



6th March 2018

2018 Dates to Remember

March

- 7 3/4 Classes excursion—Molesworth
- 8 Kinder and new parent greet night
6.30-8pm
- 9 Hawthorn visit
- 16 Assembly: Announcers 5/6 Tymms
Work to show: 3/4S and P1/T
- 19-23 Harmony Week
- 21 EC Carnival (Kinder-Year 2)
- 23 Leadership Camp
- 26 School Association AGM

April

- 5 Champions Athletic Carnival
- 7 School Fair
- 16 Assembly: Announcers 5/6 Brelis
Work to show: 3/4C and P1/S

2018 TERM DATES

- Term 1** 7th Feb—12th April
- Easter—** 30 March —3rd April
- Term 2** 30th April—6th July
- Term 3** 23rd July-28th September
- Term 4** 15th October-20th December

Student Free Days

- 13th April
- 23rd July

Welcome Evening/Social Event -

The School Association invites all parents/carers to a social event on Thursday 8th March in the Phoenix Building. The aim is to welcome new parents to our school community and the chance to gather in a social setting.

We hope many will be able to join us from 6:30-8:00pm.

Please contact the school office for further information or to RSVP.

Dear Families,

Effort and Encouragement

The *Athletic Carnival* held at the Domain last week offered a special experience for students in Years 3-6. The carnival was a success on many levels and the smooth running of track and field events was ensured by Mrs Sullivan's prior organisation and through assistance on the day from staff and Sports Leaders. Congratulations to all participants for your personal efforts and encouragement towards others on the day, which helped to create a positive and supportive atmosphere.

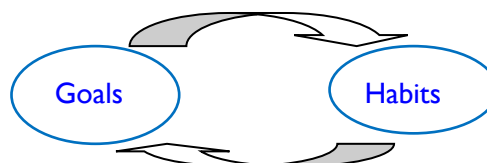
Leadership Opportunity—Another example of physical activity at Goulburn Street is the *Daily PE Program* which commences this week. Activities are planned and organised by our Year 6 students as part of their leadership responsibilities. The leaders are assigned a group of students from Prep-Year 5 for the week, providing instruction and encouragement to keep participants engaged and moving in the 15 minute session. The groups, with their supervising teacher, rotate each week to new activities.

Daily PE is held straight after recess each day and enables us to meet the recommended weekly allocation of physical activity in school hours. Additional benefits include opportunities for our senior students to develop and utilise leadership skills and the multi-aged groups help to foster positive relationships across the school.

Goals and Habits—The athletic carnival had many examples of students setting goals and by training prior and giving effort during the event they worked to achieve their best results. Setting goals relates to other aspects of life too, including with academic challenges, through musical or leisure pursuits and in everyday life such as learning to cook, keeping a bedroom tidy or reducing landfill wastes.

We have been learning how goals and habits are connected. Habits are 'regularly repeated actions that require little or no thought; they are learned rather than innate.' (Encyclopaedia Britannica)

Creating new habits can help us to achieve our goals



... and pursuing goals can inspire us to form new habits.

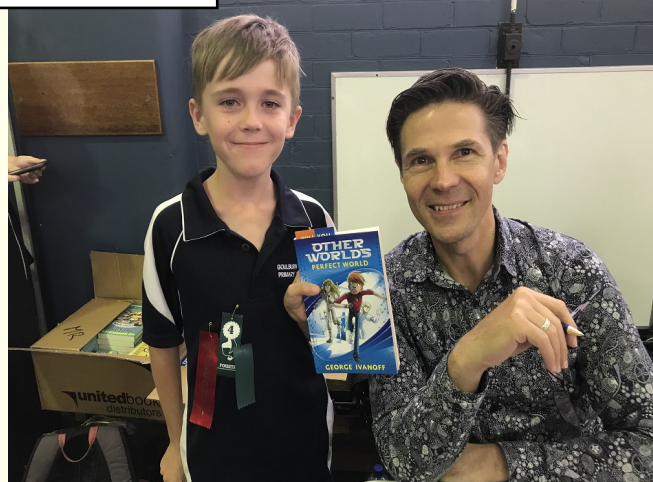
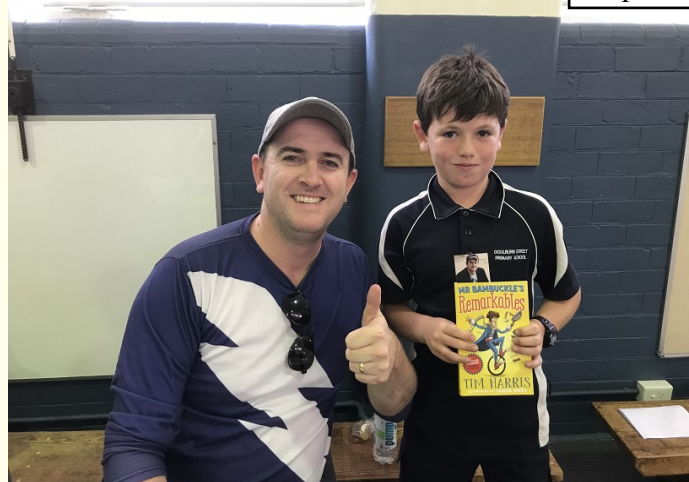
A goal of mine is 'to have more sleep'. This will be supported by the habit of 'getting to bed earlier' and an action will be to turn off the computer/device by 9:00pm and have a liquorice tea.

We can set Easy Goals, Stretch Goals and even Everest Goals. It's not necessarily about always attaining goals, making progress towards a goal, has been shown to support wellbeing. (Klug and Maier 2015)

I hope to see many of you at the Parent Welcome/Social Evening on Thursday in the Phoenix Building,
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ASSEMBLIES COMMENCE AT 11.45AM

A special Author's visit!



On Friday 2nd of March, the students from years 2-6 had a visit from two Australian authors, George Ivanoff and Tim Harris. The authors talked about the writing process and how they come up with their ideas. They also read from sections of their latest books. Afterwards, some students were fortunate to purchase books and have their books signed by Tim and George. Thank you very much to Area 52 for organising this memorable event.

Harmony Day Celebrations—During the week beginning Monday the 19th of March, we will be celebrating Harmony Day/week across the school in a variety of ways.

On Thursday 22nd of March, we will be having a special lunch eating time. The whole school will meet on the oval and will sit in two concentric circles to eat lunch (older classes will sit with their younger buddy class). Students are invited to dress in cultural dress if they wish. Parents are very welcome to attend, 12.30 onwards. Please bring your lunch. Please note: as per last year, if the weather is not suitable we will move this event indoors, fingers crossed for a sunny fine day.

Individual classes will also be doing different activities during the week. If any parents would like to be part of these learning experiences please talk to your child's teacher.

We hope you can be part of this special week at Goulburn Street Primary.



3/4 Smit and 3/4Coe Team Building Excursion: Tomorrow

(Please arrive at school by 8.45am as we will leave at 9am. We will be back at GSPS by 2.45 pm.)

The students will be participating in team building activities at the Molesworth Environment Centre. They will be engaged in challenges that are designed to extend problem solving skills, while also incorporating teamwork. The students work in small groups sharing possible solutions, taking turns, thinking creatively and helping each other to complete the challenges.

Please bring a cut lunch and snacks for recess and breaks plus your water bottles. Students need to wear school uniform and bring along a sunhat and jacket to cater for different weather conditions. Please bring medication (if applicable).

Parent help would be appreciated. Please contact Mr Smit and Mrs Coe if you are able to assist.



Election Day Fundraiser—Voters using the GSPS polling booth were quick to purchase delicious treats from the Cake Stall and/or to sample the amazing egg-n-bacon rolls (with Lesley Black's chutney), coffee or sausages! A total of \$1419.50 was raised – an amazing result!

Thank you to all who contributed cakes, slices, biscuits, jams and relishes. On the day there were a number of people who gave their time to set up, cook, serve and clean-up – helping to share the workload and to create a sense of team. Thank you to members of the Schnitzer and Dickason families, John and KT, Jacquie, Bec, Fran and others who helped on the day.

Thank you also to the Businesses that contributed with products at reduced costs: Steve from Golden Free Range Eggs, Graham at Ye Olde Cygnet Butchery, Leigh at Breadd, Roger at Oomph, Monington and Adelle from Tas Foods who donated all the milk from Pyengana Dairy.

Validation Forms and School Levies

We thank the many families who have already returned Student Validation Forms to the office, helping staff to update information on school records. The forms also include a section that provides permission for students to attend excursions and which needs to be updated each year.

Thank you also to families who have paid their 2018 levies. The invoice is sent in the mail from the Department of Education. We encourage parents/carers to contact the school office if there are questions regarding payment options, which include eftpos, credit card, cash, one off payments and instalments.

Kinder-Y 2 - Athletic Carnival

On Wednesday afternoon 21st of March, it will be the younger students in our school who will have fun at their own Athletic Carnival. The carnival will start at 1:30pm. Children in Kinder, Prep and Years 1 & 2 will be involved. They are invited to wear house coloured clothing that is suitable for running. Oak – green and Phoenix – yellow. Kinder students are not in house teams yet. All students need to bring a soft toy for the Teddy Bears' race. A hat will be of course required and a water bottle is recommended. Parents and grandparents are invited to attend this fun afternoon. BYO deck chairs for your own comfort.



Hawthorn Football Club - Community Camp school visit

This Friday, 9th March we are very fortunate to have a visit from four Hawthorn Football Club players who will be at our school between 10:30 - 11:30am. The visit is part of a Community Camp program in which the players are visiting several schools around Tasmania. They will participate in a 'friendly kick to kick' with interested students at recess time, then assist at our Daily PE activities before working with group of younger students for a short 'skills clinic'. We look forward to meeting the players and enjoying their interaction at recess and involvement in our whole school DPE program that begins this week.



Easter Raffle—Thank you to families who have brought along goodies for our Easter raffle. Participating families are asked to send along an Easter treat for the raffle so if you haven't done so there is still time, these are then made into many small prizes. Families are asked to sell 10 raffle tickets to family and friends. The raffle is one of our major fundraisers for the year. Tickets are only 50 cents each (\$5.00 per book). Books have been sent home and can be returned with money by Friday, March 23. Any tickets not sold should also be returned to the office.

The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday, April 12.



School Fair April 7th 2018 - Volunteers—We will be needing plenty of people power on the day of the fair so if you can donate a few hours of your time to help with setting up, serving on a stall or packing up then please drop organiser Rebecca Thomson a message queenripsnort@hotmail.com

Donations Drop Off— Keep dropping off your good quality bric a brac (eg. homewares, toys, games etc.), clothing and books. You can drop them off at the school anytime that the school hall is free and place them neatly on the stage area. To make it easier for sorting we ask you to place bric a brac against the back wall, clothes to the left and books to the right.

Sponsorship - if you belong to, or know a business who would like to donate a prize, voucher, resource or their time for the school fair then please let Rebecca know at queenripsnort@hotmail.com

Craft, Plants and Pickles—We need plenty of gorgeous craft items to sell at our ever popular craft stall so please get knitting, sewing, sculpting, threading and creating, and we will get you to drop your goodies off at the school office next month. Also, get planting green stuff for the plant stall (plants that will be appropriate for people to plant in autumn), as well as bottling, pickling and jamming all that summer produce.

Thank you, Bec

Plant Stall : Just a reminder to prepare your plants/seeds to donate to the fair garden stall! Ideas for plants and seeds to prepare NOW:

Pot the seeds of: Spinach, Kale, Broccoli, Rainbow Chard and Coriander

Collect seeds of: Tomatoes, Zucchini, Pumpkin and Cucumber

Divide and label bulbs, irises.

Divide and pot: Mints and any other herbs, strawberries.

Pot: Succulents (if you are able to pot the succulents into a quaint unwanted teacup, teapot, glass jar, kid's or grownup's gumboot/Blundstone/sneaker that would be lovely!)

I have lots and lots of garden pots of all shapes and sizes - so if anyone needs a pot feel free to contact me.

Please label all plants!

I will put out a message in the last week before the fair for a "bring a plant to school day". This will be when you can bring in the plants/seeds you have prepared, or, if you are not the gardening type, perhaps a small plant or punnet of seedlings from a local nursery would be possible - the veggies listed above are good ones for this time of year.

If you preparing plants now, it would be great if you could send me a text or email with what you have for the stall.

Thanks everyone!! Sarah Tan (Harper Curry in 2/3 SM's mum) 0421301135 sarahjt77@hotmail.com



time to get making,
it's
CRAFT TIME!

The famous GSPS fair is fast approaching!
The craft stall would dearly love your handmade donations.
Please bring your
knitted, stitched, glued, carved, constructed, sculpted,
folded, printed, re-purposed, or other amazing creative wares
to the office.

Check the Goulburn Street Creatives Facebook group for inspiration:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1742962719281282/>
Contact: Bree 0477 677 789 with questions or ideas!