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19th June 2018

2018 Dates to Remember

June

- 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"
- 29 Kinder/Kinder/Prep excursion

July

- 2-6 Growing Up Program
- 6 Assembly: Announcers 5/6T
Work to show: P1/S and 5/6B
- 23 Student Free Day
- 24 First day of Term 3

Dear Families,

Learning Portfolios/Mid-Year Reports

Following the recent Parent/Teacher conversations, the next phase of reporting to parents includes the distribution of *Learning Portfolios* and mid-year reports on Friday 6th July. *Learning Portfolios*, for students in Prep-Year Six, contain work samples and provide evidence of student learning against the expected achievement standards for the relevant year level. The *Learning Portfolios* are an initiative of Goulburn Street Primary and incorporate feedback to students as part of the process as well as being a record of learning/progress for parents. We ask that the *portfolios* are returned to class teachers at the beginning of term three so that further work samples and information can be added over the year.

Within the *Learning Portfolio* will also be an envelope containing your child's mid-year report that includes a written comment from the class teacher in regards to effort, work habits and social interactions. An assessment for the Australian Curriculum learning areas of *English, Mathematics, Science and Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS)* is also incorporated. For students in Year 3-6 this will be an A-E letter rating with a matching descriptor, explaining what the rating means. Those in Year 1 and 2 shall receive a descriptor, whilst Prep students will only receive a descriptor at the end of the year.

Kindergarten students will also have something to share with parents at the end of term two. Mrs Lewis and Mrs Evans have prepared a comment for each child outlining how they have settled into school and highlighting some of their achievements. A *portfolio* for each Kinder student is being created and these will be distributed at the end of the year. Kinder teachers use the five outcomes from the *Early Years Learning Framework* to guide play-based learning opportunities.



**HCC Street Party
West Hobart
1pm-4pm
Saturday 30th June**

Do you have ideas for a 'Makers Table' (activities to engage and entertain)?

Are you able to assist?

Please let the office know if you are available and if you have any ideas that might be suitable for a GSPS table at the Street Party.

Professional Learning/Student Free Day – Monday 23rd July—A state-wide professional learning day for staff will be held on Monday the 23rd July, the first day of Term Three. Goulburn Street teachers will be working on site, with a focus around the three whole of school priorities of Maths Proficiencies, Writing (using the 6 + 1 Traits model) and Wellbeing. Families are reminded that care for children is available for the school day on site by making a booking through Lady Gowrie.

My two colleagues and I depart on Saturday to start our Hardie Fellowship in the USA. I am very excited about the opportunity to extend my professional knowledge and skills through the study tour – it is indeed a privilege and I look forward to the learning ahead and to sharing and using this on return.

I leave confident that GSPS is in good hands with Mrs Sullivan as Acting Principal and know that Jenny will be well supported by all staff at GSPS over this time.

Gay



Entertainment Books are still available for a short time from the office for \$70.00.

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Principal: Gay Cumming

Collection of items for people sleeping rough/homeless. - Just two days until 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.

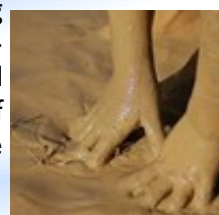
Thank you

An idea by Eden Rowell



5/6 Brelis & 5/6 Tymms Marine Discovery Centre Excursion—As part of a science unit on marine environments and sustainability, on Monday 25th June 5/6 Brelis and 5/6 Tymms will be travelling by bus to the Marine Discovery Centre at Woodbridge. We will leave school at 9.10am and return by 3pm. Students will require school uniform, morning tea, a packed lunch and a warm jacket. Parent support would be appreciated so please contact your child's teacher if you are able to attend. Thank you Wendy Brelis & Jenny Tymms

International Mud Day—On Friday 29th June Kinder/Prep Evans and Kinder Lewis will be visiting Mt Nelson Sustainability Learning Centre for International Mud Day. A day of exploration and fun. We will leave school at 9.00 a.m. and return by 2.30 p.m. Children will need morning tea, lunch and their water bottles. They will also need to wear appropriate clothing including old clothes, warm jackets and hats and enclosed shoes. Children will change at school into their Natureland waterproof pants and gumboots. Parent help is needed so please let Melissa or Julie know if you can help on the day.



3/4 Coe/James – TMAG – Introductory tour of ningina tunapri

On Tuesday 7th of August, 3/4CJ will be going to the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery to attend a program in the Aboriginal Room. This excursion is part of our unit of work on Aboriginal history and culture. We will be leaving school at approximately 9.20 to walk to the museum, arriving by 10.00. We will leave the museum at approximately 11.00 and return to school. Parent and grandparent help would be greatly appreciated. If you are able to attend, please let Jillian Coe know. Thank you.

Growing Up Program

In the last week of term educators from *Family Planning Tasmania* will visit the school to provide the *Growing Up Program* – a relationships, sexuality and protective behaviours program. Sessions will be run for all classes and are age-appropriate. The program aims to provide children with the knowledge, skills and attitudes to help them make choices for positive emotional, physical and social health.

A parent information session will be held at 8:30am on Monday 2nd July in the Phoenix Room. You are invited to attend the parent session to find out more about *Growing Up* as well as strategies and resources for talking about relationships with your child. Please contact the school if you have questions and/or to register your name for the parent session. Further information is also available at http://www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/publichealth/healthy_communities/talk_soon_ofen

Lost and Found

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

* Beanie Boo toy pictured. Please return to the office.



Inter-Primary Cross Country Carnival

Our school team should be very proud of their efforts at the Division A Carnival last Tuesday. In quite unpleasant conditions they drew on their strengths of persistence and purpose to continue on in the rain! We had some outstanding individual and team performances on the day. Placing in the top 10 out of 120 runners in each race were: Olive Turk, Kaitlyn Fox, Lockie Fox, Matthew McCormack and Yves Sant. Olive's perseverance and effort to do her best, by passing two other runners in the sprint home for a 2nd place in the first race of the day, inspired all our team. Our year four girls also came third in the team event. Well done to all the team!

It is fantastic to see that 36 of our Inter-Primary cross country competitors have now taken up the challenge to travel up to Symmons Plains next Tuesday for the All State Cross Country Carnival.

Good luck to the following students:

Kitty Stock, Rosie Arnold, Eden Rowell, Caitlyn Lewis, Rhys Arnott, Henry Vautin, Bruno Stock, Ada Okenyo, Harriet Turner, Kate Fox, Olive Turk, Matthew McCormack, Didier Schnitzer, Jace Ling, Riley Bearman, Jack Corrigan, Alan Morley, Oscar Goddard, Sahara Lateef, Penny Slamen, Claudia Goddard, Felicity Skeggs, Nick Eccleston, Iggy Mooney, Spike Whelan, Rosie Cooper, Sophie Corrigan, Monique Schnitzer, Rafi Cameron, Diva Kennedy, Freya Stone, Jude Sawford, Lockie Fox, Michael Kvarantan, Billy Jones, Ryan Tucker

Thank you in advance to the parents who will be transporting our students on the day.

News flash: We will be remaining in Division A again next year. No doubt a reflection on the whole team effort by training well and doing their best last Tuesday!!



Rock Climbing Competition

Rockit Climbing Centre in Bathurst Street are hosting a competition for school age students (K – 6) from 25-27 June.

One of our parents, Maryanne Lewis, has offered to coordinate a team of Goulburn Street students to participate in the competition.

When - The session for students from GSPS will be on **Monday 25th of June between 4.00 and 6.00.**

Entry cost per participant is \$15 to be paid to Maryanne or on the day at Rockit.

Some experience is ideal but it doesn't need to be a lot as the competition is very much about participation. Points are scored for completion of challenges. A harness is provided free and sneakers are generally fine if you don't have climbing shoes.

Parents will need to attend with their child and a waiver will need to be signed. Most children who have already climbed at Rockit will have already signed this but if not the waiver is available on the Rock It Website at <https://rockitclimbing.com.au/> or it can be signed on the day (just get there a few minutes early).

If you are interested or want to know more please contact Maryanne on 0437 584 910 or email at mazatron00@gmail.com. Maryanne will need names by Friday 22nd June.

