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Golden Grove Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Friday 5/07/24

Last Day of Term 2

2:05pm Dismissal

Casual Clothes Day

Monday 22/07/24

First Day of Term 3

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Term 2, Week 10, 4/07/24

Dear Families,

It is hard to believe that we are already half way through the school year! This week, as part of the staff meeting reflections, I outlined to our staff how lucky our students are to have such a high quality, professional and dedicated team of teachers and SSOs, and how thankful I am to work alongside them. It has been a highly enjoyable six months for me to settle in to the school, to get to know everyone and to see the amazing programs we have to support your children. I would like to extend this gratitude to the parents and community members for your ongoing support to ensure we work in partnership together. The music assembly this week was a fitting way to showcase just some of our children's outstanding talents.

On Wednesday, your child would have shared their mid-year report at home. Please take the time to celebrate their academic and social successes so far this year with them. When the reports come home, it is worth noting that a 'C' or 'Satisfactory' grade outlines that your child is working within the achievement standard for that subject, for their year level. The learning standard described by each of the Achievement Standards embodies high expectations of learning achievement. To be awarded a 'C' grade using these standards represents a significant achievement. The next six months presents the opportunity to further build on their learner progress.

In staffing news, Mr Sam Cubitt (HB 20) has recently won a teaching position in the private sector and we will consequently be farewelling him at the conclusion of Term 2. We wish Sam all the very best in his new school and thank him for his outstanding service to Golden Grove Primary School. We are thrilled to welcome Mr Kyle McNaughton who will be leading HB 20 from next term. We also wish our OSHC director, Ms Jasmina Dowden, all the very best as she begins her maternity leave next term and look forward to meeting her new bundle of joy! Ms Anna Rosenberg will consequently take on the sole director role during Jasmina's absence.

On behalf of the Golden Grove Staff, I wish you all a safe and relaxing holiday break and look forward to the excitement of term 3.

Warm regards,
Graeme

2024 Camps - Advanced Notice for Term 4

2024 is a camp year, and all Year 3 - 6 students will have the opportunity to attend in Term 4.
For your financial planning the cost of camps will be approximately
Years 3 and 4 - \$140.00 Years 5 and 6 - \$315.00

2025/26 Reception Enrolments

If you have a child currently enrolled at GGPS with a younger sibling that will be attending GGPS as a reception in 2025 or 2026, could you please get in contact with Karen at front desk via email or come in for an enrolment pack. Thank you.

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Japanese NEWS

All year 3 and 4 students have delved into an exciting exploration of language and culture this semester! We all explored the writing system of hiragana and kanji, followed by learning simple conversations to introduce ourselves. Singing and playing games around body parts are also one of the unforgettable learning for all!

Year 3 and 4 students concluded this semester by learning the season of tsu-yu (rainy season) and summer! Traditional fan was a successful moment for all our students!



Year 5 and 6 students explored Japanese culture and tradition through money and food.

Students explored basic names of Japanese food, including those names that are English but pronounced differently in Japanese (for example, ice-cream as aisu kuriimu).

Students continued their learning journey looking at real-life materials such as chopsticks, money, drinks and lastly Japanese rice-ball called ONIGIRI!

We all had so much fun making Onigiri for the first time, with just simple rice, salt and seaweed!





Get ready for the most MAGICAL Book Week ever! This year's theme is "Reading is Magic." Our celebration dress-up day will **be Friday 23 August** where we are sure to see many fantastical creatures, sports stars and storybook characters come to life in a parade of epic proportion. Please know that dressing up doesn't have to be costly, op shops are a great source of affordable costumes and clothes that can transform your child into a beloved book character. Something already in your child's wardrobe with a little creativity can become a fabulous costume. More details about our Book Week celebrations in our next newsletter.



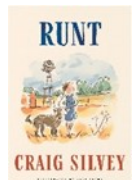
The school holidays are here again and if you are wondering what to do with your kids that won't break the bank, take a trip to the Tea Tree Gully Library. There are FREE activities for kids of all ages to do from a Mario Kart tournament to Canvas creations.

Bookings essential: <https://shorturl.at/XSHNA>

In our school library we are always talking about how public libraries offer a generous loan limit of books. With the One Card system, you can request books to come from anywhere in the state to be picked up from your nearest branch. Membership also gives you access to thousands of e-books and audiobooks. Listening to stories makes long car trips fun for the whole family. They are an alternative way for kids to read along or just enjoy taking in the stories as they play or draw.

My top audiobook picks are

1. 'Runt' by Craig Silvey - movie to be released mid-September, this is a must read for all primary aged kids. It won the CBCA Book of the Year award for Young Readers in 2024 and many other awards. It is a heartwarming and funny story about a stray dog who is taken in by little Annie Shearer. They will both win your heart. The audiobook is cleverly narrated by Australian actress Genevieve Hegney.



2. 'Detention' by Tristan Bancks - narrated by the author himself, all of Tristan's audiobooks are worth listening to for kids in year 4+. Detention is a particularly poignant story about a moment in time when the life of a schoolboy living in a caravan park crosses the path of a young refugee girl who escapes a detention centre but is separated from her family in the event. A story that is bound to generate discussion with your kids about life in a multicultural society.



3. The Roald Dahl Classic Collection - narrated by a range of famous English actors and authors such as David Walliams, Richard Ayoade and the late Roald Dahl himself. Listen to all 20 of them all before his birthday on September 13th!



POWER to THRIVE

In week 9, our older Defence Students were invited down to Alberton Oval along with Defence students from eight other Adelaide schools to take part in the **Power to Thrive program**, run by the Port Adelaide Football Club. This is a wellbeing and resilience program that encourages students to develop skills used by the Port Adelaide Football Club players.



Throughout the day we focused on identifying our character strengths, using a growth mindset, gratitude and goal setting. We spent time learning how some of the players use mindfulness to help them to focus on the task in front of them, followed by a mindfulness session run by player Mindset coach, Dave Steventon. There was also an AFL skills session run by AFL & AFLW players, where the students honed their skills against players and students from other schools. We finished off with interactive inflatable activities including a 70ft Ninja run, Mega skee ball, Carnival fun zone, Soccer/AFL darts and Mega connect four.



We had use of the brand new MG High Performance Centre and Alberton Oval. We were given a tour of the facilities and sat in The Precinct grandstand to eat recess and lunch while asking questions of the players.

Our students thoroughly enjoyed making connections with other students as well as the AFL and AFLW players who were in attendance.

Tracey Langley

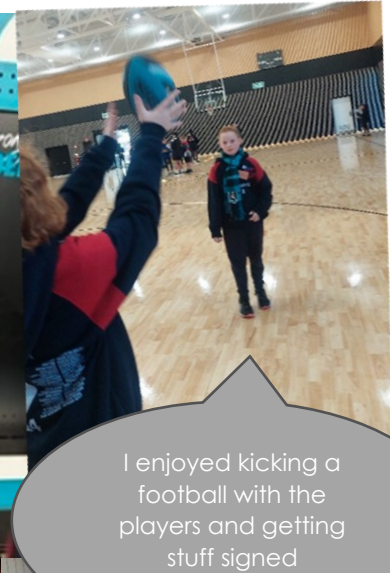
Defence Schools Mentor



I loved speaking to the Port Players



My favourite thing at PAFC was getting my new drink bottle and hat signed & talking to the AFL & AFLW players



I enjoyed kicking a football with the players and getting stuff signed



I liked to go on the inflatables



I liked going on the inflatable obstacle course and doing the mindful activity



I really enjoyed collecting signatures from the players

I enjoyed all of the kicking balls and the inflatables as well as the free food and merch



I liked racing Asher on the ninja course



Golden Grove Primary School Award Winners





DAWN TO DUSK

Dawn to Dusk is a Concert Band designed to give musicians of less experience or learning a new instrument (including children) the opportunity to play with their peers, experience performances and develop their musical skills and abilities.

Anyone, from Primary School age up, is invited to join.

Open night for interested players: Monday July 29 , 2024

STARTING TERM 3
MONDAYS - 6.30 - 7.30PM



dawntodusk.org.au



Banksia Park Primary School

Reminder

Could you please remember to name your child's school clothes. It makes it much easier to return to them.

Any donations of children's underwear you no longer need would be greatly appreciated.

**DO YOU HAVE A
5-10 YEAR OLD
WHO'S KEEN TO
PLAY NETBALL?**



MAKE FRIENDS. HAVE FUN. PLAY NETBALL!!



Date: **23rd July - 10th September**

Time: **5.30 - 6.30pm Tuesdays**

Location: **Netball SA - Court 8**

Cost: **\$150**

Includes redeemable NetSetGo pack of t-shirt and a netball
(Sports voucher rebate available)

Register at this link before July 15:

<https://www.playhq.com/netball-australia/register/ad6f2a>



**NETBALL
SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINICS
FRIDAY 19TH JULY
GOLDEN GROVE REC CENTRE**



7 - 9 YEAR OLDS 9:30AM - 12:00PM

Registration Link: <https://www.playhq.com/netball-australia/register/9ede27>

10 - 12 YEAR OLDS 1:00PM - 3:30PM

Registration Link: <https://www.playhq.com/netball-australia/register/41e5c5>

Opportunity to learn from accredited coaches & current premier league players

REGISTER NOW

**TEA TREE
TENNIS**

Tennis Clinic

**School Holiday
Clinic**

**July 9,10,11
2024**



Clinic available in holidays!

9-11 July (Tuesday-Thursday)

**Private lessons also available by
appointment**

Red Ball / Orange Ball.....(4-12 years of age)

11am-12:30pm (Cost \$35 per day or \$90 for 3 days)

Green and yellow ball (Comp players or kids 12+)

12:30pm-2:30pm (Cost \$45 per day or \$110 for 3 days)

Bookings can be made by contacting Jason on mobile **0401 559 163** or by email coaching@ttgtc.com.au

Clinic Location: Tea Tree Gully Tennis Club, 88 - 100 Elizabeth St, Banksia Park





School holidays are coming, with all new links to our upgraded website!

This edition of our eNewsletter has updated links so you can book out your Winter with loads of fun activities and events.

Try something for the first time, entertain the kids and drop in to the library for all your usual books, magazines and classes.

[School holiday programs with bookings open from Monday 24 June](#)
[Winter Warmer Market for picking up gifts and treats](#)
[Digital hub classes to develop your technology skills](#)

Come for the books, the events and the fun. There's so much to try this July!

[Contact us](#) teatreegully.sa.gov.au

What's on these school holidays?

Keep bodies busy and hands crafty with these fun activities!

[Build and play for ages 5+](#)

Monday 8 July | 10am - 12pm | Free, just drop in
See what you can make with magnetic tiles, Lego bricks and more!

[Crazy collage for ages 5+](#)

Tuesday 9 July | 12pm - 2pm | Free, just drop in
Upcycle books and magazines to create a quirky and creative collage.

[Make your own beeswax wrap for ages 10+](#)

Wednesday 10 July | 3pm - 4:30pm | \$15 ticket
Design your own fabric print and create a beautiful alternative to plastic food wrap for your lunchbox and snacks. Try it for the first time in this [Firstival event](#).

[Mario Kart tournament for ages 8 to 16](#)

Thursday 11 July | 10am - 3pm | Free, just drop in
Join in the fun of an action packed day of Mario Kart racing! Compete, have fun and show off your racing skills in this positive and inclusive gaming session.

[Explore and play with virtual reality](#)

Monday 15 July | 10am - 2pm | Free, just drop in
Try Virtual Reality for the first time in this [Firstival event](#). There'll be painting, travelling, gaming and exploring in this drop-in VR arcade.

[Drop in STEM challenge for ages 7+](#)

Tuesday 16 July | 12pm - 2pm | Free, just drop in
Put on your engineering hat and design a car that zooms across the floor - made entirely from recycled materials!

Be quick to book to avoid missing out!