

## TERM ONE

Thu March 28	Prep BBQ – 5.00pm to 6.30pm (no cost)
Fri March 29	School Assembly – 2.50pm in the gym
Tue April 2	Colour Run
Wed 3 April	Tours for 2020 Preps 10am and 6pm
Thu April 4	School Photos
Fri April 5	Casual Day – Cuthbert House - Red
Fri April 5	Last Day of Term – 2.30pm dismissal

## TERM TWO

Tue 23 April	First Day of Term
Tue 23 April	School Birthday Celebrations
Thu 25 <sup>th</sup> April	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
Fri 26 April	School Assembly – ANZAC Service
Tue 30 April	Tours for 2020 Preps 10am and 6pm
Thu 9 May	“Mothers’ and Others Day Stall”
Thu 16 May	Curriculum Day
Thu 23 May	Casual Day – Newcombe House – Blue
Thu 30 May	Cultural Dance Performance (no cost)
Mon 10 June	Queen’s Birthday
Thu 27 June	Student Conferences
Fri 28 June	Last Day of Term

## Family Night Fun



## Harmony Day and Family Night

Thank you to our wonderful school community for a terrific celebration of diversity on Harmony Day last week. The children looked fantastic in their orange clothes and costumes and thoroughly enjoyed the activities provided during the day.

The family night was an outstanding success with a large number of family and friends in attendance. I have no doubt that you would have been impressed with the standard of student work on display and the performances. It is important that children have an audience for their work both classroom work such as the writing on display last week, and singing and dancing performances. We are very proud of what the children have already achieved this year.

These days and family nights take a lot of organising and we are fortunate to have staff who are willing to provide these opportunities. Special thanks to Laura and Jacinda for their organisation of the events, and to all staff who pitched in and did whatever was needed to make the day and night a huge success.

We were pleased to launch our new merchandise – values tea towels and candles. This will be continue to be available for purchase from the office.



## Cuthbert House Casual Day (Red House)

To help students develop a connection with their school ‘house’ we have a casual day for each ‘house’ on their house eponym’s birthday. As Betty Cuthbert’s birthday falls during the school holidays, students in Cuthbert House will have their casual day on Friday April 5<sup>th</sup>. Students may choose to wear casual clothes or dress as an athlete. If your child is in Cuthbert House you may like to do some research on Betty Cuthbert with them.

## School Birthday – April 23<sup>rd</sup> (First Day of Term 2)

Our school’s birthday is on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, which is the first day of term two. Our staff ‘birthday team’ have organised some terrific activities to celebrate.

### Casual Day – Dress as a Painter or Artist or just go casual

The theme for the day is ‘painting’ as all children will have an opportunity to contribute to a whole school art piece. Our art activity will involve the use of ‘house paint’ and while every effort will be made to keep children clean, we can’t guarantee this. Please make sure your child doesn’t wear their best clothes.

### Whole School Art Piece

We plan to do a creative piece of art on the shipping container. This will be weather dependent and it may take more than one or two days for all 432 children to make their contribution.

### Treasure Hunt

All students will participate in a treasure hunt. Some might get lots of treasure, some a little, and some may miss out. This is one of those activities in which children need to ‘do their best’ and be resilient.

### Bubbles

Our bubble machine will be working hard during the breaks.

## School Birthday cont.

### For the Grown Ups

As a special school birthday treat for adults we have organised for a coffee van to be on-site in the morning. Parents/carers are invited to purchase a cup of coffee and have a chat in the playground. If the weather does not cooperate we will provide an indoor location.

## Welcome Veronica



We are pleased to welcome Veronica to the Gladstone Views staff team. Many of you will have met Veronica at the front office over the last couple of weeks. Veronica is replacing Lisa who, as you know, has taken on a position as a Business Manager for the rest of this year. I am sure you will all make Veronica feel welcome.

## School Council News

At our first meeting on the new School Council this week Office Bearers were elected as follows:

President – Andrew Cliff

Vice President – Kristie Karlovic

Treasurer – to be confirmed

Secretary – Suzy Black

### Annual Report

The Annual Report was endorsed by School Council and presented at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) following the School Council meeting. It was terrific to have some members of our school community attend the AGM. The Annual Report will be available on the school website by the end of this week.

### Policies

The following policies were endorsed by School Council:

SunSmart\*

Investment

Workplace Bullying

Statement of Values and School Philosophy\*

Sexual Harassment

Child Safety reporting Obligations and Procedures\*

Visitors\*

\*These policies will be available on the school website by the end of the week.

## Bunnings BBQ – Fundraising – Help Needed

Our fundraising group have worked hard over the last two years to secure two Bunnings Sausage Sizzle dates for this year. The first of these is May 5<sup>th</sup> and we would love your help and support to make this a successful fundraiser.

We understand that this is Fathers' Day and some people will not be able to help at the event so we have come up with the idea of providing an option for donations to assist with the day.

You can support the school by:

### Volunteering on the day

Shifts are two hours with options to sell, cook or prepare. If you are able to come along on the day please contact the school office to add your name to the roster. You can select a two hour time slot that fits in with your activities on the day.

### Donating

We will need the following items on the day, if you can't volunteer you may like to consider making a donation. Donations can be handed in to the office or your child's classroom teacher.

Bottles of Tomato Sauce x1L	Bottles of Mustard Sauce x1L
Bottles of BBQ Sauce x1L	Bottles of Chilli Sauce x1L
Napkins – packets of 100	Paper Towel – 4 packs
Disposable Gloves - boxes	Cans – Coke, Diet Coke, Kirks

## Prep Enrolments for 2020

Our first school tours for parents of prospective 2020 Prep students commenced this week. Additional tours will be held on April 3<sup>rd</sup> and April 30<sup>th</sup> at 10.00am and 6.00pm on both days.



## Curriculum News – STEM

It has been an eventful few weeks in the classrooms here at school with STEM making its way into countless lessons and opening up the students' minds to think about things in different ways. Students and teachers alike are realising that STEM isn't a stand-alone lesson but fits in to all areas of the curriculum in different ways. Whether it is using technology to support our reading or writing a procedural text about designing a paper aeroplane, STEM can be found in our classrooms every day.

Students in the Grade 3/4 area have been looking at forces, the way things move and what can make things go faster or slower. Mr M's



class designed their own parachutes and tried to defy gravity by seeing who could keep their parachute up in the air the longest.

Toby and Ben said "The canopy is the most important part, the air gets trapped and the air pushes up."

Students had to work through their designs and make modifications to their original ideas to improve the amount of time the parachute stayed in the air.

Ms Buckley's class were trying to build towers out of different materials they could find in the classroom. The students looked at how different objects can go together to make a sturdy base to build upon. Declan took on the challenge of building with playing cards, it took him a lot of time and a steady hand but as the picture shows, he is pretty happy with his tower!



The Grade 5/6s took building their paper planes very seriously. Students first designed their own airplanes to see if they could make them go a long distance. Afterwards, students researched many different designs and chose one to build to improve their distance. "The world record design probably worked the best" according to the students.

## Year Six Camp

Our year six students were extremely excited to be heading to camp on Tuesday morning with Scott, Alex, Trent and Sharon. We look forward to hearing of their adventures when they return on Friday.