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Golden Grove Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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TUESDAY 14/2/23

Acquaintance Evening

MONDAY 20/02/23

AGM 7PM

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Term 1 Week 1, 2nd February 2023

Welcome to New Students & Staff

Welcome back to school to all students, parents and staff. We are looking forward to a wonderful 2023!

We welcomed 79 new Receptions to our school this week. We also welcomed 15 students who transferred from other schools. We are enjoying the opportunity to get to know our new students and familiarising them with their new school.

We also welcomed five new staff members this year:

Gina Komoll – Year 2 teacher, HB16

Di Scott – Teacher Librarian

Charisa Sanders – Auslan teacher, HB8

Jed McIntosh – Reception teacher, HB9

Ellie Pitts – Year 1 teacher, HB13

A complete list of staff can be found in this edition of the newsletter.

Term Planner

A Term 1 Planner is included in this newsletter and will also be sent home in hard copy format.

You may notice on the Term Planner that NAPLAN has been moved from Term 2 to Term 1. This is applicable across Australia. As a result, the swimming times for each class are currently being scheduled to fit around the NAPLAN schedule of testing.

You may also notice that Sports day has not been scheduled in Term 1 as in previous years. This is due to the high number of events at the end of Term 1 (Swimming weeks, NAPLAN testing, Parent-Teacher meetings, Easter). We have scheduled Sports day at the end of Term 3 in time for Spring weather, this will also ensure we have enough space for activities once our building works are complete.

Acquaintance Evening

Classroom teachers have been distributing information about class learning and routines this week; we hope you have found this useful. To further share information about the year ahead, we are looking forward to welcoming parents to an Acquaintance Evening in Week 3 (Tuesday 14th February). Details will be shared soon.

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2023 Language Learning

In 2022, GGPS parents were invited to participate in a survey regarding the offering of languages at our school. The survey results told us that there are very differing views across our parent and student community! A large percentage of parents were keen to consider a change in language from Japanese, many wanted Auslan to be offered, some were keen on Spanish but others were very passionate about maintaining Japanese.

As a result, this year we sought to employ both a Japanese teacher and an Auslan teacher. We found however that in this new era of teacher shortages, language teachers are indeed in short supply and although we have been successful in securing an Auslan teacher (Welcome Charisa!), we are yet to find a Japanese teacher.

The current plan is for Reception to Year 2 students to engage with Japanese in Terms 1 & 2 and then to have Auslan in Terms 3 & 4. The opposite is the plan for Year 3 – 6, with those classes beginning with Auslan from this week.

We hope to share information with you soon regarding a Japanese teacher.

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 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, the general expectation is that doors will open by 8:50am and that learning begins shortly after morning routines are taken care of. We encourage all parents to allow children to unpack their own belongings each morning (COVID restrictions taught us that they develop their independence very quickly if encouraged to undertake routines independently). We also kindly ask parents to depart classrooms shortly after the bell (and prior to 9:00am) when formal learning commences.

Vacation Care

Reminder: The Cobbler Creek Vacation Care program will not be available to families during the Term 1 holidays. This is due to the school's building project which, for the two weeks, will involve the removal of hazardous materials, including asbestos. While such demolition/removals are undertaken, the school and grounds cannot be occupied by staff, parents and students.

OSHC staff will communicate suggestions for alternative care in the near future.

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Library News

A message from our Teacher Librarian, Di Scott.....



Firstly, I'd like to say thank you to the school community for the warmest welcome to Golden Grove Primary. Congratulations to Lorna Crisanti on her retirement, time to relax, read and enjoy family time. Lorna and I have shared our passion for school libraries for over 20 years, so it is an honour to follow in her footsteps here.

The modules for the beautiful new library have now been delivered and will be ready for our collection to go in by the end of this term. Michelle, Rachel and I will be very busy preparing the resources for the new space throughout the coming weeks. Meanwhile, I look forward to meeting and working with all the classes in the library.

The library will be open every morning except Mondays. I invite you to call in and say hello and stay to share a story or two with your children before school. It is a lovely way to start their day. We are open every day at lunchtime for the children to enjoy a story or quiet activity with friends. If you have any concerns about lost, damaged or overdue books, please do not hesitate to contact the library team. I encourage you to share stories with your children throughout their entire primary school years. Read to your child, read with them, listen to them read and enjoy the wonder of learning through books. I am excited to be part of your child's reading journey.

Kind regards, Di

A few library dates to add to your calendar:

30th Jan – 8th Sept Premier's Reading Challenge

24th May National Simultaneous Storytime "*The Speedy Sloth*" by Rebecca Young

19th – 25th Aug Book Week "*Read. Grow. Inspire.*"



Golden Grove Primary School Staff

The 2023 Leadership Team is as follows:

Wendy Moore – Principal
Tegan Cox – Assistant Principal (Inclusive Education)
Michelle Wright – Assistant Principal (Literacy & Numeracy)
Gerry Templeton – Student Wellbeing Leader

The 2023 Teaching Team consists of:

Reception: Jed McIntosh HB9, Bron Davis HB10, Alison Newman HB11,
Jacqui McCormack & Jamie Ryan HB12
Year 1: Ellie Pitts HB13, Shauna Tanner & Anne Carr HB17
Year 1/2: Katie Hoffman HB14
Year 2: Jacquie Radan HB15, Anne-Marie Claxton & Gina Komoll HB16
Year 3: Tom Dillon HB3, Matt Forester HB4
Year 3/4: Sage Blackmore HB7
Year 4: Jill Moore HB1, Deb Hutchens HB2
Year 4/5: Sam Cubitt Year HB24
Year 5: Crishel Reynolds HB20, Tula Sharman HB21, Tyler Duncan HB22
Year 6: Mel Stals HB18, Nathan Fryer HB19, Miro Davis HB23

Specialist Team: Michael McConnochie (Performing Arts)
Haylee Garner & Renee Winn (Science)
Lorraine Poyner (Intervention)
Bruce Pearce (Physical Education)
Charisa Sanders (Auslan)
Teacher of Japanese to be appointed

The 2023 Support Staff team consists of:

SSO Team: Karla Groot Obbink, Karen Smith, Kerry Dodd, Mark Madon, Rob Sheridan, Sherrie Womack, Michelle Dunn, Belinda Armstrong, Lynn Lamb, Diane Rose, Lindy Speck, Grant Muller, Steve Parashis, Nicole Stones, Joslin Hayes

Aboriginal Community Education Officer: Janelle Mannix

Defence Transition Aide: Tracey Langley

Pastoral Support Worker: To be appointed

Canteen Manager & Assistant Manager: Kate Reynolds & Rachael Clarke-Jones

OSHC Director & Assistant Director: Jasmina Dowden & Brad Shwartz

Term 1, 2023 30 January – 14 April

WEEK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	30 January Premier's Reading Challenge begins	31 January	1 February	2 February Newsletter	3 February
2	6 February	7 February	8 February	9 February	10 February 9am Assembly HB21
3	13 February 1.45pm Crossing Training Yr5/6 5.00pm Finance Meeting	14 February 2.30 Uniform Meeting Acquaintance Evening	15 February	16 February Newsletter	17 February 9am Assembly HB20
4	20 February 7pm AGM	21 February	22 February Festival Choir Rehearsals @ GGPS	23 February	24 February Yr6-Oliphant Science Award SAPSASA Softball
5	27 February	28 February NAPLAN Coordinated Practice Test	1 March 9.00am Volunteer Training	2 March Newsletter	3 March 9am Assembly HB16 SAPSASA Swimming
6	6 March	7 March Uni Lab	8 March	9 March Australia Reads	10 March PUPIL FREE DAY
7	13 March PUBLIC HOLIDAY Adelaide Cup	14 March Uni Lab 2.30 Uniform Meeting	15 March NAPLAN 9.30am School Tour	16 March NAPLAN Newsletter	17 March NAPLAN 9am Assembly HB3
8	20 March NAPLAN SWIMMING WEEK 7.00pm Governing Council meeting	21 March NAPLAN SWIMMING WEEK Uni Lab	22 March NAPLAN SWIMMING WEEK	23 March NAPLAN SWIMMING WEEK	24 March NAPLAN SWIMMING WEEK
9	27 March NAPLAN SWIMMING WEEK Parent Teacher Meetings	28 March Uni Lab SWIMMING WEEK SAPSASA Athletics Parent Teacher Meetings	29 March SWIMMING WEEK Parent Teacher Meetings	30 March Newsletter SWIMMING WEEK Parent Teacher Meetings	31 March SWIMMING WEEK Parent Teacher Meetings
10	3 April Parent Teacher Meetings	4 April Uni Lab Late Night Parent Teacher Meetings	5 April Parent Teacher Meetings	6 April Assembly HB17 Parent Teacher Meetings	7 April PUBLIC HOLIDAY Good Friday
11	10 April PUBLIC HOLIDAY Easter Monday	11 April	12 April 9am Performing Arts Assembly	13 April Newsletter SAPSASA Hockey	14 April 2.05pm Early Dismissal & Casual Clothes Day

NORTH EMERGING TALENT HUB

WHAT IS THE EMERGING TALENT HUB?



- PERFORMANCE TRAINING ENVIRONMENT FOR ATHLETES WITH POTENTIAL FOR INDOOR AND BEACH VOLLEYBALL
- NO PRIOR VOLLEYBALL EXPERIENCE NECESSARY
- FOR ATHLETES AGED 10 TO 17
- PROVIDES ENTRY INTO THE VOLLEYBALL SA PERFORMANCE PATHWAY
- SUPPORTED BY VOLLEYBALL AUSTRALIA (VA)
- DIRECTLY BACKED BY THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN SPORTS INSTITUTE (SASI)

LOCATION MAWSON LAKES BEACH VOLLEYBALL CENTRE
START DATE TUESDAY, 31ST JANUARY
START TIME 5:00PM





Get Active with Scouts!

Scouts welcomes children and young people from 5 years, offering a safe and supportive environment where your child can make new friends, learn life skills and embark on new adventures!

Your local Scout Group is:

GREENWITH SCOUT GROUP

Crouch Rd, Golden Grove

Contact: Brenton – Group Leader

Phone: 0411 359 975



KIDS TAEKWONDO

Resilience, Confidence, Discipline, Respect.

Monday

Munno Para PS, 6 pm

Turrumurra Recreation Centre, 6.30 pm

Salisbury East Community Centre. 6.30pm

Tuesday

Greenwith Community Centre, 6.30 pm

Wednesday

Modbury West Community, Hall 6 pm

Thursday

Golden Grove PS, 7 pm



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