

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Karen Anderson
Lisa Castles (President)
Simone Cutting
Ainsley Drummond
Tom Gamble
Hope Golding (Treasurer)
Leanne Miller (Executive Officer)
Emily Mogyorossy
Jess Tomlinson (Secretary)
Anna White

July 2nd 2025 Newsletter

WEEKLY NEWS







We would like to pay our respect to the Dja Dja Wurrung people. The Traditional Custodians of this Land on which we gather today and pay our respects to the Elders past and present.



Principal: Leanne Miller PO B Phone: 5443 6877 Fax: 5441 3345 Interr

PO Box 38, Golden Square Vic 3555
Internet Homepage address: http://www.gsquareps.vic.edu.au

Thought of the Week

"The mind should be allowed to relax occasionally, to wander, to live in the changing light of a room, without attempting to be or do anything whatsoever."

School Calendar

Our school calendar is included in our newsletter to provide you with an overview of key dates that you need to know. Dates will be added to this as they may not all be known at the same time so please keep an eye out for any changes. New additions after this week will be highlighted in the week they are added.

2025 Calendar



TERM 2 2025

Week 11	30th June	1st July	2nd July	3rd July	4th July
			Pizza Day Lunch	Assembly at 2:45 pm.	Learning Conversations -
			Reports Published on Compass	Learning Conversations commencing after school from 3:45 pm.	Students only attend for Learning Conversation

TERM 3 2025

Week 1	21st July	22nd July	23rd July	24th July	25th July
	First day back		VSSS rehearsal at Melbourne Town Hall	Jets Gym Prep to Grade 2	Assembly @ 2:15 pm
Week 2	28th July	29th July	30th July	31st July	1st August
	Prep 100 days of school	Division Girls Football	Division Boys Football	Jets Gym Prep to Grade 2	Assembly @ 2:15 pm
Week 3	4th August	5th August	6th August	7th August	8th August
		School Photos	Division Netball	Jets Gym Prep to Grade 2	Assembly @ 2:15 pm

Student Awards

Values Awards

Class	Student	Reason
Prep/1 Powell	Lar Tar K	For being a learner and always striving to listen and do the best he can in all tasks.
Prep/1 Lowndes		For extending yourself in all subjects and being a fantastic role model. Keep up the incredible work, Ineke!
Prep/1 Tomlinson		For being a learner by working hard to stay focused during learning time. Keep it up, Ollie!
2 Amraoui/McMillin	Tiberius C	For always showing respect and taking great pride in helping others.

		Tiberius consistently looks for ways to be helpful around our classroom and the whole school. Great job, Tiberius!
2 Hendy	Jackson M	For demonstrating community values by consistently lending a helping hand to others when needed. You are so kind, Jacko!
3/4 Osborne/Waterworth	Bradyn R	For demonstrating our values of being a respectful learner when he worked cooperatively with his group to solve the Escape Room challenges. Great teamwork, Bradyn!
3/4 Mogyorossy	Ryan G	For always listening to instructions and being a role model with your behaviour.
3/4 Widdows	Elijah W	For being a learner by following all of the instructions to complete your project on your island home. Your flag and your coat of arms look sensational! Well done, Elijah.
3/4 Golding	Ava McM	For always listening to instructions, being a learner and being a role model for your peers.
5/6 Dean	Mason T	For being a learner and pushing himself outside his comfort zone to try challenging things. Fantastic work, Mason!
5/6 Friswell	Brayden G	For being a learner by staying focused when completing tasks at his table and seeking help when needed. Keep up the great work, Brayden.
5/6 Williamson	Ivy P	For being brave by completing a presentation in front of the whole class.

Maths Awards

Class	Student	Reason
Prep/1 Powell	Charlotte H	For working hard to complete addition and subtraction facts.
Prep/1 Lowndes	Sonny N	For using addition strategies in Maths to solve equations. Keep up the great work, Sonny!
Prep/1 Tomlinson	Levi L	For using the count on strategy to solve addition problems. Great work, Levi!
Prep/1 O'Grady	Jordy N	For working hard to understand addition and subtraction fact families.
2 Amraoui/McMillin	Darcy D	For working hard this week in Maths, especially when using fact families and the doubling strategy. Darcy showed great focus and persistence with his learning, well done, Darcy!
2 Hendy	Amelia D	For confidently skip counting by twos when interpreting data. Well done, Amelia!
3/4 Osborne/Waterworth	Harper T	For applying your knowledge of addition and subtraction to help your team solve the Escape Room challenges.
3/4 Mogyorossy	Chloe B	For using your understanding of arrays and skip counting to solve multiplication problems.
3/4 Widdows	Harmony P	For using your knowledge of addition and subtraction to help your team solve the Escape Room. Great job, Harmony!
3/4 Golding	Indi W	For demonstrating an understanding of probability by applying her knowledge to determine the likelihood of events occurring.
5/6 Dean	Lahni N	For continuing to build confidence in your maths skills and using strategies to solve multiplication questions. Well done, Lahni!

5/6 Friswell		For actively participating in number fluency activities and using a times table chart to support problem-solving in multiplication.
5/6 Williamson	1	For being a learner by sharing her understanding of vertical multiplication.

SWPBS Awards

This student has earned 30 SWPBS stickers for being safe, being respectful and being a learner. Well done.

Kira McP

Andry Jake P

Nevaeh W

Harrison W

Luke McP

These students have earned 60 SWPBS stickers for being safe, being respectful and being a learner. Well done.

Oliver B

Asher C

Brooklyn McC

Florence C

• Iris-May S

Jackson M

Mason R

Aaron W

Lisa-Marie J

Rita S

Tyler C

Eliza M-W

Jorja D

Max H

Aria L

Har See Zar S

Talay S-W

Levi W

Levi L

Madelyn B

Everett T

These students have earned 90 SWPBS stickers for being safe, being respectful and being a learner. Well done.

Levi D

Olivia McK

Arthur H

Archer S

Ava McM

Ryan McK

Abby E

Elise B

Vivienne B

These students have earned 120 SWPBS stickers for being safe, being respectful and being a learner. Well done.

Harmony P

Kazim Bishnu U

Arabella C

Maddyson H

Semester 1 Reports

By the time you read this, your child's Semester 1 report will have been uploaded to their Compass profile. Our reports aim to give families a clear picture of each child's progress — academically, socially, and emotionally. They show where your child is in their learning, how they've engaged throughout the semester, and areas they're continuing to develop.

What's New in Maths?

You'll notice a change to how Mathematics appears in the report. This reflects an update to the Victorian Curriculum introduced by the Department of Education. Maths is now reported as a single learning area, rather than being broken into Number & Algebra, Measurement & Geometry, and Statistics & Probability. This change better reflects how maths skills are applied across different areas of learning.

Learning Conversations

This is also a great time to book your Learning Conversation with your child's teacher via Compass. These meetings are a chance to talk about the report, learning behaviours, and how your child is tracking. We ask that your child attend with you — it's important they're part of the conversation about their own learning.

Victorian State School Spectacular and HPV Fundraiser Volunteers

We are seeking volunteers to assist with a Bunnings BBQ on Sunday 3rd August.

All volunteers will need to be older than 12 years old. We need volunteers from 8am-4:30pm.

The money raised from this BBQ will go towards supporting our Grade 5/6 students who will be performing in the State School Spectacular in Melbourne in September and participating in the HPV



Energy Breakthrough in November. If you are able to help on the day for a few hours then please email Simone on simone.linda.cutting@gmail.com

Art Room Donations

The art room is seeking donations, if anyone has any of the following things, it would be much appreciated.

- Fabric
- Yarn
- Old buttons or other sewing things
- Embroidery Hoops

A big thank you to the amazing families who donated newspapers this term!

Prep to Grade 2 Gym Program

Families would have received a Compass notification advising them of the opportunity for the children to participate in a gymnastics program from the start of next term. The program is run by instructors at Jets Gymnastics which is located at the old Golden Square Secondary College site. Their teachers will attend with them.

This program is a wonderful way for the children to join in activities that challenge and grow their sense of self-confidence in a safe environment. It does include a bus ride and for many of our youngest children, this is just as exciting as the gym experience itself.

Please take the time to provide your permission for your child to attend on Compass noting that CSEF and School Saving Bonus money can be used to cover the cost of this activity if it is available to you. If you are uncertain, please contact the office.

School Wide Positive Behaviour Support

School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS) is a framework that brings together school communities to develop positive, safe, supportive learning cultures.

SWPBS assists schools to improve social, emotional, behavioural and academic outcomes for children.

When SWPBS is implemented with fidelity, teachers and students have more time to focus on relationships and classroom instruction. Students and staff benefit from:

- Increased respectful and positive behaviour
- Increased time focused on instruction
- Improved social-emotional wellbeing
- Positive and respectful relationships among students and staff
- Increased adoption of evidence-based instructional practices
- A predictable learning environment with improved perceptions of safety and increased attendance.

A key feature of SWPBS is to establish a common philosophy and purpose. This purpose is our mission statement which is: To engage all children in a high-quality education where they will thrive in their social, emotional, and academic journey.

At Golden Square Primary School, our school community (staff, parents/carers, and students) put forward their ideas on how they would like the school to look like, sound like, and feel like. From this we created our vision statement which complements our mission statement that was devised at the same time. Our vision statement is as follows: Our Golden Square Primary School community will work collaboratively in a safe, kind and respectful environment that inspires a passion and curiosity for learning. As we continue to share our SWPBS framework with you all, it will be beneficial to keep these two important statements in mind.

School Photo Day

You will notice a flyer in this newsletter providing you with some information around how to order your child's school photos. Photo Day is on the 5th August so book in the haircuts, be ready to wash the vegemite off the faces in the morning, and hope that the wobbly front tooth doesn't choose that day to fall out - although that is a magical milestone that would be captured.

Cinnamon Donuts on Sale

Cinnamon donuts will be on sale tomorrow at lunchtime for \$1.00. These will be sold from the gym where the zooper doopers are sold in the warmer months.

Scholastic Book Club



Issue 4 2025 - NOW CLOSED

Book Club LOOP

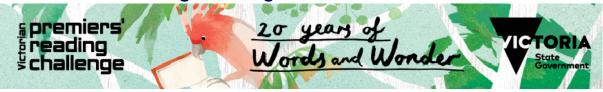
Issue 4 of Book Club is now closed. Thanks to all those who made a purchase through the Book Club LOOP App. Every purchase you make not only enriches your home library but contributes Rewards to our school library too. Your order will be arriving at school in the next few weeks.

If you get stuck and need help, simply call Scholastic Book Club friendly customer service team on 1800 021 233 between the hours of 8:30am to 5pm or phone/email the school and I will be more than happy to help.

Thanks for your ongoing support.

Happy reading! Claire Osborne, Library coordinator

Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge



Congratulations to these students who have already reached, and have kept reading beyond, their goal for the Premiers' Reading Challenge. You're reading superstars!:

Luca S L2

We would like to announce some of the prizes that your child and their class can win when they successfully complete the 2025 Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) at Golden Square Primary.

The **first student to complete the challenge for their class** will receive a book from our book prize pool, which includes titles such as ...Zoo Crew, Inflatables, The Puppy Place series, Pig the Pug and more!









The first class in each level (Prep/1, 2, 3/4 and 5/6) to have every student complete the challenge will receive a **Zooper Dooper!** All students who complete the challenge by the end date, September 8th, will receive a Premiers' Reading Challenge sticker and a Premiers' Reading Challenge certificate of completion signed by the Victorian Premier.

All students have received their username and passcodes to access the PRC Website, https://vprc.eduweb.vic.gov.au/home, and log their reading. A reminder that students in grades Prep to 2 are challenged to read and record 30 books, while students in grades 3 to 6 are challenged to read and record 15 books. If you have any questions or require further clarification please contact Claire Osborne claire.osborne@education.vic.gov.au or Melinda Waterworth melinda.waterworth@education.vic.gov.au.

Bicknell's Skills Challenge - Grand Final Wrap-Up



What a fantastic journey it's been in this year's Intersport Bicknell's Cup Skills Challenge! Our team made it all the way to the Grand Final, showing determination, teamwork and skill throughout the entire competition. While we didn't come away with the championship win, we were thrilled to be awarded *Most Enthusiastic Team and Crowd* – a testament to the energy and support from our students, staff and families.

A big thank you to everyone who came along to the grand final on Saturday to cheer us on. It was a brilliant show of community spirit and school pride. Well done to all involved – your effort and enthusiasm made us proud.





BENDIGO COMMUNITY SCREENING

Wednesday, 23rd July 2025 | 7 PM STAR CINEMA BENDIGO

TOWN HALL, PEG LEG RD, EAGLEHAWK VIC 3556

HOSTED BY LODDON
MALLEE REGIONAL
PARENTING IN
COLLABORATION WITH
COMMUNITIES FOR
CHILDREN.

\$10

TICKETS AT SEENTHEFILM.





REGISTER NOW FOR TERM 3 > gianttennis.com.au 🚹 💿

