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# Golden Grove Primary School

## NEWSLETTER

OUR VALUES

RESILIENCE-EMPATHY-SELF MANAGEMENT-PERSEVERANCE-COURAGE-TEAMWORK

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**FRIDAY 10/3/23**

Pupil Free Day

**MONDAY 13/3/23**

Adelaide Cup  
Public Holiday

**WEDNESDAY 15/3/23**

School Tour 9:30am  
NAPLAN testing begins

Principal  
Wendy Moore



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**Term 1 Week 5, 2nd March 2023**

### Annual General Meeting

At our recent AGM, the 2022 Annual Report and Financial Reports were discussed and passed. The Annual Report included a presentation in relation to our Maths Improvement Project and work undertaken in 2022 to build student skills and understandings in problem solving and reasoning.

The Governing Council for 2023 was also elected:

Bec Feltus (Chairperson)	Lesley Brown	Aaron Proud
Jeremy Stones (Treasurer)	Daniel Mader	Andrew Davey
Lachlan Thorn (Dep/Chair)	Leane Weimer	Mark Chase
Emma Dorian (Secretary)	Amanda Ouwens	Cherie McGregor
Wendy Moore (Principal)	Victoria Edwards	Michael McConnochie

### Languages at GGPS in 2023

In our first newsletter, we introduced Charisa Sanders who will be teaching Auslan in our school this year, beginning with the Primary classes in Terms 1 & 2. We are now really pleased to introduce Miyuki Ogane (Miss June) who will be teaching Reception to Year 3 Japanese classes in Terms 1 & 2. Welcome June!

### Autism Inclusion Teacher (AIT)

Autism Inclusion Teachers are a new, nation-leading initiative which aims to build educator understanding and knowledge around supporting autistic children and young people.

Every public primary school in South Australia will appoint an Autism Inclusion Teacher. Our Autism Inclusion Teacher, Jacqui McCormack, has taken on the role one day per week.

It is anticipated that Autism Inclusion Teachers will first build their own teaching expertise, knowledge and understanding of autism through engaging in formal learning offerings and participation in the Autism Inclusion Teacher networks. To improve knowledge and practice across the school, Autism Inclusion Teachers will then be encouraged to share their learnings and resources with their colleagues to utilise in teaching autistic children and young people in their own classes.

Visit the Department for Education website to find out more about [improving support for autistic children and students](#).

### 2023 Pupil Free Days

The Department for Education designates four pupil free days per year for school staff to attend training and development.

2023 dates, including Show Day, are as follows:

- Term 1, Week 6, Friday 10th March (PFD1)
- Term 2, Week 6, Friday 9th June (PFD2)
- Term 3, Week 6, Friday 1st September (PFD3)
- Term 3, Week 7, Monday 4th September (Show Day)
- Term 4, Week 5, Monday 13th November (PFD4)

# PLEASE SLOW DOWN

At Golden Grove Primary School we operate two Koala Crossings and provide traffic monitors to help supervise the safe crossing of all children and adults.

During the past four weeks, our crossing monitors have encountered many speeding vehicles and several vehicles that have gone through the crossing on a stop signal.

We ask that you please adhere to the speed limit of no more than 25 km/hr and be vigilant and patient when driving through our school zones.

Thank you.



***“Every child in Australia has a right to an education that develops their talent and ability to reach their fullest potential”*** John Gardner (Former Minister for Education)

We all have a role to play to ensure that children get the best education possible, and this starts with ensuring that **all** children attend school **all** day, **every** school day.

Attendance is a priority at Golden Grove Primary School. The more students attend, the more they learn and the more they will like school. Research also indicates that **regular attendance** leads to:

- Developing skills and attitudes such as self-discipline, punctuality, organisation and sticking to routines
- Making friends and learning how to maintain relationships over a period of time
- Learning social skills necessary to live and work with others

**Parents/Caregivers are required to:**

- Ensure that all children attend school from the beginning of each day (8:50am)
- Provide the school with an appropriate explanation for the student's non-attendance via a telephone call/SMS before 10am on the day of the absence
- Provide a medical certificate for extended absences (over 3 days) due to illness.
- Obtain a late slip from Student Services if students arrive after 8:50am and present to teacher on arrival at classroom
- Obtain an early dismissal slip from Student Services and present this to the classroom teacher if taking a child from school prior to 3:05pm
- Request a temporary exemption form from school for any known absences of five days or longer (ED175 forms available from the front office)
- Communicate to relevant school staff any needs or concerns which may affect a child's attendance

If your child is experiencing any barriers to attending school regularly, please contact me as soon as possible so that we can work together to address any issues.

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# Golden Grove Primary School Award Winners



NORTH EAST HOCKEY CLUB



# JUNIOR HOCKEY COME'N'TRY



**North East Hockey Club**

Behind Park'n'Ride, Grove Way, Golden Grove

**REGISTRATIONS AND UNIFORM SHOP  
WILL BE OPEN !!**

# Modbury Junior Football Club

Players Wanted!!

**U9's, U12's, U14's & U15's**

We still have some vacancies in these teams. Follow the QR code to register or contact Paul by email for more information

**[mjfc.chairman@gmail.com](mailto:mjfc.chairman@gmail.com)**



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Register at PlayHQ