

# **VIEWS NEWS**

# SAFETY - RESPONSIBILITY - COOPERATION - HONESTY - RESPECT - LEARNING

Principal – Cathie Morcom

Assistant Principal – Suzy Black

#### **CALENDAR**

2018		
Fri 16 March	Assembly 2.50pm	
Thurs 22 March	Family Night 5pm to 7pm	
Fri 23 March	Assembly 2.50pm	
Thurs 29 March	Last Day of Term 1 (2.30pm dismissal)	
Mon 16 April	First Day of Term 2 9am	
Wed 18 April	School Photos	
Thurs 19 April	Prep 2019 Tours 9.30am & 6pm	
Mon 21 May	Curriculum Day	
Mon 5 Nov	Curriculum Day	

# Family Night –Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March (5.00pm to 7.00pm)

#### **Writing Display**

Students have been very busy preparing for our family night next Thursday. Every child will have a piece of writing written in response to the teddy picnic stimulus. A lot of time and effort has gone into drafting, editing and



publishing this work and we are sure you will be impressed with the fine work students have produced.

Each child will be displaying their own 'best work' and as such we encourage family members to avoid making comparisons and rather focus on personal achievement.

#### Flash Mob

Students in years one to six have also been practing their dance moves in Performing Arts and a 'flash mob' will appear during the evening. I believe that the 'moves' are being kept top secret by the students, however I can tell you that this should be a very 'flash dance!'



# **Open Classrooms**



All classrooms will be open and families are encouraged to look around the rooms and see the wonderful work students have been doing. This will also provide an opportunity for you to see some of the 'almost completed'

building work that has been going on over, and since the summer holidays. Please note that we are still painting and organising so displays and some areas are not quite to the standard we would like.

# On the night ... (Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 5 – 7pm)

Visit the gym to see the work of our young authors.
Visit your child's classroom to see their work.
Visit the art/science room to see the changes we have made

While the night is an informal event, we will aim to have a short welcome and the flash mob on the basketball court at approximately 6.00pm

#### **Food trucks**

Pizza New York Asian Ice-cream Coffee Van



Please note that cold drinks will not be available for purchase, however you are welcome to bring your own, and children will have access to the school drinking taps.

- The supervision of children is the parents' responsibility
- Strictly NO alcohol
- NO SMOKING within the school grounds

#### **Staff News**

Congratulations to Warwick and Ainsley on their recent wedding. Warwick managed to keep this important event under wraps but has since shared some amazing photos from the day. We wish Warwick, Ainsley and of course, young Cohen all the very best for the future.



Laura M is currently on leave as she too is getting married. We look forward to hearing her wedding story when she returns next term.

We are pleased to announce that Victoria and Cinzia are both expecting their first children (one child for Victoria and two for Cinzia).

# **Late Arrivals**



We know that while every effort is made in homes throughout the community each morning to make sure that children arrive at school on time. However we also understand that this is not always possible. If your child is late to school (after 9.00am) they must go to the office so their attendance can be recorded online and a late pass issued for the class teacher.

#### **School Council News**

This week our new School Council met for the first time. Office bearers were elected and committees formed in preparation for a productive year.

Parent Members	Staff Members
Andrew Cliff - President	Suzy Black - Secretary
Kristie Karlovic -Vice President	Lucy Torre
Ben Hart - Treasurer	Laura Culleton
Michael Mawal	Samantha Steele
Phillip Harris	Cathie Morcom
Marcela D'Agostino	
Amanda Mead	
Suzanna Rawas	

#### **Finance Committee**

C. Morcom, S. Black, A. Cliff, B. Hart and M. Wilson as Business Manager.

### **Policy Committee**

C. Morcom, S. Black, A. Cliff, B. Hart, M. Mawal and K. Karlovic.

#### **Buildings and Grounds**

C. Morcom, S. Black, A. Cliff, B. Hart and K.Karlovic.

#### **Canteen Committee**

C. Morcom, A. Cliff, A. Mead and M. Wilson as Canteen Coordinator.

#### **Fundraising Committee**

L. Torre, A. Mead, M. D'Agostino and P. Harris.

#### **Outside School Hours Care**

C. Morcom, A. Cliff, B. Hart, L. Culleton, S. Steele, J. Crole as OHSC Manager and M. Wilson as Business Manager.

# **Technology**

\$51,000 has been spent on new technology for the school. This is a significant investment to provide increased access to computers, particularly for our younger students. Equipment purchased includes;

- ♦ 60 netbooks for students in Prep, year one and year two
- ♦ 4 TV screens for classrooms
- ♦ 8 netbook/iPad trolleys for storage and charging of devices

# **Individual Learning Plans**

Following the investigation of a program developed by staff at Craigieburn South Primary School. Suzy has introduced individual learning plans for all children at Gladstone Views. As you can imagine, first term is a time for the review of previous learning, assessment and the introduction of new ideas and concepts. As such, teachers and students have been working to develop appropriate goals. Some of these goals will be on display in classrooms during our family night.

# **Heating**

Our application to the Department for emergency funding to replace the heating system in the main building was successful and we have been working with department representatives and contractors to determine the best option. While we have had input into the process, the final decision will be made by the Department. At this stage I am not able to provide details of what will be done as a decision has not been made. It does, however, seem that a significant upgrade of infrastruture will result and we have made it very clear that the whatever the heating system is, we need it to be efficient and WARM!

## Camps, Sport, Excursion Fund (CSEF)

Parents who hold a current health care card may be eligible to claim financial support to assist with expenses for camps, sport and excursions. If you are eligible please contact the school for an application form. Parents who have already claimed this at

Gladstone Views Primary School will not need to apply again however the school office will need to make a copy of your current health care card.



# **Assembly Performance**

The whole school will be performing the song "Home among the gum trees" at assembly this Friday 16th March, 2.50pm.

#### **Staff Car Park**

Conditions for use of the staff car park are clearly displayed at the entrance and parents/carers are required to abide by these conditions. Please be respectful of our school environment and 'follow the rules'.



# **Prep 2019 School Tours**



Thursday 19 April 9.30am & 6.00pm

Wednesday 9 May 9.30am & 6.00pm

# **HOT CROSS BUNS**

School Fundraiser



Traditional, Apple and Cinnamon, Choc Chip, Mocha and even Fruitless – who knew there were so many varieties?

Orders are due by tomorrow, Friday 16th March.

# **EASTER RAFFLE DONATIONS**



Please help us create some terrific Easter baskets for the raffle. All donations to the office please.