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Golden Grove Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Friday 9/02/24

HB 20 Assembly
9.00am

Tuesday 13/02/24

Reception Information
Night 6 - 6.30pm

Tuesday 20/02/24

Aquaintance Night
6 - 7.30pm

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Term 1 Week 1, 1/02/2024

Dear Families,

Welcome back to the 2024 school year! It has been amazing to see how quickly and smoothly our students have settled back into school routines, especially our newest Receptions. As the newly appointed principal to Golden Grove, I have been overwhelmed with how warm and supportive the culture is. I feel honoured to work alongside such a professional and dedicated team of educators and a highly skilled leadership and administration team. Your children are certainly in very safe hands with the wonderful staff we have at this school.

A special welcome to our new teaching staff this year:

HB 4 (Year 1/2)	Tegan Caruso
HB 8 (Year 3/4)	Natasha Liemareff
HB 13 (Year 1)	Sophie D'Aloia-Dogan (returning from maternity leave)
HB 16 (Year 1)	Caitlin Schmidt
HB 17 (Year 1)	Emma Dorian
HB 24 (Auslan)	Melissa Tump

Thank you to the students and families who have introduced themselves already. The friendly vibe from our staff is certainly amplified by the students and parents throughout the school.

Over the holiday break, you may have seen our completed gymnasium mural by a local artist Sam Brooks. The painting has an ANZAC Remembrance theme and showcases a range of local native flowers that complement the space and existing buildings. It looks simply amazing!

Sadly, Golden Grove Primary has been the target of graffiti and vandalism over the past few weeks, including damage to copper pipes connected to air-conditioning units. As local residents, we ask for your help to be watchful during out of school hours if you are passing by, and please notify SAPOL immediately if you notice anyone who looks out of place.

A sincere thank you to all the families who have diligently read and returned all the required consent forms and classroom documentation. Please ensure the Front Office has up to date records on your children and home contact details, should we need to contact you at any stage throughout the year. Attached to this newsletter is our Term 1 planner, highlighting upcoming key events dates, such as swimming week, the AGM, NAPLAN and parent teacher interviews. This year we will be holding our Acquaintance night on Tuesday, February 20th, from 6:00pm – 7:30pm, including a complimentary community BBQ. We welcome you all to attend.

I'm looking forward to a very productive and fun year ahead!

Warm regards, *Graeme*

Library Chat

Our beautiful new library is ready for its first full year of fun activities and reading adventures. We have a busy year ahead with many special events to celebrate reading.

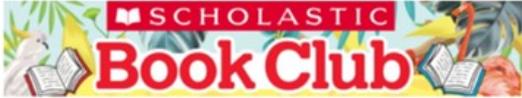
We'll let you know throughout the year how you and your children will be involved. Please mark these important dates in your calendar.

29 Jan	Premier's Reading Challenge begins
7 Feb	World Read Aloud Day
9 Mar	Australian Reading Hour
22 May	National Simultaneous Storytime: "Bowerbird Blues" by Aura Parker
23 May	Author Tristan Bancks visiting years 5 & 6
16 - 23 Aug	CBCA Book Week: "Reading is Magic"
22 Aug	Magician 'Mickster the Trickster' performance for Rec-Yr4
23 Aug	Book Week dress up parade
6 Sept	Premier's Reading Challenge ends

Di Scott
Teacher Librarian



Issue 1 Scholastic Book Club catalogues will be sent home soon. Take a moment to browse through with your child to see what interests them. Scholastic books and activity kits make great gifts for young friends and family members. Orders are placed online and delivered to your child when they arrive. Gift orders can be specified and we will secretly call you for collection. You are under no obligation to order but any purchases you make help raise money for our school to buy books and teaching resources. Thank you to the families who helped our school receive nearly \$1000 worth of resources in 2023



Did you know....that by purchasing books using Scholastic Book Club, not only are you helping your child become a lifelong reader but your school earns Scholastic Rewards.

Scholastic rewards help your school acquire more resources for all children at no cost



In 2023, families supporting Scholastic Book Club at Golden Grove PS have helped earn *more than \$990* worth of additional resources! Thank you for your support.

Safety around Schools

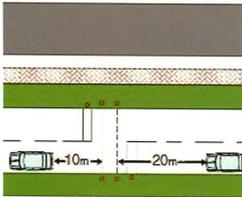
School zones

Drivers must slow their vehicles to 25km/h in a school zone at any time, day or night, when a child is present. A zigzag white line is also usually marked on the road to let drivers know they are approaching a school zone.



School crossings

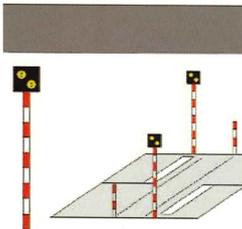
You cannot stop within 20m of the approach side or 10m of the departure side of a school crossing.



This road rule applies to all pedestrian crossings.

Koala crossings

A Koala crossing consists of two yellow flashing lights mounted on red and white striped poles.

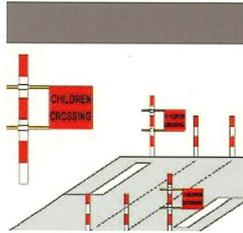


A 25km/h speed limit applies when the lights are flashing.

A driver must give way to any pedestrian.

Emu crossings

An Emu crossing has a red 'Children Crossing' flag displayed on red and white striped posts. The speed restriction of 25km/h applies at any time when a child is present so slow down to be safe and take care of children.



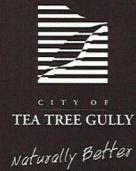
Bicycle lanes

Bicycle lanes run alongside kerbs or next to parking lanes. They are indicated by painted lines, bicycle symbols and bicycle lane signs, or the word 'lane' painted in white. Some bicycle lanes (or sections of lanes) are painted green.



Some bicycle lanes operate around the clock. Others only operate during peak travel times (as specified on the signs) to allow parking for local businesses and residents.

It is illegal to drive, park or stop your vehicle in a bicycle lane and fines apply.



Safety around schools



For more information please contact us on 8397 7444 or visit cttg.sa.gov.au

We want to ensure the safety of children, pedestrians and motorists around our streets and schools.

Parents and caregivers have a great responsibility to ensure children stay safe in school zones and have a key role in educating children about road safety.

Helpful tips for parking around schools

- Allow enough time to take the child to the school gate safely without rushing.
- Always observe parking signs and speed limits in and around school zones. They are designed to keep children safe.
- Talk about signs and traffic lights with your child. Identify and discuss places where it is safe to get in and out of the car.
- Teach your child how to cross the road using the 'stop, look and listen' process – stop at the kerb, look and listen for traffic and then decide whether it is safe to cross.
- Park a few streets away and walk your child to school. This is also good exercise and helps teach your child road safety rules.

Note – Council officers patrol school parking in the morning and afternoon during school terms.

Common parking problems

No Stopping

You must not park or stop in a No Stopping Zone for any reason.

A continuous yellow line marked on the edge of the road

has the same meaning as a No Stopping zone.



No Parking

You can only stop in a No Parking area for the immediate purpose of picking up or dropping off passengers or goods.

You must not leave the vehicle unattended (no more than 3 metres away).

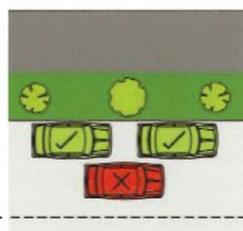
You can wait in this location no more than 2 minutes (without moving).



Double parking

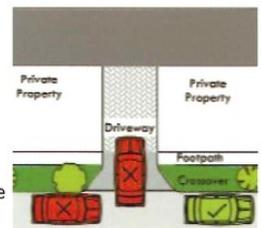
Drivers must not stop next to a parked vehicle when picking up or dropping off children, not even for a few seconds.

This practice is illegal and creates dangerous situations at any time on any street.



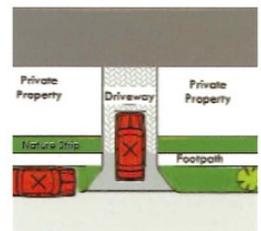
Driveways

You may park so that the front of your vehicle is level with the approach or the back is level with the departure side of a driveway to any private or public property so that vehicles can enter and depart.



Footpaths or nature strip

Parking is prohibited at all times. It creates dangerous situations for pedestrians and other vehicles in the vicinity.



Bus zones

You must not stop or park in a bus zone at any time.

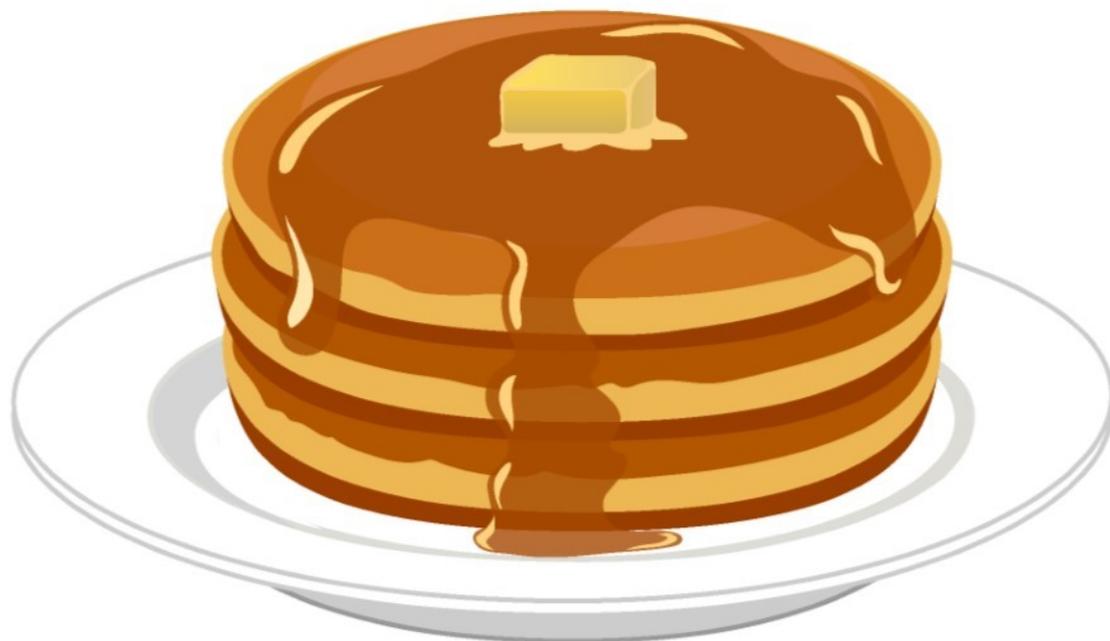


Kiss and drop

This is an area near the school gates for you to drop your child off safely and quickly. The intention is that drivers do not wait in these zones and that they stay in the vehicle so queues are minimised.



Canteen Special



\$3.00

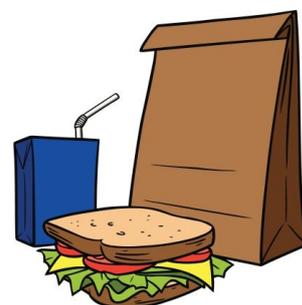
Two pancakes with the choice of one topping
(either ice-cream or maple syrup)

Available from the canteen on Tuesday 13 Feb (W3)

Will be available by cash (not Qkr) for over the counter sales until supplies are exhausted.



*If you are interested in
volunteering in the canteen,
please see Karen at front desk.
Thank you*





Golden Grove Primary School Term Planner - COMMUNITY

Term 1, 2024 29 January – 12 April

WEEK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	29 January Premier's Reading Challenge begins	30 January	31 January	1 February Newsletter	2 February
2	5 February	6 February	7 February	8 February	9 February 9am Assembly HB20
3	12 February	13 February 2.30 Uniform Meeting 6.00pm – 6.30pm Reception Information Night	14 February	15 February	16 February
4	19 February 4pm Finance Mtg	20 February Aquaintance Night	21 February	22 February Newsletter	23 February 9am Assembly HB3
5	26 February 7pm AGM	27 February 9am Volunteer Training	28 February 9.30am-11am – Senior Voices Festival Rehearsal	29 February	1 March SAPSASA Swimming
6	4 March	5 March	6 March 9.30am School Tour	7 March	8 March 9am Assembly HB23
7	11 March PUBLIC HOLIDAY Adelaide Cup	12 March Uni Lab	13 March NAPLAN Opens	14 March NAPLAN Newsletter	15 March NAPLAN
8	18 March NAPLAN SWIMMING WEEK	19 March NAPLAN SWIMMING WEEK Uni Lab	20 March NAPLAN SWIMMING WEEK	21 March NAPLAN SWIMMING WEEK Harmony Day	22 March NAPLAN SWIMMING WEEK 9am Assembly HB22 (Harmony Day) SAPSASA Athletics
9	25 March NAPLAN Ends SWIMMING WEEK Parent Interviews	26 March Uni Lab SWIMMING WEEK Parent Interviews – Late night	27 March SWIMMING WEEK Parent Interviews	28 March SWIMMING WEEK Parent Interviews	29 March PUBLIC HOLIDAY Good Friday
10	1 April PUBLIC HOLIDAY Easter Monday	2 April Uni Lab 2.30 Uniform Meeting 5pm Finance Mtg TBC	3 April Parent Interviews	4 April Newsletter Parent Interviews	5 April 9am Assembly HB17 Parent Interviews
11	8 April Governing Council	9 April	10 April 9am Performing Arts Assembly	11 April	12 April 2.05pm Early Dismissal & Casual Clothes Day