



Newsletter

Term 2, Issue 1 Week 2 Date 5 May

DIARY DATES:

FRIDAY 6TH MAY
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(HOME)

MONDAY 9TH MAY
WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTO'S
FAMILY ENVELOPES
AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE

MONDAY 23RD MAY
EDUCATION WEEK
OPEN MORNING
11.05AM– 12.20PM

TUESDAY 24TH MAY
SCHOOL TOUR
2.30PM

THURSDAY 26TH MAY
SCHOOL TOUR
9.30AM

FRIDAY 26TH
STEP INTO PREP
1.50PM– 3.00PM

SCHOOL PHOTOS

A reminder that 'School Photo Day' is **Monday 9th May**. For details, including information on how to order photo's, please refer to the COMPASS notification that was sent out last Wednesday. All students received photo envelopes last week.

From The Principal

As this is the first newsletter since the holidays, I want to warmly welcome back the whole school community! There is a lot happening in Term 2 and I encourage all families to read the fortnightly newsletters very carefully, taking note of important dates and events.

This is also the term when we encourage new families to come and look at what we have to offer- particularly during Education Week. We are very proud of what we do and what we achieve as a dynamic learning community at Gladstone Park Primary School. We've already had numerous enquiries and enrolment requests for 2023. If there are families you know out there looking for a strong start to education, we encourage you to invite them to contact us as soon as possible.

MOTHER'S DAY

I would like to wish all mums a very happy Mother's Day for this coming Sunday. I hope your families shower you with all the love and pampering you deserve. Also, a huge **THANKYOU** to **Myf Trant** and her loyal band of PFC members for running the Mother's Day stall at the school over the last couple of days.

COVIDSAFE MEASURES

I want to thank all members of the school community for helping to keep our school open and as free from infection as possible. I encourage all families to revisit the '**Principal's Message**' I sent out last week on COMPASS, describing important updates for the following COVIDSafe measures: **Face Masks, Screening Requirements, Rapid Antigen Testing, Household Contacts,** and **Vaccination Requirements.**



POSITIVE THINKING FOR CHILDREN, TEENAGERS AND ADULTS

Positive thinking can help you and your child **notice and appreciate the good things in your lives.** It's easy to spend a lot of time thinking about things that have gone wrong. When you do this, these things can seem overwhelming and lead to worry and stress. But when you learn to think positively, you can **keep difficult times in perspective.** And if you focus on the positives and keep the negatives in perspective, it's **good for your happiness and wellbeing.**

The more you think positively, the easier it becomes. A positive thinking activity can get you and your children into the habit of thinking more positively about things that have gone well and why.

How to do a positive thinking activity:

1. Each day for a week, take 10-15 minutes to write down three things that went well and why. This could be something as simple as, 'My son gave me a nice smile this morning'. Or it might be a major event – for example, 'I organised my daughter's birthday party'.
2. Underneath each thing that went well, write what you did to make it happen. For example, if you put, 'My son gave me a nice smile today', you could write, 'I smiled and he smiled back'.
3. Try to give it a go for a week. It might feel odd at first, but it gets easier with practice.

People who do this positive thinking exercise say they feel happier, less worried and less sad. Why not spread the happiness by sharing this activity with your family and friends.

Tony Malgioglio, Principal

GPSS NEWSLETTER

Official Opening of the School's New Buildings Monday 2nd May 2022



Lest We forget

ANZAC Day Acrostic Poem

An army of soldiers from Australia and New Zealand travelling to Gallipoli.

United as one, Australians and New Zealanders fought for their people.

Soldiers hoping to defeat their enemies to save their people

The poppies growing in the force field while the Australians and New Zealanders fight

Respecting the soldiers who fought for us.

An army of people marching along the streets.

Landing in Gallipoli to fight

In the war many brave soldiers died.

A nurse taking care of sick and injured soldiers.

✓ Great job!

LEST WE FORGET

ANZAC Day: Acrostic Poem

Soldiers protected the beautiful Gallipoli.

Australia and New Zealanders guard our community.

Convoys lined up in a straight line on streets, towns, freeways and city roads.

Roads being blocked by petrol tanks and machines.

I see pictures of heroic soldiers in bunkers itching their body because of sweat and dirt all over their bodies.

Finding out how scary it was to fight and protect their countries.

Interesting stories by brave soldiers. Courage from their loved ones.

Every soldier fought with their life and sadly sacrificed themselves to protect their loved-ones.

✓ Brilliant!

ANZAC Day Poem

Trenches are filled with MREs
(military food) and other supplies.

Rock avalanches routinely falling into
the trenches while the soldiers are sleeping.

Emergency can strike at any
moment, the soldiers have to be ready.

Naive, new soldiers, very scared, but very
brave.

Commemorating with your family, with
military gear on, while in a trench.

Healing people, nurses doing their
job.



Lest We Forget

ANZAC DAY POETRY WRITTEN BY GRADE 4B

Soldiers rushed out of the muddy trench, huge guns blazing.

Angry and sad families wondering what is happening to their relatives.

Crackling gunfire and exploding grenades pelted the durable bunker with brute power.

Respectful Aussies lay on their loved ones' tombs, grieving while placing the wreath.

Ingenious mechanics continuously worked on the most durable tanks and machinery.

Far from war, families cry and grieve for their loved ones to come back.

In the Rows Bunker, they were safe from enemies and could easily deal with them.

Courageous soldiers ambush the enemies from above, catching them by surprise.

Enter the tanks! yelled the general over the gunfire.

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WHOLE SCHOOL ANZAC COLLAGE MADE IN OUR ARTROOM



PFC Mother's Day Stall

We've just finished 2 action packed days at the Mother's Day stall, and have loved watching all of the students shopping to spoil their Mums and Grandmas. It was fantastic to have so many members of the school community helping us out with the stall and the Mother's Day raffle. The PFC have raised \$2500.00 which will go towards our new Junior School Playground. A huge thank you to all our families who continue to support our school.

Thank you so much to Kim Johnson, Amy Soueid, Zina Bidawid, Jade Hickling, Samanka Ranasinghege, Maryam Babaali, Kathryn Berry, Giselle Ozgen, Sarah Arnold, Tiffany Warren and Justin Warren for all of their generous help.

The raffle will be drawn tomorrow, and would not have been possible without the generous support of Direct Chemist Outlet in the Gladstone Park Shopping Centre, and 21 Days Later Cafe, 10 Post Office Place Glenroy (twentyonedayslater.com)

Myf Trant,

PFC President

