

Gladesville Primary School Newsletter

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Term 2: Friday May 12th 2023

Our Mission: Value kindness, learn together and empower the leader within.

Dear members of the Gladesville School Community,

It has been a wonderful start to the term and thank you for the warm welcome. It has been a pleasure getting to know students, staff and it has been nice to have parents come up to me in person to introduce themselves.

I am committed to continue and improve the wonderful teaching and learning at Gladesville PS.

I would like to wish Nicki Wood all the best with her acting principal role and Lynne Harris for her commitment and support to educate our students over the last 21 years. Today is also Ms Keylie Groen's last day. She will be going on maternity leave and we are looking forward to meeting bub in the near future. Will Rayner will be teaching Foundation whilst Keylie is on leave.

We hope parents/guardians had the opportunity to take part in your child/ren's Student-Led Conference this week. It's a wonderful opportunity for your child to discuss and celebrate their achievements.

Weekly production rehearsals are underway and it's great to see students engaged in the lead-up and whole school production held on Thursday 8th June.

Preparations are also being made for our Discovery Night on Wednesday 24th May from 5pm-7pm which will be open to existing and prospective families.

As a school we strive to have timely communication, so please refer to our Compass notifications, newsletter, Facebook and school website for updates and events.

Policies reviewed at School Council will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on school website
- Discussed at parent information nights/sessions
- Monthly reference in school newsletter
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

Policies to be reviewed and approved on Tues 16th May:

- Statement of Values and School Philosophy
- Child Safety Code of Conduct

Thank you,

Jeff de Villa
Acting Principal

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Important Dates

Term 2 24th April - 23rd June

Fri 12th May

Mothers Day Stall - cancelled

Tues 16th May

St John Ambulance Incursion
School Council 6.30pm

Wed 17th June

Hot Dog Day

Tues 23rd May

District Cross Country

Wed 24th May

Discovery Night 5-7pm

Tues 24th - Wed 31st May

Book Fair

Thurs 8th June

Production

Monday 12th June

King's Birthday - public holiday

Saturday 17th June

School Working Bee

Friday 23rd June

Last day of term - finish at
2.30pm

Term 3 10th July - 14th Sept

Behind the scenes in Mathematics

Mathematics at Gladesville is a super fun and engaging subject! We learn through open-ended challenging tasks, games, technology based questioning and through analysing our own data and progress, just to name a few different strategies.

Foundation has been learning about money. They created their own shops, decorated their own coins and even created beautiful artwork with coin rubbings. Do you know what coin has a picture of a platypus?



Behind the scenes in Literacy

MENTOR TEXTS - GOOD COPYING!

You may have heard your children use the phrase *'mentor text'* when discussing their learning. But what exactly is a mentor text and how are students engaging with them at Gladesville?

The definition of a mentor is *'an experienced guide or tutor'*. That is exactly what mentor texts are. They are high quality texts selected by the teachers to demonstrate the author's craft. Students use them over a series of lessons to align with their current learning sequence. Through close study of the amazing language, sentence structures or themes, a mentor text will show, not just tell, students how to write effectively, and allow them to see the kind of writer they can be as they develop their skills. By 'doing what an author does', students increase their self-belief and produce writing of which they are proud. In this space, copying is good!

Here are a range of mentor texts that teachers have used recently across the school. Ask your child or students what they thought!



Leader In Me STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Habit #1 - Be Proactive

I am in charge of myself.

I am in charge of my life. I am responsible for my choices and behaviours. I can choose how I react to other people or situations.

Steps to taking control of yourself:

Pause - Stop what you are doing and pause.

Think - Think about what you should or shouldn't do. This is your circle of control.

Choose - Choose a proactive choice and if you have been reactive, how can we resolve it?

Over the week, we encourage you to sit as a family and ask them to think of a situation where they usually respond reactively. Have



each family member write down the answers to the following questions:

1. What is the situation?
2. What is something you can do to take a PAUSE in this specific situation?
3. THINK, what are some choices you could make in this situation? What will be the consequence of each choice?
4. What will you CHOOSE to do to be proactive in this situation?

Invite family members to take a turn to be a performer and act out their situation. Cheer for the proactive choices!

Message from our Student Leaders

This term our WIG (Widely Important Goal) is to get more entries into our Leadership Notebook. For those of you who don't know what they are, they include our Mission Statement, WIGs, our Learning Tasks of learning that we are proud of, Leadership Roles and Celebrations that include Habit Heroes and award we want to celebrate.

Each class is progressing well with their WIGs and trying to achieve their goal. Each week the class with the highest growth is awarded the weekly WIG award.

Congratulations to Grades 5/6 this week . That's all from us this week and hope to see you around the school.

School Leaders
Hayden and Cooper

PE and Interschool Sport at Gladesville

For interschool sport on grades 5/6 went to Lilydale Primary School to have a soccer match. It was a great game that was really close. The score was a draw (Zero/Zero). Both teams had really good players. There was a lot of Synergy (Habit no.6) throughout the game. For example, there was passing, use of strategy, calling for the ball and working with one another.

Even though we did not win, it was an awesome effort on both sides. This Friday 12th May is a home game. Gladesville PS will be combining teams with Kilysth PS versing Victoria Road PS.

InterschoSport Leaders

Thomas (Interschool Sport Captain) Kade (Interschool Sport Vice & Fletcher (5/6 Sports Leader)

Birthdays at Gladesville



KIDS BIRTHDAYS NEED TO BE ADDED

Happy birthday to everyone having a birthday in April & May

7th April - Happy Birthday Miss Brown

5th May - Happy Birthday Mrs Jey

Indonesian Education at Gladesville

This term in Indonesian students in Grade F-3 will be learning language and concepts based around the topic 'Under The Sea'. We will be reading books in Indonesian and completing a lot of sentence building activities. Students in Grade 4-6 have been revising over Indonesian greetings and creating their own role-plays. They are very excited to then be moving on to learn about classroom objects and creating their own Indonesian rap songs.

Performing Arts at Education at Gladesville

What a way to start our Performing Arts program at Gladesville Primary School! Last term, all students undertook fortnightly lessons in which they began to develop their skills in the area of dance. With a focus on the Elements of Dance, of Energy (force and flow) and Locomotor/Non-Loomotor Movement, students learnt to move their bodies safely while learning a variety of choreographed routines. This has put them in good stead with a fantastic start to our production rehearsals with Stomp Dance Company. Please continue to send through any photos of our beautiful world that you may have. Updates for our 2023 production, Welcome to Planet Earth will be communicated through Compass in the coming weeks.

Breakfast Club at Gladesville



Breakfast Club is back!

Every Friday morning 8.15am-8.45am. Come along and have a chat with everyone whilst enjoying a breakfast fit for champions!

Always on the menu is toast, cereal, porridge, however we do have special treats from time to time.

School Chaplain - Sarah Backo

School Council at Gladesville

Message from our School Council President - Russell Yeo

Dear Gladesville Community,

It is with great pleasure that I get to write to you all in this open forum in what is my first Newsletter as School Council President. Firstly, I would like to welcome Mr Jeffrey De Villa to Gladesville Primary School in his capacity as Acting Principal for the rest of this year. We have met on several occasions and I know the school is in great hands to continue to grow and move forward.

As School Council, we set ourselves the goal of transforming our School into the 'Community Hub' for the area rather than 'just a school'. School Council have been working hard on this and will continue to forge new relationships with local community groups to ensure this goal is achieved.

During the year the School runs a number of community events to compliment this strategy, with the Annual Show n' Shine & Night Market being the most recent and to this point, the biggest event on our calendar. As you are all aware, this event was run in March and was hugely successful, not only as a community event, but as the major fundraiser for our School, raising over \$5,500 to go towards improving our Schools play facilities.

This huge event could not have happened without the massive contribution from volunteers, sponsors and donors alike. I would like to thank Sam and Ness for their countless hours spent organising the event along with the parent group that also gave up their time on the evening of the event, I had 13 volunteers rotate through the BBQ alone and know of many more volunteers that helped out across the evening.

We are currently in planning for next years event which promises to be even bigger and better again and are seeking volunteers to help with the planning and co-ordination of this event. If you would be interested in being part of this extremely rewarding event, or others like it, please reach out to myself or Sam.

Habit Hero Award - Month of April

Foundation	Aurora Tree	<p>Habit 1 & 6 - Aurora has made an amazing start to the term. She has been a terrific line leader, helping the Foundation class move around the school in a safe and respectful manner. Aurora has also been quick to help her fellow students however she can in the classroom.</p> <p>Congratulations Aurora, keep it up!</p>
Grade 1	Jackson Molesworth	<p>Jackson has had a fantastic start to Term 2. He has made proactive choices and has been engaged in all his learning tasks.</p> <p>Well done, Jackson.</p>
2/3B	Holly Proctor	<p>Habit 6 - Holly went above and beyond in mathematics this week! She developed her knowledge and understanding of maps and coordinates. Holly's confidence improved throughout the lesson when she synergised with her peers during a whole class game.</p> <p>Congratulations Holly!</p>
4K	Cyrus Thang	<p>Habit 1,2 &3 - Cyrus has made a positive start to Term 2. He has started everyday being proactive in his learning and prioritising the important things. Great Job Cyrus.</p>
	Jayden Jeyanayagam	<p>Habit 7 - Jayden has made an excellent start to the term. He is working well to improve his writing by adding detail and engaging his readers using clever techniques. Well done Jayden!</p>
5/6M	Kade Blyth	<p>Habit 1 , 2 - Kade has returned from the holidays with a proactive attitude to his learning. He has been contributing widely to class discussions and supporting those around him.</p> <p>Keep it up, Kade!</p>
INDONESIAN	Oscar Haydon	<p>Oscar is a delight to have in the Indonesian room. He is always curious to learn new Indonesian vocabulary and asks clarifying questions when he is unsure. Hebat!</p>
INDONESIAN	Zaa Thang	<p>John's proactive approach makes him a pleasure to have in the Indonesian room. He challenges himself by speaking in Indonesian at every opportunity. Wah!</p>

<p>Kitchen & Garden</p>	<p>Olivia Parbery</p>	<p>Habit 1 - Olivia has gone above and beyond in Kitchen and Gardening. She has synergised with her peers to locate, learn and complete a class scavenger hunt in the garden.</p> <p>Congratulations Olivia for being proactive and synergising in the garden.</p>
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