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2018 Dates to Remember

June

- 15 Scholastic Book Club due to office
- 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: P1/S and 5/6B

Dear Families,

Kindness and Compassion in Action

It is wonderful to see and hear students from Goulburn Street showing kindness and helping others within the school. Recent examples include children:

- *stopping a game to check that a friend is okay after being hit by a ball*
- *helping someone who has fallen over in the playground*
- *joining the search for a tooth! (Thankfully a milk tooth, though sadly not found – it's still somewhere on the oval!)*

The collection of items for people sleeping rough is another example and this has been initiated by Eden, a Year 3 student. Aware of some in the wider community who are less fortunate and without a home, Eden has taken action. GSPS families are encouraged to contribute items such as beanies, scarves, coats and blankets. The Salvation Army will collect donations after the winter solstice and distribute the goods to those in need. Thank you for your support.

Actions that Inspire Others

The ongoing efforts of staff and students to reduce landfill waste is another way we are collectively taking action, in this case to address environmental concerns. We recognise that our goal to be a Zero Waste School is aspirational – an 'Everest goal' even! However we are putting processes in place and creating new habits to work towards this ambitious target, guided by the 5 Rs of Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Rot.

Students from Taroona High and Huonville Primary have recently visited Goulburn Street to find out what we are doing to reduce landfill waste. We can show visitors that by separating materials for composting or worm farms, recycling bins and soft plastics (through Red Cycle) we are greatly reducing the amount of wastes going to landfill. GSPS student representatives share how we are trying to be more mindful of our actions by:

- *reusing materials for artwork or construction*
- *recycling through the tip shop or e-waste*
- *reducing packaging (eg. ordering photocopying paper in boxes rather than wrapped reams)*
- *refusing to buy items such as plastic straws*

Our everyday actions have been inspired by past *Village Green School Fairs*, with the School Association and parent community leading the way in a commitment to reducing wastes. The flow on effect is that students and staff of Goulburn Street are continually reviewing practices and looking to improve what we do at school and also at home. Students often lead the way in these changes of habits, adjusting to new ways quickly and encouraging adults. GSPS is now inspiring other schools to take action!

Taroona High extends an invitation to the Goulburn Street community to attend a Zero Waste Festival on Wednesday 13th June from 4:00-7:00pm at the Taroona High School Gym. There will be information and insights on ways to reduce waste.

Congratulations to the 48 students who represented GSPS at the Interschool Cross Country today – fabulous examples of teamwork, grit, effort and fairness.

Gay



The Goulburn Street Community has been invited by HCC to run a stall at the upcoming West Hobart Street Party on Saturday the 30th of June from 1pm-4pm. The suggestion is for a children's 'Makers Table', with activities to engage and entertain for a gold coin donation. We are calling for people that are interested, willing and able to help Jared Dickason, member of our School Association to organise and assist on the day. Please let the office know if you are available and if you have any ideas that might be suitable for the Street Party.

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Collection of items for people sleeping rough/homeless. - We are 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



Thank you to the Year 6 Reading Ambassadors for helping teachers and students during the 10 weeks of the Premiers Reading Challenge.



Lost - New size 4 Goulburn St Jacket - Clearly labelled - George Shugg. Please return to the office

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB IS DUE TO THE OFFICE NO LATER THAN RECESS ON FRIDAY THE 15th OF JUNE.

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