff and students at Golden Grove Primary School are very proud of her achievements. She will now represent Tea Tree Gully District at the Metro Championships to be held at Marion. We wish her every success and look forward to hearing her results from the championships.

SAPSASA Softball Carnival 2016

Champions, champions, champions!
Huge congratulations to our boys SAPSASA softball team for being crowned joint winners (with St Francis Xavier) of the carnival this week. The boys won 4 out of their 5 matches against some strong opposition. There was some spectacular fielding and some big hits on the way to securing a well-earned victory. Well done!

Big smiles all round!
Our girls SAPSASA softball team produced some great play throughout the carnival with always a smile on their faces. After a tough draw the girls came home in 4th place. A wonderful effort was demonstrated by all the players. Well done.

The school would like to thank Amanda Brown (mother of Brodie HB20), Lee Johnson (father of James HB20) and our very own Kelly Johnston for their help with organisation, umpiring and scoring. We very much appreciated your assistance. Also, a big thank you to the parents who transported students to the venue and supported them throughout the day.

Becky Jones