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Golden Grove Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 Week 2, 29th July 2021

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school for what has been a very unconventional start to Term 3. We are pleased to be back after only a 7 day lockdown which is something to celebrate considering the challenging COVID situation in NSW.

Thank you to all parents and grandparents who supported their children with the home learning offerings during the four school days of the lockdown.

94% of our students were very active and eager online. Well done everyone and many thanks to our teachers for once again adjusting their program delivery to an online model with very short notice.

Happy Retirement!



In Week 4 of this term we will be saying farewell to a staff member who is a GGPS veteran of 27 years. Barbara Rankin, known to all simply as Barbie, will be retiring. Her last day at school will be Wednesday 11th August.

Barbie began work at GGPS in the very early days of its development. In fact she is currently the longest standing staff member! Barbie has undertaken a range of roles during this time; she has worked in the library, in classroom support, in finance and of course, in the office in an administration role which has been her absolute favourite.

Barbie loves the daily interactions with students, staff and members of the community. She is often the first point of contact for people and we have heard time and time again from visitors and new families how much they appreciate her warm welcome and guidance.

Barbie is a go-to person for many, she is a wonderful problem-solver and planner. She is calm in challenging situations and she always looks for the positives, often with a laugh, a very big laugh!

Barbie has such a strong connection to this school and is so treasured that we know she will most certainly be missed by all. We will miss her professionalism, compassion, guidance, warmth and humour. Yes, we will miss Barbie immensely!

We are so grateful that Barbie has been with the GGPS community for such a length of time. We thank her sincerely for contributing so much to the success of this school.

We wish Barbie all the best the next chapter of her life. Barbie says she will miss the people and the vibe of GGPS. In retirement, she hopes to "breathe and be open to new opportunities". She also hopes to surprise her husband with new renovation and demolition skills and we have no doubt that she will be up to the challenge!

Kind regards, Wendy Moore

SWIMMING / CAMP PAYMENTS

Junior Primary swimming week and Middle School camps are scheduled this term. As soon as we receive advice from SA Health and Department for Education regarding these events, we will advise parents. Payments can then be made.



Dear Parents, Guardians and Carers,

Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the *Disability Standards for Education 2005*, in line with the *NCCD guidelines (2019)*.

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy \(https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy\)](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal \(https://www.nccd.edu.au\)](https://www.nccd.edu.au).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

Kind regards

Wendy Moore



WIRRAWAY CAMP UPDATE

Dear Families

What a difference a week can make! Our students have adapted to change once again in a very short amount of time showing great resilience.

Camp is an absolute highlight for students, so I'm sure you're wondering what will happen with your child's camp, if they missed it due to lockdown in Week 1 or they were scheduled to go in Week 4 or 5. All of our decisions about camp, are based on the directives given by the Department for Education. Currently, we have been asked to postpone all camps for the remainder of this week and for Week 3.

At this stage, we have not cancelled the Week 4 and 5 camps. Wirraway Homestead are keeping those dates secured in the hope that guidelines are relaxed next week, allowing for us to attend.

If you have not paid for your child's camp, please hold off until we've confirmed it will go ahead. If the camp goes ahead and you missed the due date that was on the original consent forms, it does not mean your child will miss out.

If you have paid and the camp gets cancelled, you will be notified about credit or refund options.

We are always disappointed when we need to postpone or cancel camps, feeling saddened for our students. We are in the process of rebooking a camp for the students that missed out last week, Wednesday – Friday due to the lockdown, and further possible dates, if we need to postpone Weeks 4 and 5.

Please check your emails regularly as we will update you with details as they change.

Kind regards

Michelle



All adults must wear a mask while indoors and in the presence of other adults at this school.

**Masks are not required while eating or drinking or while outside.
Masks are not required for adults when teaching or engaging with students.**



Wash and dry (or sanitise) your hands before you put on your mask.



Make sure your mask completely covers your nose, mouth and chin.



Try not to touch, or adjust, the front of your mask while wearing it.



Do not allow the mask to hang around your neck, or sit under your nose.



Responsibly dispose of single-use masks in the bin. Do not put into recycling.



Wash and dry (or sanitise) your hands after removing the mask.



Masks are not required for students or staff who have a medical condition, such as problems with their breathing, a serious skin condition on the face, a disability, or a mental health condition.





Secondary School Enrolment Offers

This term enrolment offers for secondary school will be sent to the families of our year 6 and 7 students. It is important for you to know that not all schools will send out their enrolment offers at the same time, but they will be sent as close as possible to 13 August 2021.

Most families will receive their offer via email. If you think you have not received your enrolment offer from your secondary school, you need to check your junk folder for an email from education.noreply@sa.gov.au.

If you did not provide an email address on your Registration of Interest form, you will receive your enrolment offer in the mail or it will be handed to you by your child.

If your enrolment offer has not arrived by 18 August, please let the front office know on 8289 3137 and we can follow up with the secondary school on your behalf.

If you need support to accept your enrolment offer, it is best to contact your allocated secondary school and they can step you through the process.



Golden Grove Primary School Award Winners

