

NEWSLETTER



Soaring to great heights

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Athletics Practice Day

What a wonderful day yesterday was. The students were able to have several practices of each of the events; they had their results compared to the standards, were ranked 1, 2 or 3, and then were able try again to beat their previous score.

Although the temperature was approaching 30 degrees by the time we left, the students were incredibly well behaved and continued to encourage their peers to try hard.

A special mention needs to be made of our grade Prep students – every single one of them put their heart and soul into their efforts. Their determination was amazing.

School Council Vacancies

If you are interested in joining School Council please consider completing the nomination form. Applications close on the 14th of March.

At our last meeting we decided that the meeting time would change to 7pm (whole year round). We are usually completed by 8.30pm. Some of our school councillors bring their children to school with them (we have computers, iPads, toys and drawing equipment to play with).

First Aid

I mentioned at assembly last week that this Thursday all classes will undertake first aid training by St John Ambulance.

These are real first aid lessons; Grade 5 and 6 students will be working on CPR. This is the second time our school has accessed this program – my hope is to make this an annual event. This is a free program offered by St John.

Congratulations to our Junior School Councillors

Last week at Assembly our Junior School Councillors were presented with their official badges. Miki was also presented with her JSC Leader badge, along with her School Leader's badge. I look forward to hearing what decisions are made at JSC with Mrs Zalesiak.

School BBQ

It was great to have 11 families attend our School BBQ last Tuesday. It was so successful that we have decided to hold one at the beginning of each term (on the same night as School Council). These are very laid back; the parents chat and the kids run around and play (they love it as it isn't school time). It will be begin at 6pm and will conclude at 7pm – short and sharp and great fun (and free). The next BBQ will be Tuesday 8th May.

Netball Victoria Clinic

Netball Victoria are running a netball clinic with our Grade 3-6 students Thursday the 1st of March at 1.30pm which is tomorrow. Please ensure that your child has appropriate footwear. This is a great opportunity for our children.



CSEF

To be eligible to receive this payment your healthcare card should be valid on 29/01/2018. If you have received this payment in 2017 you don't need to fill our another form as your application will be rolled into 2018. If your circumstances have changed and you are now eligible or are new to the School please complete a form by 5/3/2018.

CONVEYANCE

Conveyance forms are now available at the Office and must be completed and returned by **5th March 2018**.

To receive a conveyance allowance individual students must meet all of the following criteria:

- ♦ Attend the closest appropriate school.
- ♦ For students attending government schools, this will be the closest school appropriate to the age and gender of the student (eg: primary, secondary etc)
- ♦ Reside 4.8km or more from the school (shortest practicable route calculated by the school at the time of application from the student's home to the school.

Junior School Council

The 2018 JSC members were presented with their badges last Friday. Students are elected to go onto JSC by their peers and are chosen because of their positive qualities such as leadership, organisation and willingness to listen and help others.

Our 2018 JSC members are Miki—JSC leader, Emma, Ed, Ruby, Aimee, Oscar, Jesse, Charlie, Grace, Shanequa, Ava H, Aussie and Jed.

Our first JSC event will be a casual clothes and Easter hat day on Thursday 29th March (last day of term)



STEM

You may have heard the new “buzz” word S.T.E.M. floating around the school at the moment. S.T.E.M. stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. Every fortnight students will be working in small groups and solving a “problem” using skills from the STEM areas. These problems will involve planning, creating and assessing to see if their solution works.



Currently in the main hall we have “new chairs for baby bear”. Students had to build a new chair for

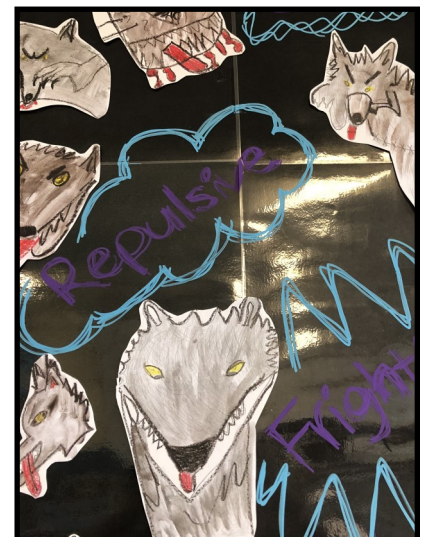
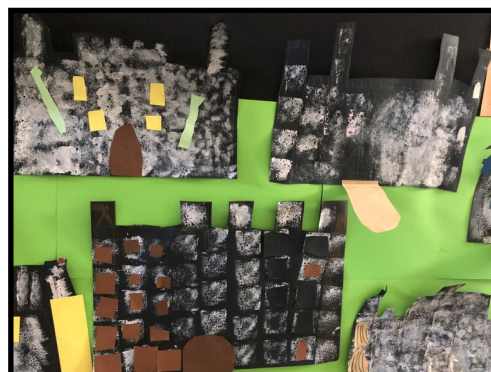
baby bear that would hold his weight and look nice in Mumma Bears lounge room. Some great chairs were created and tested. Students are really excited by STEM and are looking forward to the next challenge. STEM requires a great deal of recycled materials so please continue to send in your empty boxes or anything else you think kids could use at school. (please be aware we cannot accept toilet rolls)



2018	TERM 1	<u>DATES TO REMEMBER</u>
March	Thursday 1st	• Netball Clinic 1.30pm
	Monday 5th	• CSFF & Conveyance Forms due
	Wednesday 7th	• Life Ed
	Monday 12th	• Labour Day—No School
	Wednesday 14th	• School Council nominations close
	Monday 19th	• Athletics Day
	Tuesday 20th	• School Council AGM
	Friday 23rd	• Special lunch order day
	Thursday 29th	• End of Term
	Friday 30th	• Good Friday



Fairytales—our focus currently is fairytales. We are able to teach this across the curriculum not just in literacy but also in art and music.



Student of the week

Noah	Playing the glockenspiel with skill
Jerry	Great work on his writing
Gemma	Hard work and persistence during time lessons
Shanequa	Excellent reading and sounding out of words
Zed	Trying new strategies during problem solving Playing the glockenspiel with skill
Katie	Working well with her team
Gooper	Working well in a group during rotations
Ryleigh	Playing the glockenspiel with skill
Miki	Playing the glockenspiel with skill Excellent work during place value
Maartin	Great teamwork on canteen duty Excellent work during place value
Emma	Playing the glockenspiel with skill
Ava P	Great teamwork
Tyler Y	Working super hard in class
Maddy	Being a great little helper
Indsay	Putting great effort into his work

READING NIGHTS

25 NIGHTS—AUSIE



SPELLING

Bailey	Ryleigh	Aimee	Grace	
Billy	Miki	Xavier	Emma	
Lachlan	Jack S	Thomas		

KINDNESS AWARD

Miki
Lachlan
Cooper

THANK YOU

Hello to the children of Gormandale Primary School,
The Residents at St Elmo's Residential Nursing Home would like to thank you very sincerely for your beautiful Christmas mural that you all created. Residents, visitors & staff commented on what a great job you done & how thoughtful the children were.



SCHOOL LUNCHES

Tuesday

NAME :

Amount	ITEM	COST	
	BIG M 250 ML	\$2.00	CHOC STRAW
	PRIMA	\$1.00	
	WATER	.50c	
	HOT DOG	\$2.80	
	HAWAIIAN PIZZA	\$2.00	
	CHICKEN NUGGETS <i>5 PER SERVE</i>	\$2.30	
	Party Sausage Roll	\$.50	
	PIE	\$3.00	
	PARTY PIE	\$.50c	
	DIM SIMS 1 per serve	\$.70c	
	FISH FINGERS 4 per serve	\$2.00	
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