

Dates to Remember

31 Mar Easter Bonnet
Parade Prep – Year 2
31 Mar Last Day of Term 1

TERM 2

17 Apr 1st Day of Term 2
25 Apr ANZAC Day Public
Holiday
27 Apr Year 5 Incursion
"Starlab"
1 May May Day Public
Holiday
4-5 May Year 4-6 Sports Days
8-12 May Mother's Day Stall
19 May Prep-Year 3 Sports
Day
22-26 May Book Fair
23 Jun Last Day of Term 2

TERM 3

10 Jul 1st Day of Term 3
18 Jul School Photos
15-16 Aug Prep Vision
Screening

School Details

PHONE: 4979 7333

OFFICE HOURS:
8:00am – 3:30pm

EMAIL:
principal@gladstonewestss.eq.edu.au

DENTAL CLINIC: 4972 9364

SCHOOLWATCH: 13 17 88

STUDENT ABSENCE LINE:
4979 7366

From the Principal's Desk

Thank you to our Gladstone West community for a wonderful Term 1. We appreciate our staff who always give 100% in support of our students, our parents and carers who trust us to take care of your children, and our students – most try their best and live our school values of being safe, respectful and responsible every day. We wish you a safe and happy holiday break, and look forward to seeing you on April 17th for Term 2.



Easter Bonnet Parade – Prep – Year 2

This Friday 31st March will be our Easter Bonnet Parade for Prep - Year 2. Parents are welcome to come along and watch their child/ren parade their wonderful easter creations.



Yours in education
Damien Hoare
Principal

Lost Property



**Lost
property**

We currently have two lost property boxes overflowing with lunch boxes, water bottles and items of clothing. If these items are not collected, we will be donating what we can to charity. Please make sure when your child returns in Term 2 that **all items** are named and renamed clearly, this makes it easier for us to return any lost property to your child.

Important Parent Information



**Prime Drinks
are not allowed
at school.**

Religious Instruction

Religious Instruction is resuming at Gladstone West State School next term for students in Year 3 to Year 6 for those students with permission. We currently have educators for Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 so these classes will begin in Week 1 Term 2. Please see below for more details about our Religious Instruction program.

Queensland state schools embrace a multitude of cultural, religious and non-religious beliefs. Under the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, schools are to provide RI each week if approached by a faith group seeking to provide RI and students of that faith attend the school.

RI informs students about the beliefs and values of a particular religion. It is delivered by volunteers of a faith group using instructional materials approved by that faith group. RI is required to be consistent with legislation and Department of Education policies and procedures.

All RI instructors must hold a blue card and participate in compulsory Student Protection and Code of Conduct training. RI instructors are only entitled to deliver the RI program outlined below. A school staff member will be present during the delivery of RI.

Participation in RI is not compulsory. At Gladstone West SS, students in Years 3, 4 and 5 may participate in RI if a parent has given consent and indicated a religion on the Application for Student Enrolment Form or in other written advice to the principal. A parent, regardless of their own faith (if any), may choose to give consent for their child to participate in the RI programs listed below.

Any child not participating in RI, or whose nominated religion is not represented within the RI program/s at the school, will receive other instruction by a qualified member of school staff in a separate location during the time RI is held. Other instruction will relate to subject areas that have already been covered in class.

At any time, parents may provide written instruction to the principal to change their preference for their child to participate in or be withdrawn from RI. If a parent does not update their consent by completing and returning this form, their previous written instructions to the school will continue to apply.

The faith group/s that provide/s religious instructors to deliver the program at our school is/are listed below:

Participating faith groups:

Anglican Parish of Gladstone; Anglican Church Tannum Sands; Australian Christian Church – Lifestyle Church Gladstone & Calliope; Australian Christian Church – Port City Christian Church; Gladstone Baptist Church; Catholic Churches; Churches of Christ; International Network of Churches; Australia - Transformation Church; Lutheran Church; Presbyterian Church; Gladstone Corps; The Salvation Army; Australia Eastern Territory; Uniting Church Gladstone; Uniting Church Tannum Sands; Seventh Day Adventist Church; Australian Christian Church – My City Church

Authorised program: Godspace and Connect

Aims and goals of the program/s:

- For students to explore that for many people throughout the world, there is a religious dimension to life;
- To promote tolerance and respect for religious diversity;
- To engage with God's word, which for Christians is the Bible.

Lesson structure: 20-30 minute lesson once a week

Other Instruction

Students who are not participating in RI will be provided with other instruction in a separate supervised location. Other instruction will relate to part of a subject area already covered in class and may include:

- personal research and/or assignments
- revision of class work such as creative writing or literacy and/or numeracy activities
- wider reading such as independent reading appropriate to the student

Parents will be advised of any changes to the RI and other instruction programs to ensure they are able to make an informed decision on their child's participation.

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.

Prep Parents – Vision Screening

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



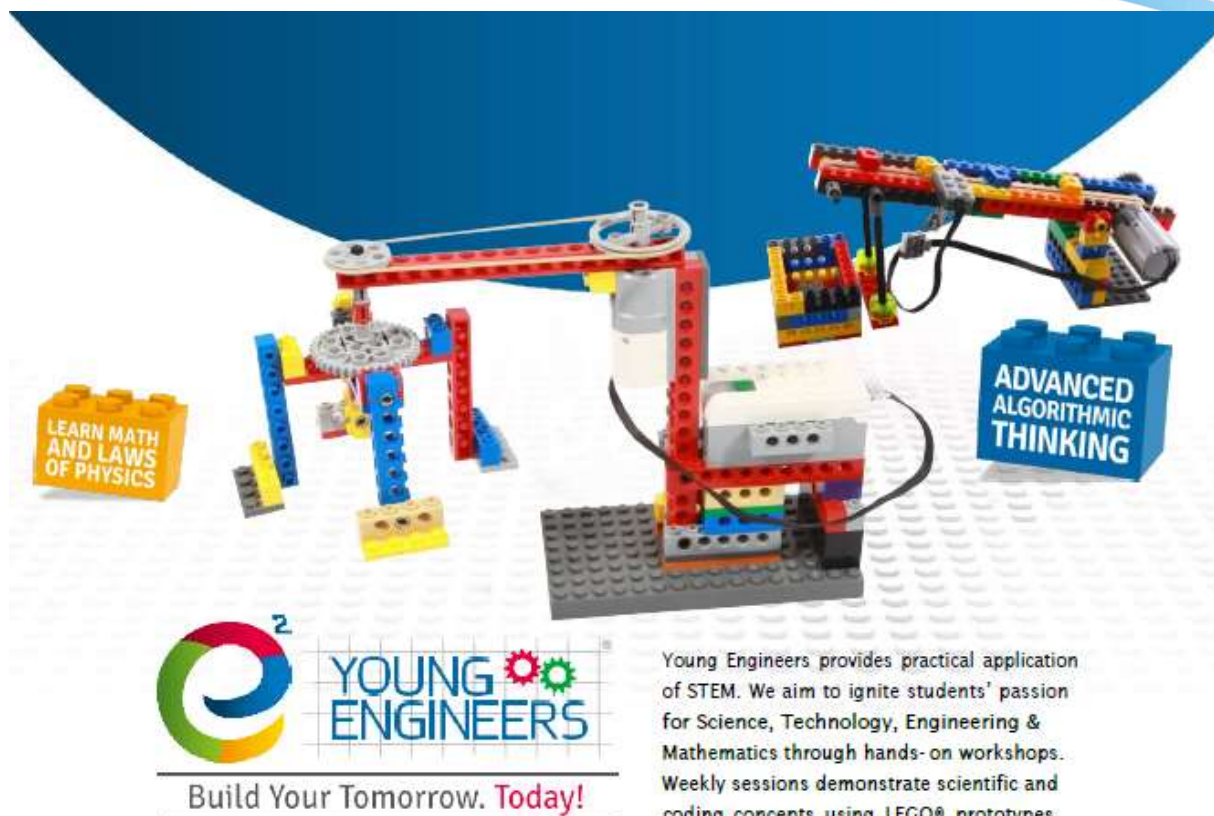
PBL – Positive Behaviour Learning

PBL Focus for Week 9 & 10

SAFE - KAHFOOTY

Keep all hands, feet
and other objects to
yourself.

Young Engineers



Young Engineers provides practical application of STEM. We aim to ignite students' passion for Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics through hands-on workshops. Weekly sessions demonstrate scientific and coding concepts using LEGO® prototypes.

Gladstone West State School - Library

MONDAYS TERM 2, (24th APRIL - 19th JUNE 2023)

Eligibility	Program Name	Time	Fees	Book online at
Yr 1 - Yr 2	Bricks Challenge	3:10pm to 4:25pm	\$168	www.trybooking.com/CGUIV
Yr 3 - Yr 6	Robo Bricks	3:10pm to 4:25pm	\$168	

NEW

REGISTER NOW!! Early Bird Registrations open. Limited spaces.
First Time at Gladstone West in Term 2



Bricks Challenge enriches your child's world with Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) to make sure they are ready for the 21st century.

Robo Bricks Program provides theoretical knowledge in software and mechanical engineering combined with mathematics and physics.

For more information, please call 0424 985 172

cq@young-engineers.com.au
<https://cq.young-engineers.com.au>
<https://www.facebook.com/yecentralqld/>



To register please follow the link <http://www.trybooking.com/CGUIV>

Around the Classes

In Prep D we have been scientists, using our senses to investigate different fruit....

dragon fruit



lemonade fruit



lime



Some of us tried dragon

"mmmm not
sure about this"

YUM!



We thought that lemonade fruit was a lemon or lime,
that it would be green, yellow or orange inside and that
it would taste sour and YUK!

... but it was sweet and YUMMY!



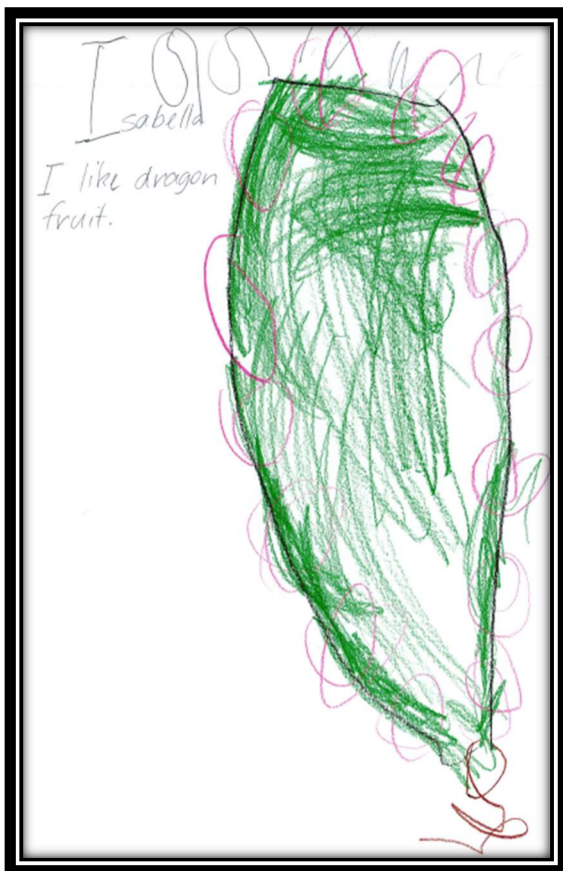
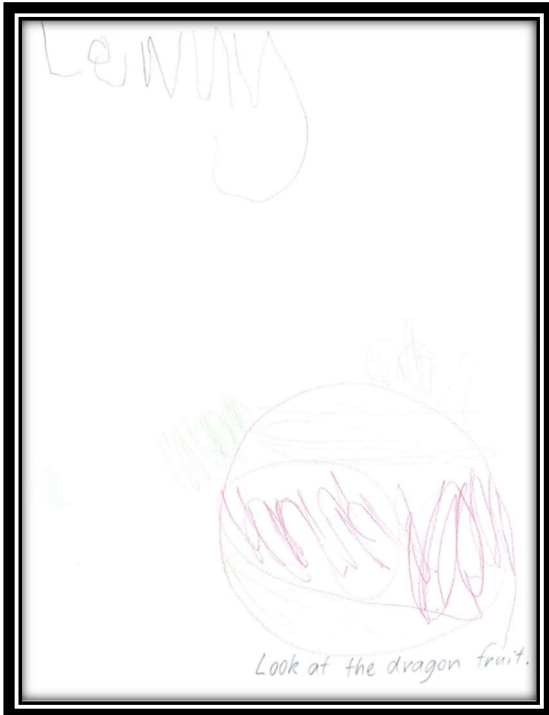
Lots of us enjoyed the sour lime too!



Prep D

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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

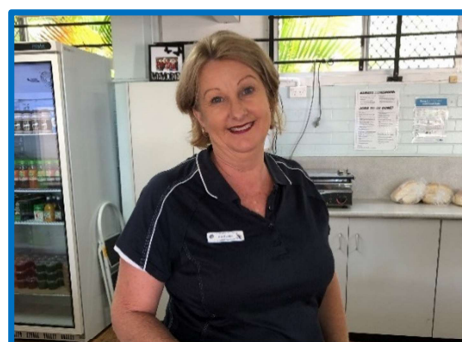


Our Tuckshop operates every Wednesday, Thursday & Friday for both first and second breaks. It is preferable for students to pre-order before school each morning. While over the counter sales are available for Years 4 to 6, choices will be restricted to what is available at the time.

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

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 Notices



JUNIOR COME AND TRY SESSIONS

30TH MARCH

All children born 2013 - 2010 (u12/u14)
3.30pm - 4.30pm - Outside Court 1

All children born 2009 - 2006 (u16/u18)
4.30pm - 5.30pm - Outside Court 1

All NEW and developing members are encouraged to attend these sessions to build confidence and skills before the new season commences.



NEW GIRL PROMOTION

All new girls to basketball will receive half price membership!

*Fairplay vouchers accepted



Any junior player who introduces a new female player to juniors will also receive half price membership.

Sign on Day Thursday 30th March

Find more details on our socials @gladstonebasketball or

Contact: juniors@gladstonebasketball.com with any questions.

HATCHED
Theatre discovery for creative children



Mojica Agency

Startup Gladstone Inc
Hatched Theatre® and Mojica Agency®

Digitally Devised Storytelling Workshop



Innovation Cinematics Performing
and more in this five-day holiday workshop.

Grade Level: 6-8
Cost: \$100/- per student

Venue: CQ University Campus

Dates: 11 April to 15 April
Time: 9AM to 3PM

E-Mail: projects@startupgladstone.org.au
to secure a spot today.



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