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# Golden Grove Primary School NEWSLETTER

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Monday 25/10/21 Governing Council Meeting 7pm

Tuesday 26/10/21 Year 7 Aquatics

Wednesday 27/10/21 Year 6 Aquatics

Wednesday 3/11/21 CUA Graduation 5:15pm

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#### Term 4 Week 1, 14th October 2021

Dear Families.

Welcome back to school for Term 4. The term started with the busyness that will continue throughout the term with Year 3 – 5 Swimming and a Year 6 Camp. Both events have been greatly enjoyed (with the exception of today's weather forecast, which forced the cancellation of swimming lessons today). We are looking forward to a great number of events to enjoy this term to enhance our teaching and learning programs.

This term will see two major changes begin to take shape at our school. As you know, for the first time in SA history, Year 6 students will graduate from primary school and embark on their secondary school journey along with the Year 7 graduates. From 2022, Year 7's will be educated in the secondary school setting and GGPS, like all other public primary schools, will become a Reception to Year 6 school.

Obviously, this will mean a smaller student population and therefore less classes and less staff (teachers, SSOs and leadership). We have been planning toward the logistics of this change for some time and have every confidence that we will readjust to the size differences and find the silver linings. I have been asked by several parents whether this means we will begin to take enrolments from far afield (to build student numbers). This is not part of our plan. We will embrace the changes and maintain our focus on enrolling and educating students predominantly from within our catchment area.

The other major change that has been in the planning stages for some time, involves a \$6,000,000 capital works project, funded by the state government. This project will see all transportable buildings removed from our site. The first four single transportables will be removed during this term. The remaining transportable classrooms and the existing library will be removed in the first half of next year.



The most exciting part of our capital works project of course, involves the new buildings. A new library will be constructed on the lower level currently occupied by the Junior Primary playspace. And, a new Performing Arts building will also be constructed on the lower level on the area currently occupied by the single transportables. We will keep you well informed of the building progress in the weeks to come.

Kind regards, Wendy Moore



#### TERM 4 WEEK 1 – OSHC NEWS

Another Vacation Care completed and even though the weather was not our friend this time, the children had lots of fun engaging in a variety of experiences. We enjoyed eating popcorn whilst watching Ainbo: Spirit of the Amazon at the cinemas and bouncing off all our energy at Xtreme Inflatables. Wheelie Chair Sports visited OSHC and children loved participating in a variety of different games. They also enjoyed decorating either their Build a Bear or Dog. There was plenty to build and create in activity, including constructing machines with wooden materials, 3D cardboard houses, cotton ball penguins and wooden bee hangers, just to name a few. When the sun shone, outside play was popular but, on those cold, rainy days, children really loved playing board games. They learnt about money and its value whilst playing Monopoly, learnt strategic moves whilst playing Chess and learned to play fairly and demonstrate great sportsmanship playing The Game of Life. Children taught one another if they hadn't played before and helped each other learn and follow the rules of each game.

As we approach the end of the year, children will be engaged in a variety of activities to commemorate the different cultural celebrations of Australia and around the world. Programmed group games for outside will be planned as well as extensions of children's interest and development in our other areas. We can't wait to see what else this term will bring us!

#### **TERM 4 BOOKINGS**

It is extremely important for families to ensure they have up to date bookings for Term 4. We must follow regulations for educator/child ratio requirements and are not always able to take children on the day if they are not booked in prior.

#### **UPCOMING DATES**

- ♦ Booking form for 2022 will be available from Week 5, **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November**
- Pupil Free Day Term 4 Week 6, Friday 19th November
   Please book via email, SMS or written in communication book if required as bookings are essential
  - \*\*\*Please be advised that all Before School Care and After School Care bookings for this day are cancelled in advance.

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#### **KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION FOR 2022**

The Golden Grove Governing Council in conjunction with Management of Cobbler Creek Out of School Hours Care and Vacation Care would like to advise families that we will not be offering services for Kindergarten children in 2022. There were a number of factors taken into consideration before reaching this decision. These include:

- Current high demand of school aged children/families requesting to use the service. School age children must be given priority as per policy requirements.
- The young age of Kindergarten children and concerns regarding their safety and wellbeing in a large non-gated environment

### **CHRISTMAS CLOSURE DATES 2021**

Closed from Thursday 23rd December 2021 Re-open Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022



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# Golden Grove Primary School Award Winners











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