

Dates to Remember

TERM 2

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| 4-5 May | Year 4-6 Sports Days |
| 8-12 May | Mother's Day Stall |
| 15 May | Under 8's Day |
| 16 May | P&C Meeting – 6pm |
| 19 May | Prep-Year 3 Sports Day |
| 22-26 May | Book Fair |
| 3 Jun | FISAF Super Series (Sport Aerobics) |
| 19 Jun | Prep 100 days Celebration |
| 23 Jun | Last Day of Term 2 |

TERM 3

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| 10 Jul | 1 st Day of Term 3 |
| 18 Jul | School Photos |
| 14 Aug | Gladstone Show Holiday |
| 15-16 Aug | Prep Vision Screening |

From the Principal's Desk

RotaKids 2023

On Friday the students taking on leadership positions in RotaKids for Semester 1 received their badges and certificates. Dave Taylor from Port Curtis Rotary attended to make the special presentation. This was followed by an afternoon tea with staff, students and parents where the RotaKids made a presentation about their upcoming 2023 projects. Our RotaKids are very enthusiastic and motivated group of young people and it will be great to see all they achieve to making our school, community and world a better place.

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| President | Tayla |
| Vice President | Bailee |
| Secretary | Kiarna |
| Treasurer | Varusan |
| Communicators 5A | Renae & Ruby |
| Communicators 5B | Freya & Penny |
| Communicators 5C | Leanne & Jessica |
| Communicators 5D | Brooklyn & Chelsea |
| Communicators 4A | Sonii & Alekzander |
| Communicators 4B | Tarunee & Whiti |
| Communicators 4C | Ruby & David |
| Communicators 4D | Lilian & Chase |



School Details

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8:00am – 3:30pm

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principal@gladstonewestss.eq.edu.au

DENTAL CLINIC: 4972 9364

SCHOOLWATCH: 13 17 88

STUDENT ABSENCE LINE:
4979 7366

No Parade this
Friday due to our
Year 4-6 Interhouse
Sports Day

Yours in education
Damien Hoare
Principal

Parent information – Signing out your child

We realise that, on occasion, students may need to leave early; it is hoped that these occasions are kept to a minimum so that the learning of the student, the class and the routine of the school is not unduly disrupted. In the event that your child needs to leave early please advise the administration office or the classroom teacher in advance to make the collection process less disruptive.

Please note that our lunch breaks are between 11.00am – 11.40am for first break and 1.30pm – 2.00pm for second break. If possible, when collecting your children if it can be done either side of these breaks as it is very difficult to communicate with your child to come to the office, we also find it difficult for them to get their bags as classrooms are not always accessible through out the lunch breaks as classrooms are locked.

Cross Country Champions



Congratulations COOLAC

for winning our recent interhouse cross country for the 3rd year in a row.
Our Coolac leaders

Capricornia Sport – Hockey



Congratulations to Kai who has recently been selected for the Capricornia Team for Hockey, and also to Cohen who was selected for the Port Curtis Soccer Team. Well done boys!

CAPRICORNIA



SCHOOL SPORT

Port Curtis Sport - Soccer



Year 4 – 6 Interhouse Sports Day – Thursday 4th May

Program Thursday 4th May 2023

8.50am: Mark rolls in classrooms and assemble under house tents

9.00am: Announcer to welcome all staff, students, parents and carers

- March past for each house – Sports captains to lead team around the oval.

9.30am: 800m (3 ½ laps) long distance race (Student nomination prior to sports day to Miss Pagel – teachers on track will pull students out if they are walking consistently)

- ❖ 9 years boys
- ❖ 9 years girls
- ❖ 10 years boys
- ❖ 10 years girls
- ❖ 11 years boys
- ❖ 11 years girls
- ❖ 12 years boys
- ❖ 12 years girls

*starter will begin next race as soon as top 3 have finished

Sports house ribbons

will be on sale

Thursday 4th May from

8.15 at the office.

10.15am: Rotation 1

9 years boys and girls – event D (ball games)

10 years boys and girls – event A (high jump and dodgeball)

11 years boys and girls – event B (long jump)

12 years boys and girls – event C (shot put and throwing activities)

11.00 – 11.40am: Lunch

12.00 - 1.30: 100m sprints

- ❖ 9 years boys
- ❖ 9 years girls
- ❖ 10 years boys
- ❖ 10 years girls
- ❖ 11 years boys
- ❖ 11 years girls
- ❖ 12 years boys
- ❖ 12 years girls

1.30 – 2.00pm: Afternoon Break

2.00: Rotation 2

9 years boys and girls – event A (high jump and dodgeball)

10 years boys and girls – event D (ball games)

11 years boys and girls – event C (shot put and throwing activities)

12 years boys and girls – event B (long jump)

2.45pm: Pack up

Year 4 – 6 Interhouse Sports Day – Friday 5th May

Program Friday 5th May 2023

8.50am: Mark rolls in classrooms and assemble under house tents

9.15am: 1500m (6 1/2 laps) long distance race (Student nomination prior to sports day to Miss Pagel – teachers on track will pull students out if they are walking consistently)

- ❖ 9 years boys
- ❖ 9 years girls
- ❖ 10 years boys
- ❖ 10 years girls
- ❖ 11 years boys
- ❖ 11 years girls
- ❖ 12 years boys
- ❖ 12 years girls

*starter will begin next race as soon as top 3 have finished

10.15am: Rotation 3

9 years boys and girls – event B (long jump)

10 years boys and girls – event C (shot put and throwing activities)

11 years boys and girls – event D (ball games)

12 years boys and girls – event A (high jump and dodgeball)

11.00 – 11.40am: Lunch

11.45am: 200m sprints (two races per age group – keep students and top 3 times are 1st, 2nd 3rd)

- ❖ 9 years boys
- ❖ 9 years girls
- ❖ 10 years boys
- ❖ 10 years girls
- ❖ 11 years boys
- ❖ 11 years girls
- ❖ 12 years boys
- ❖ 12 years girls

12.45pm: Rotation 4

9 years boys and girls – event C (shot put and throwing activities)

10 years boys and girls – event B (long jump)

11 years boys and girls – event A (high jump and dodgeball)

12 years boys and girls – event D (ball games)

1.30 – 2.00pm: Afternoon Break

2.00pm: Relays

- ❖ 9 years boys
- ❖ 9 years girls
- ❖ 10 years boys
- ❖ 10 years girls
- ❖ 11 years boys
- ❖ 11 years girls
- ❖ 12 years boys
- ❖ 12 years girls

Presentation of age champions and winning house & Pack up

PBL – Positive Behaviour Learning

PBL Focus for Weeks 3 & 4

SAFE:

I will respect others when moving around
the school.



Mother's Day Stall



Mother's Day Stall

Open 8 - 8:45am

Starting 8th May

Classroom behind Rainbow Bag racks behind office

Gifts from \$2

Cash or EFTPOS Available

Prep Parents – Vision Screening


Children's Health Queensland Hospital and Health Service

Free Prep Vision Screening


is coming

Gladstone West State School

Have you completed your consent form yet?



Please scan this QR code to complete your child's consent form by **Sunday 6th August 2023** to secure your spot

 Queensland Government

Possums Playgroup

Playgroup is on every Monday at Gladstone West State School

When: Every Monday of the school term

Time: 9:00am-10:30am

Where: The Hub – Sign in through the office and staff will direct you

What to bring: A water bottle, a healthy snack a hat and covered in shoes.

Children MUST be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Around the Classes

4A

This semester in 4A we have been working hard on designing and making products for our EPP trial market tomorrow. The students absolutely love EPP and this is why:

Bailey: I Like EPP because you get to see what people can create and also get to create your own product.

Rubi: I like EPP because I like to make the products and choose to work with people that I work well with.



Jorgie: I like EPP because it is fun. You can make new friend and you get to make products and see if they are good at selling and then you get to make more. The food is the best!

Josh: I like EPP because you can start making products and when you get older you can use those skills. You can also make more products at home. If your product is good, you could start selling the product at home and make your own business.

Our Grade 3's have been lucky enough to experience the expertise and knowledge of Troy (Kiyah's Dad), Bianca (Kiyah's Mum- not pictured) and Danielle (West's Community Education Counsellor- not pictured). They dedicated their time to teach us about indigenous cultures, including some of their stories, art and music. Troy's didgeridoo playing was my personal highlight and the children loved hearing the animal characters that were created.

Kiyah performed an artistic story below using clap sticks and was extremely brave to stand up in front of our classes.

Below, 3A has created some indigenous dot art as a thank you to Kiyah's family. Each artwork represents something different for each pupil and the colours were chosen carefully to complement each piece.

We very much enjoyed the experience and are pleased we can share this with the whole school in our newsletter.

From 3A and Mr Fox



3A



Around the Classes

6C

This week in 6C we have been working on creating news articles! We have been learning about the features of news articles such as headlines, by-lines and summary leads. We have been enjoying using drama to act out news stories to write our own news articles. This week we are focussing on how to use language to show a point of view, and how we can persuade a reader through language features.

One of the world's most immature school myths has become a reality as Rooby Fox and Thor Bobtown argue in between a test, but a steps up, reports and earns a promotion. Tot, who is a tall crazy but silent and calm nerd, has expelled the inappropriately named kids, which successfully makes him the new drama teacher. This event took place in Glads at 12 or 1-ish pm. The kids were given a test and Rooby cheated and Thor started an argument. "You Flippin'... McChicken Monkey! What a ya girl!" but then, Tot told the teacher, Aussie Chr and he yelled at them in a Darth-Vader-meets-t voice. "What are you doing, kids? Guess wh Tot, you da new Drama Teacher."

Drama Caused At Audition For Juliet
28/4/23 5:05am By Sienna Koppen
Obnoxious Britney Koppen causes stage drama for role Juliet.

During acting the Britney got caught down-grading Lily List while back stage, "Good List!" Lily said trying to stay positive, where-as in a response from Britney she got "I mean win don't even try!"

First Britney Koppen got chosen first to audition & chose a singing role which nearly broke the judges' eardrums. "And I'll be with ALLWAYS LOOOOVE YOU!"

When finished anxious & worried being pushed by Britney Lily entered the stage, and very anxiously chose the romantic part. But after choosing it she turned and looked down at a necklace hoping and seeming to calm her down. Well after she gets a smile and a "An amazing job Lily!" happy she sits back stage in her seat.

A couple minutes later both actresses get called on stage & waiting the Judge Karen Ferguson announces Lily List as Juliet! As celebrating obnoxious Britney snatches board yelling "I DEVESE THIS!" the judge calls Britney out of room & while crying on the floor judge Karen & actress Lily celebrate.



Tuckshop & Uniform Shop News

Uniform Shop Opening Times

Every Wednesday &
Thursday

8.15am – 2.00pm

Friday 8.15am – 8.45am

Gladstone West State School use the Qkr App for all online ordering for our uniform orders as well as our tuckshop.

Online Orders must be placed by 8:00 am.

Qkr!™ by Mastercard® is the mobile phone payment app designed for Australian schools, delivering an advanced and competitive online payment solution. Qkr delivers convenience to parents, efficiency to canteen staff and excellent reporting to school office staff.

Qkr is better for parents:

- Make faster, more convenient payments from a secure mobile app anywhere and at any time
- Website payment alternative for parents and carers without a smartphone or tablet
- Copy lunch orders from one week to the next to save time
- Pay direct from a credit or debit card without pre-loading funds to a third party account
- Track transactions easily with online receipts



Our Tuckshop operates every Wednesday, Thursday & Friday for both first and second breaks. It is preferable for students to pre-order before school each morning. While over the counter sales are available for Years 4 to 6, choices will be restricted to what is available at the time.

Please provide a separate bag for first and second breaks. A 5 cent surcharge is applied where no paper bag is supplied. Acceptable payment methods are via our online ordering system or cash only, there are no EFTPOS facilities available. No foreign currency will be accepted.

Uniform Shop Prices

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| School Polo Shirts | \$30.00 |
| Reversible Bucket Hats | \$20.00 |
| Skirt/Shorts Combos | \$30.00 |
| Unisex Shorts | \$25.00 |
| School Dresses | \$50.00 |
| Jackets | \$50.00 |
| Fleecy Jumpers | \$40.00 |
| Fleecy Tracksuit Pants | \$22.00 |



Volunteers are required to help in the tuckshop. If you are interested in helping out for 2023, please give your name to Kay at the tuckshop.

Community Notice



PARENTING: THE GREAT EXPERIMENT WORKSHOP



A parenting course with
a difference, offering
alternative solution
focussed and relational
approaches.

Parenting is a lot like chemistry...

It can often feel like a series of trial and error experiments - discovering what elements to combine for success and how to avoid those that lead to an... **EXPLOSION!**

Join the CatholicCare team in Gladstone as we explore the importance of responsibility and belonging whilst discovering alternative parenting approaches that suit your family needs. This **three-part series** is led by Counsellor Campbell Trotter, who brings with him over 35 years training and experience in family counselling.

THREE SESSION WORKSHOP



MAY MAY MAY
6.30pm - 8.30pm @ CatholicCare

38 Herbert Street, Gladstone

\$20

per session

We're here to help and it is the policy of CatholicCare that no client will be refused a service based on an inability to contribute a fee.

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Community Notice



FAMILY DRUG SUPPORT MEETING GLADSTONE

Gladstone Support Group Meetings

Gladstone City Library, 39
Goondoon Street, Gladstone,
4680

1st Wed
of every
month

5:30 – 7:30pm

RSVP ESSENTIAL:
Belinda 0490 536 976



www.fds.org.au

FEELING HELPLESS AND ISOLATED AND AT A LOSS AT WHAT TO DO?

Drug and alcohol use places immense emotional and practical strain on family members. With support, they can improve their own wellbeing, those of other family members, and improve outcomes for everyone

There are no rights and wrongs – You don't have to do it alone

Family Drug Support offers a non-religious, open meeting for family members affected by drugs and alcohol.

Open to anyone and providing opportunities to talk and listen to others in a non-judgemental, safe environment.

WHEN: 1st Wednesday of each month - 4th Jan, 1st Feb, 1st March, 5th April, 3rd May, 7th June, 5th July, 2nd August, 6th Sep, 4th October, 1st November, 6th Dec.

TIME: 5:30pm – 7:30pm

WHERE: Gladstone City Library, 39 Goondoon Street, Gladstone 4680.

COST: Free

RSVP ESSENTIAL: Belinda Arnold: 0490536976,

Anna - 0490 536 931

