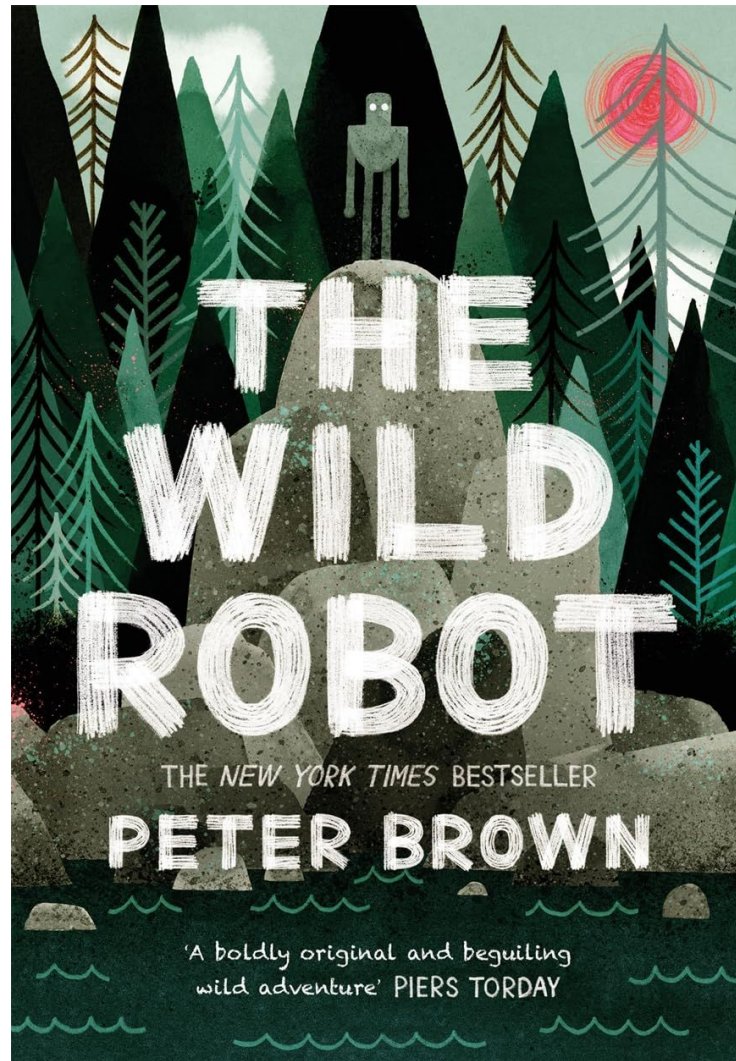


Term 2, Cohort Text



GLADSTONE VIEWS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

A Community of Wellbeing and Learning

Grade 1/2 Newsletter Term 2, 2026



OSH Club - After school care is **free** to register
Available each day from **7am -9am & 3:30pm - 6:00pm**
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Literacy

This term in Literacy, students will be developing their phonological and phonemic awareness through our daily Heggerty program, where they practise listening to and manipulating sounds in words by blending, segmenting, and changing phonemes to create new words.

Alongside this, we are focusing on letter-sound knowledge and correct formation of upper and lowercase letters including l, t, b, j, k, p, h, f and i. Students are building their vocabulary and reading fluency through shared and partner reading experiences, while also learning important comprehension strategies such as questioning and inferring to deepen their understanding of texts.

Our reading focus includes narratives, where students explore how authors create characters using both language and illustrations. We are also learning how to recognise and express emotions through words, facial expressions, and body language.

In speaking and listening, students are practising active listening skills, engaging respectfully with others by taking turns and contributing ideas, and developing confidence in presenting short talks on familiar topics, with a focus on clear voice, appropriate pace, and expression.

Mathematics

This term in Mathematics, students will be building strong number foundations through a range of engaging topics.

In Place Value, they will explore how numbers are made, helping them understand the value of each digit.

During Measurement, students will compare and measure length, capacity and mass using everyday objects.

In Addition and Subtraction, they will develop efficient strategies to solve problems and explain their thinking.

Finally, in Patterns, students will identify, create and extend repeating patterns, building their early algebra skills. These learning experiences are designed to support confidence, problem-solving and a deeper understanding of how maths connects to the world around them.

Wellbeing, Health and Inquiry

This term in Wellbeing and Inquiry, students are developing important personal and social skills through a range of engaging activities. We practise mindfulness each day to support focus, emotional regulation, and a calm start to learning. Students are building their ability to interact positively with others by taking turns, showing respect, and working collaboratively. As part of our physical education program, students participate in a weekly Year 1/2 cohort rotational sport session, where they develop teamwork, coordination, and fundamental movement skills in a fun and supportive environment. In Inquiry, our focus is on Chemical Sciences, where students explore how different materials can change in a variety of ways. Through hands-on investigations, they observe, describe, and discuss everyday changes such as melting, mixing, and dissolving, helping them to better understand the world around them.

Ways to help your child at home:

Supporting Reading at Home

Encourage regular reading by sharing books and discussing what your child has read. Asking simple questions about the text helps build understanding and enjoyment. Establishing a daily reading routine supports confidence and comprehension.

Supporting Emotional Regulation

Support your child's emotional wellbeing by talking about feelings and modelling calm strategies such as deep breathing or taking short breaks. Predictable routines and reassurance help children manage emotions and challenges.

Prioritising Sleep and Breakfast

Maintain a consistent bedtime routine to ensure adequate sleep, limiting screens before bed. Providing a healthy breakfast each morning helps students stay focused, energised and ready to learn.

The 2026 1/2 Team



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Term 2 Important Dates / Events

21st of May	Museum Excursion	15th of May	Walk safely to school
8th of May	King's Birthday	26th of June	Last Day of Term 2