

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

KINDNESS

WELLBEING

INTEGRITY

RESILIENCE

## Upcoming Dates

- **Run for Autism-  
Casual Clothes Day**  
Fri 4<sup>th</sup> November
- **School Council**  
8 Nov 6-8pm
- **School Evacuation  
Practice Drill**  
Nov 14<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup>
- **CASEA Parent  
Information**  
Nov 10<sup>th</sup>
- **2023 Foundation  
Transitions begin**  
Nov 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- **State Election  
Voting at GVPS**  
Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Nov
- **CASEA Parent  
Information**  
Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> Dec
- **School Dental Visit  
Week of visit**  
28<sup>th</sup> Nov 2022
- **5/6 Lawn Bowls**  
4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Oct
- **End of Year  
Community Concert**  
Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Dec, Fri  
27<sup>th</sup> & Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Jan  
2023

## Mr Alex's Principal Message

Dear Gladstone Views Primary school community,



As I write to you today, Friday 28 October is **World Teachers' Day**, I am sure you will join me in celebrating all that teachers do for our children at GVPS. I encourage you to reach out on Class Dojo by sending a nice message to your child's teacher to recognise this day or saying thanks when you drop or pick your children up. The school has put on a lunch and a few lovely surprises for the teachers throughout the day.



The community has raised some concerns with me regarding **homework**. I am currently reviewing the GVPS homework policy and the Department's recommendation with school council and will communicate the school's direction on this moving forward. Research suggests that homework shouldn't exceed 20 minutes per night in primary years and should be centred around reading for enjoyment and revision of learning which has taken place in the classroom. Did you know that if your child reads just 20 minutes per night, they will know 1.8 million more words than a child that does not complete their nightly reading.

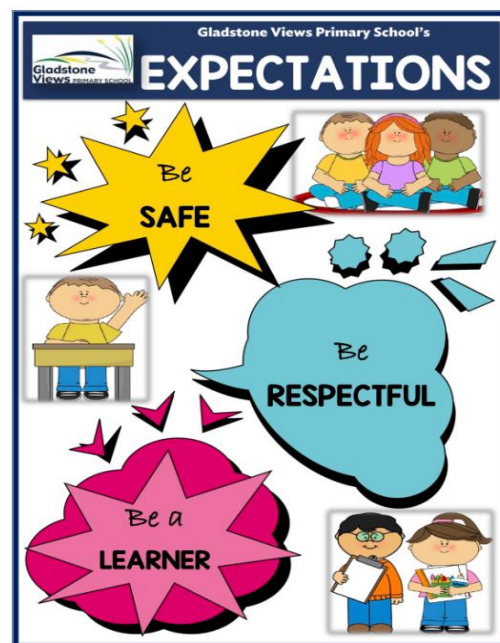


Figure 1 - The Framework for Improving Student Outcomes

The Framework for Improving Student Outcomes (Figure 1) is a school's guiding resource to improve student outcomes. As you can see in Figure 1

above, **Learning** and **Wellbeing** is at the centre. In the background, the school is planning to relaunch our school values and **School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS)** in 2023 which is the supporting framework to **classroom expectations** and **wellbeing**. The school is currently reviewing our values and the SWPBS framework and once this is ready for release an exciting whole school community event will take place in term 1 2023 to announce and celebrate our values. More to come in this space.

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



As a part of the Gladstone Views Primary School 5 Year Plan, the school will have major strategic action with addressing and supporting the **wellbeing** of our students. Several professional learning opportunities will take place in 2022, 2023 and beyond to build the capacity of teachers in SWPBS, CASEA, Trauma Informed Practice and Rights, Resilience and Respectful Relationships to support student wellbeing and learning in this space.

As part of **positive wellbeing**, the school has become aware of a small number of students in the senior years using technology in a manner against our school values and making other students feel unsafe. As a school, we teach and put measures in place to ensure appropriate use and the monitoring of use technology closely (In line with DET Cybersafety and Responsible Use of Digital Technologies Policy). It is important that we work together in this space, and that parents and carers are monitoring your children's use of technology outside of school hours.

We are currently reviewing our bell times; the school is considering playing music from 8:50-9:00am before the 9:00am 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.



I hope all our families enjoy the extra-long weekend for Report Writing Day Report Writing Day, Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October and Melbourne Cup Day, Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November as the school will be closed.

## GVPS Community Update

### November 26 is the Victorian State Election.

We are holding a voting location here at Gladstone Views Primary School, please come and tell your friends to vote here as we will be holding a sausage sizzle and Koffy, our local coffee shop, will be onsite with a coffee van as a fundraiser for the school. If you can help, please let the school know by email [gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au) or phone.



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.

### Run for Autism



30 October to 6 November is Run for Autism week. There are many families' participating in this event across Melbourne to raise money to support people on the autism spectrum.

If you would like to participate or for more information, please visit this website.

<https://www.runforautism.org.au/>

To support Jett Edwards on his run, Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November will be a Casual Clothes Day with a gold coin to participate with all proceeds going to support people on the autism spectrum.

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November - GVPS Casual Clothes Day

Gold coin donation for Jett Edward's run and all proceeds going to support people on the autism spectrum

## Remembrance Day



This Remembrance Day, we join the world in honouring those who've served and sacrificed. Throughout the Commonwealth and beyond, we remember all who paid the ultimate price for our freedom. Help keep their legacy alive by pausing, reflecting in silence, wearing a poppy, or supporting our veteran community.

Our GVPS School Captain's will visit classrooms with Poppy's next week. Poppy's range from \$1 to \$5.00.

## **LEST WE FORGET**

### CASEA Update

As you may know from previous newsletters, Gladstone Views Primary School are working with the CASEA Team. CASEA is a Well-being Initiative. We have organised 3 Parent Workshops with our Educational and Developmental Psychologist, Rebecca Sobell.

We will be offering 3 different workshops throughout Term 4. These workshops will be facilitated onsite. We will be offering two sessions (morning and afternoon) to accommodate various schedules and commitments.

Thursday November 10th- Managing Anxiety- (9:15am-10:15am and 2:15-3:15pm)

Thursday December 1st- Developing Resilience- (9:15am-10:15am and 2:15-3:15pm)

## **CASEA Program Update**

### **Week 2- This Week**

During Week Two of the CASEA Program the focus of the group is on Feelings. Children will discuss how they identify and express their own feelings, and talk about how to recognise how others are feeling. In particular, the importance of recognising feelings by looking at facial expressions and body language, and listening to a person's tone of voice, will be discussed. The session also focuses on Strong Emotions. The aim is to assist children in understanding that some emotions are more intense than others. They will learn to identify how to recognise their body's "warning signals" so that they can identify when they are becoming angry.

All children in Grades Prep to Three will participate in classroom activities that focus on identifying and recognising feelings.

*Next week: Managing Strong Emotions*

## **CASEA Program Update**

### **Week 3 Next Week**

During Week Three of the CASEA Program the focus of the group is on Managing Strong Emotions. The group will help children to understand the importance of being able to stop strong emotions before they become out of control, as well as help them to identify different ways of coping with anger. In particular, children will learn how to use the "Calming Down" strategy.

All children in Grades Prep to Three will participate in classroom activities that focus on managing anger and "calming down".

*Next week: Introducing STOP, THINK, DO*



I am excited to announce that construction has begun to our student bike and scooter racks these will be placed at the Carrack Drive entry in the enclave next to the gym. I know the students have been waiting for these.



Also, we have a new lunchtime club for our students beginning soon – **Sewing!**

If you have any resources like wool or needles, scrap materials, threads, old cushions, stuffing and buttons to donate to the school, we would love to have it and please drop this off at the school office.



Also, any parent or carers who are keen sewers and would like to help at lunchtimes please let the school know by email [gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au) or phone.

## Student of the Week Award Winners

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





## Message from our School Leaders



In 5/6 we have recently had a Science Incursion where we learnt about space, the solar system and how the seasons work and phases of the moon work. We had a dance program last week called STOMP we learnt a dance together it was good to listen to music and get active.

We really enjoy the opportunity to work with our buddies with the 6s connected to the year 1s and the 5s with the Foundation students. Each week we do fun activities together.

From our perspective the students have been showing KINDNESS with our school yard environment as it has been so much cleaner since we have been finishing our lunch inside and placing our wrappers in the bins. We want to remind students that if they purchase food or drink at the canteen that those wrappers need to go in the bin as well.

## 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 [gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au) with attention to Parent / Carer Classroom Helper and volunteer course to book your place.



### Parent and Carer Classroom Helper and Volunteers Training

**WHEN:** Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022 12:30pm - 1:30pm onsite at GVPS

**RSVP:** 9338 6083 or [gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

This is a training session for all parents and carers who are interested in volunteering in our classrooms in 2023. This workshop will focus on building skills to support with reading at home and in the classroom.

Can all attendees please come with your availability to support the process of timetabling our parent classroom helpers.

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 <https://forms.gle/fKd2YuanFDKw6E139>



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## Work forcing 2023

I am pleased to announce that Niamh McIntosh-Bartlett, Matilda Seru and Suzy Black will be our Foundation teachers in 2023.

Laura Marcucci and Kristy Barnes have exciting news of expecting babies in the not-too-distant future and will be embarking on motherhood and family leave in 2023.

Also, we have Brett Moule, Eliza German and Ange Cetin taking 12 months leave to explore various other opportunities.

We have the following wonderful teachers joining us in 2023

Rachelle Ritchie

Kerry Gribbin

Kylie German

Matthew Feeley PE

We welcome back Nicole Jovic us in 2023.

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:gladstone.views.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

Significant Dates			
Curriculum Day	All years	31 Oct 2022	Teacher report writing day. School closed.
Melbourne Cup Public Holiday	All years	1 Nov 2022	School closed
Last Day Term 4	All years	20 Dec 2.20pm finish	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	



# SPORT UPDATE

## 5/6 GIRLS BASKETBALL

Last Monday our 5/6 girl's interschool sports basketball team played in the Woodlands District basketball gala day. The team won all three games and have made it through to the regionals which will be held Thursday the 27th of October at Diamond Valley Sports Centre, Greensborough.]

The girls won the first game 41-13, the second game 57-6 and the grand final was a close one 14-11.

Goodluck to the girls in the next round, what a great achievement!



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What a great achievement to make it to the regionals, well done again girls!



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## **CRICKET PROGRAM**

On Tuesday Gladstone Park Cricket Club came out to a school.  
If you are interested in learning cricket and participating in a free 6-week program  
contact the number below.



6 week  
program



CRICKET CLUB



**INVITES YOU TO JOIN OUR FREE  
WOOLWORTHS CRICKET BLAST**

LOCATED AT JACK GINIFER RESERVE, CARRICK DRIVE, GLADSTONE PARK  
Registration: 28th of October, 4:00pm

**Junior Blasters will:**  
\*Learn batting and bowling skills  
including catching and throwing  
while engaging in fun activities.  
FOR ENQUIRIES PLEASE CONTACT DILLON PERERA  
(JUNIOR CO ORDINATOR) ON 0466021430.

\*Reimbursement will be provided once child is registered







**GLADSTONE VIEWS PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**SCHOOL MAGAZINE FRONT COVER DESIGN COMPETITION**  
**OPEN ONLY TO STUDENTS IN GRADES 3-6**

Could you be the designer of our digital year book front cover this year?

How creative can you be?

*If you decide to take up the challenge, you may include the following in your design.....*

**The Year-2022**

**School logo- (above in top left corner)**

**TITLE-GVPS SCHOOL YEARBOOK**

**Our school values-Resilience, Wellbeing, Integrity and Kindness**

**Our school expectations -Be Respectful, Be Safe and Be a learner**

You must ensure that any writing is legible (we can read it), neat and not too small. Ensure that any writing is at least one centimetre away from the edge of the page on both sides.

It must be printed/designed on an A4 sheet of paper in 'portrait' (the short sides of the paper at the top and bottom)

How you design it is up to you! You can draw it, design it on your computer/IPAD, draw pictures and cut and paste them on, or any other way you can think of.

Use high quality images only (not blurry or distorted from stretching).

You must return your completed design to Mrs Silva's pigeon hole by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> of November with your name and class on the back of the page (lightly written in pencil). You can also email your digital copy to Mrs Silva at [christie.silva@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:christie.silva@education.vic.gov.au)

Please make sure you send it as an A4 PDF. Each class will get the chance to vote for the top 8 (chosen by the teachers).

*The winner will have their design feature as the front cover for the digital school magazine 2022 and will also receive a canteen voucher as a prize! BE CREATIVE AND HAVE FUN!*

Mrs Christie Silva



