

Gawler Primary School Newsletter week 3

Our School Values

Success

Mutual respect

Active participation

Responsibility

Teamwork

Important dates to remember

Donut Day Wednesday 25th of May

Bakery Day Tuesday 31st of May

Year 3-5 Camp 6-8th of June

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Leadership News



Principal *Celeste Matthews* Deputy Principal *Jennifer Pinnock* Curriculum Coordinator *Karryn Przibilla* **Year 3 to 5 Camp**



Countdown to the Year 3 to 5 camp is on! The students are getting excited and eagerly discussing what the trip will entail. This year the camp will be held at Arbury Park Outdoor School located in Bridgewater in the Adelaide Hills. The camp has been around for a very long time and some parents, and even grandparents, may have fond memories of attending a school camp there. There will be a range of led activities including animal activities such as building bird and bat boxes, hiking and earth art. There will be several teachers and support workers attending to join in the activities and provide supervision during their stay. We hope everyone has a fantastic time!

Intervention Programs



As part of my role as Deputy I oversee the delivery of the school's intervention programs. Intervention programs are designed to help students with many different aspects of education they may be finding difficult. Some of the intervention programs we run at Gawler Primary School include:

- MultiLit programs MiniLit, MacqLit and MultiLit. Which are all reading / decoding programs.
- Reading Groups for those needing a little extra work on fluency and comprehension
- BIIN Big Ideas in Number helps with Numeracy skills across the year levels

- What's the Buzz is a social skills program designed to help with getting along, friendships etc
- Speech Intervention for students needing to work on forming sounds and language

If you would like to know more, or how you could assist your child(ren) at home, please make a time to come and have a chat with me or your child's teacher.

Jennifer Pinnock

Deputy Principal

Curriculum News



Making the most of screen time

'For every hour of screen time there needs to be at least two hours of green time.' – Dr Michael Carr-Gregg

Dr Michael Carr-Gregg, a leading Australian child psychologist who headed the recent review that led to smartphones being banned in NSW primary schools, has this to say:

Young people aren't very good at self-regulation and I think one of the things we need to do as parents is remember that we are their frontal cortex. We need to be the fully developed part of their brain that isn't. We need to set limits and boundaries. I plead with parents on a weekly basis that for every hour of screen time there be at least two hours of green time. Kids need to be outdoors, they need to oxygenate their brain, they need to exercise. And staring at screens for 13 hours a day is not OK

Apps such as *Screentime and NetNanny* allow parents to manage screentime, block apps, filter web and view web history and can be used on android and iOS devices.

<u>Parental control app for Android and iOS - Screen Time (screentimelabs.com)</u> free download with in app purchases

Net Nanny: Parental Control Software & Website Blocker | Net Nanny cost involved

'For every hour of screen time there needs to be at least two hours of green time.' – Dr Michael Carr-Gregg When children are having screen time it is important to use it wisely. Understanding visual media is a key element in your child's literacy.

You can use questions to discuss TV programs (such as cartoons) or films that you watch together.

There are also a number of great games on the internet to help engage your child in reading.

These games include:

• Phonics games that improve reading and letter sound awareness. Phonics involves sounding out individual sounds in a word, and then putting these sounds together to make the word.

- Grammar, punctuation and spelling games.
- · Vocabulary games.

Here is a short list of good websites to help begin your online search for games and other resources:

Teaching and learning resources for outside the school (education.sa.gov.au)

- Primary Students FUSE Department of Education & Training
- ABC Education
- Monsters K-6 AUSTRALIAN LEARNING RESOURCES (weebly.com)
- Play School Story Time ABC TV

Taking Small Bytes <u>taking small bytes card deck.pdf (education.vic.gov.au)</u> is also an excellent resource. It contains 100 digital technology activities for you to do and discuss with your child. It also contains tips about using digital technologies wisely and safely.



NAPLAN



Our year 3 and 5 students participated in NAPLAN online testing during weeks 2 and 3.

All students approached the tests calmly and confidently and we were very proud of the efforts they demonstrated to have a go even when things got tricky. Be sure to have a chat with your child to discuss which test they enjoyed the most, what was the trickiest question they faced and what parts did they find easy.

We anticipate NAPLAN results will be available at the end of next term, sent home as a report to parents.

Karryn Przibilla

Curriculum Coordinator

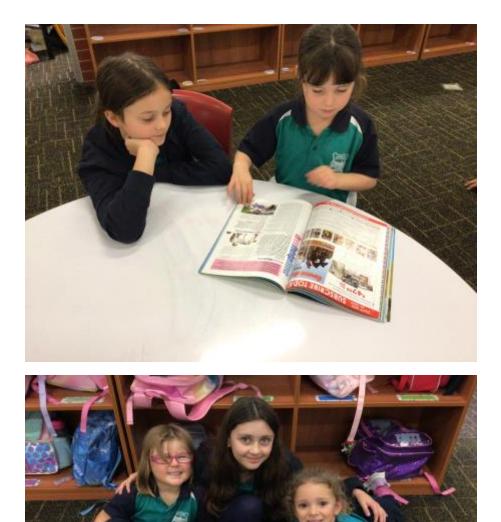
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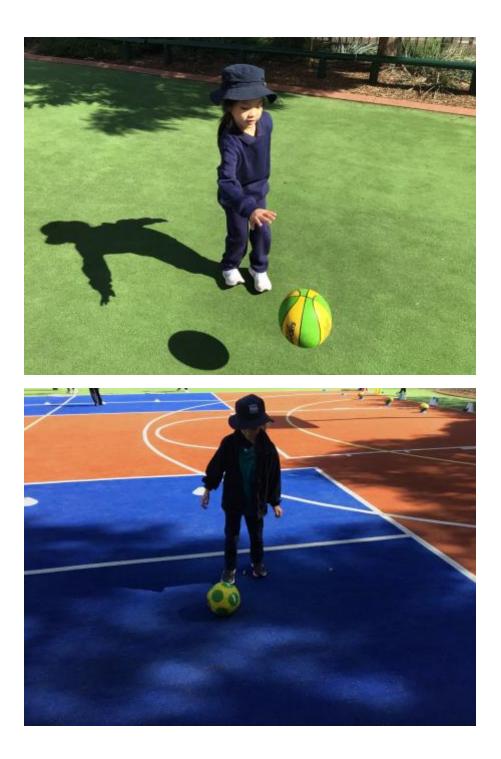
























The reception children in HB2 have been busy learning our new literacy rotations where each station has a focus; handwriting, sentence making, tricky word games, sound of the week activity. The children are enjoying this time to practice and revisit learning from our phonics time.

We were lucky to have Kelly Sports visit in week one and the children enjoyed having a group of energetic coaches teach them a range of basic coordination skills.

Three afternoons a week we participate in some play activities. The activities usually have the following in mind when planning, role play, fine motor skills, sensory, craft, group work and social interaction and construction. We have also been meeting with our buddies, Ms Yon and Mrs Fountain's year 5s join us on a Thursday afternoon to help in a range of activities. In week one we worked on the computers and this week we did some reading.

In Art we have looked at monochromes (black and white). White is used to tint colours and black is used to add shades. The children started with one colour and added white a little bit at a time to add a tint to the colour.

The receptions have settled very well into the school routine and are becoming more and more independent as the weeks go on.

Mrs Docherty

ACEO news

Thursday morning yarns

Kob (ACEO) and Kimberly (PCW) would like to extend an invitation to parents to come by for an informal cuppa and yarn.

Where: Breakfast Club Room

When: Thursday mornings 9am to 9.45am

Who: Anyone who feels like a cuppa and a yarn, stop by, catch up with friends or make new friends over a morning beverage. We might even break out the fancy biscuits for you!

COVID has hampered our school community long enough, let's finally start getting back together. See you there!



School Dentist Visit

The school dentist will be visiting Gawler Primary School in term 3, week 3 to do check ups for all students. Look out for permission slips in school bags from mid term 2, this will be at no cost to families.



Breakfast Club

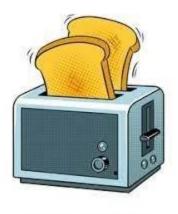
Breakfast Club is back!

Students are welcome to join us for a piece of toast and some milo, every morning from 8.30-8.45.

Please remember to

- use your manners
- sit in breakfast club to eat your toast
- leave the area tidy when you are done

For parents escorting their children to Breakfast Club, please wait outside the building.



Bakery Day

Orders are **now open on QKR** to order a bakery lunch on **Tuesday the 31st of May.** Orders must be placed and paid for prior to **10am on Friday the 27th of May.** Cost of items as follows Pie \$4 Pasty \$4 Vegetable Pasty \$4 Sausage Roll \$3.50 Cheese and Bacon Pizza \$4

Chocolate Donut \$2 M&M Cookie \$1.50

Golden Circle Fruit Box (Apple or Orange) \$1.00



Congratulations Tyler



Tyler Biscette U12's Div 1 State champion winners Rockets Club North Adelaide - Congratulations Tyler

Donut Stall at Gawler Primary!



The Fundraising team will be running a donut stall on Wednesday the 25th Week 4.



We will be selling chips, donuts and juice boxes that you can purchase on the **Qkr** app or in cash on the day.

Attendance

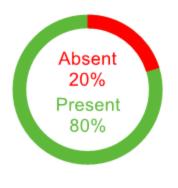
Student Absence Hotline

Phone : 8522 2988

SMS:0401 121 559

Email: dl.0141.info@schools.sa.edu.au

So far this year we have 87 % attendance.



1 - This week's Attendance

Medication



If your child/ren needs to have medication at school it must be brought to the Front Office and discussed with Front Office staff. It is a Department for Education requirement that a Medication Agreement form is provided and must be completed by a GP or Specialist. Staff are not able to administer medication unless this form is provided to us.

Medication must be provided in original pharmacy packaging - clearly labelled. Staff are unable to cut or break medication.

Asthma Care Plans must be provided for a child to receive Ventolin.

Term 2 Calendar



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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 Mon 2/05/2022					
Week 2 Mon 09/05/2022		NAPLAN lesting commences			
Week 3 Mon 16/05/2022				NAPLAN testing finishes	
Week 4 Mon 23/05/2022	Governing Council meeting 3.45pm				
Week 5 Mon 30/05/2022					
Week & Mon 06/06/2022	Year 3-5 Camp	Year 3-5 Camp	Year 3-5 Camp		PUPIL FREE DAY
Week 7 Mon 13/06/2022	QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY				
Week 8 Mon 20/06/2022			Governing Council meeting 5.30pm		
Week 7 Mon 27/06/2022					
Week 10 Mon 04/07/2022					EARLY FINISH 2.05pm

Community news





REGISTRATIONS OPEN





Auskick 2022 Sessions

First Session: Sunday – 1st May 2022 Last Session: Sunday – 3rd July 2022 Session Times: 9:00am – 10:00am To Register go to: www.aflauskick.com.au Search: Gawler Central For Enquiries please contact: Dave Reiman: 0478 805 528 Email: football.juniors@gcsc.com.au INFORMATION, UPDATES & NEWS FOLLOW THE CLUB: Please 'Like' the Club Facebook page to ensure you keep up to date. Find us on Find us on

On Facebook please search: Gawler Central Football Club

Website: www.GCSC.com.au

Traffic Reminders





A reminder to remain in your car when using the 'kiss and drop' zone on Parnell Street and not to park on the verge along Nixon Tce. Explation notices will be handed out by the Gawler Council.

Please remember to observe the traffic rules

- Slow down to 25km/h in school zones
- Park only in designated areas
- Give way to pedestrians waiting at the crossing

Contact Us





Don't forget to download the **Skoolbag App** to keep up to date with everything going on around Gawler Primary School!

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