Thursday August 2, 2012

Diary

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<th>Date</th>
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<td>Fri 3 Aug</td>
<td>9.30am – 11.00am</td>
<td>Interschool Sport – Rd 5 Home GVPS v's Aitken College</td>
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<td>Mon 6 Aug</td>
<td>This coming Monday</td>
<td>Curriculum Day (No students at school)</td>
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<td>Tues 14 Aug</td>
<td>7.00pm</td>
<td>School Council</td>
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<td>Thurs 23 Aug</td>
<td>9.15am – 3.00pm</td>
<td>Gr. 1/2 Excursion to Melbourne Aquarium</td>
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Items Distributed With Newsletter Today

🌟 Chocolate Drive Carriers (To eldest child in family)

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

School Attendance
At Gladstone Views PS we pride ourselves on trying to provide a challenging and exciting learning program for our students. It is particularly important for the child to attend school as regularly as possible to ensure that this learning takes place. Our expectations are quite clear. Students are expected to attend school at all times when the school is open for instruction. Students need to arrive on time to school every day. Parents are required to provide a written explanation when their child is absent. We record student’s attendance twice per day in primary schools. Parents should notify the school in advance if an absence of any period is planned. Students who are late to school disrupt the class and often miss vital work at the start of the day. A student’s late arrival at school will be recorded on the daily attendance roll.

Frequently asked questions
What can I expect from the school?
Monitoring of student attendance and review progress on a weekly basis. Strategies to help you as a parent encourage your child to go to school.

What help can I get if my child refuses to go to school or is truanting?
The school can offer a range of support options:
- Teacher working with the student in a supportive, counselling role.
- School student welfare co-ordinator working with the student.
- Provide a mentor for your child.
- Identify reasons why your child doesn’t want to go to school.
- Strategies to help you encourage your child to go to school.
- Develop an incentive program to encourage your child to attend school.
- Link with community agencies.

Must I send my child to school every day?
Yes, unless your child is too sick or injured to go to school. Your child has an infectious disease. The principal is provided with any other genuine and acceptable reason for absence.

Do I need to let the school know if my child has been away?
Yes – for the wellbeing of your child, Department of Education & Training has an attendance policy and teachers and schools are required to follow up student absences.

What is my responsibility as a parent/caregiver?
Make sure your child:
- Attends school on ALL school days.
- Is on time every day.
Make sure you:
- provide the school with an explanation if your child is away
- Contact the school if your child does not want to go to school
- Arrange doctor and dentist appointments out of school hours
- Arrange personal shopping trips with your son/daughter or birthday celebrations out of school hours
- Do not allow your child to stay at home for minor reasons.

Is regular attendance at school important?
- Yes – from the first day. If your child misses the basic skills in primary school they can experience difficulties with their learning.
- Regular attendance is essential to make sure learning is not disrupted. Regular learning provides building blocks for the future.
- Schools help children to develop important social skills, such as friendship building, teamwork, communication skills and a healthy self-esteem.

Have a great week

Michael West

Chocolates have arrived!!
Your exciting FunPack will be sent home today.

STAND TALL AWARDS
Week ending 27 July

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<td>Prep</td>
<td>Breeannan H.</td>
<td>For trying very hard to use a variety of reading strategies during Read to Self and Teaching Group time.</td>
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<tr>
<td>1/2A</td>
<td>Jack K.</td>
<td>For making improvement with his handwriting by using the guidelines to keep his writing neater and the correct size.</td>
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<td>1/2B</td>
<td>Anita S.</td>
<td>For working well at all times and for being a responsible class member who can always be relied upon.</td>
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<td>1/2C</td>
<td>Ella G.</td>
<td>For being a fantastic helper in the classroom and always completing tasks with a friendly smile.</td>
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<td>3/4A</td>
<td>Aaron B.</td>
<td>For increasing his writing stamina during independent writing and showing improvement with his spelling attempts. Well done!</td>
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<td>3/4B</td>
<td>Izel K.</td>
<td>For always volunteering relevant information during discussions.</td>
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<td>Mason C.</td>
<td>For his wonderful “We Are Australian” homework.</td>
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<td>Lachlan M.</td>
<td>For his neat and well presented handwriting practice that he did for homework.</td>
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<td>Jarryd P.</td>
<td>For a great effort in doing 45 minutes homework on Chance &amp; Data on the Mathletics website.</td>
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<td>5/6A</td>
<td>Jordan M.</td>
<td>For working with persistence and focus to write an interesting information report.</td>
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<td>5/6B</td>
<td>John B.</td>
<td>For coming to school with a great attitude, ready to learn!</td>
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<tr>
<td>5/6C</td>
<td>Taylar T.</td>
<td>For the outstanding effort and thought she puts into her writing.</td>
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<td>5/6D</td>
<td>Ozan S.</td>
<td>For showing persistence and great thinking when learning about Decimals in Mathematics.</td>
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CANTEEN NEWS

Monday Aug 6 to Friday Aug 10

Mon CURRICULUM DAY
Tues Sonia W.
Wed Kime T.
Thurs Deanne L.
Fri Amanda H. Amanda T. Vivien Z.

*** Helpers needed for Term 3.

WINTER UNIFORM SHOP SPECIALS

★ Cuffed tracksuit pants with reinforced knees
  Sizes – 4, 14, 16
  $5 each

★ Rugby style windcheaters – Size 16 only
  $10 each

Please place orders at the office.
SPORT

Interschool Sport
The winter competition will resume this Friday August 3rd. Gladstone Views will play here at home against Aitken College.
Games are scheduled to begin at 9:30am

Richard Jasenia
Phys Ed Coordinator

LIBRARY NEWS

Victorian Premier’s Reading Challenge – 2012
Congratulations to the following students who has completed the Challenge:
Lilibeth A. 1/2B Jordan B. 1/2C
Cassandra K. 5/6A
Should you have any queries please see Daniel Guglielmini or Yvonne Gillespie.

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

The Education Maintenance Allowance is payable in respect of eligible students in Primary schools. A summary is set out as follows:

Eligibility:
Parents or guardians of students up to the age of 16 who hold a current pensioner concession or health care/benefit card on the first day of third term ie.16th July 2012.

Payment:
For eligible parents a second installment of $35.25 will be payable during the second half of the year through Direct Deposit.

Application Forms:
Eligible applicants will need to have filled in a current application form (if you have completed a form for the first installment 2012 there is no need to complete another form) and must provide the applicable current Centrelink Card and reference number (printed on the card). The applicant’s signature on the application form will authorise Centrelink to check on current entitlement.

Closing date for applications:

FRIDAY 3rd AUGUST 2012

No late applications for EMA payments for Term 3 will be accepted by Department of Education and Early Childhood Development.

FATHERS’ DAY STALL

Our Fathers’ Day Stall will be held on:
Friday 31st August

We have purchased some very special and different items for this year’s Fathers’ Day Stall and we would love some assistance to wrap and price the items on Thursday 30th August, and also to assist at the stall on Friday 31st August. If you have an hour or two to spare and you have a current Working with Children’s Check, please complete the form attached and return to the school.

NEW HELPERS WELCOME!
Kind Regards
Parents and Friends Committee

I can help on Thursday 30th August at 9am in the portables for wrapping.

☐ Yes ☐ No

I can help Friday 31st August on the stall at:

☐ 9am to 11am or ☐ 12pm to 2pm

Name: ________________________________
Child’s Name: __________________ Grade: _____
Contact Number: ____________________
Well Done

Australia

For all your sporting achievements