

NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING DATES

Term 1 2023

- Community Assembly 3pm each Friday weather permitting
- Labour Day Public Holiday 13th March (no School)
- Foundation open classroom morning Tuesday
 21 March 9-9.20am
- Naplan testing Window 15th March to 27th March
- Grade 6 Camp to Portsea Camp Wed 29th to Fri 31st March 2023
- Parent & carers classroom training 9th March 2.30-3.20pm (parent and carer classroom placements will begin Term 2)
- GVPS Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser Sat 18th March 8am to 4pm @ Bunnings Broadmeadows
- Harmony Day 21st March
- Advancedlife School Photos Monday 3rd April
- GVPS Values Week (3-6 April) School athletics carnival, values launch, assembly and colour run
- End of term 1- Thursday 6th April
- Building Resilience in Children Parent and Carer Forum Wed 3rd May 6.30pm-8pm Broadmeadows Town Hall

Mr Alex's Principal Message

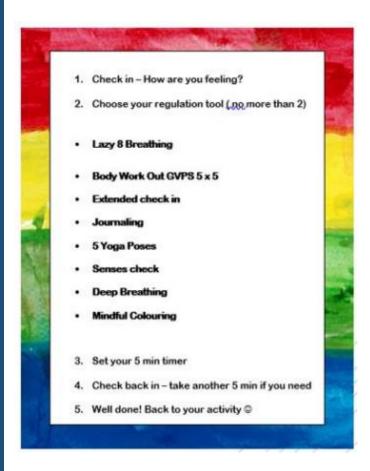
Dear Gladstone Views Primary School community,

It was another great fortnight of wellbeing and learning at Gladstone Views Primary School. On Tuesday night our teachers meet to discuss current wellbeing strategies including greetings at the door, morning circles, wellbeing and expectations lessons and zones of regulation. As part of regular practice, we meet as a staff to pulse check what is going well and opportunities for improvement to best support the wellbeing and learning of all the students at Gladstone Views Primary School.

Each newsletter addition, I will expand on wellbeing practices we are focusing on in the classroom so you the community understand the practice and how it supports the wellbeing of your children. You can also chat to your children about these activities. This edition is the Calm Corners and Matrix of Expectations.

Calm corners are a feature of all our classrooms and are a calming place in the classroom for students to sit in when they need regulating or calming when they are emotionally in the 'yellow' or 'red' zone. Each calm zone has strategy prompts to support students to regulate themselves. Calm corners look differently depending on the year level and have age appropriate calming strategies but they work in the same way.





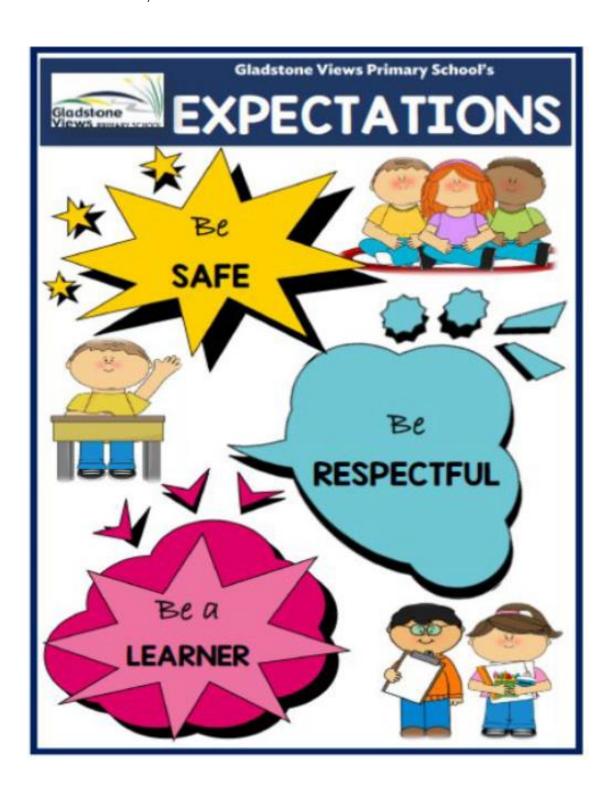


As part of our curriculum, we explicitly teach the **Matrix of Expectations** aligned to our school values of being respectful, safe and learners. Below is our Matrix of Expectation which is used to model appropriate behaviour and the language is used across the school to acknowledge appropriate behaviour and redirect inappropriate behaviour. It would be great if you were able to use this shared language at home with your children, so this behaviour and language is reinforced at home.

Gladstone Views Primary School Values

As a school we are currently reviewing our School Values and Expectations and would like to have your community voice and say. If you wish to contribute, could you please send an email to the school

gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au Attention to GVPS values, outlining what values you think are important for your child to be taught at GVPS, show and action. This will culminate in our Values Launch Day Thursday 6 April with our School Athletics Day and School Colour Run.



MATRIX OF EXPECTATIONS



LEARNER II	SAFE SI SE	RESPECTFUL II
I always try my best. I am prepared for learning. I participate. I listen aftentively. I learn from my mistakes.	I keep my hands, feet and objects to myself. I am where I'm meant to be. I move safely and give people their personal space. I make good choices. I listen and follow the instructions in an emergency.	Always I listen to the person talking and use manners. I am honest. I show kindness. I accept adult decisions and follow instructions. I take care of school property.
I have the equipment I need to learn. I follow the school values. I follow the classroom expectations.	I use equipment appropriately. I make responsible decisions.	Learning Areas I have a go. I respect learning and teaching. I cooperate in group work. I share and take turns. I put my hand up to share.
I am lined up before the bell rings. I try to resolve problems on my own or with the yard duty teacher. I think before I act.	I wear my hat during the SunSmart months. I wait my turn. I eat in the designated areas. I use equipment correctly. I follow the rules of the game.	Play Areas I use positive language. I tell the truth. I put rubbish in the bin. I share equipment and play spaces. I include others.
I know the music means stop what I am doing. I go to the toilet if needed. I line up.	I go to the toilet and have a drink at play times. I flush the toilet then wash my hands with soap.	Tollets and Taps I respect privacy. I use tollets and taps responsibly. I tell the teacher if the tollets are unsafe or dirty.
I am ready to order. I line up in the correct line.	I wait behind the line. I only purchase and eat my own food.	Canteen I wait my turn. I use my manners.
I arrive at class on time.	I line-up and wak in two lines. I keep to the left and stay together. I look where I am going.	Iransitions and Common Core Areas I use a quiet voice. I maintain personal space.
I listen to messages carefully. I am an attentive audience member.	I leave disies, entry and exit points clear. I sit with my class.	Assembly I enter and exit quietly. I show appreciation by clapping appropriately. I am mindful of people around me.
I use the internet to research and learn new skills. I follow protocols. I use digital technologies for assigned tasks only.	I keep passwords private. I only access sites I have permission to use. I only communicate online with people I already know. I report anything inappropriate to an adult or parent immediately.	Digital Technologies I follow the GVPS Digital Technology agreement. I only write things that are considerate of others' feelings. I seek permission before posting information about others.
	I abey safety rules. I am aware of stranger danger. I ensure I wear correct uniform when participating in out of school activities. I follow instructions and remain with my group.	In the Community I use my manners. I wear my uniform with pride. I respectfully represent my school.

Voice from the School Captains



We are excited to have our assembly back this Friday as due to the hot weather is has been unsafe to hold the event. It is an exciting assembly as our class and house captains will be announced to the community. It is also exciting as this Friday Mr Josh Bull Member of Parliament for Sunbury is visiting our school. We are going to talk to Mr Bull about what is great at our school and what we would love to improve.

We want to remind our school friends about being respectful and safe in our school toilets.

Many people are lining up correctly in the Canteen, using manners and waiting our turn. This is a little reminder that these are our expectations when using the canteen.

As it is a summer term, wearing hats and wearing them appropriately is expected to ensure we protect our skin.

Let's work together to keep our yard clean and being upstanders by reminding people to use the bins provided.

2023 School Council Members

Thank you to all the parents who expressed interest in joining the GVPS school council. As 2 parents withdrew their application, we are pleased to announce the following parents to represent the school on council. Beth Shanks, Matt Dawson, Grant Fenton (new member), and Katie Lynch (new member) these parents will join Michael Mawal, David Garvin, Ben Hart, and Phillip Harris on the 2023 GVPS School Council. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Kim Agius for her service to the school on council and wish her family well as this is their last year at GVPS.

GVPS Bunnings BBQ Roster Saturday 18 March from 8am to 4pm

The school council has organised a few Bunning's Warehouse BBQ fundraisers for the school this year. Our first date is Saturday 18 March from 8am to 4pm. We are looking for community volunteers to help us out with an hour or two of your time. Please fill in this form with your full name and the time you can help.

GVPS Bunnings BBQ Roster Saturday 18 March from 8am to 4pm

We have a timetable at the office if you place your name down for a slot.

If you can support with money for sausages or provide drinks, bread or condiments please let the school know.

Can you help Amanda Mead in the school Canteen?

Amanda is looking for parent and carer volunteers to support Amanda in the canteen. If you can spare a few hours of your time to help we would love to hear from you.

Safe parking around the school

It has come to the attention of the school that a small number of GVPS community members need to consider the safety of the community with their parking choices on Gaynor Crescent. It is not ok to park across the school crossing, in no standing zones or across local resident driveways. Could I ask that we are respectful of the local laws and the school community. The council does regular spot checks and fines are not fun. Jack Ginifer Reserve on Carrick Drive is a great option for families as there is plenty of parking and a crossing straight into the school. Let's be learners here and model safe practices!

Mr Alex Mowat

Principal

At Gladstone View Primary School we always welcome positive and constructive feedback on how we are going. If you would like to provide feedback to us, please do so via our email address gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Annual privacy reminder for our school community

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or were permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy. Please take time to read DET school's collection notice, found here; https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/schoolsprivacypolicy.aspx

We ask parents to also review the guidance we safely collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information at the school and what parents can do to further protect their child's information. If after reviewing the guidance, you have any questions or concerns regarding your child using please contact the school.

Meet the Teacher Feedback

Recently we sent out a request seeking feedback from our parent community regarding our recent "Meet the Teacher." Thank you to everyone who responded. The overwhelming majority of the feedback was positive, and it was wonderful to see that many of you valued and appreciated the opportunity to meet with your child(s) teacher early in the year. 97% of respondents said that the process of booking timeslots through Compass was simple and many also mentioned that teachers were on time, flexible and accommodating.

We have heard your requests and understand that the ten-minute timeslots may have been slightly too short for some families and that our planning for future sessions will aim to ensure that we can better cater for working parents.

Your feedback is always extremely important to us and is continuously used to inform our planning of school events.

Kind Regards, GVPS Leadership Team

Significant Dates			
Labour day Public Holiday	All Years	March 13 th 2023	No students at school
Portsea Camp	Years 5/6	Wed 29 th to March-Fri 31 st March 2023	Full payment due now
Parent and Carers Classroom	Parents &Carers	Thursday 9 th March 3.30-3.20pm	Parent and carer classroom placements will begin in Term 2
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2023 Term Dates			
Term 1	All Years	Fri 27 Jan - Thurs 6 th April 2023	
Term 2	All years	Mon 24 April – Fri 23 June 2023	
Term 3	All years	Mon 10 July - Fri 15 Sept 2023	
Term 4	All years	Mon 2 Oct – Wed 20 Dec 2023	
Curriculum Day	All years	Monday 6 Nov 2023	No Students to attend

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools this year.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit: https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx





This year Harmony Day falls on <u>Tuesday the 21st of March</u>. Harmony Day celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

At Gladstone Views PS all students will be taking part in a range of lessons to develop student's understandings around why we acknowledge Harmony Day.

Students will be able to come out of uniform on this day and wear orange, the colour that represents harmony.

We are looking forward to a wonderful day filled with fun, a sense of community and learning.