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WEDNESDAY 11TH MARCH 2020



PRINCIPAL TEAM NEWS

Respect, Resilience, Achievement & Community



Acknowledgement of Country

We would like to respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this Land on which our school lies. We would also like to pay our respects to the Elders both past, present and future.

Important Dates

- 11th March – Athletics carnival
- 18th March – School Council Special Meeting
- 19th March – Regional swimming carnival
- 20th March – Wonthaggi HPV
- 27th March – Last day of term 2:30 pm finish.
- 14th April – First day of Term 2
- 15th April – School Council meeting
- 6th May – Divisional Cross Country
- 12th May to 22nd May – NAPLAN online testing (schedule to be developed and shared)
- 13th May to 15th May – Grade 4 Sovereign Hill camp

Teachers on Leave

- Emma Hollingsworth on leave from 14th April to 16th April.

Reading Awards

Abby S; Mia H; Oscar C; Penelope R; Tyler B; Mason L; Oliver L; Elijah H; Mikella S; Cooper S; Alison R; Noah R; Mark D; Abbey C; Austin M; Callum S; Mckenna B; Har S; Oliver H; Madi H; Talia G; Jess F; Charli G; Stella B; Milla L; Will T; Keysha W; Alexis P; Will D; Vailen H; Jack A; Adam B; Hannah P; Esther R; Olive L; Logan S; Khloe G; Priya L; Charlee M; Ashley R-B; Katie G; Londyn O; Evie R; Tynan K-T; Hudson H; Jessie C; Harvey J; Sienna E; Will S; James S.

Values Awards

Mia H; Oscar C; Milly Ox2; Madison L; Henry M; Finn M; Evie R; Gwendolyn C; Hugh L; Archer B; Anabelle M; Jacob M; James W; Alison R; Austin M; Callum S; Abel H; Noah R; Oliver H; Tanner C; Elias M; Dean K; Archer G; Tyson A; Sophie L; Ellie V; Lilly N; Olive L; Katie G; Ella M; Harrison W; Sophia R; Ashley R-B; Madelyn B; Yakira M.

Learning in our school

Our focus on reading continues and our teachers have been making the learning intentions and success criteria explicit for the students in every lesson. A strong reflection on the success that a child has had in each lesson forms an important part of the lesson. It allows the teacher to gather what we call *formative assessment* which helps in planning the extra support needed for those students who are requiring it in order to be successful and which students are ready to commence new learning. Sharing the reflections on their success as a whole group also allows other students to learn from each other and increase awareness of what success looks like – and it is not always the same. We were thrilled to be invited to join in on one such session this week and listen to the children identify which success criteria they were working towards and reflect and share their progress. Having students come together in a circle creates a sense of community and makes the sharing more meaningful.



Swimming Pool Volunteers

One of our school values is community and this week the Golden Square Swimming Pool has asked to acknowledge the wonderful young children in our school who were able to volunteer their time to their local swimming pool over the swimming season. These children will be recognised at assembly.

New Staff

Mrs Kingdon has started her time with us at Golden Square Primary School in the Grade 5/6 area. We welcome her to our school and look forward to her becoming an integral member of our team. Mrs Kingdon has leadership experience in primary schools and has particular strengths in the teaching of literacy, numeracy and the building of positive relationships with students based on the principles of high expectations and inclusiveness – excellence and equity.

Mrs Tomlinson has done an outstanding job with the class that Mrs Kingdon is now teaching and we are delighted to be able to announce that she is staying on with us sharing the Prep -1 classroom with Mrs Hocking. Mrs Tomlinson specialist areas is with the Early Years and her passion and skill in the teaching of literacy will be of great benefit. Mrs Hocking can then undertake further work in relation to her leadership role helping us support the learning needs of students who are identified as needing additional assistance as well as driving the implementation of School Wide Positive Behaviour Support and Respectful Relationships throughout our school and those students who are our partner schools. These actions link with both Goal 2 and Goal 3 of our School Strategic Plan. Mrs Tomlinson will be in the classroom on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays while Mrs Hocking will be teaching the class on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

NAPLAN

On Tuesday, we both attended a NAPLAN online training session with two of our teachers, Mr Westcott and Mrs Kingdon (our new Grade 5/6 teacher). Both of these teachers are organising the NAPLAN within our school this year which is one example of how we are building distributive leadership throughout the school which relates to Goal 2 of our School Strategic Plan. At this training we were made aware of a site which any family that has a query around what NAPLAN is like for their children can see practise questions and gain a better insight into what the test involves. The web address is as follows: <https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>. We encourage you to have a look, particularly if your child is to undertake these assessments – students in Grade 3 and Grade 5.

Compass Access

Compass is an online learning portal where important information can be shared with and by you. It is a communication tool that we are continuing to enhance the use of. Parent Teacher interviews, which will be held in Week 9, will be booked using Compass. We will be printing off a report that tells us which families are yet to access this portal and sending out log in details and offering of our support to help us achieve a goal of 100% of our families using Compass to help build a partnership with us. This relates directly to Goal 3 of the School Strategic Plan.

Leanne Miller Principal & Marita Eddy Assistant Principal

Golden Square Primary School has a zero tolerance to child abuse.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!


To the following Students

- Jakayla DP
- Daisy K
- Jake M
- Keziah S
- Tynan KT
- Alexis P
- McKenna B
- Lachlan F
- Nate H




COMMONWEALTH SCHOOL BANKING
Banking day is Tuesday

Please bring your bank books to the office.
If you would like to participate just bring a current bank book to the office on a Tuesday morning.

CommonwealthBank 

ZOOPER DOOPERS
\$1 each
These are being sold at lunch times

Zooper Doopers are being sold at lunch times in Term 1



SPORTS NEWS

DIVISIONAL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to Sienna B, Keziah S, Lora S, Chelsea T, Alice B and Declan B who qualified to represent Golden Square PS at the Divisional Swimming Championship at Bendigo East Swimming Pool last Friday. It was great to see them challenge themselves by competing against the best swimmers from around Bendigo.

A special congratulation to Sienna B who won the Girls 10 years Freestyle and will now represent the division at the Regional Championships in Swan Hill.

Shane Freer
Sports Coordinator

THE EDUCATION STATE

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on this opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with stepping experiences in the great outdoors, and address exchange a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports team teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid permanent residence card or are a temporary resident parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category will assist for asylum seekers and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$225 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at your current school in 2018, you do not need to complete an application form to 2019 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

Visually blind families may be eligible for an application fee of any of the following changes have occurred:

- new residence arrangements, your child has moved or changed schools in 2018 or just did not apply in 2018
- changed family circumstances, such as a change of custody, change of name, residence card transfer, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



MORE INFORMATION
For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

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PUBLIC NOTICES

FRESH FREE RANGE EGGS FOR SALE \$4 per dozen



The school has fresh free range eggs from the school chooks for sale. These are available from the office.

GOLDEN SQUARE PRIMARY SCHOOL HOT CROSS BUN FUNDRAISER

CHANGE OF DELIVERY DAY

HOT CROSS BUNS WILL NOW BE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION ON WEDNESDAY 25TH MARCH

These Delicious Hot Cross Buns are \$7.50 per pack of 6. Varieties include Traditional, Apple & Cinnamon and Choc Chip.

Please return orders with money to school by Tuesday 17th March.

Orders will be available for collection on
Wednesday 25th March.

Thank you for your support



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Location: Bendigo South East College
Corner of Curtin & Ellis Street, Bendigo 3550

ENROL NOW
Tuesday 4.30pm - 7.30pm

Malayalam
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Other languages can be offered based on demand.

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SCHOOL STRATEGIC PLAN OVERVIEW

Goal 1

To improve the learning growth and achievement of all students with a rigorous focus on literacy.

Key Improvement Strategies

- 1.1 To develop, document and implement a guaranteed and viable curriculum.
- 1.2 To develop the pedagogical practices of staff and leaders using an embedded PLC approach.
- 1.3 To develop staff capabilities in understanding data and consistent collection, use and evaluation of data to inform student learning growth and achievement.

Goal 2

All students are engaged and connected to their learning.

Key Improvement Strategies

- 2.1 To develop and implement student agency in their learning.
- 2.2 To develop and implement a distributed leadership model in the school to ensure engagement, wellbeing and achievement goals are addressed and enacted.

Goal 3

To improve student health, wellbeing and inclusion.

Key Improvement Strategies

- 3.1 Establish and implement with fidelity the School Wide Positive Behaviour Support framework and Respectful Relationships throughout the school community.
- 3.2 Further develop and strengthen authentic, collaborative and inclusive partnerships between the school and its stakeholders.



eSmart Agreement (Compass)

Through your child's schooling, your child will make use of resources available on the school's computer network. The eSmart Policy and Agreement for students and Parents sets out the rules and responsibilities to work in a digital world in a safe, responsible and ethical manner.

At the commencement of each school year parents need to agree to the terms specified in the eSmart Policy.

You can provide consent to the eSmart Agreement via Compass.
You will need to log in as a parent or guardian.

Click on the eSmart Agreement.



Scroll down to Consent and provide your full name and click submit consent. If you are unable to log into Compass please contact reception or Graeme Draaisma for support.



Consent was due by Friday the 28th of February

Graeme Draaisma
ICT



are excited to be celebrating National Ride2School Day on Friday 13 March 2020.

National Ride2School Day is the perfect opportunity to kick-start new healthy habits and promote the many benefits of active travel. We encourage all students and their families to leave the car at home and give riding, walking, scooting or skating to school a go.

We will be celebrating by:

MOVE MORE in MARCH  

Move More in March starts today in OSHC. Come and celebrate an active, healthy lifestyle. We've got activities and experiences to get all children moving and playing, while providing them with healthy snacks to keep them going!

Along with being physically active, children will also focus on building strong social skills, improving concentration and thinking skills, all while enhancing their essential wellbeing. Your program has been tailored around the interests and likes of each child in your service. Move More in March is your child's ticket to social exercise and fun!

Activities we have planned this week:

- Body Part Tag
- Silent Ball
- Fire on the Mountain
- Yoga
- Tug of War



It's FREE to Register.
Your child must be registered to attend our program. You can register an account with us at pp.campastralia.com.au/account/login. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account online via our Parent Portal. If eligible, to help you with the cost of child care, you may be entitled to receive the Australian Government Child Care Subsidy. Visit my.gov.au to find out more.

Program Details
Come to the OSHC room to meet the friendly team and discover how we can help your family. For more information, visit our website www.campastralia.com.au or you can contact our Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343, available to support families 24 hours a day, 7 days a week - except for National Public Holidays.

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon!
From Casey, Vanessa and the Team at Camp Australia.

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