Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school for Term 3. We welcomed three new students to our school this term and hope that Millie, Jacob and Sasha, enjoy their time with us at Golden Grove Primary.

At GGPS we aim to keep parents well informed of student progress in learning. All students received written reports at the end of Term 2 and a vast majority of families engaged in Parent-Teacher Interviews at the end of Term 1. Whilst we do not formally schedule interviews in Term 3, I would like to remind all parents that they are most welcome to make contact with teachers at any time of the year. If you have a query or concern, or if you simply would like more information, please make a time to meet with your child’s teacher to ensure the home-school partnership is well maintained.

Term 3 promises to be busy. Term Planners were distributed in the last week of Term 2; key dates can also be found on our website. One event not listed on our Planner is a NAPLAN online trial which will take place in Weeks 4 & 5. The Australian Government is committed to delivering NAPLAN online from 2017 and in preparation for this, all Year 3, 5 & 7 students in DECD schools will undertake readiness tests this term. More details will be included in our next newsletter.

Another event that you may like to “save the date” is a parent workshop being offered to families in the Golden Way Partnership. The facilitator is Mark Le Messurier who is a teacher, counsellor and coach. Mark co-created the “What’s the Buzz” program that is implemented in our school. He is a highly regarded speaker and will discuss “coaching kids to manage anxious to angry feelings and anything in-between”. Details below

**Parent Workshop**

**MARK LE MESSURIER**  
Coaching kids to manage ANXIOUS to ANGRY feelings and anything in-between!  
14th September 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm

Golden Grove High School  
www.marklemessurier.com.au

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Kind regards,  
Wendy Moore
SPORTS NEWS

On Wednesday 29th June, some of our talented young boys competed in the SAPSASA Football Carnival.

We began with a 14 goal win against The Heights, then followed up with a 15 goal victory against Ridgehaven in windy conditions. James, Blake, Riley and Liam were all dominant around the contest. Our third game produced another solid win by 10 goals against Ardtornish with Zac managing a lot of possessions. Trent was rock solid in defence with Brodie, Luke and Logan shutting out the opposition attacks.

Our 4th game, against St Davids, proved to be the toughest of all with the lead changing a number of times. With a minute to go we hit the front by 3 points only to have St Davids’ kick a goal on the siren to win the game.

Disappointed, the boys regrouped for the 5th and final game, winning by 18 goals against The Heights number 1 team. Lochie, Mitchell, Bailey and Darcey all proved to be dangerous around the goals while our swing man Ethan, played well either up forward or down back. Daniel proved to be quite handy in the ruck, as did Logan. Our consistent midfield, Liam, James, Blake and Riley worked hard all day to feed our forwards.

It was a great day for the boys who finished second overall. Many thanks to the many parents who attended and helped with transport, scoring and goal umpiring.

Bruce Pearce

SAPSASA Netball

Golden Grove Primary School would like to congratulate Phoebe Tregear (HB20), who has been selected to represent Tea Tree Gully District in the forthcoming State Netball Carnival. We wish Phoebe the best of luck and cannot wait to hear all about her week.

Congratulations Phoebe!

Uniform Reminders

Please remember that even though it is cold, windcheaters, jackets and jumpers must all meet our Dress Code guidelines. If they are not purchased from our Uniform Shop, they must be plain red or navy blue without logos or stripes of another colour. Winter jackets of any colour can be worn to or from school but must be removed in the classroom.

Our Uniform Policy states that footwear must be suitable for students to participate in physical activity. As classes do Fitness or PE activities most days and students are outside at recess and lunch, this is very important. Recently, we have had accidents occur (resulting in injury) when students were wearing boots. We discourage boots from being worn at school, with sneakers being the most suitable footwear to safely participate in all physical activity.
Meet the Writers Festival

On Tuesday the 21st of June, eight Year 7 students, including myself, were invited to attend the Meet the Writer’s Festival in the city. The festival lasted from 11:30am until 5pm. We had the choice of meeting 4 of 6 well known authors.

To start off the experience we sat in a theatre and listened to Clair Zorn talk about her life, why she became an author and how she writes her books. We then moved into smaller groups. Our choices were narrowed down to Mike Dumbleton or Rosanne Hawke. I chose to listen to Rosanne Hawke. Rosanne spoke about where she gets her inspiration from and how to be an author. She also spoke about some of her books and why she wrote them. During her presentation the most important thing that I learnt was that to write a book based on true events, you can’t just wing it. You have to research and collect true data before writing.

After the performances, we then regrouped and went off to our next presentation where we had to choose between Phil Cummings and Greg Holfield. I chose Greg Holfield because he is an illustrator and he illustrated my favourite series of graphic novels, the Captain Congo comics.

To finish off our experience we all gathered again in the theatre for the last speech presented by Jack Heath. He was definitely my favourite because he is funny, clever and imaginative. He also taught me three lifelong lessons that I will definitely remember for ever "You are the only thing standing in your way of achieving greatness", "When writing a book the sky’s the limit" and "To achieve something big, it’s not what happens to you, it’s how you deal with it”

Written by: Brock Gibbs HB21

Selected students will be attending the Tea Tree Gully RSL on the 9th August to perform for the ‘Over 50s’ members. Please ensure all permission notes have been returned by Friday 29th July.

Any parents who are able to transport extra children on the day and have the current approval, please let us know as soon as possible, as we have approximately 26 students to transport.

Thank you.

Kerry Mayes (DSTA) & Mr Mac (Performing Arts Teacher)
Golden Grove Primary School
Award Winners
This week's awards were given for
Demonstrating all school values

[Images of class photos showing students holding certificates]