

# **NEWSLETTER**

**KINDNESS** 

WELLBEING

**INTEGRITY** 

**RESILIENCE** 

#### **UPCOMING DATES**

- School Evacuation Practice Drill Nov 14 -18
- 5/6 Living growing program.
   Nov 15
- 1 / 2 Swimming
   Nov 15,16, 17, 18,22,23,24,25
- 2023 Foundation Transitions begin Nov 17, 2022
- State Election Voting at GVPS
   Sat 26 Nov
- School Dental Visit Week of visit Nov 28
- CASEA Parent Information1 Dec 9.15-10.15am& 2.15-3.1pm
- 2023 Curriculum Contributions
   2 Dec
- Year 6 Transition
   To Secondary School
   & 2023 GVPS Step Up
   Day Students meet their
   2023 Teachers and
   class members
- End of Year
   Community Concert
   Wed 14 2022
   Fri 27<sup>th</sup> & Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Jan
   2023

## Principal's message

Dear Gladstone Views Primary school community,



As I write to you today, Friday of the 11<sup>th</sup> month, of the 11<sup>th</sup> day is Remembrance Day. Today the students observed the Ode, The Last Post and a minute silence to remember those who have died or suffered in wars, conflicts and peace operations. Poppies have been on sale at the general office to raise money for veterans and their families all this week. This is also a very important day as Cameron Baird a previous GVPS student was killed in operations in Afghanistan on 22 June 2013. For 13 years of service, he was awarded The Victoria Cross for acts of valour, extreme devotion to duty and ultimate self-sacrifice in Afghanistan and a Medal for Gallantry. This is GVPS's highest valued award for a graduating GVPS grade 6 student. 'Lest we Forget.'

# Election Day BBQ on Saturday 26th November at GVPS





## A message from our School Council President, Matt Dawson

Our school is a Victorian Election voting site **Saturday 26**<sup>th</sup> **November** so please come, tell your friends and family, and vote at GVPS.

We are also holding a BBQ as a fundraiser for the school.

KOFFY Our local cafe, will be onsite making coffee and tea along with a selection of pastries to purchase.

If you can provide a financial donation to go towards sausages, money can be paid directly to JJ Meats at Gladstone Views Shopping Centre. Just need to let the team at JJ's Meats know it's for our GVPS BBQ. Monies can be collected to buy onions, or you can donate onions to the school. If you can help with bread within 24 hours of the BBQ or soft drinks, condiments, or napkins we would love to hear from you.

We have added our Election Day BBQ to the Democracy Sausage website https://democracysausage.org

It would be great if we can also arrange a raffle on the day. If anyone has time to try and see if we can get prizes donated, that would be much appreciated. Prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd.

If anyone has any other ideas for the day, please feel free to let us know.

This is the last big fundraiser for the year, would be great to raise as much money as possible. Please tell all family and friends to come along on the day and help support our School.

Volunteers for the day are needed for the day, operating hours from 8am - 4pm.

Please let the school know via email gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au if you can help in anyway.

### Regards

Matt Dawson - School Council President

## **Teachers and Replacement Teachers at GVPS**

There are some days throughout the year where your child does not have their regular teacher. I understand that is difficult for some children to face. But here at GVPS we are committed to supporting children to build resilience and navigate these days. The reason for replacement teachers in classrooms could be for a number of reasons, firstly teachers having illness or leave, also teachers are entitled to 4 days per year for professional practice days to complete work associated with their class and assessment. As you would be aware there is a large teacher shortage in Victoria, and this has had impact on this school as my Learning Specialists have been required to move into classrooms. As Learning Specialists are key people on my leadership team, I need these people to be working away from the classroom at time to support our strategic improvements as a school. If you feel your child needs to be supported through these circumstances, please contact the school via phone or email gladstone views ps@education.vic.gov.au

#### **Every Day Counts**

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind.

This fact sheet via the link below gives families some more information on student attendance in schools and how schools can support families with student attendance.

https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/school/principals/participation/everydaycountsprimparent.pdf

#### **Jett Edwards Run for Autism**







Congratulations to Jett Edwards for his ongoing efforts supporting people with autism. Jet is currently at \$1700. Thank you from the school and the Edwards family with the school raising \$440 with the casual clothes day last Friday.

To the students, teachers and wider community of GVPS on behalf of Jett Edwards 4KV and his parents Andrew and Kelly we would like to thank you all for supporting Jett's Run for Autism Casual Clothes Day last Friday. To see all GVPS students dressed in their casual clothes to support Jett was truly amazing. So THANK YOU all !!Jett ran a total of 18kms over the course of the week-long run. The money raised by the GVPS casual clothes day pushed Jett's fund-raising efforts over \$1700 thus far, which by far exceeded his goal amount! Jett and his dad have raised a combined total close to \$2500 with all money going to Autism Spectrum Australia who help people living with Autism. A special thank you must also go to Principal Alex for all his support and efforts in organising the support of the school community.

Kelly, Andrew & Jett



#### **Bell times**

We are currently reviewing our bell times; the school is considering playing music from 8:50-9am before the 9am bell to signify to students that Soft Start has begun, and teachers are to open their classroom doors. It is expected that when students arrive at school and the music is playing, they move to their classrooms to begin learning for the day. With changes to teacher hours in the new teacher Agreement there are likely changes to the session times and school ending time. This will also impact school after school event times in the future. With all teacher work needing fit between 8:45 and 4:45pm. The school will communicate any future changes in advance.

#### **End of Year Community Concert**

The school has begun planning for our **End of Year Community Concert on Wednesday December 14.** This will be a wonderful community event to come together to celebrate 2022 at Gladstone Views Primary School further details to follow in coming newsletters.

# **GVPS Yearbook Student Designs**

Currently our students have been invited to design the cover of our GVPS yearbook. Here are some of the student designs.



# **Student of the Week Award Winners**

Congratulation and well done to our Student of the Week Award winners from the last assembly – Keep up the good work living out our values and expectations at GVPS.





## **Message from our School Leaders**

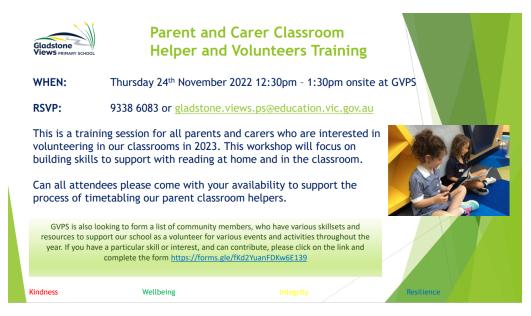
We have noticed that the school yard is so much cleaner than usual, there isn't litter blowing across the playground. We think this is a result of students finishing their lunches inside, being conscience of putting our rubbish in the bins provided and our soft plastic collection. There are also some wonderful students showing Kindness in our school by cleaning the school during breaks. These students have been rewarded at assembly with the Principal Award.

We want to congratulate all our school for being SunSmart so many students are wearing their SunSmart hats as it has been very sunny over the last few days.

The 5/6s have been learning about living and growing and we have been enjoying writing our 'Zeens' (mini magazines) which is about producing multiple genres of writing about a particular topic. The school leaders have been selling poppies all this week to raise money for our service people through the ANZAC Appeal, it is our little way of saying thanks.

Our junior students have been enjoying the hatching program with chickens at our school has been a cute experience. They have also had the CASEA program supporting positive wellbeing and behaviours.

We are so excited about graduation in a few weeks, and we have been preparing our dances.



# Parent / Carer Classroom Helper and volunteer course

In the aim to have our community connected to learning, we are offering training for parents and carers to help in the classroom and to have a list of volunteers in our community who will be trained to help us to run and attend school-based events.

**Thursday 24 November 2022 – 12.30pm to 1.30pm** is our first date for training. If you are interested, please call the school on 9338 6083 or email the school <u>gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au</u> with attention to Parent / Carer Classroom Helper and Volunteer Course to book your place.

GVPS is also looking to form a list of community members, who have various skillsets and resources to support our school as a volunteer for various events and activities throughout the year. If you have a particular skill or interest, and can contribute, please click on the link and complete the form <a href="https://forms.gle/fKd2YuanFDKw6E139">https://forms.gle/fKd2YuanFDKw6E139</a>

## Parent/Carer Classroom Helpers required

We would really appreciate the help of parent / Carer volunteer helpers on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November** from 11.30am onwards to prepare and sort books for our 2023 classrooms.

If you are available to help, please email your interest to <u>gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au</u> or contact our office Ph:93386083

#### **Work forcing 2023**

We have the following wonderful teachers joining us in 2023

Maria Varvakis

Vivian Denke

Kristy Holmes

#### **Student Classroom Placement**

At GVPS we take the time to build authentic relationships and to understand your children and how they best learn. In the coming weeks we will be collaborating to place students in the best classroom for their wellbeing and learning. If there is something regarding wellbeing and learning that you would like the school to consider about your child's placement please send an email to the school gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au with attention to Classroom Placement for 2023.

#### **Foundation 2023**

We are so excited to welcome our new Foundation students for 2023 the following are our transition dates and information regarding this has been directly sent to these families.

Thursday 17 November 2022 – 12.30pm to 1.30pm

Thursday 24 November 2022 – 12.30pm to 1.30pm

Thursday 1 December 2022 – 12.30pm to 1.30pm

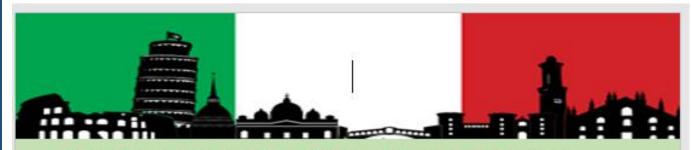
Thursday 8 December - 12.30pm to 2pm

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

#### **Breakfast Club**

The last day for Breakfast Club this year will be **Wednesday 30 November 2022**. Thank you to all the students who have attended and enjoyed the delicious food. Emma Wilson

Significant Dates			
Last Day Term 4 2022	All years	20 Dec -Time TBA	Early Dismissal
2023 Term Dates			
Term 1	All Years	Fri 27 Jan - Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	
Curriculum Day	All years	Friday 27 Jan 2023	No Students to attend
Curriculum Day	All years	Monday 30 January 2023	No Students to attend
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 – Fri 20 Dec 2023	



# ITALIAN POETRY COMPETITION 2022

#### Ciao a tutti!

Huge congratulations to all the Grade 5/6 students who attended the Italian Poetry Competition on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at Gladstone Park Secondary College. Every student put in so much hard work and effort to memorise their poems and we are very proud of their achievements.

There were four schools that participated in the competition and our students achieved the most awards in total. They even had a pizza lunch to celebrate! Buonissimo! So well done to all the students for their passion and commitment. Bravissimi!

Here are the results from the competition:

# Grade 5's



Primo Premio (First Prize) William G (5/6C)



Secondo Premio (Second Prize) Lara B (5/6K)



Premio Miglior Pronuncia (Best Pronunciation) Eva D F (5/6C)



Premio Miglior Attore (Best Actor) Declan C (5/6C)



Primo Premio (First Prize) Heoe N (5/4K)



Terzo Premio (Third Prize) Reem Y (6KB)



Terzo Premio (Third Prize) Laibah K (&KB)







# Artist of the Week Award

At the end of Term 3, **Eva Di Fabio from 5/6C** was announced as the winner of the **Art Award Design Competition** – congratulations Eva! The Grade 3-6 students had the opportunity to enter by submitting their own certificate design for the new weekly **Artist of the Week Award**.

**Billie Howden** from **3EA** received the runner up prize for her design and a special acknowledgement, as she helped come up with the idea of the student competition – thank you Billie!

Well done to all students who entered the competition, the Art Captains Team were very impressed with all competition entries!

This term the Artist of the Week Award, for Foundation to Grade 6 students across the school, has commenced being announced weekly at the whole school assembly, and several students have already enjoyed receiving the special award and certificate. Congratulations to the students who have been presented with the award thus far and keep up the great effort in Art!

Depicted below is Eva's winning design and Eva and Billie at assembly receiving their prizes.



Eva's winning design

Eva & Billie

The very exciting winning prize for the art competition was a \$100 gift card to spend at **the LUME** art exhibition in Melbourne! Eva attended the LUME with her family over the school holidays and I'm glad to hear they got to see some famous artist inspired exhibitions and enjoyed themselves.

Depicted below are some pictures of the Di Fabio family having fun at the LUME!







Eva







Kara, Alena & Eva

# **SPORT UPDATE**

# 5/6 CRICKET BLAST GALA DAY

Congratulations to the 5/6 cricket teams who participated in the Cricket Blast Gala day at Dallas Brooks Community Primary school on Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> of October. Congratulations to our girls' team for winning both games and making it through to regionals.





# STATE TRACK AND FIELD ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to Stephanie Clark for competing in the state athletics track and field championships at Albert Park Athletics Track on Wednesday 2nd of November. Steph won her heat in the 200m and progressed to the final where she finished 2<sup>nd</sup>! In the 800m she finished 4th in the final. A big congratulations to Steph, what an achievement!!





