

## Dates to Remember

6-20 Mar	Life Education Visits
17 Mar	World's Greatest Shave
20-24 Mar	NAPLAN
27 Mar	Year 5 EPP All Stars Night
28 Mar	Cross Country
29 Mar	EPP Whole School Market
31 Mar	Easter Bonnet Parade Prep – Year 2
31 Mar	Last Day of Term 1
<b>TERM 2</b>	
17 Apr	1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Term 2
25 Apr	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
1 May	May Day Public Holiday
4-5 May	Year 4-6 Sports Days
19 May	Prep-Year 3 Sports Day
23 Jun	Last Day of Term 2
<b>TERM 3</b>	
10 Jul	1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Term 3
15-16 Aug	Prep Vision Screening

## School Details

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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

### World's Greatest Shave

This Friday will see one of our year 5 students Kade participate in the World's greatest shave. This event will be happening at our Full School Parade. It is still not too late to donate, below is the link to donate and the reason why Kade is participating:

*I'll be raising money to help those fighting blood cancer...and getting rid of the man bun that my mum doesn't like. Big or small, every donation counts and I thank you for your support. Will you help by sponsoring me? Thanks, Kade*

<http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/kadegallie>

**WORLD'S  
GREATEST  
SHAVE**

25 YEARS



From next Monday 20/03/2023 we will be limiting access to the Curtis Street entry of the school. A section of our driveway is being resurfaced and for the safety and wellbeing of our students, parents/caregivers and staff we will need to restrict access. Please see below where access will be restricted.

The red section of the map will be blocked off, students will be able to follow the green line on the map to enter and exit the school.

We thank you for your understanding.



Yours in education  
Damien Hoare  
Principal

## Harmony Week

GWSS

# HARMONY WEEK

Monday 20-Sunday 26 March 2023

**EVERYONE BELONGS**

Harmony Week is the celebration that recognises our diversity and brings together Australians from all different backgrounds. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

**Next Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Free Dress Day**

**Wear traditional cultural dress or wear the colour orange.**

Optional: bring a gold coin if you are able to.

Funds will be donated;

**Locally** – Intergrat Queensland- Gladstone's Inclusion Centre

**Globally**- Rotary Australia World Community Service appeal for the recent earthquake in Türkiye and Syria

### Hand print banner- Student Council (Tuesday- 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> break) Week 9

What: Everyone Belongs hand print banner with student council

When: prep-year 3 1<sup>st</sup> break / year 4-6 2<sup>nd</sup> break

Where: library veranda

### Free Dress Day (Thursday) Week 9

What: Wear traditional cultural dress or wear the colour orange.

Optional: bring a gold coin if you are able to.

When: all day / students can do a lap of parade to show the school their traditional dress.

Funds will be donated; locally – Integrate Queensland- Gladstone's Inclusion Centre and globally- Rotary Australia World Community Service appeal for the recent earthquake in Türkiye and Syria.

### Lunch time activities- RotaKids (Friday – 1<sup>st</sup> break) Week 9

What: RotaKids will be running lunchtime activities at 1<sup>st</sup> break play time.

Where Week 9	Who	What	Supervision
Prep Play Area	Preps	Tepee & Indians	Mrs Pearce
Year 1,2 Oval	1's & 2's	Relay Races (e.g. egg and spoon)	Mr Capill
		African game- ant, elephant, human- hoola hoop	Mrs Jacob
Year 3,4 Oval	3's & 4's	Deadly Choices- pool noodle game	Mrs Mastroianni
Year 5,6 Oval	5's & 6's	Deadly Choices- pool noodle game	Mrs Plunket
Library	1's, 2's & 3's	Cultural stories	Miss Heron
Yallarm Room	Anyone	Yarning Circle	Mrs Bishop



## PJ Marsh Cup

On Friday Gladstone West entered the PJ Marsh cup under 10s Rugby League. The boys did us proud finishing 5th overall. Congratulations to Braxton, Jace and Aisea who made Port Curtis Under 10s Team. Also congratulations to Luca who received player of the carnival for Gladstone West Team.



## Library News

### SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Please note that orders for **Issue 2** are due by **17<sup>th</sup> March**.

Please order via the Scholastic website or the Scholastic LOOP app.

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB NEWS**

EDITION 2 2023

ORDERS DUE BACK BY:

**1/2 PRICE \$10**

**ADD THESE BOOKS TO YOUR EASTER BASKET!**

**ONLY \$3 EACH**

**SAVE 80% READ ALL ABOUT IT!**

**REWARD YOUR SCHOOL EVERY TIME you buy from Book Club!**

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**EDITOR'S CHOICE**

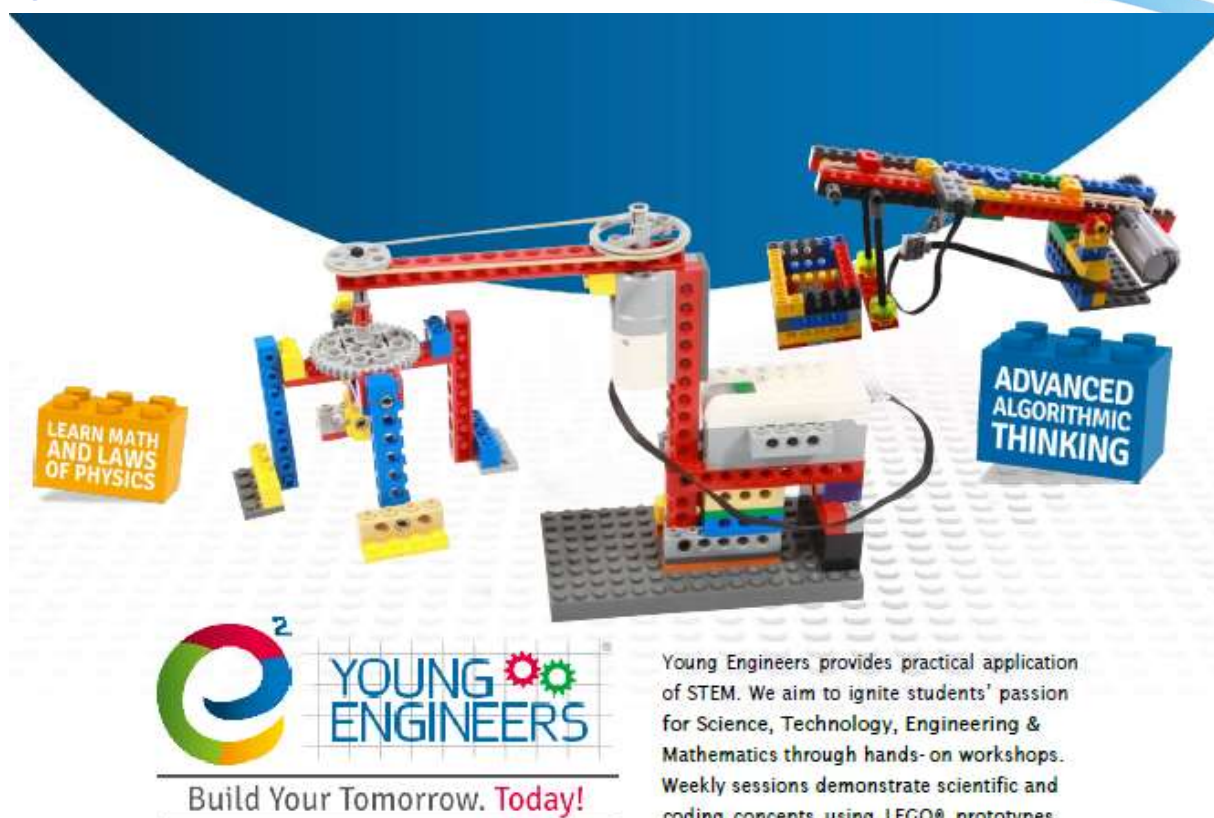
**SECRET AGENT MOLE**

**OUR RACE RECONCILIATION**

Book Club benefits Australian schools—for every Book Club order placed, Scholastic gives back 15% of the order spend to schools to spend on valuable educational resources via its Scholastic Rewards program.



## Young Engineers



**LEARN MATH AND LAWS OF PHYSICS**

**ADVANCED ALGORITHMIC THINKING**

**YOUNG ENGINEERS**  
Build Your Tomorrow. Today!

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, (24<sup>th</sup> APRIL - 19<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2023)

Eligibility	Program Name	Time	Fees	Book online at
Yr 1 - Yr 2	Bricks Challenge	3:10pm to 4:25pm	\$168	<a href="http://www.trybooking.com/CGUIV">www.trybooking.com/CGUIV</a>
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 21<sup>st</sup> 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>

## Cross Country

**GWSS CROSS COUNTRY TRAINING**

**IN PREPARATION FOR THIS YEAR'S CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING TRAINING WILL BE FROM MONDAY 20TH FEBRUARY (WEEK 5) AND RUN UNTIL THURSDAY 23RD MARCH (WEEK 9). TRAINING WILL BE EVERY MONDAY, TUESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 8AM ON THE OVAL. THIS IS FOR ANY 10-12YEAR OLD STUDENTS BORN IN 2013, 2012 OR 2011 WHO WISH TO IMPROVE THEIR RUNNING SKILLS IN PREPARATION FOR THIS YEAR'S EVENT.**

**OUR SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY IS ON TUESDAY 28TH MARCH.**



Our annual Cross Country event will be held on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March commencing straight at 9.00am sharp. Rolls will be marked at the 8.50am bell and students will make their way down to the meeting area. An order of events is listed. Parents and caregivers are most welcome to come along and cheer on the students. Students can wear their sports colour shirts for the day.

ALDORLA

WARABO

COOLAC

MANOOKA

### Order of events

- 12 Girls – 3 laps
- Prep Girls- 150m
- 12 Boys– 3 laps
- Prep Boys- 150m
- 11 Girls – 3 laps
- Year 1 Girls - 350m
- 11 Boys– 3 laps
- Year 1 Boys- 350m
- 10 Girls – 2 laps
- Year 2 Girls- 350m
- 10 Boys – 2 laps
- Year 2 Boys- 350m
- Year 4 Girls- 1000m
- Year 3 Boys- 1000m
- Year 3 Girls- 1000m
- Year 4 Boys- 1000m



## Around the Classes

### Our Experiment



This term in science we have been learning about reversible and irreversible changes. A reversible change is when an object or material can return back to its original form, whereas an irreversible change is when the object or material cannot return back to its original form. Throughout the term students have been doing investigations to determine whether different substances go through reversible or irreversible changes. On Monday we conducted an experiment in class that included 4 different substances: ice, grated cheese, bicarbonate soda and candle wax. The aim of the experiment was to determine which substances went through a reversible or irreversible change. Students thoroughly enjoyed observing the experiment and seeing the changes that occurred to the substances when heat was added.

## Science in 6D

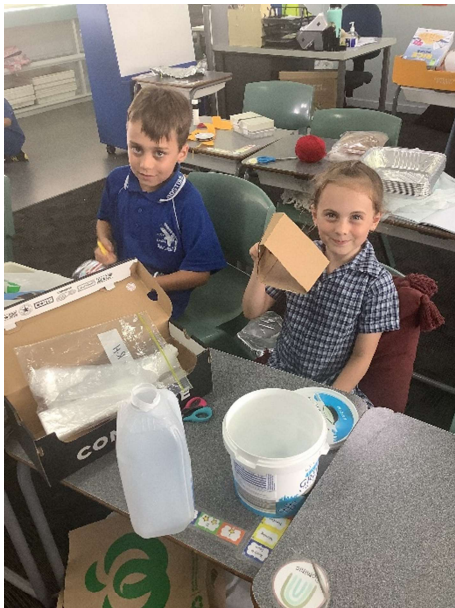
### Our Results





## Around the Classes

This week in 2C we have begun making our lunch boxes. We will be testing their strength by seeing if they can hold a sandwich and an orange. The lunch boxes will also be tested for water-resistance to make sure the food stays protected! We have been doing lots of strength and water-resistance testing on different materials to make sure we know what will make the best lunch box.



2C





## Around the Classes

3D visited Healthy Harold on Monday and learnt ways to be CyberWise!

I learnt what to do if someone is being rude.

- Kade

I learnt not to watch so much television

- Ben

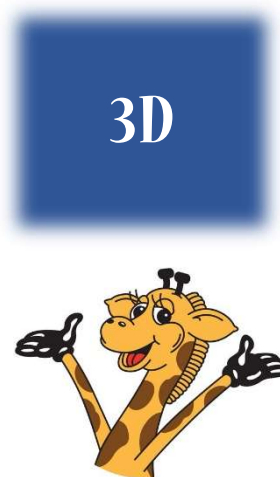
My favourite part of Healthy Harold was when we got to move around the room.

- Anna

**Recognise**

**React**

**Report**



Life Education Queensland and Healthy Harold visits are underway and will continue until Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March.

As part of your Life Education Queensland experience, you and your child now also receive complimentary access to the Life Education Hub. The Hub includes a range of vital topics to help navigate your child's development throughout the years. From Cybersafety to Personal Safety & Bullying, the Life Education Hub offers helpful hints and tips for families. Access the Life Education Hub here -<https://lifeeducationqld.org.au/life-education-hub/>

**Social Tip:** Remember on Facebook tag @LifeEducationQueensland and on Instagram tag @lifeedqld in your post!





## PBL – Positive Behaviour Learning

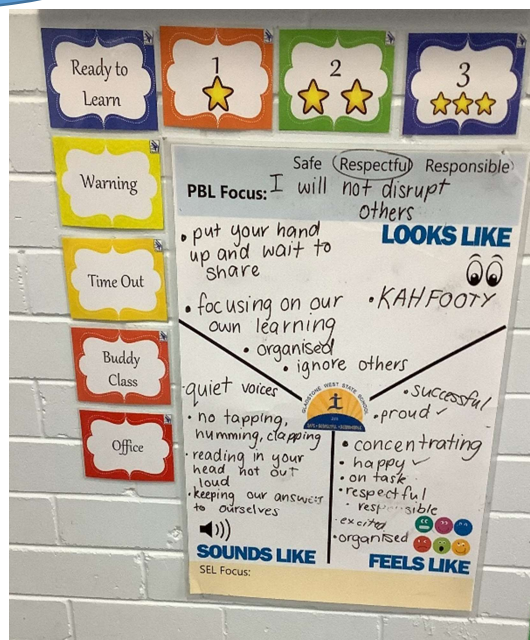


### In 2D we:

- ❖ Recapped the PBL Y chart
- ❖ Discussed the importance of not disrupting others
- ❖ Practiced not disrupting others in different settings in our classroom (working quietly at our desks and listening to others present)



*PBL focus*  
**Responsible:**  
*I will not disrupt others*





## Port Curtis District School Sport (10-12 years 2023 trial dates)

### 10-12yrs 2023 trial dates

Sport	PC Date	Cap Date	Cap Venue
Golf 10-19yrs	N/A	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Paper nomination
Basketball 10-12yrs	Thursday 09 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Monday 06 <sup>th</sup> March	Emerald
AFL 10-12yrs	Thursday 09 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Tuesday 07 <sup>th</sup> March	Mackay
Touch Football 10-12yrs	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Rockhampton
Boys Rugby League 11yrs & 12yrs	Thursday 09 <sup>th</sup> March	Tuesday 02 <sup>nd</sup> & Wednesday 03 <sup>rd</sup> May	Mackay
Squash 10-19yrs	Tuesday 07 <sup>th</sup> March	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Mackay
Girls Rugby League 11-12yrs	Wednesday 08 <sup>th</sup> March	Monday 07 <sup>th</sup> August	Mackay
Netball 11yrs & 12yrs	Thursday 09 <sup>th</sup> March	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Emerald
Rugby League 10yrs	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Quad series only Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> & Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Rockhampton
Hockey 10-12yrs	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	Rockhampton
Football (Soccer) 10-12yrs	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Rockhampton
Rugby Union 11-12yrs	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Emerald
Cross Country 10-19yrs	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Rockhampton
Softball 10-12yrs	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Rockhampton
Tennis 10-12yrs	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Emerald
Track & Field 10-19yrs	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> July	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> & Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Aug	Mackay



## Capricornia Basketball & AFL



Congratulations to Sienna who has been selected in the Capricornia Girls 10-12yrs basketball team. And Jaxon who has been selected in the Capricornia 10-12 years AFL team.



## Port Curtis Football



Congratulations to Braxton, Jace and Aisea who have recently been selected in the Port Curtis 10yrs rugby league team. These students will be participating in the Quad Series being held in Rockhampton on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.



## 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

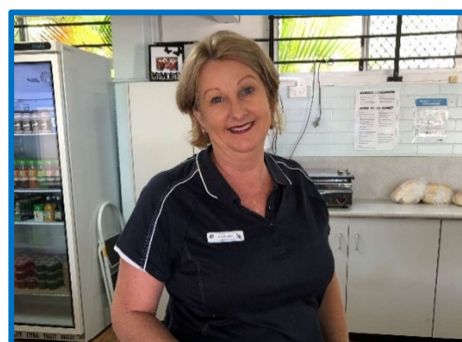


Our Tuckshop operates every Wednesday, Thursday & Friday for both first and second breaks. It is preferable for students to pre-order before school each morning. While over the counter sales are available for Years 4 to 6, choices will be restricted to what is available at the time.

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

### Education QLD Wellbeing Parent Series: Separation Anxiety

Thursday 16th March 2023 @ 4:00pm - Kin Kora  
 State School

Run by: Education QLD Psychologists  
 and Guidance Officers  
 Audience: Parents of primary-aged  
 children  
 Please complete Registration form to  
 let us know if you are attending



Startup Gladstone Inc is offering a one-day learning workshop:



### Python Programming in Minecraft



Learn logical thinking.  
 Build exciting structures. STEM skills.  
 Variables. Loops. Conditionals. Functions.

**Concepts Innovation Creativity** Problem Solving  
 and so much more in this one-day Saturday workshop.

Requirements:

Minecraft Account

School grade Level: 6-7

Cost: \$20/- per student

Date: Saturday, 25 March

Time: 9AM to 3PM

Venue: Philip Street Communities Precinct

Limited spaces available.

E-Mail: [projects@startupgladstone.org.au](mailto:projects@startupgladstone.org.au) to secure a spot today.



## Calling any junior players

Central Football Club, Gladstone, still has a couple of spots for junior  
 players in Under 5s and 6s. If you are interested, please contact the club  
 via [centralfcgladstone@gmail.com](mailto:centralfcgladstone@gmail.com) or 0407 125 377





## Community Notices



**HATCHED**  
Theatre discovery for creative children

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GLADSTONE

**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](mailto:projects@startupgladstone.org.au)  
to secure a spot today.