From the Principal

Not Now – Not Ever
May is Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month
Attitudes and behaviours that underpin violent behaviour in relationships can be formed early on. The Department of Education and Training has developed the Respectful Relationships Education Program to teach children from a young age that domestic and family violence is never acceptable, and that everyone has a responsibility to act.

By implementing the program, schools will equip students with the skills they need to develop respectful and ethical relationships free of violence. Students will have opportunities for social and emotional learning in self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationships, ethics, values, social norms, stereotypes, human rights, risk and responsible decision making.

2016 Improvement Focus — Punctuation Part 1

The purpose of punctuation is to aid the reading of the text.

Look at the following sentence:
“Let’s eat, Grandma!”

In the following example a comma has been left out and the meaning has changed significantly:
“Let’s eat Grandma!”

There are many different punctuation marks. The following table shows the development of punctuation from early writers through to advanced writers.

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Upcoming Date Claimers

- Prep—Year 3 Sports Day—19th May
- Year 4—6 Sports Day—20th May
- U8’s Day—24th May
- Year 3 Excursion—26th May
- Family Fun Night—17th June 2016

Check out the website got ideas…https://www.communities.qld.gov.au/gateway/not-now-not-ever
### 2016 TERM CALENDAR

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### 2016 TUCKSHOP ROSTER

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NO Foreign Currency accepted and NO EFTPOS available

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

**STUDENT ABSENCE LINE**  
4979 7366

**West is Best**

We’re on the web  
www.gladstonewestss.eq.edu.au

www.facebook.com/GladstoneWestStateSchool
Tuckshop

Sports Day orders due by 11th May. Parents may pre-order or may purchase from the tuckshop.

NO EFTPOS—Cash only

SPECIALS

Hamburgers $5.00
Chicken Fried Rice $4.00
Hot Chicken Wraps $3.50
Pop Corn .80c
Vegie Chips $1.80

SWPBS Focus:

This week's SWPBS is RESPECTFUL—by:
“Placing all litter in the bin”

Library

Overdue notices were sent home last week. Could you please help your child/ren find and return their library books.

Breakfast

Breakfast Club continues in Term 2 in the SEP on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 7:45.

Parents please inform the SEP if your child has any food allergies.

Uniform Shop

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Our new unisex shorts and combos have arrived.

Student Banking

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

Parent Volunteers NEEDED

We are in need of some more parent volunteers to help us on a Tuesday Morning in the parent room. If you have a spare hour we would love to see you.

I am SAFE
I am RESPECTFUL
I am RESPONSIBLE

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.
Under 8’s Day

Tuesday 24th May from 9:00am, all students in Years Prep to 2 will be involved in a range of activities on the main oval as part of Under 8’s Week. Our Year 6 students will be assisting teachers in organizing and presenting these activities to our P-2 students. Parents/Caregivers are welcome to come along and join us with the wide range of activities. See you there!

School Banking

School Banking Competition

School Banking is running a competition at West. All students need to do is bank 3 times between week 6 and week 9 and they will automatically go into the draw to win a Dollarmites Prize Pack and certificate. This is very exciting as someone at West will win this prize.

Good Luck

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

Lost Property

We have a number of items in our Lost property boxes. If your child is missing lunchboxes, hats, jumpers, containers etc. Please come and check out what we have. Our lost property boxes are located at the following classrooms:

- 2D—Under D Block
- 3E—Under A Block
- Prep C—P Block
- Some items are located at the Admin Office.
G.W.S.S Athletics Days

Prep—Year 3 Inter-House Sports Day Overview

* **8.55am:** Mark rolls in classrooms
* **9.00—9.10am: Assemble** on Oval in Year level groups (Prep, Year 1, Year 2, and Year 3), within each year level divide into the Sports House groups.
  * **9.15—11.00am: Rotations**
  Throwing: modified shot put, Fling the Ring, aim the ball, vortex throw
  Jumps: high jump, long jump, carpet mats jump patterns, ladder jumps
  Running Games: Flip It, Thepan, Stuck in the Mud, Snowball Tag
  Relays: Square Relay, Egg & Spoon Relay, Noughts & Cross Relay, Over the Lava Relay

* **11.00—11.40am: Lunch**
* **12.00—1.30pm: Sprints**

Sprint order will be as follows:

Prep Girls
Prep Boys
Year 1 Girls
Year 1 Boys
Year 2 Girls
Year 2 Boys
Year 3 Girls
Year 3 Boys

* **1.30—2.00pm: Second Break**
* **2.00—3.00pm:** Prep—Year 2 back to classrooms.
G.W.S.S Athletics Days

Parents please note that there has been a slight change in the year 3’s Athletics carnival. Year 3 will join our Prep to Year 2’s on Thursday 19th May.

Prep to Year 3—Thursday 19th May and Year 4 to 6—Friday 20th May

Sports ribbons will be available from the school office. $1.00 per ribbon.

Yellow meaning "Cool Waters"

Blue Meaning “Blue Sky”

Green meaning "Green Grass"

Red meaning "House on the Hill or Hill"
Year 4 Camp—Capricorn Caves

All year 4 students have received their Year 4 Camp note, invoice and medical form. Parents please note that this year our 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.

Camp Information

To parents of students in years 3 and 5 please note that their camps are scheduled for October this year. We would like to remind you that you are able to pay money towards this at any time at the administration office and it will sit as a credit until your child has been invoiced. If you have any queries in regards to making payments please contact the office on 49797333.

Year 3 History Excursion

This term the year 3’s are learning about Gladstone’s History. As part of this unit of work, an excursion to the Calliope Historical Village has been planned for Thursday 26 May. The children will travel by bus to the Calliope Historical Village where they will participate in a tour. Last week all year 3 students received their permission and medical forms. The cost of the excursion is $13.00. All forms and payments must be made by Wednesday 18 May.

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. Enrolment management conditions apply.

Naplan Week—Year 3 & 5

NAPLAN testing continues for our Year 3 and 5’s on Wednesday and Thursday morning. G.W.S.S will be providing breakfast for all children participating in the Naplan Tests at the tuckshop from 8:30am. Toast and Fruit will be provided.
Gladstone West State School together with the P & C Association will again be holding our Annual Family Fun Night. This year will also see a joint celebration with the school turning 50 years. Please put this date in your calendar as it will be a very special milestone for Gladstone West State School.

It’s that time of the year again and we are again preparing for our Annual Family Fun Night. The P&C are again seeking donations for their Family Fun Night Raffle in ways of:

* Fuel/Grocery Vouchers
* Attraction Vouchers
* Movie Vouchers

Donations are also required to the P&C Family Fun Night Prize Wheel

* Vouchers for pizza, coffee, Meat, Seafood, Movies, Beauty, Bunnings and Liquor. If any of our West families are able to help in the way of these donations you can bring them to the office.

Year 4B & 4C

Are hosting the Lucky Dip Prize stall and they are asking for donations from the 4B/C families to ensure their stall is successful. Stationery items, matchbox cars, wrapped lollies, hair accessories, bookmarks, glitter shoelaces, keyrings, cards, stickers, tattoos, handballs are some examples.
Recognition Breakfast
Friday 13 May
7am - 9am
Gladstone Entertainment Convention Centre
RSVP Tuesday 3 May
Ph: 4976 6300

For further information please contact Andrea on 4976 6300 or andrea@gladstonerc.qld.gov.au

CTC Rocky River Run
ctcrockyriverrun.com.au 1300 889 071 (282)

Schools Get Involved in the CTC Rocky River Run
This year’s CTC Rocky River Run will be held on Friday 4th and Saturday 5th June. All Gladstone and primary students are invited to participate in the annual CTC Rocky River Run & Zombie Run.

CTC Rocky River Run will donate $2 for each registered student to their primary or secondary school. The school with the highest percentage of registered students will receive the prestigious award of the CTC Rocky River Run Perpetual Trophy along with prize money.

REGISTER AT CTCROCKYRIVERRUN.COM.AU
Phone 1300 889 071 (282) Email info@rockyriverrun.com.au

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Fitness Made Fun
Ages 5 - 11 Years

Junior Groupfit

- Circuit Training
- Agility
- Flexibility
- Fun Games

Come and join in the fun! Fitness classes for ages 5 - 11 years
Every Tuesday (during school terms)
4:15PM - 5:30PM
$8 per class (must be a POPC member)

For more information or to book, contact POPC Gladstone
10 Farrer St, Gladstone, QLD, 4680
Ph: (07) 4672 3122
Email: info@rockyriverrun.com.au

You’re Invited to...
Friday the 13th Rookey Fun Night

Spooky Hockey!
Friday The 13th of May. Rookey Under 7’s and 9’s dress up
Hockey Fun Night.
Games on the Turf / Free Sausage Sizzle / Jumping Castle / Activities and Competitions / Lucky Door Prizes / Best Dressed Prize
Players, Coaches, Parents: Come dressed in your best...

Halloween Costume!!!
Bring your non-playing friends to be involved in the festivities.
EVEryone is welcome! What a great chance to come and try our great Olympic Sport!
Games and Activities will commence at 4:30 pm. Sausage Sizzle will commence at 5:30 pm.