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# Golden Grove Primary School NEWSLETTER

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**WEDNESDAY 6/7/22**

Student Reports sent home

**FRIDAY 8/7/22**

2:05 pm Dismissal  
Casual Clothes Day

**MONDAY 25/7/22**

Term 3 Begins

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**Term 2 Week 10, 5th July 2022**

Dear Parents,

The midway mark of the 2022 school year is nearly upon us and as such, mid-year Student Reports will be distributed tomorrow.

A-E grades or word equivalents are used across Australia, to describe a range of student achievement from minimal to excellent against the Australian Curriculum achievement standards.

One of the challenges around the current A-E grading is that many parents of primary school age children often have a recollection of their school days whereby the "C" was not a grade to celebrate. However, by today's standards, a student with a column full of C (Satisfactory) grades can indeed be very well "satisfied".

As you read your child's report next week, please remember that:

An 'A' grade indicates that the student has shown a thorough knowledge and understanding of a topic and can apply that information in unfamiliar situations.

Typically a 'C' grade means a student is achieving what is expected of them at that point in their learning. This is a considerable achievement because of the high expectations built in to the Curriculum achievement standards. **So, please celebrate the Cs!**

An 'E' grade means the student is just beginning to work towards the achievement standard.

A	Excellent achievement of what is expected at this year level
B	Good achievement of what is expected at this year level
C	Satisfactory achievement of what is expected at this year level
D	Partial achievement of what is expected at this year level
E	Minimal achievement of what is expected at this year level

If you would like to discuss this further, with particular reference to your child's report, an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher will again be offered in Term 3.

All the best for a safe and happy school holiday period, I hope the break to school routine will provide an opportunity for our students and staff to overcome the winter illnesses that have become so prevalent during the past few weeks.

Kind regards,  
*Wendy Moore*  
Principal

# DUSTY FEET MOB

On the last day of term, Friday 8th July, DUSTY FEET MOB will be visiting both Golden Grove and Wynn Vale Primary Schools.

All students will have the opportunity to attend a Dusty Feet Mob performance which will coincide with the celebration of NAIDOC Week.



## Who are DUSTY FEET MOB?

DUSTY FEET MOB is an Aboriginal dance group from Port Augusta, South Australia.

Group members are aged between six and thirty-one years.

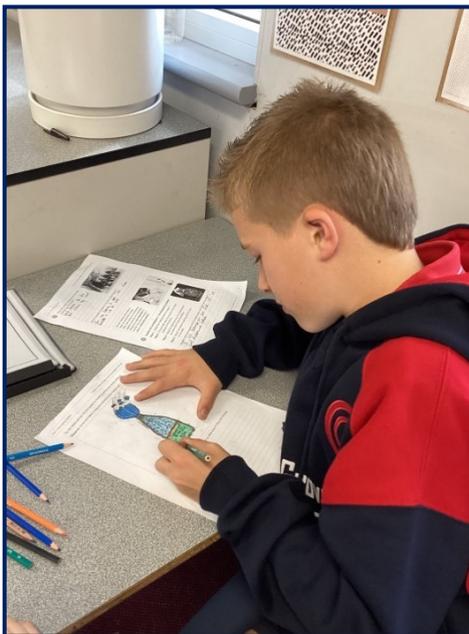
As a group, through song and dance in a contemporary setting, they pass on stories to the wider community of Aboriginal culture.

An essential make-up of DUSTY FEET MOB, is the strong support provided by parents, grandparents and mentors who take the role of passing cultural knowledge, language and stories down to younger generations.

# GGPS Science

In our last newsletter, we shared a range of photos from our Science lessons. In this newsletter, we are keen to share more information about our focus on **Chemistry** this term.

All year levels have thoroughly enjoyed participating in a variety of experiments, investigations, and viewing some interesting demonstrations. Students have mixed solutions and suspensions, made playdough, slime, and bouncy balls. They've created new substances, built chairs out of newspaper and explored the viscosity of different household liquids. The learning has been endless!



## What have you enjoyed the most in Science this term?

"The best thing that I learnt in Science is how to make utensils with natural things." **Marlee – HB15 – Yr2**

"I liked making the yoyo balloon in Science." **Laura – HB06 – Yr4**

"Well, I really liked making the bouncy balls. I also liked when we dropped the balls at the same time and had to measure how much higher one bounced than the other." **Ollie – HB06 – Yr4**

## What is something new you have learnt?

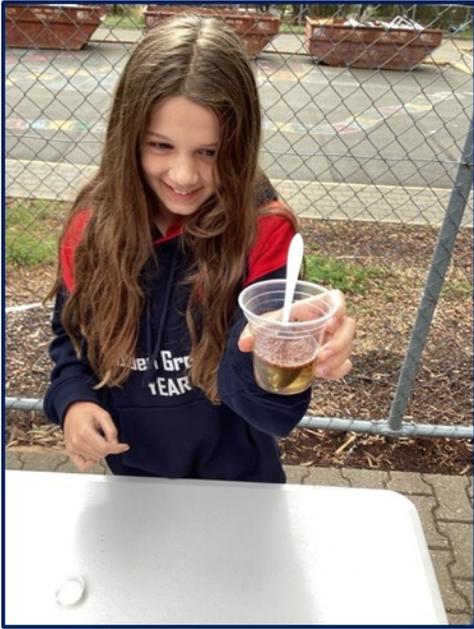
"I've learnt what's in a mask. The waterproof material, the water absorbent and the filter." **Daniel – HB15 – Yr2**

"This semester in Science I have learnt what the stages of the water cycle are and what they mean." **KJ – HB18 – Yr6**

"About high and low viscosity and how the oil had the lowest and the mustard had the highest. The mustard was so thick that it stopped flowing down the tray." **Charlotte – HB22 – Yr5**

"This term in Science we learnt how to make playdough!" **Grace – HB15 – Yr2**

# GGPS Science



## Recyclables

Thank you so much to all who have helped contribute to our collection of tins, bottles, lids and cardboard boxes so far.

We would greatly appreciate any more donations for the remainder of the term.

The following specific items are needed for STEM activities in Term 3, ready for Science Week.



1.25L



Small - Medium



Any bottle lids

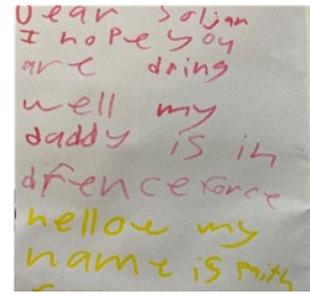
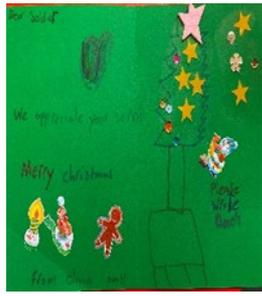


Newspapers



# DEFENCE NEWS

By Karina Damare - Defence School Mentor



Last year a group of students wrote letters and made cards to send to Australian Defence Force troops serving overseas. 'Support the Troops' is run twice a year, where Australia Post delivers care packages sent by the public. We thought it would be a great way to show our appreciation leading up to Christmas, knowing members of the ADF would be away from their families. We sent them in October, not knowing where they were going or who would receive them.

At the end of last month we received a reply! Our letters & cards ended up on HMAS Adelaide, off the Coast of Nuku Alofa Island, in Tonga. Able Seaman, Jacquie Day, wrote to us and answered some of the questions that the students had asked. HMAS Adelaide helped the residents of Tonga after a volcanic eruption and Tsunami. They also helped the community to rebuild and bring them essential supplies.

Golden Grove Primary School,

Thank you guys so, so much for your kind letters. We have hung them around our ship, HMAS Adelaide, for all the crew to enjoy! My name is Able Seaman Jacquie Day and I work in the Ships Office on board HMAS Adelaide. One of our many core roles is taking mail sent to us by all you beautiful people and distributing them to the members.

To answer your questions:

Where do you sleep? Our Mess' (slang for our accommodation) can have anywhere between 18-36 people and the layout is bunk beds stacked three high! Don't worry, we have safety rails to stop us rolling out of bed when the seas get rough.

Do you get any down time? Each job role on the ship has different timings to come to work. Some have to take watches which involves being up all hours of the night. Where I work I do 7:30am to 4pm each day, this is similar for many other jobs on board too.

How long are you away for? We have no end date at the moment but we departed Brisbane on 20 Jan 22 and due back around mid March 22.

Is it hot or cold where you are and can you tell us where you are? It is very hot. We are currently off the coast of Nuku Alofa Island in Tonga helping them after the volcano eruption and Tsunami damage and assisting rebuild their community while also bringing them essential supplies along with other allied countries.

We are so sorry it took so long for your messages to get to us but we are so thankful you took the time.

Love from,

Jacquie and the Crew of HMAS Adelaide



**HMAS Adelaide**



# SAPSASA NEWS

## Tea Tree Gully Districts Netball

By Kaylin and Felicity



We love netball so wanted to try out for the Tea Tree Gully District Team. The trials started near the end of Term 1 and there were three trials in total.

There were just over 70 girls who tried out and we were lucky enough to get selected into the team.

TTG entered two teams so we did another eight training sessions to get ready for the carnival and decide who would be in which team.

Kaylin played defense and Felicity played attack/shooter, meaning Kaylin played GD, GK and WD and Felicity played GA, WA and GS.

The highest score in Felicity's team was 34-5 against Barker. The highest score in Kaylin's team was 31-8 also against Barker.

The shooters in both teams were very good and were taking very long shots that got in. The defense was very good because we got a lot of interceptions and passed it down to the shooters.

One of the best parts was how good the food was!

There were nine games in total and Felicity's team won 6 games and Kaylin's team won six games and tied with a team.

In Kaylin's division the teams that won were Western and South Adelaide and we came third. In Felicity's division the team that won was also Western and we came 4th.

We loved playing. Felicity is a Year 5 so she would definitely be going back next year to trial for the team. We would like to thank the coaches Mardie and Kate.

Special congratulations to the other Golden Grove girls who trialled for the competition and to Natalia and Jaelyn who made it to reserves.

If you enjoy netball please try out. This was a very fun experience.