GLADSTONE STATE HIGH SCHOOL ENROLMENT INTERVIEWS

Enrolment interviews for students in Year 6 transitioning to Gladstone SHS for Year 7 are now open. Information letters have been sent home with how to book an appointment online through schoolinterviews.com.au (Code: p9tb6). Interviews will be held at Gladstone West SS on: Wednesday, September 7 (7.30am to 12pm); Monday, September 12 (8am – 5pm); and Tuesday, September 13 (9.30am to 5pm). Enrolment packages may be collected from Gladstone SHS with proof of residence in their catchment or evidence of a sibling currently attending the school. A reminder that Year 7 scholarship applications close on Friday, September 2, 2016; the form is available from the school website. For any enquiries, please call 4976 6111.

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.

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

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**Tuckshop operates on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday only.**

**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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**We’re on the web**

www.gladstonewestss.eq.edu.au

www.facebook.com/GladstoneWestStateSchool
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 PBL (Positive Behaviour Learning) is being — Respectful by: “Being Honest”

SMS Services

SMS Messaging service
As you would be aware, Gladstone West State School has currently started using a SMS messaging service to inform parents of their child’s absenteeism. This also improves our unexplained absenteeism data by allowing parents to message back the reason.

Obviously with all new processes there are some glitches that need ironing out. We are trying our very best in Administration to minimise these hiccups, but can I say THANK YOU for your understanding in this matter.

Year 7 Enrolment

Year 7 Enrolments in 2017
Year 7 enrolments for 2017 are now open at Gladstone State High School. Enrolment packs can now be collected from the Gladstone SHS Administration building. Upon collection of an enrolment pack, all students are required to provide proof of residence in their catchment before a pack can be distributed (rates notices, electricity bill, etc). Upon enrolment, students will be required to have an interview with a member of Gladstone State High Schools leadership team. Opportunities for these interviews at our primary school will be made available and advertised soon.

Puberty Clues Workshops

Gladstone Women's Health Centre are running Puberty Clues Workshops on puberty and menstruation for mothers and their daughters (grades 5 to 7) on 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.
Step into STEM

These little men went to Step into STEM at Gladstone Central State School on 25th August. Abdul Adnan, Brock Connor and Caleb Michon all enjoyed their day.

Maths Extended Learning Program at Kin Kora State School

On Friday 26th August students from the Gladstone cluster of schools visited Kin Kora State School to participate in a maths Extended Learning Day program.

The students were challenged to recreate a tessellated image 3 times larger than the original image and transform 2D shapes into 3D shapes.

After measuring, calculating, cutting, pasting and engineering students created 2D and 3D, tessellated images that were reminiscent of artwork by famous mathematical artist M.C. Escher.

Students found the challenge enjoyable and challenging. Students were drawn out randomly into groups of 4 or 3 so there was an added challenge of working in teams with unfamiliar students. The students rose to the challenge and made new friends while completing the task. The day ended with a school challenge of 'Jeopardy' in which Kin Kora scored the highest points.

Year 1 & 2 Swimming

Observer Writing Competition

Notes have gone home today to inform parents that Year 1 and Year 2 Swimming will commence in Term 4. Swimming lessons will cost $60 for 8 lessons, this will also cover bus transport to the pool.

* Year 1 Swimming payment due Wednesday 5th October

* Year 2 Swimming payment due Friday 21st October

Congratulations to Ivy Roylance who recently won the Observer Writing Competition. We would also like to commend Jovi Bax for also entering the competition.

Well done girls.
Year 3 & Year 5 Camp—BIEEC

Year 3 Camp will be conducted between Thursday 6th October and Thursday 13th October. Cost is $65. Year 5 camp will be conducted between Tuesday 4th October and Wednesday 12th October. Cost is $145. Both of these camps will take place at the Boyne Island Environmental Education Centre. Letters were given to students last week to take home. Consent forms and payment is due for both camps by 9th September.

Fathers Day Stall

Thank to all that supported the Fathers Day Stall, we hope all our West Father’s had a fantastic Father’s Day.

Raffle—50th Anniversary

Raffle tickets were due back yesterday Monday 5th September. Prizes will be drawn on Thursday 8th September.

Lost Property Boxes

Our lost property boxes are overflowing with items that students have left throughout the school. Please come and have a look at these if your child is missing anything.

Lost property boxes are located at Mrs Rebecca West’s—2C classroom (D Block), Mrs Cherise Smith’s classroom—3E (next to Tuckshop) and Mrs Diane Martin’s—Prep D classroom.

Also any valuable items such as watches, jewellery, wallets, phones, glasses etc are kept in the Office.

Information Update

If you have not provided a mobile phone number or email address or you have changed your mobile phone number or email address please advise the school as soon as possible via Skoolbag, email-admin@gladstonewestss.eq.edu.au or advise the office staff via phone or in person.

Absence—SMS Notification

SMS4Schools Rollout has started. Parents/Guardians will receive an SMS on the day their child is away from school, if they have not already notified the school of the absence. Our preferred response method is via SMS.
Skip-A-Thon

2016 Skip-a-Thon

It was great to see all of our West students participating in today’s Skip-a-thon. All students got to mix with younger and older students at Gladstone West. Thanks to all the families that supported our fundraiser through donations from friends and family. The students that have completed their form and donated will be rewarded with their exciting prizes after the school holidays.
Community Notices

Basketball Free Come & Try Day

Sign Up for Boys & Girls Thursday 15th September

3.30 – 4.30pm: Age group 5 to 10 years
4.30 – 5.30pm: Age group 11 to 16 years
Where: Kev Broom Stadium, Memorial Park, Side Street
Email: gladstoneyjuniorsbasketball@gmail.com
Website: www.gladstone.basketball.net.au

- All participants of the Come and Try day that register for our Summer Season 2016/17 will receive their compulsory playing singlet free of charge ($50 saving) once payment is made in full.
- Registration for Summer season is $160 for U13-18 and $110 for U12s
- Current players encouraged to bring a friend to go in the running to win movie vouchers
- All skill levels welcome
- Attendees to complete an attendance form on the day

ADVENTURE CAMP on AWOONGA DAM
17-19 September

Great Family Fun Newcomers Welcome

Bush camping at Lake Awoonga, Canoeing and Exploring the Dam
Canoes provided

Join us for 1,2 or 3 nights or just during the day by arrangement

For more information contact:
Blair Smith
4974-1112 or 0413056620
Email – blairsmith31@gmail.com
Facebook - @boynevalleyadventureclub
BOYNE VALLEY ADVENTURE CLUB

WALLA BABIES RUGBY CAMP

MISSION: To give kids and families an alternative option during the school holidays.
To come and make new mates, learn a fun and exciting sport and be empowered through our camp with some great core values including positive work ethics, respect team work, fair play, integrity and humility.

When: Monday 19 September – Friday 23 September
Where: TBC - Brothers Junior club fields, Blair Park drive off Calliope drive
Time: 9 - 4pm Mon - Thu, Fri 9 - 1:30pm
Age: 6 - 15 years old

Cost: SEE DETAIL BELOW

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT PRICES
$130 per child, per day
$150 for the week

EARLY BIRD FAMILY PRICES
$25 per child per day x2 children
$25 for the week
$35 per child per day x3+ children
$300 for the week

WALK IN’S / Non Hooked - $40 per child per day, $30 per child per day x2 children, $25 per child per day x3 children
For EARLY BIRD DISCOUNTS, all registration forms and payments must be received by Sunday 18 September. Payments to be made into the account of 0341125-333925 or given to Patrina.
Time payments may be an option for those who request, call Patrina to discuss further before Friday 9 September.
NOTE: There are no Half Day Attendances. There are no Refunds.
Drop off no earlier than 8:45am daily
Pick up no later than 4:15pm
Please do not forget to PICK UP your child or children.
Call Patrina on 0488634690

Family Friendly Affordable
Same game times every week

SOFTWARE GLADSTONE SIGN ON
SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2016
10AM - 12PM
SOFTWARE GLADSTONE CLUB HOUSE - MEMORIAL PARK, SIDE STREET
(next to Kev Broom Basketball Stadium)

CATERING FOR ALL SKILLS, AGES, MALE AND FEMALE

Season Starts October 2016

If you cannot attend and wish to register your interest please contact
Wendy on 0457 178 622
E: softball.gladstone@gmail.com
W: gladstone.softball.org.au
**Time to get gardening!**

Spring is almost upon us, and it is almost time for the 2016 Gladstone garden awards. Entries close on Thursday 8th September, so now is the time to tidy up your garden, finish those landscaping projects and coax your plants to look their best.

There are many different garden styles, and this is reflected in the wide variety of award categories in which gardeners can enter. Even those who do not consider themselves experts are encouraged to enter, as many previous prize winners are first time entrants. A passion for gardening is all it takes.

Mike Wells is judging this year’s awards during 12-16th September. A meet the judge evening is being held on Wednesday 14th September, and the award presentation evening is on Friday 16th September. On Sunday 18th September, enthusiastic gardeners will take the $25 bus tour of some of the winning entries in the Gladstone region. This is a most enjoyable day for gardeners to discover new ideas or simply relax and enjoy the scenery.

To find out more, phone 49722245, email cbc@outlook.com.au or check out Gladstone Garden Festival on Facebook.

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**September School Holiday Program**

**WEEK 1**

Saturday 17 September to Saturday 24 September

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**School Holiday Craft Activities**

- **Gladstone Library**
  - Tuesday 20 September, 9:30am - 11:30am
  - Paper Folding, Buttons and Beading
  - Bookings: 4972 6400

- **Gladstone Library**
  - Tuesday 20 September, 9:30am - 11:30am
  - Autumn and Winter Quilts
  - Bookings: 4972 6400

- **Callepe Library**
  - Wednesday 21 September, 9:30am - 11:30am
  - Craft Workshop: Crochet and Robo Craft
  - Bookings: 4972 0100

- **Agnes Water Library**
  - Wednesday 21 September, 10am
  - Bookings: 4992 1501

- **Mt Larcom Library**
  - Thursday 22 September, 10:30am
  - Spring is here! Buzzing Bee’s, Woman and Snails and Spicy Cocky
  - Bookings: 4972 0070

- **Callepe Crafty Capers**
  - Monday 19 September
  - Ice Age, 9 - 11 years, 5:30pm
  - Friday 23 September
  - Finding Day, 9 - 11 years, 5:30pm

- **Lake Awoonga Boat and Leisure Hire**
  - Open over school holidays

- **Local Industries Cricket Competition and Family Fun Weekend**
  - Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 September
  - Raising funds for Cancer Council of Queensland. Markets, kids entertainment, face painting, bouncy castles, car show, photo booth, free kids creche (1 age 10 and under)

- **Costume Making Workshop**
  - Monday 19 September, 9am - 1:30pm

- **State of Origin Callers Holiday Clinic**
  - Saturday 17 September, 9:30am - 1:30pm
  - Ages 5 - 7 years

- **Bush Camp**
  - Saturday 17 September, 7:30am - 1:30pm
  - $8 per child, $7 for community

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**Contact Information**

- **Please tick your chosen categories:**
  - Large garden over 1200m²
  - Small garden less than 1200m²
  - New garden less than 3 years old
  - Senior 65+ garden
  - Australia Native Garden
  - Frontal Effect/ Street Appeal
  - Small spaces (not part of a large garden)
  - Vegetable &/or fruit garden
  - Bush House
  - Plant Collection – please specify:

- **Please note:**
  - Residential entries may enter more than one category, but may only win one of the five major prizes.

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**Gladstone Garden Awards Entry Form**

- **Contact Information:**
  - Name:
  - Address:
  - Phone:
  - Email:
  - Signed:

- **Enquiries:** Phone: 49722245
  - Email: cbc@outlook.com.au
  - Facebook: Gladstone Garden Festival