



Gawler Primary School Newsletter week 6

Our School Values

Success

Mutual respect

Active participation

Responsibility

Teamwork

Important dates to remember

Queens Birthday Public Holiday Monday 13th of June

Wear your PJ's to school day Friday 8th July

Last day of term Friday 8th July, early dismissal 2.05pm.

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Leadership/Curriculum News



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Helping our primary years students to engage and enjoy learning maths

Maths today is not about rote learning. Today, the focus is on recognising that there are multiple ways to get an answer, and being able to explain how and why you chose the approach you did.

There are many activities you can do at home to help explore maths with your child. When participating in these activities, avoid associating them with speed. Expecting your child to work quickly on maths can cause maths anxiety. Try to focus on the process and not the outcome. The ideas below have been taken from the Department of Education Victoria's website.

"Many people incorrectly believe that being good at mathematics means being fast at mathematics. It doesn't and we need to dissociate mathematics from speed."

When we value fast computation (as many classrooms do) we encourage a subset of learners who compute quickly and discourage many others, including deep slow thinkers who are very important to mathematics.

We no longer need students to compute fast (we have computers for this) we need them to think deeply, connect methods, reason, and justify. "Jo Boaler, Professor of Mathematics, Stanford University.

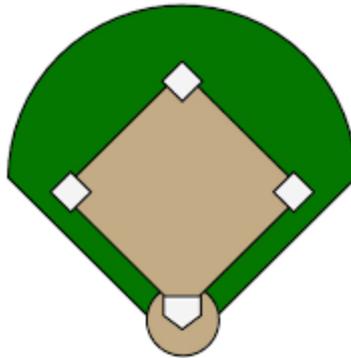
Exploring sports

Sports provide a good opportunity to engage your child in maths, particularly if they are a keen sportsperson.

Here are some questions to ask your child when watching or playing their favourite sport:

- How does your favourite sport tally the score? What maths is presented on the tally?
- How do other sports tally the score – for example, tennis, golf, cricket, netball, football?
- What maths do you use to find the total of the scores?
- Who is at the top of the ladder? How is this determined?
- Are there other ways to record the score?
- How long do your favourite sport games go for in minutes and seconds? How is the time in the game divided? Into halves, quarters or something else?
- What are the shapes of different playing fields and courts? Talk about edges and angles.
- How can you estimate the perimeter and area of a playing field?





SETS	GAMES	POINTS
2	17	40
2	18	15

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Watching the weather

Because it changes daily, the weather can be a great topic to discuss maths with your child.

Try these activities:

- Visit the [Bureau of Meteorology](#) website
- Ask your child the difference between each day's minimum and maximum temperatures. Do they notice a pattern or trend in the weather changes?
- Find a seven-day forecast, then record the actual temperature for each day and compare. Ask your child if the forecast was accurate. Ask them what similarities and differences they notice.
- Use the information on the weather website to explore differences in weather between your area and other areas. Ask your child how much rain you get compared to other areas. Ask your child to identify differences in temperature between your area and other areas. Who might be affected by an increase or decrease in rainfall?

My favourite dish Pasta with bacon and tomato sauce

Ingredients

1 red onion
2 red peppers
120 g bacon
1 can (450 g) tomatoes
1 cup water
olive oil
garlic
oregano
50 g pasta per person



Method

- 1 Cut the onion, red peppers and bacon into small pieces.
- 2 Heat some olive oil in a pan and fry the onion, red peppers and bacon.
- 3 Add oregano, garlic, tomatoes and water and cook for 20 minutes.
- 4 Cook the pasta in a big pot of boiling water.
- 5 Serve the pasta with the sauce, and enjoy!

Top Tips for writing

1. When writing a recipe or instructions, use numbers to indicate the stages and use the base form of the verb (imperative) to give instructions.
2. Use commas between things in a list. Use 'and' between the last two things.

Sharing recipes

Discussing maths when cooking can provide a daily maths lesson involving measurement, time, and cost. Here are some activities you could try at home:

- Collect and read recipes and discuss the use of fractions, millilitres and grams. Encourage your child to make accurate measurements using measuring cups and spoons.
- Discuss how you would double or halve a recipe. Encourage your child to record new measurements for the recipe. Discuss why and when you might need to do this.
- Identify the temperature and cooking time on the recipe.
- Discuss why different recipes have different temperatures and cooking times.
- Estimate the cost to buy all the ingredients to make the recipe. Compare this with the actual cost of items. Ask your child if they think it was cheaper to buy the ingredients and make dinner or get takeaway.
- Make a list of the abbreviations used in the recipe and then write them in full – for example, L for litre, ml for millilitre, tsp. for teaspoon, tbsp. for tablespoon.
- Investigate the prices of fresh fruit and vegetables available in the supermarkets compared with market vendors.

Train Timetables			
Route	Gawler Central Railway Station - 16518	Elizabeth Railway Station - 16512	Dudley Park Railway Station - 16508
GAWC	10:17am	10:40am	-
GAW	-	10:54am	11:20am
GAWC	10:47am	11:10am	-
GAW	-	11:24am	11:50am
GAWC	11:17am	11:40am	-
GAW	-	11:54am	12:20pm
GAWC	11:47am	12:10pm	-
GAW	-	12:24pm	12:50pm
GAWC	12:17pm	12:40pm	-
GAW	-	12:54pm	01:20pm
GAWC	12:47pm	01:10pm	-
GAW	-	01:24pm	01:50pm
GAWC	01:17pm	01:40pm	-
GAW	-	01:54pm	02:20pm
GAWC	01:47pm	02:10pm	-
GAW	-	02:24pm	02:50pm
GAWC	02:17pm	02:40pm	-

Travel timetables

Here are some questions to ask your child that improve their knowledge of time and their problem solving skills:

- Can you identify your starting point on the timetable?
- What is the earliest and latest time to travel on this route?
- How long does it take to travel the entire route?
- How many stops are there on this route?
- What is the difference in the time travelled when not making all the stops?
- What is the cost? Is it good value compared to other travel options?
- Which is the best route to travel? Why do you think this?
- To get to training on time, when will you need to leave?

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Camp

































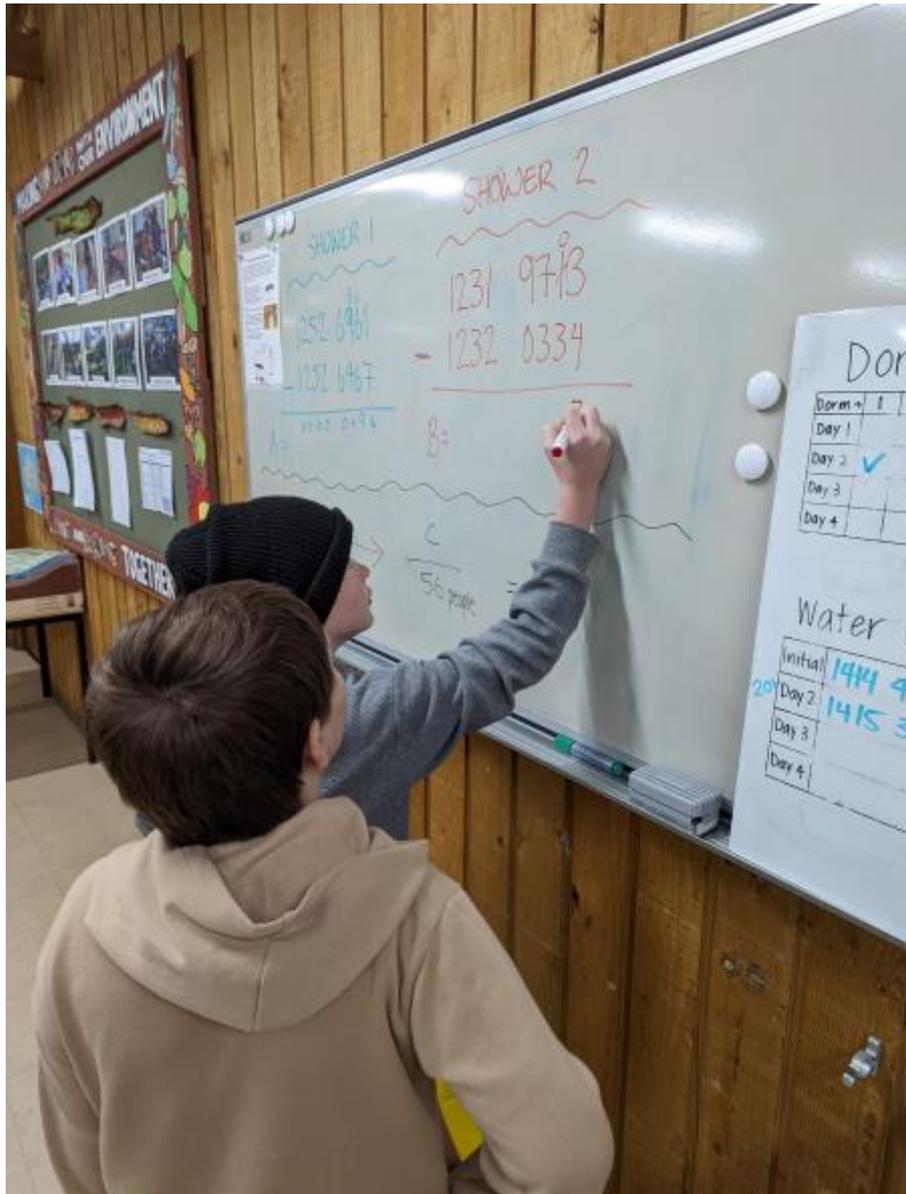












This week students from years 3-5 had the opportunity to attend camp at Arbury Park Outdoor School in the Adelaide hills. Despite the cold, wet weather, students had a fantastic time, having lots of new experiences and making new friends. Students and staff enjoyed delicious food provided by the camp catering team and slept in warm comfortable dorms. Some of the activities students experienced included; listening to Dreaming stories around the campfire, building and lighting a campfire to cook damper on, looking at things found living in the pond under a microscope, building a shelter using only ropes and a canvas, looking for evidence of animals sharing our environment, going on bush walks, spotting koalas and kangaroos, building nesting boxes for local wildlife and learning how to reduce our impact on the environment.

Staff and students were all exhausted by the end of day 3 and looking forward to seeing their families and sleeping in their own beds but had an amazing time making lots of memories they will talk about for years to come. Do you still remember camps you went on as a student?

Assembly Award Winners week 4



Celebrating our school values of **Success, Mutual Respect, Active Participation, Responsibility and Teamwork**

The following students also received a certificate, but unfortunately were absent on the day.

Isaac L HB4

Alek H HB2

Miley S HB2

Riley E HB3

Addison L HB7

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.



Finance News

FUNDRAISING

Now that COVID restrictions have eased considerably we have been able to return to lunch days and fundraising activities. Some of the wonderful fundraising that has happened so far this year:

- Year 6s Fundraising Leaders have been busy with 2x Donut Days, Easter Raffle and Crazy Sock Day raising a total amount of \$977.25 to add to their Graduation budget. The Year 6s thank you all for all your support with these special days.
- Fundraising Parents have been busy too with Sports Day, Mother's Day Stall and Bakery Day raising a total of around \$300 so far. If you have a current WWCC you are more than welcome to help with upcoming fundraising activities. It's a great way to meet other parents in our school community. Please see the front office staff.

SCHOOL FEES (M&S) Materials & Service Charges for 2022 are DUE NOW.

As announced by the Premier, all families with school age children will receive a \$100 reduction on their school fees both in 2022 and 2023. Your child will bring home more information regarding this initiative on Tuesday 14th of June.

Families who are yet to pay their fees will begin receiving monthly statements from now on. Payments can be made via bank deposit, QKR, EFTPOS and cash.

If you need to apply for School Card please follow this link and lodge your application online: <https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>

School Card have been experiencing some technical difficulties. If you have applied for School Card and it has not yet been credited to your account please call 1800 672 758 Any outstanding payments dated back to 2021 will be referred to debt collection in Term 3. If you are experiencing any financial difficulty please call or visit the front office to discuss payment arrangements. We offer payment plan agreements for families experiencing difficulty paying their account.

Preferred payment method is QKR.

Download the app to process school payments and place lunch orders quickly and easily



Breakfast Club

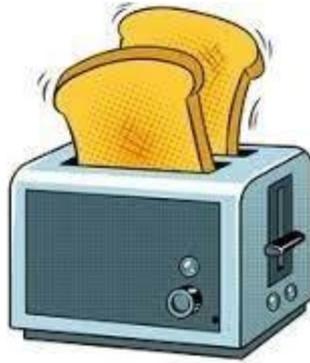
Breakfast Club is back!

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.



Attendance

Student Absence Hotline

Phone : 8522 2988

SMS : 0401 121 559

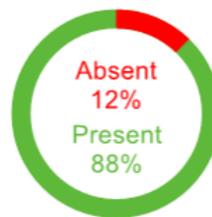
Email : dl.0141.info@schools.sa.edu.au

So far this year we have 87 % attendance.



Year to Date (2022)

The average daily attendance rate; Year-to-Date, derived from student attendance data sourced from the school systems as at 07/06/2022



Previous Week

Attendance rate derived from student attendance data sourced from the school systems as at 07/06/2022

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



Pupil Free Day Friday 10th June

Queens Birthday Public Holiday Monday 13th of June

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 Mon 2/05/2022					
Week 2 Mon 09/05/2022		NAPLAN testing 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		Bakery Day			
Week 6 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 9 Mon 27/06/2022					
Week 10 Mon 04/07/2022					PJ Day EARLY FINISH 2.05pm

Community news





Gawler

Before School Care
 After School Care
 Early School Finish
 Pupil Free Day
 Vacation Care

Get in touch
 Anytime. Anyhow.

 08 8155 5444

 happyhaven.sa.edu.au/gawler

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Willaston Football Club

Register for Auskick

REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW

Men's & Women's Seniors will be Coaches

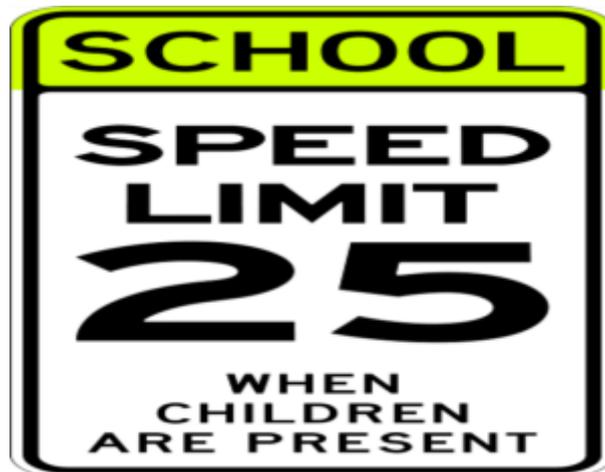
Term 2 - Every Wednesdays
Location: WFC, Kelly Road, Willaston
Time: 4.30pm - 5.30pm

Sign up at: www.aflauskick.com.au

Search: WILLASTON FC Auskick Centre
Contact Person: Scott Burgess 0404671638




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. Expiation 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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