Our Vision is to:
* Promote positive relationships to strengthen our whole school community
* Maximise student engagement and learning
* Maintain a safe, caring and inclusive environment
* Work as a team and challenge ourselves to create success
* Encourage resilience, positive mental health and wellbeing

Woody’s Roundup:
A few messages from the Principal’s desk. . .

I have had a very busy week meeting with many people about great opportunities for our school.

I attended the Principal Induction day last week at North Eastern Victoria Region offices in Glenn Waverly. It was a very worthwhile and informative day. I met with other Principals from our network and discussed a range of topics around the work of Principals and schools.

After meeting with Yarra Ranges School Focused Youth Services (SFYS) last week, we have been granted access to a wonderful program ‘Rock and Water’ for our Grade 6 students to access at school once a week for Term 1. This program looks at developing positive communication skills and raising self-awareness. It aims to build confidence and leadership skills in young people. Lauren from SFYS will start this program for on Tuesday 17th Feb and will run to the end of term. SFYS are also going to provide support for our Life Skills and Girlfriends programs.

Please don’t forget to join us for our Parent information Sessions next Wednesday. The times differ from those on the school sign so please check the newsletter for up to date times.

I look forward to seeing what the coming week brings for Gladesville Primary School!

A Tribes Learning Community

* Mutual Respect, Personal Best, Appreciation,
* Participation/Right to Pass, Attentive Listening
Student Learning

Families are the first and most enduring influence on a child’s development and play an important role in a child’s learning. Developing strong skills in reading, writing and maths is critical to ensure your child’s success in early learning and beyond.

You can make a difference by supporting what your child learns at school and helping them to learn at home. The 201 literacy and maths tips to help your child booklet provides handy hints and way you can help your child develop literacy and maths skills. It provides practical activities for you do with your child at home and questions you can ask your child to help them learn. The booklet is divided into age groups Before School – Year 2 and Year 3 – Year 6. Go to the sections appropriate to your child’s level and look at the tips and handy hints.

Reading is an important way to make the link from spoken words to written words. Reading to your child is a valuable thing to do. Here are some tips:

- Encourage your child to select the books, magazines, catalogues, multimedia stories or DVDs.
- Discuss the pictures in a book, as well in the community, and encourage your child to talk about the pictures.
- Share wordless picture books to develop imagination, ideas and vocabulary by naming things in the pictures.
- Re-read your child’s favourite books and stories.
- Look for rhyme, rhythm or repetition in books.
- Support your child to make their own books with pictures and then ‘read’ the story to you.

For more ideas and information about how to support your child’s learning, go to the Department of Education and Training website: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/involve/Pages/literacynum.aspx

Parent Information Sessions

Please join us for Parent Information Sessions

Wednesday 18th February

Prep: 7:00pm
1C: 7:15pm
2/3J, 3/4P, 4/5H and 5/6T: 7:30pm

We hope to see you there! Tea and coffee provided
The word ‘bullying’ is a term that is thrown around a lot these days, so when is bullying, bullying and when is it not? Bullying is repeated verbal, physical, social or psychological aggressive behaviour by a person or group directed towards a less powerful person or group that is intended to cause harm, distress or fear.

Types of bullying behaviour
There are some specific types of bullying behaviour:
- **verbal or written abuse** - such as targeted name-calling or jokes, or displaying offensive posters
- **violence** - including threats of violence
- **sexual harassment** - unwelcome or unreciprocated conduct of a sexual nature, which could reasonably be expected to cause offence, humiliation or intimidation
- **homophobia** and other hostile behaviour towards students relating to gender and sexuality
- **discrimination including racial discrimination** - treating people differently because of their identity
- **cyberbullying** - either online or via mobile phone.

There are also some behaviours, which, although they might be unpleasant or distressing, are not bullying:
- **mutual conflict** - which involves a disagreement, but not an imbalance of power. Unresolved mutual conflict can develop into bullying if one of the parties targets the other repeatedly in retaliation.
- **single-episode acts** of nastiness or physical aggression, or aggression directed towards many different people, is not bullying
- **social rejection or dislike** is not bullying unless it involves deliberate and repeated attempts to cause distress, exclude or create dislike by others.

Bullying, as with all challenging behaviour, is taken seriously at Gladesville Primary School. The well being of all of our students is of the upmost importance. If our students are not feeling safe, happy and confident about their learning environment, they will not be able to reach their full potential. If you have a concern about your child, please make an time to see their classroom teacher.

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**St John’s First Aid Visit**

St John Ambulance will visit our school on Monday 16th February to deliver free First Aid in Schools training to our students. Through the First Aid in Schools program, trained St John presenters will lead students through tailored sessions on the importance of First Aid and what to do in the event of an emergency. Our junior students will learn about how to identify when there is an emergency, keeping themselves safe, and how to call for an ambulance. Senior students will learn about delivering CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) and the things they can do to assist in an emergency.

Students will be given a special piece of homework for parents to complete. We encourage you to “do your homework” and go online with St John to see how much you know about First Aid. Are you First Aid READY?

More information about the St John First Aid in Schools program can be found at: [www.stjohnvic.com.au/schools](http://www.stjohnvic.com.au/schools)
Mrs Hobbs has had a great response from some of our families over the past week. If you have any of the item listed above, please keep sending them in.

### Student of the Week

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<td>For achieving great results on her maths test on place value and for her improved listening. Well done!</td>
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Community Information

Come and play Basketball with Fosters Phantoms Basketball Club

We are looking for players for the Winter 2015 season, starting in the first week of Term 2.

Girls Miniball, U9 & U10 teams play on Tuesdays.
Girls U12 to U21 teams play on Wednesday nights.
All Boys teams play on Saturdays.
We have experienced Coaches, and we are a great family club.

There is no After-school Basketball Program in Secondary School, so join our Club now!

To find out more, call Rob on Mobile 0411 559245 or send an email to teams.fosters@gmail.com

OPEN NIGHT

Junior Campus – Croydon Rd, Croydon
Monday 4th May, 2015 at 7:00pm

You are invited to see our school at work; participate in aspects of our curriculum; find out what Melba College has to offer; ask questions and seek further information.

SCHOOL TOURS

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:30 am
Other times by appointment.

Bookings can be made by contacting us on 9725 8277 or by email melba.sc.junior@edumail.vic.gov.au
Kilsyth East Netball Club

is actively seeking players for our Club for 2015.

If you are 10 years old or above and are interested in playing, coaching or umpiring
please give us a call.

Experienced Coaches & Umpires coordinate all games.

Games are played on Saturday mornings for U/11 & U/13’s.

And from 12noon Saturdays for U/15, U/17 & Open age.

All games will be played at the new Netball Complex at Pinks Reserve, Liverpool Road, Kilsyth (behind the basketball stadium).

Training is also at Pinks Reserve Thursdays from 7 – 8pm for Juniors and 8 – 9pm for Open age players.

Club Secretary Janine Kennedy, can be contacted on 0419 582 215

or kilsytheastnetballclub@gmail.com
KILSYTH JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

Players wanted
U/8s, 9s, 10s, 11s, 12s, 13s, 14s, 15s, & 17s

New Players - Free Registration

Contacts
Danny                             Bonnie
0419 348 669                0411 406 443

www.kilsythfootballclub.com.au

Japara Living & Learning Centre

Kilsyth's new living and learning centre is almost ready with an opening planned for early February.

The Durham Road centre will be the new home for Japara Neighbourhood House which is shifting from its Montrose location after 35 years. It will also house the U3A Yarra Ranges and Kilsyth Senior Citizens.

The $5m state-of-the-art centre, funded by the Yarra Ranges Council, will also include maternal and child health services, occasional care, multi purpose spaces, meeting spaces and a kitchen. To book a room call 9728 3587

PLAYERS & VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR

2015 RUGBY LEAGUE SEASON

The Eastern Raptors Rugby League Club provides the opportunity for Boys & Girls to play Rugby League from 5 – 18 years and League Tag for Girls 12 – 18 years.

The Club invites all interested players to come and have a TRY at one of our upcoming events!

Sunday 15th February 12-3pm – Early Bird Registration Day with Melbourne Storm Players in attendance. Join in a game of League Tag, meet the coaches, players, volunteers & have some FUN!

Sunday 15th March 12 – 3pm - Registration Day & League Tag Games

Wednesday 8th April 10-12pm – FREE SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINIC (bookings required)

FREE training is also available for Volunteers in Coaching or First Aid Trainer so get on board now!

The Club is located at Colchester Reserve, Colchester Road Boronia

For further information or to make a booking: please call Rebecca Marnock on 0421 154 776

www.easternraptors.com.au or visit us at www.facebook.com/easternraptorsRLC