

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families,

Welcome to Week 4, Term 4! This will be my last newsletter for a while. Next week, Mrs. Leanne Sinnadurai will be taking over in the role of Acting Principal. I know that she is very excited, and looking forward to meeting our GDPS community!

Good news!

We are please to inform the community that we will soon be installing a new shade sail, after being successful in our recent grant application for a shaded outdoor learning area. The funds must be spent on a new learning area not an existing shaded area. We are looking forward to creating a new outdoor learning space at the library end of the school building.

Thank you

A big thank you goes out to the Scott family for our new compost barrel. This will be an excellent addition to our sustainability program, and our vegetable garden!

Community information:

We received a letter from Form Plus Concrete Constructions, informing us that new footpath works will begin on November 3rd, between 7:00am-5:00pm. These works may impact vehicle access to the school. We ask that you prepare for this possibility during drop off and pick up times.

Public holiday reminder:

Please remember that Tuesday the 2nd of November is a public holiday, with no school.

Have a great week,

Tamara Halket

Principal

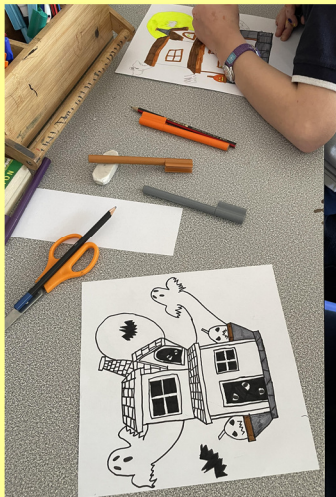
Thank you to the staff at GDPS for providing a wonderful morning tea for me today.



Term 4	<u>Coming Up</u>	Term 4	<u>Coming Up</u>
2nd Nov	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday	22nd Nov-24th Nov	Swimming
11th Nov	Book Week Dress Up & Special Hot Lunch Day—Order form attached	1st Dec	Wheel-a-thon fundraiser
15th Nov-17th	Swimming	15th Dec	Xmas Concert

VISUAL ART

Prep, 1, 2, 3 and 4 continued making Christmas presents for our special someone. We learnt how paper is made in a factory which is preparing us for our art class this week. Due to remote learning the grade 5/6's participated in a zoom art class where students completed a directed draw on a haunted house in preparation for Halloween.



ART SUPPLIES WANTED:
CEREAL BOXES

Eagle of the Week

Congratulations to Liam for being the Eagle of the week last week



Bits and Pieces

Thank you to the Scott family for donating a compost bin to our school. We can't wait to start producing quality compost from our food scraps.

Thank you to those who donated cereal boxes

Congratulations to the Harraway family on the arrival of baby Mia

COMMUNITY NEWS

By the community supporting Tucker night this year we have raised enough funds to purchase a community defibrillator.

This will not only be a valuable resource for the school but is readily available to any community member for use should the need arise.

The school was happy to provide housing and a safe place for this life saving device at the front of the school.



PARENTS CLUB

Welcome back to school everyone, its so good to have the kids back at school learning on site. I would just like to take this opportunity to thank all the teachers for all the hard work they put in during the last lockdown. We are living in exceptional times, lets hope there is not too much more interruption to the remainder of the school year.

We have had to reschedule a number of Parents Club events. I am excited to announce that we will hold our Term 4 Special Lunch Order Day in conjunction with Book Week Dress Up day, I can't wait to see some of the kids costumes representing their favourite book character. This will be held on 11 November. We will also be having Pies & Prima's that day for lunch, keep an eye out for our order forms which will be due back on 8 November.

We hope to be able to run our annual Wheel-A-Thon this term on 1 December. Keep an eye out for our fundraising forms that will come home shortly.

Stay safe everyone and be kind, hopefully we will have some smooth sailing for a few weeks.

Thanks,

Ellen Sykes

Parents Club President

AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

JUNIOR ROOM

We start each day in our class with a morning circle. In our morning circle we pass around a 'good morning' where we can greet each other with a smile. After this, we run through an overview of our day, share any announcements, talk about our school values, read out our acknowledgment of country and finish off with a positive primer (game). It is a great way to work our way into the green zone to begin a day of learning.

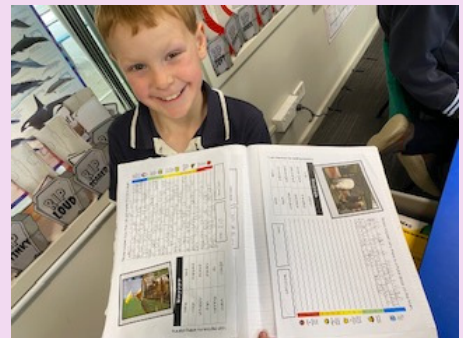


MIDDLE ROOM

In class this week we have been practicing our multiplication with math games. We are learning about angles and turns. Each week we practice our writing stamina—look at how well Bryce has done this week! A personal best.

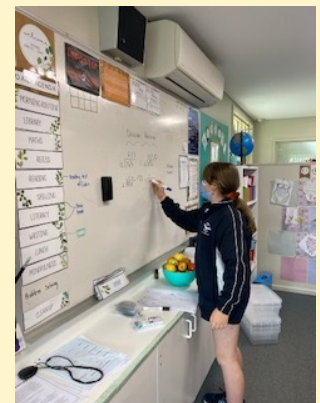
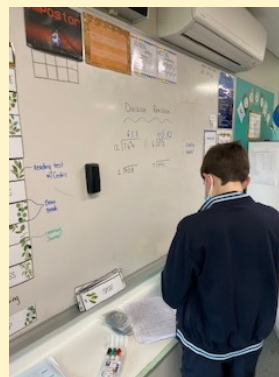


A reminder Grade 2/3/4 are having a Pizza party on Friday. Please remember to return your PG form sent home yesterday.



SENIOR ROOM

We have been practising explaining our working out and thinking strategies during maths. The students enjoy having the opportunity to come and share their work. This has been a great way for the students to build on their numeracy vocabulary.





BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY & SPECIAL LUNCH ORDERS – 11 November

Due to Covid our AFL Colours day was cancelled but we have a freezer full of Pies for a Special Lunch Order Day. We thought that we would combine Book Week Dress Up Day with our Special Lunch Order Day!!

Come dressed as your favourite Book Character and have a Pie & Prima for lunch. \$5.00 per student (\$4.00 for a Pie & a Prima and \$1.00 donation to Junior School Council.

Please fill in the form below and return to school by Monday 8 November 2021.



Student's Name _____

Student's Class _____

Dress up donation (optional) all funds go to Junior School Council \$1ea

Pie & Prima _____ at \$4ea

Total enclosed \$



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