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June 18th 2025 Newsletter

WEEKLY NEWS

Respect, Resilience, Achievement & Community

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.



Thought of the Week

“Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other.”

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



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Week 9	16th June	17th June	18th June	19th June	20th June
			VSSS rehearsal at GSPS 11:30 - 1:30		
Week 10	23rd June	24th June	25th June	26th June	27th June
Week 11	30th June	1st July	2nd July	3rd July	4th July
			Pizza Day Lunch	Learning Conversations commencing after school.	Learning Conversations - Students only attend for Learning Conversation

Student Awards

Values Awards

Class	Student	Reason
Prep/1 Powell	Neo G	For being a learner and enthusiastically sharing his Show and Tell with the class.
Prep/1 Lowndes	Ziggy T	For speaking confidently during Show and Tell. Keep up the great work, Ziggy!
Prep/1 Tomlinson	Taha Q	For always listening and following instructions.
Prep/1 O'Grady	Seth B	For being a learner and always completing work to a high standard.
2 Amraoui/McMillin	Jason B	For always using respectful and polite language when speaking to teachers and classmates. Jason shows great manners and sets a positive example for our class. Well done, Jason!
2 Hendy	Khant T	For demonstrating community values by always looking out for others and offering a helping hand. You are a superstar, Khant!
3/4 Osborne/Waterworth	Lola A	For taking our SWPBS Blitz seriously by doing your best to listen while others are speaking. Thanks for showing you are a respectful

		learner!
3/4 Mogyorossy	Phoebe D	For coming to school each day with a positive attitude ready to learn something new!
3/4 Widdows	Cooper N	For using your knowledge of skip counting to efficiently solve multiplication problems. Well done, Cooper!
3/4 Golding	Freya-Rose Y	For being an enthusiastic learner and always having a positive attitude. Keep up the great work, Freya!
5/6 Dean	Lucia P	For consistently engaging in lessons, staying focused and displaying our school values. Well done, Lucia!
5/6 Friswell	William H	For his enthusiastic nature, great sense of humour and his positive attitude towards school and learning. Keep up the great work, Will.
5/6 Williamson	Chloe J	For showing great resilience at soccer and giving it her all.

Maths Awards

Class	Student	Reason
Prep/1 Powell	Hunter W	For confidently completing addition and subtraction problems.
Prep/1 Lowndes	Xavier T	For applying different strategies to solve addition and subtraction equations. Well done, Xavier!
Prep/1 Tomlinson	Charlotte T O	For using the count on and count back strategy to solve addition and subtraction problems. Great work, Charlotte!
Prep/1 O'Grady	Ali A	For working hard to complete addition and subtraction problems.
2 Amraoui/McMillin	Eviee-Rose W	For working hard during our data topic and showing great effort when creating and reading picture graphs. Eviee-Rose always tries her personal best in Maths lessons and continues to push herself to improve. Fantastic work, Eviee-Rose!
2 Hendy	Chelsea McC	For using a range of strategies to solve equations and check the reasonableness of your answers. Keep up the great work, Chels!
3/4 Osborne/Waterworth	Aurora W	For using arrays and skip counting to solve multiplication problems. It's such a joy to see your confidence grow!
3/4 Mogyorossy	Chaise W-M	For drawing arrays to solve multiplication problems, well done, Chaise!
3/4 Widdows	Alyssa D	For being a learner by checking in when you are unsure about what to do. Keep up the great work, Alyssa!
3/4 Golding	Tyler C	For actively engaging in lessons, staying focused and solving a range of multiplication problems.
5/6 Dean	Joel W	For being a learner and challenging himself during graphing activities. Well done, Joel!
5/6 Friswell	Harrison W	For staying focused and actively engaging in lessons, while showing resilience and using a variety of strategies to solve problems.
5/6 Williamson	McKenzie D	For reading and then creating a double line graph.

SWPBS Awards

These students have earned 30 SWPBS stickers for being safe, being respectful and being a learner. Well done.

- Pepper D
- David R
- Harry C

- Valee R
- Lucia P

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

- Rheinxelle N
- Charli K
- Arianna S
- Kenai K
- Maleik M
- Ryan G
- Oscar H
- Phoebe R
- Gage M
- Aleya U
- Tasman R
- Scout W
- Chloe J
- Ted W
- Manavpreet K
- Havanna H

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

- Isabella McC
- Charlotte P
- Ruby McK
- Poppy N
- Mighel G
- Henry M
- Charlotte T O
- Riley Y
- Your Hih Than D

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

- Harper T
- Sadie D
- Joanna C T

Essendon AFLW Team Visit

We were thrilled to welcome players from the Essendon AFLW team during their recent community camp in Bendigo.

Our students had a fantastic time hearing from the players during a special Q&A session - asking great questions, learning about life as a professional athlete, and being inspired by their stories of hard work, teamwork and resilience.

A huge thank you to the Bombers for taking the time to connect with our school. Moments like these leave a lasting impression!



Connecting with Community

Our talented Grade 3/4 Choir are heading to Bethlehem Aged Care next week to entertain the residents. They will be performing several songs to the residents including "Funga Alafia" and "A Journey You Keep in Your Heart".

This is a wonderful way to connect with our community and we are certain that the children will bring a lot of joy to many.

Thanks kids and thanks Mrs van Agtmaal.

Intersport Bicknell's Cup Grand Final



We're so excited to be heading into the GRAND FINAL of the Intersport Bicknell's Cup, and Bendigo Stadium would love to pack the stands with school supporters!

All GSPS students can attend for FREE – just wear your school uniform.

Extra tickets for family members can be purchased at the box office on the night.

Event Details:



Saturday 28 June 2025



Women's Game: 5:30PM (Half-time skills challenge approx. 6PM)



Men's Game: 7:30PM



Red Energy Arena – Bendigo Stadium

It's a great chance to cheer on our school team, get involved in the excitement, and enjoy a night out with friends and family. Let's turn the stadium blue and gold!

SWPBS Blitz #2

We're now into the second week of our three-week blitz, focusing on two key expectations: We are Respectful and We are Learners. Each grade group is continuing to explore these expectations through class discussions and targeted lessons that link directly to our school and classroom behaviour matrices.

Staff are actively noticing and acknowledging positive behaviour with green 'Be Respectful' and blue 'Be a Learner' stickers. Posters around the school are also helping to keep these expectations front of mind for students.

You may receive a message from a staff member recognising your child's positive behaviour. If you do, please take a moment to let your child know—they'll love hearing that you're proud of them, and it helps strengthen the connection between home and school.



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.

Learning Conversations

Another reminder that you are now able to book times to hold Learning Conversations with your child's teacher on Compass. It is a great opportunity to talk with the teacher about your child's reports. The reports show how your child is progressing with their learning and the work habits they display on a regular basis. Please bring your child with you to be part of the conversation.

If you are making a booking with a specialist teacher, may you please only make the one booking even if you have more than one child attending our school. This will ensure that more families have the opportunity to meet with them.

School Savings Bonus Update

Families can continue to use SSB funds until **Monday 30 June 2025** to buy textbooks or uniforms, or to allocate funds to school activities using the parent/carer online system.

The parent/carer online system will close at **11:59 pm on 30 June 2025**. Any unused online supplier vouchers will expire, and all unspent SSB funds will revert to a school activities credit held against the family account for each student. These balances are expected to be back onto school accounts by the end of August 2025.

Please note, the dedicated SSB phone support for families will end 3 weeks into Term 3 (Friday 8 August 2025), while email support will continue until the end of 2025.

Volunteering at School

There are times when we actively look for volunteers to help support an activity at the school. It is a requirement that anyone volunteering at our school holds a valid Working with Children Check. If you apply for a 'volunteer' status, this will be free of charge. You are encouraged to apply for this card in advance of you putting your name forward so that you, and your child, are not disappointed. The office staff will be able to help you if you are uncertain of how to make this application or you can find further information at the following link:

<https://service.vic.gov.au/services/working-with-children>

Scholastic Book Club



Golden Square
Primary School 5531

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. 😊

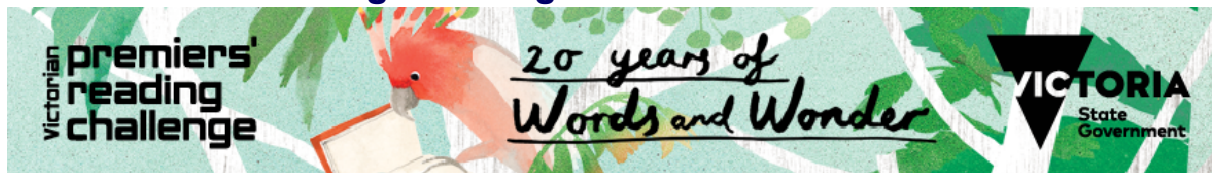
If you get stuck and need help 😊, simply call Scholastic Book Club friendly customer service team on 1800 021 233 between the hours of 8:30am to 5pm or phone/email the school and I will be more than happy to help. 😊

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!:

Sylvie P M4

Ryan G L6

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.

Have You Ordered Your School Photos?

Your photo day is: **05/08/2025**



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Golden Square Primary School

DON'T MISS OUT!

To order your school photos:

1. Go to www.leadingimage.com.au
2. Click on Order Your School Photos
3. Enter your Access Key

! Individual & family photos can be ordered with the same access key. Family photographs must be ordered **before 4:30pm the night before photo day**. Please ensure your orders are placed before this time.

Access key: **JUG68V35**



Scan to order!



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SCHOOL HOLIDAYS SORTED



PLAY

4 - 7 YEAR OLDS

A safe and fun program led by experienced AFL coaches, your child will learn basic footy skills, and enjoy mini-games, all while experiencing NAB AFL Auskick in a supportive environment, leaving with big smiles and a day of Good Clean Fun!



8 - 12 YEAR OLDS

Get a taste of NAB AFL Superkick, with a mix of skill development, modified game play. See their confidence grow in a supportive environment where buddies, mud & fun collide!



Bendigo School Holiday Program

Friday 18th July at Weeroona Oval

9am to 3pm - \$55 which includes a football

A day of footy fun!