



5th June 2018

2018 Dates to Remember

June

- 6 Magic 123 Parent Workshop**
- 6 5/6 Unit morning tea at HCC
- 8 Assembly: Announcers 3/4S
Work to show: 3/4C and P/IT
- 12 Div A Cross Country Carnival
- 22 Assembly: Announcers 3/4C
Work to show: 2/3M and 3/4S
- 26 All State Cross Country (Symmons Plains)
- 27 Whole school performance "Buddies"

July

- 2-6 Growing Up Program
- 6 Assembly: Announcers 5/6T
Work to show: P/IS and 5/6B

Dear Families,

Opportunities at Goulburn Street

Visits to classrooms, presentations at assemblies, *Learning Portfolio* samples and conversations with staff and students demonstrate the range of rich learning opportunities available for students at Goulburn Street Primary. Staff plan learning activities that promote deeper thinking and which encourage students to ask questions and to make connections with, and build on from, prior learning. Learners of all ages are also encouraged to work together, developing the skills of collaboration, negotiation and communication.

Experiences outside the classroom add further to opportunities available, tapping into and building on the different interests and strengths of students, staff and parents. Physical health is promoted through a purposeful PE curriculum taught by Mrs Sullivan (and starting this week Mrs Blyth), topped up with regular specialist clinics and of course the *Daily PE* program run by our Year 6 Leaders. Weekly class Music lessons with Mrs Owens encourage students to interact and work together as they create music and experiment with a range of instruments. Added to this are opportunities for Year 3-6 students to learn the recorder or to join one of the Choirs, including the *DEC Choir* coordinated by Mrs Jakins. Students in Year 5-6 also have the option to learn a woodwind instrument as part of the *Instrumental Band* program with Mrs Wilmot. Growing vegetables, nurturing plants and learning about composting practices with Mr Smit and in Kinder Lewis & Kinder-Prep Evans also adds to skills and capabilities.

Lunchtime activities on offer include the Library being open two days a week with Mrs Quinn, *Arty Facts* with Miss Shepherd, *Blogging* on Mondays with Mrs Moore, *Panto* preparation with Mrs Tymms and more recently an opportunity to hone skills for creating and producing films with parent Bec Thompson and Mrs Coe. Preparations for this year's *Tournament of Minds (TOM)* competition are also underway with Mrs Sullivan ably supported by a group of parents who take on the role of facilitators for each of the TOM Teams.

Working with Children Card

As indicated above, family and community members are integral to many of the programs, learning opportunities, excursions and special events on offer at GSPS. Thank you to all who give so generously with your time and expertise, supporting and collaborating with staff to enable a diverse and rich array of opportunities to be available for Goulburn Street students.

All employees and volunteers in schools are required to have a *Working With Vulnerable People's Card*. Information on how to register is available through the Justice Department website. Once you are registered we ask that you contact the school office so that your name and card number can be added to our records.

<https://www.cbos.tas.gov.au/topics/licensing-and-registration/registrations/work-with-vulnerable-people/do-i-need-to-register#Education>

Assembly on Friday and the opportunity for classes to share their learning and achievements, Gay



10 days left in the Premier's Reading Challenge—to read 10 books in 10 weeks.

Congratulations to those students who have already reached their goal.

Thank you to our Year 6 Reading Ambassadors for your assistance.

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CLASS NEWS—The 5/6 Unit have been invited to special morning tea hosted by the City of Hobart on Wednesday the 6th of June. This is to recognise the part they played in the conversations around climate change. Students will need to wear full school uniform and bring appropriate coats etc for the weather conditions. Students will be leaving school at 10.45 and walking to the morning tea and returning by 12.30.



Collection of items for people sleeping rough/homeless.

We will be collecting items over the next two weeks leading up to the winter solstice on 21st June. Your donations of items in good condition eg: blankets, coats, jumpers, beanies, scarves, gloves etc can be placed outside the office.

Thank you

An idea by Eden Rowell



Out and About!



I 2 3 Magic – Parent Workshops – continuing on Wednesday—The second **I 2 3 Magic** workshop for parents will be held Wednesday 6th June in the staffroom from 6:00-9:00pm. Presented by trained facilitators the sessions provide information and key strategies to support adults in recognising and managing different behaviours. We acknowledge the School Association for sponsoring the workshops.

Student Attendance and Visitor Records—With the change of seasons bringing cooler weather and possible colds and ailments we recognise this may be a time when students are absent from school due to illness. We thank parents/carers for contacting the office in the morning to inform us of your child's absence. This can be done via a phone call, by email or through the school website using the *Absence Notification*.

For occasions when students are late arriving at school, or have an appointment and need to leave early, there is a folder at the office for parents/carers to sign students in or out. Also at the office is a booklet to record visitors to the school. We ask that family members and volunteers sign in and out when they come to assist in classrooms or with excursions/events. These procedures help us to maintain accurate records of who is on site and the visitors' book is a wonderful record of those who assist us during the year.

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