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Golden Grove Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 Week 1, 29th January 2021

Welcome back to school to all students, parents and staff. We are looking forward to a wonderful year ahead!

We welcomed 75 new Reception students and 14 students who transferred from other schools this week. We are enjoying getting to know our new students and familiarising them with their new school. We also welcomed three new staff members; Louise Faulkner, Anneliese Dijkmans and Abbey Thackray.

This year we extend a special "welcome back" to our Year 6 and Year 7 students who are in their final year of primary school. With the new "Year 7 to High School" policy in South Australian public schools, our current Year 6 students will be the **first group** of Year 6 students to graduate from Primary School and our current Year 7 students will be the **last group** of Year 7 students to graduate from Primary School! We wish them all an enjoyable graduate year.



In addition to our learning programs and extra curricula offerings, 2021 will be a busy year for us as our new 6 million dollar building project will begin. We are currently at the Master Plan stage whereby we are working with architects to develop the overall concept for a new library and two new learning spaces. Building should begin in the latter half of this year.

Next week all students will bring home an Information Pack to provide classroom-specific information for parents. The Information Packs will also contain various consent forms to be returned to school including an *early dismissal form* which is now a departmental requirement for the last day of each term. An outline of the Parent Reporting and Communication timeline for 2021 is enclosed.

As we begin this new year, we invite all parents to let us know if and when there is an issue or query that we can help with. Although physical distancing requirements are currently restricting parents from entering classrooms, we welcome emails and phone calls (and can schedule meetings) as needs arise. All the best for the year ahead.

Kind regards, *Wendy Moore*

Golden Grove Primary School Staff

The 2021 leadership team is as follows:

Wendy Moore – Principal
Louise Faulkner – Assistant Principal (Inclusive Education)
Jo D'Ettorre – Assistant Principal (Curriculum & Policy)
Michelle Wright – Assistant Principal (Literacy & Numeracy)
Gerry Templeton – Student Wellbeing Leader

The 2021 staff team consists of:

Reception Teachers

Sophie D'Aloia
Alison Newman
Bron Davis

Year 1 Teachers

Gary Rankin
Adam Pritchard
Shauna Tanner
Anne Carr (1/2)
Steph Davids (R/1)
Abbey Thackray (R/1)

Year 2 Teachers

Anne-Marie Claxton
Katie Hoffman
Jacquie Radan (1/2)

Year 3 Teachers

Emma Bischoff
Clare Kirby
Jacqui McCormack
Anneliese Dijkmans
Claudia Brewis

Year 4 Teachers

Tom Dillon
Pauleen Howard
Grace Lees (3/4)

Year 5 Teachers

Jill Moore
Sonja Forde
Deb Hutchens
Sage Blackmore (4/5)

Year 6 Teachers

Mel Stals
Nathan Fryer
Tula Sharman
Haylee Garner

Year 7 Teachers

Matt Forester
Miro Davis
Crishel Bauer
Sam Rowland (6/7)

Specialist Team: Michael McConnochie, Huang Do, Renee Winn, Adrian Baker, Lorraine Poyner, Lorna Crisanti & Bruce Pearce

SSO Team: Barbie Rankin, Karla Groot Obbink, Karen Smith, Kerry Campbell, Mark Madon, Rob Sheridan, Sherrie Womack, Michelle Dunn, Tanya Campbell, Belinda Armstrong, Lynn Lamb, Di Rose, Lindy Speck, Mel Lubcke, Grant Muller, Bonnie Howarth, Zak Martin, Steve Parashis, Emma Carrigan & Nicole Stones

Annual General Meeting

The AGM will be held in Week 4, Monday 15th February. At this meeting, the 2020 Annual Report will be presented and information will be provided regarding our learning priorities for this year.

Following the presentation of the Annual Report, the 2021 Governing Council will be elected. All parents of the school are eligible to nominate for election as a councillor.

Nominations for election as a councillor can be made

- On a nomination form (available from the school office)
- By self-nomination or through nomination by another parent
- By Friday 12th February, 2021 (returned to school office)

Term Planner

A Term 1 Planner is included in this newsletter and will also be sent home in information packs next week. Please note that we have scheduled a tentative date only (Friday 19th March) for Sports day at this stage. As we get a little closer to the date, we will confirm the date or postpone (until Term 4) depending on changing COVID guidelines, as we are very keen to invite parents to attend Sports day this year.

Parents & Friends

Each term we will hold a coffee morning for Parents & Friends to join us to hear about updated school information and to meet and socialise with other parents of the school community. The first Get-Together will be in Week 7 this term.

Parent Information and Reporting schedule for 2021

Term 1 Week 2	Information Packs	Every student will be issued with an information folder next week to ensure all parents have updated information about the routines and learning programs in classrooms. There will be forms inside the folder to be returned once read and signed by parents.
Term 1 Week 5	Parent-Teacher Acquaintance Meetings	In the week beginning February 22 nd , all parents will be invited to meet with their child's class teacher individually. Times will be offered after school and later in the evening of Tuesday 23 rd Feb. These meetings are traditionally offered at the end of the term however we are bringing them forward to open the teacher-parent communication line earlier. This will enable parents to share relevant information with the teacher about their child and for the teacher to provide "first impression" information.
Term 2 Week 10	Written Mid- Year Student Report	Every student will receive written comments and grades for each learning area to reflect progress by the middle of the year.
Term 3 Week 2	Optional Parent-Teacher Interviews	Parents are invited to meet with their child's class teacher if they wish to discuss the mid-year student report or any other aspect of their child's schooling.
Term 4 Week 9	Written End of Year Student Reports	Every student will receive written comments and grades for each learning area encompassing the entire year of learning.

School Yard Opening & Closing Times

The school yard is supervised by a yard duty teacher each morning before school from 8:30am. We ask that parents and students do not enter the yard, the playground or oval before this time as those areas are used for the Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) program until 8:30am.

Between 8:30am and 8:50am, all students are invited to play on the Hard Play and Botany areas until classroom doors open (playground/oval/nature play areas are unsupervised and therefore not open prior to the school bell).

The OSHC program also uses external play areas including the yard, the COLA, the playground and the oval each afternoon. We ask that parents vacate those areas by 3:30pm to enable OSHC staff to have clear view and duty of care of students who are using OSHC services.

Classroom Door Opening Times

Our school day begins at 8:50am. While some teachers open their doors earlier than this, our requirement is that doors will open by 8:50am and that learning begins shortly after morning routines are taken care of. Unfortunately entry to classrooms continue to be restricted to staff and students due to COVID physical distancing requirements.

Like Us on Facebook!

Our Facebook page is just one of our communication strategies. If you haven't already joined, search for Golden Grove Primary School on Facebook. Our page is the one with our logo as the Profile Picture. Once you "Like" our page, click on "Liked" on our cover page and select "Get Notifications".

R-7 Fun Days



Throughout the last week of 2020, students celebrated the end of year with a Fun Day in their sector of school. The Governing Council kindly funded \$10 per student, to enable this celebration to be cost free for families. This was in response to the challenges that 2020 brought to families and to ensure some 'normality' for our students. Thank you Governing Council!

Activities included a COLA disco and games, group activities on hard play, fun activities in classrooms, and inflatables on the oval. The canteen also organised for students to receive a Lifesaver ice block and a packet of JJ chips. **We had so much FUN!**



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GOLDEN GROVE PRIMARY TERM 1 COMMUNITY PLANNER, 2021

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	25/01	Australia Day Public Holiday	27/01	28/01 Newsletter	29/01
2	01/02 2.30pm Uniform Committee Mtg	02/02	03/02	04/02 2.15pm Canteen Mtg	05/02 WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY (School Captains)
3	8/02 5.00pm Finance Mtg	09/02	10/02	11/02	12/02 R-3 Assembly HB27
4	15/02 7.00pm AGM 8.00pm Governing Council	16/02	17/02	18/02 Newsletter	19/02 4-7 Assembly HB21 SAPSASA Softball Carnival
5	22/02 Parent/Teacher Acquaintance Meetings	23/02 Late night - Interviews	24/02	25/02	26/02 R-3 Assembly HB7 SAPSASA Swimming Carnival
6	01/03 Parent/Teacher Acquaintance Meetings	02/03 2.30pm Uniform Committee Mtg	03/03	04/03 2.15pm Canteen Mtg	05/03 4-7 Assembly HB25
7	Adelaide Cup Public Holiday	9/03	10/03 9.00am Parents and Friends Get Together	11/03 9.30am School Tour Newsletter	12/03 R-3 Assembly HB29
8	15/03 5.00pm Finance Mtg	16/03	17/03	18/03	19/03 TENTATIVE SPORTS DAY
9	22/03 7.00PM Governing Council	23/03	24/03	25/03	26/03 4-7 Assembly HB3 SAPSASA Athletics Carnival
10	29/03	30/03	31/03	01/04 Newsletter	Good Friday Public Holiday
11	Easter Monday Public Holiday	06/04	07/04 9.00am WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY – Performing Arts SAPSASA Hockey Carnival	08/04	09/04 CASUAL CLOTHES DAY

SAPSASA NEWS



Is your child interested in sports? Would they be interested in representing Golden Grove Primary School, the Tea Tree Gully District or The State? Here is the information you need to know.

Golden Grove Primary School Teams: Each term, GGPS enters School District Carnivals. These events encourage participation, teamwork and having a go! At the beginning of the year during PE lessons, Bruce Pearce asks students to nominate and record their interest. Closer to the date of the Carnival, students then trial and may get selected. Practices are usually during recess/lunch breaks and during PE lessons. A team, then represents Golden Grove Primary School, competing against other local schools at the one day carnival. A consent form goes home the week prior to the Carnival and will usually cost \$5. On the following page is a calendar of the School District Carnivals we will be entering this year.

State Carnivals: Throughout the year there are State Carnivals where students have the opportunity to represent The Tree Gully District. These events are for students who have a strength for a certain sport and generally play for a club. As a school, we receive information a week or two before the trials begin. This information is given to classroom teachers to ask for interested students and then a notice goes home to these families. The trials are off site and GGPS is not a part of the practice or selection process. After trials, if students are selected the cost is usually \$100 and runs over 4 days. You can also keep up to date with State Carnivals (Tea Tree Gully District Teams) on Team App or your sporting club.

Interstate Competitions: These events, like The State Carnivals, are off site and GGPS is not a part of the practice or selection process. Students that show a very strong ability in a particular sport can trial to represent The State and compete against other states. Sometimes, these events are interstate. The cost can vary. These events will be dependent on travel restrictions due to Covid-19.

For further information, please visit...

<https://www.education.sa.gov.au/schools-and-educators/programs-students/school-sport-sa>

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Kind regards

Bruce Pearce and Michelle Wright

TTG DISTRICT SAPSASA NOW HAS ITS OWN APP



Download our awesome new app now and stay up to date with all the latest information!

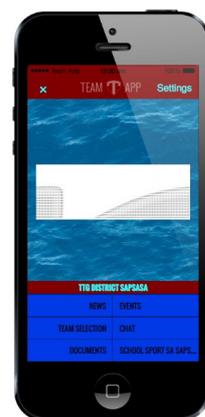
Install the TTG District Sapsasa App on your smartphone or tablet now!

Follow these steps:

1. Download Team App from the Apple or Google Play app store.
2. Sign up to Team App. You will be sent an email to confirm your registration.
3. Log into the App and search for "TTG District Sapsasa".
4. Choose your applicable access group(s).
5. If you don't have a smartphone go to tgsapsasa.teamapp.com to sign up and view this App online.

Need help?

Contact: Daniel Gething
Email: dgethling@ardps.com
Phone: 0414897366



SAPSASA Sport 2021 Calendar

Term 1

Week 4 – Softball	Boys & Girls	Friday 19 th Feb	6 - 7
Week 5 – Swimming	Boys & Girls	Friday 26 th Feb	5 - 6 - 7
Week 9 – Athletics	Boys & Girls	Friday 26 th March	5 - 6 - 7
Week 11 – Hockey Come and Try	Boys & Girls	Wed 7 th April	5 – 6 - 7

Term 2

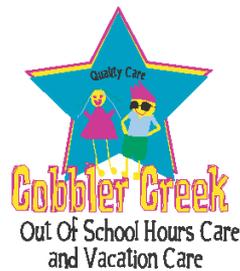
Week 1 - Football AFL	Boys	Friday 30 th April	6 - 7
Week 2 – Cross Country	Boys & Girls	Friday 7 th May	5 - 6 - 7
Week 5 – Soccer	Boys & Girls	Thursday 27 th May	6 - 7
Week 8 - Football AFL	Girls	Friday 18 th June	6 - 7

Term 3

Week 5 – Netball	Boys & Girls	Friday 20 th Aug	6 - 7
Week 6 – Tennis	Boys & Girls	Friday 27 th Aug	5 - 6 - 7
Week 8 - Touch Footy	Boys & Girls	Friday 10 th Sept	6 - 7

Term 4

Week 1 – All Sports Come and Try Day		Thurs 14 th & Fri 15 th Oct	4 - 5
Week 2 – 20/ 20	Cricket	Friday 22 nd Oct	6 - 7



TERM 1 WEEK 1 – OSHC NEWS

We would like to say very big welcome to all our new children their and families to OSHC , we also welcome back our existing families, We hope you all had a great Christmas and enjoyed the holiday break.

A special thank you to Governing Council who approved a closure day for Monday 25th January. It was well deserved for the educators who did a fantastic job through a very turbulent 2020.

We are very excited to welcome Lisa Rundle to our OSHC team. Lisa is a Qualified Chef who brings with her a wealth of knowledge and experience in the food industry. We are all looking forward to trying the new foods she'll be making.

OSHC Opening and Closing Times

Before School Care: 7am – 8:45am
After School Care: 3pm – 6:00pm

Please be advised we close at 6:00pm sharp. We ask you collect your child prior to this time to avoid the late fee.

A friendly reminder to avoid being charged for cancellations, please ensure you adhere to the following as per our policy. You have until 5pm the previous working day to cancel before school care and you will NOT be charged. You have until 9 am on the day to cancel after school care and you will NOT be charged.

Cancellations can be made via the Communication Book, by text message, email or phone call.

Hats

Please ensure that your child brings a sun-safe hat to OSHC as per our *Sun Protection Policy*, children must have the appropriate hat to play outside.

2021 Booking Form

If you have not yet completed a 2021 booking form, please fill one in asap and return spaces are filling fast.

Cobbler Creek Out of School Hours Care and Vacation Care
140 Bicentennial Drive GOLDEN GROVE SA 5125
Ph: 8251 5291 Mobile: 0434 365 589

Email: info@cobblercreekoshc.com.au Website: www.cobblercreekoshc.com

Fruit Fly Outbreak

Thank you for your cooperation in regards to the State restrictions on the movement of fruit.

We have been advised by PIRSA that although our school address is just outside the suspension area, we must adhere to restrictions in lunchboxes as we will have families both living and shopping in the suspension areas.

By restricting the movement of fruit from shops to homes to school, we can actively support our State's work to eliminate fruit fly.

Student Absence

If your child is going to be late to school, away ill or away for family reasons, could you please SMS the school on the number below with child's name, Homebase and reason for being away.

Thank you for your help!

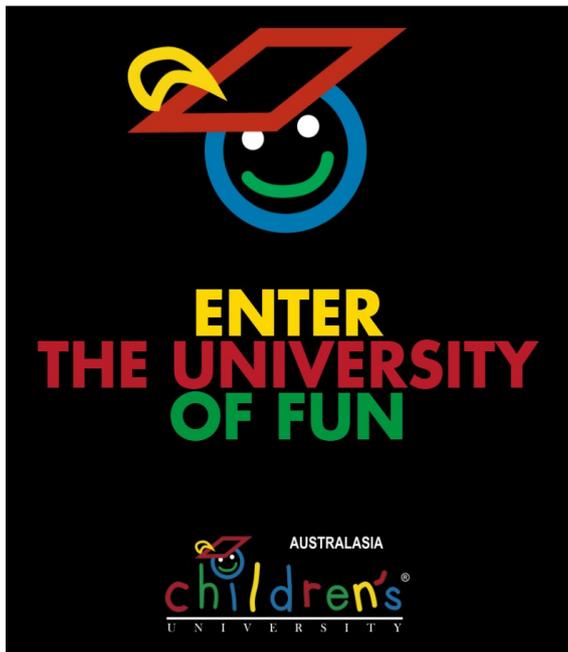
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Qkr App

Please remember to update your child's Homebase number for 2021 on the Qkr App. If you have already updated but did so before January 11th, please do so again. Many thanks!



Children's University



Children's University Australasia (CUA) encourages learning in 'out of school' hours, is voluntary and is led by the child.

Golden Grove Primary School has registered to be a part of Children's University in 2021.

We will receive updated information in the coming weeks and notices will go home with students who show an interest.

Please direct any questions to Michelle Wright.

Thank you!

Community News

KIDS TAEKWONDO

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Monday	Munno Para PS, Modbury West Community Hall, Salisbury East Community Centre.
Tuesday	Greenwith Community Centre
Wednesday	Modbury West Community Hall
Thursday	Golden Grove PS



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SA GOVERNMENT SPORTS VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

Community News

Australian Army Cadet Unit

Last year Golden Grove High School was selected to form the Golden Grove Australian Army Cadet Unit. Army Cadets is a youth program that teaches young people to be confident, self-sufficient and willing to "have a go". The Australian Army cadets (AAC) is a leading national youth development organisation with the character and the values of the Australian Army.

As an Army cadet, you'll get to develop confidence, learn a range of skills, discover new challenges, make new friends and work as a member of a team.

The Army provides uniforms and most equipment needed, plus meals and accommodation is also provided on their annual camp. There is a small fee involved when cadets do weekend activities, usually a couple of times a year.

To join Army Cadets you must:

- Be a resident of Australia

- Be at least 12yrs, turning 13 in the same year (this has recently been changed)

- Not have reached the age of 17

- Agree to the code of conduct

- Be available to participate in most Unit activities

- Have parent/guardian consent

There is an information session on **Tuesday 9th February 4.30pm** at Golden Grove High School. Head to the DRMC and there will be staff and signage to guide you where to go.

