Transitions from Kindy to Prep and Year 6 to Year 7

As you would all be aware that every year we have two very important events occurring. The first one is the transition of Kindy to Prep. At present our Prep cohort of teachers have been very busy organising, visits to the Kindys and setting dates for our information session and orientation sessions. I understand for some parents this can be a busy time of the year. If you have ANY questions please do not hesitate in ringing the school office, our job is to support and help our students and families (present or future). Like our motto says ASSIST OTHERS.

The other important transition is the year 6 to High school. At present we are setting dates and times for Gladstone State High School to visit our year 6 students to talk to them and give them important information.

We will continue to inform parents of the information we receive. At present if you haven’t collected an enrolment pack this needs to be done from the Admin Office at the high schools. Remember proof of identity and residence is required as Gladstone State High School does have a catchment area. If you have a sibling currently attending you will be guaranteed enrolment.

Enrolment Management at Gladstone West State School

Gladstone West SS is enrolment managed and has a catchment area. We still allow students outside our catchment to attend. As long as we are managing the enrolments, this is fine. If you know of prospective parents that are looking at sending their children here, please contact the office on 4979 7333. We are currently taking enrolments for 2017.

Every Day Counts:
Establishing good routines around school can assist with regular school attendance. These include:

• have a set time to go to bed
• have a set time to get out of bed
• have uniform and school bag ready the night before
• have a set time for starting and finishing breakfast
• set a time for daily homework activities
• speak about school positively
• send your child to school every school day including their birthday and the last day of term from Prep to Year 6.

If you are experiencing difficulty in sending your child to school, contact the school principal for advice and support.

www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts

Yours in Education

Damien Hoare

Information Session | Prep Orientation Sessions
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Tuesday 30th August 6-7pm | Session 1 Tuesday 29th November 9:30am-11:00am
Tuesday 29th August 6-7pm | Session 2 Friday 2nd December 9:30am-11:00am
2016 TERM CALENDAR

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2016 TUCKSHOP ROSTER

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****Helpers required in Tuckshop****
If you are able to help in the Tuckshop in Term 3, please see Kay in the Tuckshop.

NO Foreign Currency accepted and NO EFTPOS available

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Gladstone
Queensland, 4680

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Dental Clinic: 49729364
Email: principal@gladstonewestss.eq.edu.au

STUDENT ABSENCE LINE
4979 7366

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We're on the web
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**Uniform Shop**

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*Parents just a reminder as the weather gets cooler that students need to wear **blue** jumpers or tracksuit pants. **NO Hoodies** are allowed.*

**Student Banking**

Just a reminder that student banking is on every Tuesday. If your child would like to commence student banking through Commonwealth Bank you can collect a package from the Administration Office.

**PBL Focus:**

*This week’s PBL (Positive Behaviour Learning) is being **RESPONSIBLE**— by:*

*“Making healthy food choices”*

**GWSS P&C Survey—After School Care**

The Gladstone West State School P&C are conducting a survey to gauge interest in having an After School Care program run at Gladstone West State School.

You can access this survey via the QR Code to the right or via the following link.

https://form.jotform.co/62138446617863

**Yearn to Learn Homework Club**

STARTING THIS WEEK - GAICS Yearn to Learn and Gladstone West State school have an exciting new homework group commencing this term and continuing throughout the year during the school terms. Please come and collect your application form and return ASAP to the school office.

*Where: SEU building*

*Start Date: 3rd August*

*When: Wednesday 3:15pm till 4:15pm*

*Contact: Lisa McClelland (Yearn to Learn Co-Ordinator) 0424 437516.*
Year 4 Camp—Capricorn Caves

Year 4 camp will be conducted between the 22 and 24 August, 2016. The students will be travelling to Rockhampton by coach and staying at the Capricorn Caves and stopping at the Rockhampton Historical Village for a Tour on Monday Morning. Accommodation is in Deluxe Cabins and all linen is provided.

Parents/Caregivers may make part or full payments, with the balance due by Friday 5 August, 2016. Please make sure you complete the permission and medical form and return it to the school as soon as possible.

Absences

Parents if you know your child has been away or is going to be away could you please inform the Admin office by the following options:

- Student Absence Line: 49797366
- Via the Skoolbag App
- Email/Note to classroom teacher

Literary Carnival

Last week selected students went to Central Queensland University to see Author Gregg Dreise as part of the Literary Carnival. Photos of students with Gregg’s books.

Qld Symphony Orchestra

While we expect all Instrumental Music students will greatly benefit from this event, all students from Year 4, 5 and 6 are invited to attend a performance by the Queensland Symphony Orchestra at the Gladstone Marina on Friday 12 August.

The bus will depart from school at 9:30am. Cost is $5.00. Payment and forms are due to the office by 5 August.

Pyjama Day—Thank you

Last week’s Pyjama Day—Free Dress raised $583.10. All proceeds from this day went to the Pyjama Foundation.

Thank you all for your support.
Prep Enrolments 2017

Enrolment forms for 2017 are now available from the Admin Office. Student details will be required when a form is collected. Eligible students for Prep for 2017 must turn five on or before 30 June 2017.

Completed enrolment forms are to be returned to the school office. We need to sight Original Birth Certificates when enrolment forms are returned. Enrolment forms will not be accepted without the Birth Certificate.

Olympic Link

Gladstone West have been fortunate to have the Australian Olympic Committee link us with an Olympic athlete. Our next hook up will be on August 11 with Blair Evans, who will be speaking to us from the Olympic media rooms in Rio. Blair is a 400m Medley swimmer. This is an amazing opportunity to be linked with an athlete as only 6 schools in Queensland have been fortunate to participate in this project.

S.E.P News—PREP Students

In term 3 and 4 all prep students will have a speech screener done, if anyone wishes for their child not to be done can they please let the school know. If there are any concerns with the screening the parents will be notified before the end of the year, so if you don’t have any feedback this will mean that there were not any concerns.

Parents/Caregivers On School Grounds

A reminder to all parents/caregivers that you are required to sign in at the administration office before proceeding to classrooms or other areas of the school. This is for the safety of your children and your own safety also.

Premiers Reading Challenge

Students participating in the Premiers Reading Challenge have until 26 August to return your school reader record form. Students need to read or experience the following number of books.

Prep—Year 2  Read or experience 20 books
Years 3-4     Read 20 books
Year 5-9      Read 15 book

Children and students who complete the challenge have their efforts recognised through the receipt of a Certificate of Achievement signed by the Premier of Queensland.
Below is information regarding how to make payments using Bpoint. This payment option is available for all camps/activities which have been invoiced by the school.

**1. Online System | Pay School Invoices**
- Pay School Invoices (SRS; Text Book Fees; Camps; etc.)
- Access via **ANY** Computer or Smart Phone

**2. Payments Accepted:**
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**ALL 4 fields MUST be filled in!**

CRN: Customer Reference Number
WHAT IS THE NATIONAL DATA COLLECTION?

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (the national data collection) is an annual collection that counts the number of school students with disability and the level of reasonable educational adjustment they are provided with.

The national data collection counts students who have been identified by a school team as receiving an adjustment to address a disability under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (the DDA). The DDA can be accessed from the ComLaw website at www.comlaw.gov.au.

what is the benefit for my child?
The aim of the national data collection is to collect quality information about school students with disability in Australia.

This information will help teachers, principals, education authorities and families to better support students with disability to take part in school on the same basis as students without disability.

The national data collection is an opportunity for schools to review their learning and support systems and processes to continually improve education outcomes for their students with disability.

WHY IS THIS DATA BEING COLLECTED?

All schools across Australia collect information about students with disability. But the type of information currently collected varies between each state and territory and across government, Catholic and independent school sectors.

When undertaking the national data collection, every school in Australia will use the same method to collect information. Therefore, a government school in suburban Sydney will collect and submit data in the same way as a Catholic school in country Victoria and an independent school in the Northern Territory.

The information provided through the national data collection will enable all Australian governments to improve target support and resources to benefit students with disability.

WHAT ARE SCHOOLS REQUIRED TO DO FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY?

All students are entitled to a quality learning experience at school.

Schools are required to make reasonable adjustments, where needed, to assist students with disability to access and participate in education free from discrimination and on the same basis as other students.

These responsibilities are outlined in the DDA and the Disability Standards for Education 2005 (the Standards). The Standards require educators, students, parents and others (e.g. allied health professionals) to work together so that students with disability can participate in education. The Standards can be accessed via the ComLaw website at www.comlaw.gov.au.

WHAT IS A REASONABLE ADJUSTMENT?

A reasonable adjustment is a measure or action taken to help a student with disability access and participate in education on the same basis as students without disability. Reasonable adjustments reflect the assessed individual needs of the student, and are provided in consultation with the student and/or their parents and carers. Reasonable adjustments can be made across the whole school setting (e.g. ramps into school buildings), in the classroom (such as adapting class lessons) and at an individual student level (e.g. extra tuition for a student with learning difficulties).

What information will be collected?

Every year your child’s school will collect the following information for each student with a disability:

   - the student’s level of education (i.e. primary or secondary)
   - the student’s level of adjustment
   - the student’s broad type of disability

The information collected by schools will be provided to all governments to inform policy and programme improvement for students with disability.

WHO WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL DATA COLLECTION?

The definition of disability for the national data collection is based on the broad definition under the DDA.

For the purposes of the national data collection, students with learning difficulties such as dyslexia or auditory processing disorder as well as chronic health conditions like epilepsy, diabetes or asthma, that require active monitoring by the school, may be included.

Who will collect information FOR THE NATIONAL DATA COLLECTION?

Teachers and school staff will count the number of students with disability in their school and the level of reasonable adjustment they are provided based on:

   - consultation with parents and carers in the course of determining and providing reasonable adjustments
   - the school team’s observations and professional judgments
   - any medical or other professional diagnosis
   - other relevant information.

School principals are responsible for ensuring the information identified about each student is accurate.

How will my child’s privacy be protected?

Protecting the privacy and confidentiality of all students and their families is essential. Personal details such as student names or other identifying information will not be provided to local or federal education authorities.


IS THE NATIONAL DATA COLLECTION COMPULSORY?

All education ministers agreed to full implementation of the national data collection from 2015. This means that all schools must now collect and submit information annually on the number of students with disability in their care and the level of adjustment provided to them.

Information about the arrangements that may apply to your school in relation to this data collection is available from your child’s school principal and the relevant education authority.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact your child’s school if you have further questions about the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability.


An e-learning resource about the Disability Standards for Education 2005 is freely available for the use of individuals, families and communities at http://resource.dse.theeducationinstitute.edu.au.
Gladstone Women's Health Centre are running **Puberty Clues Workshops** on puberty and menstruation for mothers and their daughters (grades 5 to 7) on the 9th August, 11th October and 29th November. Sessions are held from 5.30pm to 8pm at the Gladstone Women's Health Centre, 9 Derby Street, South Gladstone. Cost is $10 for non-members or free for members, and participants are asked to bring a plate of food to share.

Phone 4979 1456 to register.

**Botanic to Bridge—21st August 2016**

**KEY EVENT DATES:** Event Day: Sunday, 21 August 2016
Registrations Open: Wednesday, 25 May 2016
Registrations Close: Wednesday, 17 August 2016 at 8pm

Gladstone Ports Corporation’s Botanic to Bridge is a fantastic event which encourages families to embrace healthy and active lifestyles, and provides an opportunity to invest funds into our local schools and community. In the past six years, our regional schools have received over $145,000 through the Botanic to Bridge school investment program which has gone on to provide essential health, sport and recreation equipment and other resources.

**REGISTRATION PRICES:**
The below registration fees apply to both the 3km and 8km Botanic to Bridge events.

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**Kids Art Classes**

Classes are for children aged 6-12 years old on Monday, Tuesday or Thursday afternoons from 3:30pm - 5:00pm at Auckland Street Creative.
Cost is $140 for 8 week term, includes all materials.
Email Jenny: kidsclasses.cgri@gmail.com or
COMMUNITY NOTICES

LADIES DAY

11AM-5PM • SATURDAY 6 AUGUST, 2016
Comfort Inn Parklands Calliope

Tickets $75pp, or a table of 10 for $700
- Ticket includes:
  Complimentary bubbles on arrival • 3 course buffet
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SATURDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2016

JUNIORS
- Friday Night Games - U10s & U17s
- Saturday Morning Games - U12s & U14s

SENIORS
- A Grade 50 over matches (Saturday)
- Reserve Grade 40 over matches (Saturday)
- B Grade 40 over matches (Sunday)

TRAINING
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