



13th March 2018

2018 Dates to Remember

March

- 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

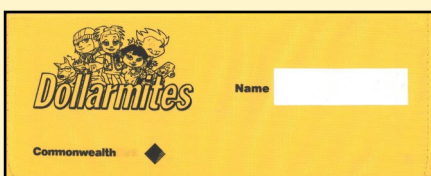
2018 TERM DATES

- 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
- 26th October

SCHOOL BANKING—Thursdays



Dear Families,

Reporting to Parents/Carers – Sharing Information

On Friday students from Prep-Year 6 will bring home an *Interim Report* to share with parents/carers. The short-term report includes a number of statements that help to provide an initial indication of how your child has settled into the school year. Teachers are also preparing the individual student *Learning Portfolios*. The portfolios provide additional and specific information about each child's developing skills and knowledge along with areas for future focus. Term 1 workpieces will include a Writing and Maths task, both with teacher comments, as well as a reading sample.

Parent/Teacher Conversations are scheduled in the week beginning Monday 14th May. These discussions offer an opportunity to view the portfolios for information, queries, achievements and challenges to be shared as part of supporting each student's learning and wellbeing. Further information regarding how to book times to meet with teachers in that week will be given before the end of this term. Parents / carers are also able to discuss student progress throughout the year. Sometimes an informal chat at drop off or pick up time is enough, at other times it may be better to arrange a suitable time to meet.

Parents and carers of Kindergarten children are encouraged to have ongoing conversations with kinder staff to support the transition to school for our youngest students. Throughout the year samples and information from each Kinder student are also collected for an individual *Portfolio*, based on the five outcomes from the *Early Learning Years Framework*. Kinder parents will have the opportunity for parent/teacher conversations in May and will receive a mid-year statement as well as an end of year comment with the *Portfolio* in December.

On the Calendar—Friday 16th March is National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence (NDA). This day helps to raise awareness of what bullying is and also to promote strategies that have been shown to prevent and reduce bullying. These include the importance of positive values such as respect, inclusion and cooperation along with the promotion of supportive relationships and student wellbeing. Developing skills and actions for all students to respond appropriately to bullying behaviour, and to support students being bullied, is encouraged. Senior students will share some ideas with us at assembly on Friday.

Next week is Harmony Week, promoting the message of 'everyone belongs'. Just last week a parent marvelled at the number of different backgrounds and cultures represented in our school population. Activities within schools and the wider community help to foster understanding of diversity, to nurture respect and foster a sense of belonging for all. Students and staff at GSPS will undertake a range of activities over the week including exploring cultures and traditions within our community.

Further information about events happening in Hobart and ideas for families can be found online <http://www.harmonytasmania.com/>. We encourage everyone to **wear something orange** (shirt, wrist or waist band, scarf or tie etc), or **traditional/cultural clothing** on Thursday 22nd, the day of our lunch on the oval.

*Assembly is on this Friday, I hope to see you there,
Gay*

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.



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.



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.



SPSSA Division C Athletic Carnival

Congratulations to our GSPS 2018 Athletic Team who will participate in the Inter-primary Carnival next Tuesday, 20th March at the Domain Athletic Centre:



GSPS Athletic Team 2018

Monique Schnitzer	Lockie Fox
Rafi Cameron	Ethan Tolhurst
Rosie Cooper	Ryan Tucker
Diva Kennedy	Jude Sawford
Freya Stone	Billy Jones
Res: Sophie Corrigan	Michael Kvarantan
	Res: Abhidev Lohchab
Gemma Holloway	Huon Oh Maris
Azalea Hansson	Alex Stolp
Astrid Smith	Nicholas Eccleston
Lexie Robertson	Spike Whelan
Penny Slamen	Res: Rudy Kelly
Felicity Skeggs	
Res: Claudia Goddard	
Caitlyn Fox	Jace Ling
Olive Turk	Alan Morley
Ashleigh Clarkson	Riley Bearman
Evie Holloway	Xavier Stone
Lucy Mauafu	Oscar Goddard
Lola Latham	Josh Vautin
Res: Mira Corry	Matthew McCormack
	Res: Jack Corrigan
Rozalia Arnold	Rhys Arnott
Eden Rowell	Yves Sant
Kahani Dutta-Sherlock	Ryan Stolp
Kitty Stock	Harry Stolp
Isabelle Groves	Henry Vautin
Ruth Chatters	Bruno Stock
Res: Greta Blain-Lawry	Res: Jesse Tsakiris

The team will be captained by our Year 6 Athletic Champions, Monique Schnitzer and Lockie Fox. Team members have commenced training and are looking forward to next Tuesday. This year our school is competing in a higher division having been successful in Division D in 2017. We wish them luck and know they will do their best in effort and performance.

School Fair April 7th 2018 -

Volunteers - We still need 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. At this stage we are particularly interested in food/drink donations or a business who would like to put in a cash donation to go towards paying for one of our fun attractions such as the Crazy Bikes, or Animal Petting Zoo.

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!