

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

KINDNESS WELLBEING INTEGRITY RESILIENCE

Hi Everyone,

As we approach the end of Term 2, it's a time to reflect on what has been an unprecedented time in our lives. While it has been difficult to adjust to the social changes, I must express how proud I am of our staff and students who had to modify and adapt the way we teach and learn in such a very short timeframe. I must also say that the staff have been wonderful in the care they have demonstrated in ensuring that the return to school has been smooth, with a big focus on the health and wellbeing of all students.



Finally, I thank all parents and carers for the support, care and understanding you have all demonstrated with the return to school and adhering to the social distancing restrictions we have had to put in place.

In the coming weeks, we will be working on updating our Return to School Plan for Term 3. At this stage, we are awaiting further updates from DET, which will influence how we are able to modify our plans for our school. I will advise you all via Compass as soon as we can, so please look out for that update. While we move into the school holiday break, please continue to abide by guidelines released by the State Government and our Chief Health Officer, so we can ensure our community remains safe. We all need to do our part to help us overcome this pandemic and get back to our lives pre COVID-19 as best we can.

END OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS

A reminder that tomorrow is the last day of Term 2. Students with surnames beginning with A-K will be dismissed at 2:10pm and students with surnames beginning with L-Z will be dismissed at 2:20pm. Term 3 commences on **Monday 13th July**.

ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING

A reminder student reports will be sent home to families on **Friday 17**th **July** (Week 1, Term 3). Due to the impact of the COVD-19 Pandemic, student reports will be a modified version of the report. We hope that Semester 2 will be a safe and healthier one for all, enabling us to return to our regular assessment and reporting.

Student conferences will occur on **Wednesday 22nd July**. The booking system via Compass will be open from 3:30pm today.

NEW PLAYGROUND



Exciting News!

Thank you Gladstone Views Primary School Community:

Due to the hard work of the Gladstone Views Primary School Community and for their amazing fundraising efforts, we have been able to install a new junior playground.

We were hoping that students would be able to use the equipment this week, however due to the weather, the playground will be up and running when students return back to school in Term 3! The senior students have also requested



we upgrade their playground, so that it is something we will explore further during Term 3.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

School Council met on Tuesday 9th June at 7:00pm. During the meeting, items discussed are listed below.

- An update on the implications of COVID-19 including remote and flexible learning
- An update about the building upgrade
- An update on school staffing
- Information regarding our School Review which will be held in Term 1, 2021
- Dates for Curriculum Day's for Term 3- Wednesday July 22nd (Student Conferences) and Friday 4th September (Writing Professional Learning). Please note students are not permitted to be at school during these Curriculum Days.

A huge thank you to everyone on School Council for your ongoing support.

ANNUAL REPORT

Every year all government schools hold an Annual Public Report Meeting where the general public is invited to discuss the school's annual report. Due to COVID-19, the Annual Report was shared and discussed at the last School Council meeting. Anyone interested in reading our Annual Report, are more than welcome to read it on our school website.

PLANNING WEEK & STUDENT VOICE

Last week Area Teams and Specialist Teachers had the opportunity to spend time together planning and preparing for Term 3. Teachers planned and discussed which concepts and topics they will be covering in Literacy, Numeracy and Investigations. As part of our teaching and planning, we recognise the importance of student voice and agency. In education, student voice refers to the values, opinions, beliefs, perspectives and cultural backgrounds of students. Student voice acknowledges that students have unique perspectives on learning, teaching and schooling, and should have the opportunity to actively shape their own education. Each team invited students to participate in their planning and here is an overview of what was discussed:

Foundation

On Tuesday June 16th the Foundation teachers had a planning day for Term 3. During their planning sessions students from FMS, FRI and FNJ were invited to give have their say about their learning. Lewie, Casey, Andrew, Noah R, Sia, Lucas and Abbey shared about their interests which included cooking, building, arts and craft, making friends, tea parties, video games, footy and animals. Students will be able to explore some of their favourite animals next term in our investigation unit about Living Things.



The students in Foundation will also be celebrating OUR 101 DAYS OF SCHOOL next term and they will be responsible for planning what is sure to be a fabulous celebration!

Year 1

Last Tuesday, the Year 1 teachers completed their Planning Day for Term 3. We invited some students from the Year 1 class to join us during our planning and contribute their ideas and interests. In Term 3, we will be studying an Earth and Space unit called, *Water Water Everywhere!* Let's just say, the students didn't hold back! The students were curious about the different ways water could be used, oceans, sea creatures and where does the water from the tap come from! The students suggested that they would like to conduct experiments with water, build and go for a nature walk and look at our local creek. Thank you Billie, Delilah, Madinah, Adam, Minnie, Maxanthony, Archie, Stephanie and Zeyilin who participated!

Year 2

On Thursday 18th June two year two students from each class were invited to join the teachers' planning day. Dilara (2KB), Adam (2KB), Paddy (2JG), Eliana (2JG), Ahmed (2CC) and Angelique (2CC) joined the teachers for part of the morning session to share their thoughts and feelings towards their learning. The students each had an opportunity to give the teachers feedback on what they liked about subjects, what they didn't like about subjects and gave ideas on how the teachers could make lessons more fun and engaging for students.



We would like to thank these six students for their contribution and we look forward to incorporating some of their ideas next term.

Year 3/4

We invited some students from Year 3/4 classes to join us during our planning and contribute their ideas, choices, interests and passions for the upcoming topics and units of work. It was lovely to see the students so enthusiastic and giddy with excitement as they bounced different thoughts and ideas off each other. It was equally wonderful for the teachers to watch and listen to rich conversation, and we are really excited to incorporate some of their ideas into our planning and teaching. Thank you to Logan, William, Eva, Kiara, Eirini, Sarah, Sariyah and Evan who participated.

Year 5/6

The Year 5/6 teaching team invited two students from each class into their planning day last week in order to incorporate Student Voice into their teaching plans for Term 3. During the morning session, the 5/6 Team came up with a list of questions they could pose to the students in order for them to contribute effectively to the planning. Questions included the following: What do you enjoy about our Reading sessions? How can we make Writing more fun and engaging? What are some topics that you would like to write about during Term 3?



The students' ideas were in-depth and insightful for their teachers, who completed their planning day with all of these ideas in mind. The Year 5/6 teachers would like to thank all of the students who attended our planning for all of your amazing ideas. Well done for speaking on behalf of all of the Year 5/6 students and giving your teachers some fabulous ideas to make everyone's learning even more fun and engaging in Term 3.

LOTE

The Italian captains, Millia, Kaavinaah and Eden met with Signora Marcucci during planning week to discuss some ideas for Italian Day. We had a very productive meeting with lots of ideas being discussed. Well done to all three girls for their wonderful contribution!





HELP NEEDED!

If you would like to get creative at home and decorate Signora Marcucci's puppet theatre box in an Italian theme Mrs Marcucci would love to hear from you! If interested, please email her at

<u>laura.marcucci@gvps.vic.edu.au</u> for more information. Grazie!



SCHOOL PHOTOS

Just a reminder about our School Photos Day on **Tuesday 21**st **July.** Please feel free to order the school photos online: www.advancedlife.com.au using our school code:

3ZB YDE ZFF. If you would like to order a sibling photo, you must do this by the **Monday 20th July**. If you prefer to order using the school photo envelope, please contact the office.





PYJAMA DAY

Today the Junior School Council organised a Pyjama Day to raise money for the Royal Children's Hospital and we raised an amazing **\$553.40** which will go towards such a great cause! Thank you to all those students who came along wearing their PJs!

TRIPLE P-POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM

Families can now access free expert parenting advice through the online Triple P-Positive Parenting Program. The program is relevant to families with children between 2 and 16 years and provides strategies to deal with specific challenges, such as building children's resilience and dealing with conflict.

There are courses specifically for parents of toddlers to tweens, and for parents of pre-teens to teens. It gives parents strategies to:

- raise happy, confident kids
- manage misbehaviour so everyone in the family enjoys life more
- set rules and routines that everyone respects and follows
- encourage positive behaviour
- take care of themselves as a parent
- feel confident they're doing the right thing.

Sign up to the Triple P program via their website: Triple P – Positive Parenting Program

Happy holidays everyone, be happy and be safe!

Belinda Karlsson Acting Principal

School Diary

Last Day of Term 2-Friday 26th June

First Day of Term 3-Monday 13th July

Reports Sent Home-Friday 17th July

Pupil Free Day-Wednesday 22nd July-Student Conferences (online)

School Photo Day-Tuesday 21st July

Pupil Free Day-Friday September 4th-Writing-Professional Learning



Photo Day 21-07-2020

Envelope and Order Instructions School Code: [3ZB YDE ZFF]

Dear Parents and Students.

Gladstone Views Primary School PHOTO DAY IS 21-07-2020

School photo order envelopes have been or will be distributed to every student and it is important that the order instructions (below) are followed.

** IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE – ONLINE ORDERING FOR SIBLING PHOTOS WILL CUT OFF ON 20-07-2020 **

ONLINE ORDERING Your child's school photos are now available for secure online purchase, please note if you are ordering online, you do not need to return an envelope to the school **4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING**

Step 1 Click Here - For online ordering process for your school.

- OR - Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code [3ZB YDE ZFF]

Step 2: Enter your student's details

Step 3: Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection)

Step 4: Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page)

** Online Orders will attract a \$1 service fee

Please Note: Late fees will apply once orders are closed (5 days after photo day)

FAMILY / SIBLING PHOTOS No envelope required if ordering online

3 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

- Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code [3ZB YDE ZFF]
- Family/Sibling photo orders online close on [20-07-2020]
- Orders can be placed by returning an envelope up until photo day with cash or cheque enclosed

ORDERING USING AN ENVELOPE

ENVELOPES WILL BE HANDED TO EACH CHILD, PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED ONE

Step 1: Student Details: Complete the student details section on the front of the order envelope.

Please use black or blue pen.

Step 2: Purchase Details: Complete the purchase details on the front of the envelope.

Step 3: Payment Method: Select your payment method.

Credit Card – Online Only at www.advancedlife.com.au

Cash – Please enclose correct money – no change is given under any circumstances

Cheque - Make payable to Advancedlife Photography with your name & address on the back of cheque

Please allow 60 days for your cheque to be finalised - a \$25 fee will apply to any dishonored cheque payments

Please Note: A portrait and a class group photograph will be taken of every student at the school, regardless of purchase. Photographs of your children taken as part of a class group are only permitted to be distributed within their own class. Your child's name will appear on the class group photo. If you Do Not wish your child to be photographed, please contact your school office with your instructions prior to Photo Day.

Please feel free to contact us via email or phone should you have any queries regarding your child's school photo order. info@advancedlifevic.com.au or 03 9852 1133

Advancedlife Team