Gladesville Primary School
Update
Thursday 28th May, 2015

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

A few messages from the Principal’s desk. . .

Grandparents and Special Friends Reading Hour: What a wonderful turn out we had for Grandparents and Special Friends Reading Hour last Friday. It was a pleasure to meet so many lovely extended family members and friends. The partnership between home and school needs to be strong so that our young people are getting the best support to achieve their personal best. This was clearly evident in the encouraging and supportive people I met last week.

Feedback: Thank you to the parents and family members who have come to see me with constructive feedback regarding the letter that went out two weeks ago with information about changes to assembly. Thank you also to the parents that have sent back their feedback sheet that was in the newsletter a few weeks ago. Feedback is always appreciated and used as a reflective tool to keep our school moving forward and stepping into the future. Gladesville is very much a partnership community consisting of teachers, students, parents and extended families. Your feedback is very important to us.

Computer Course: Thank you to all of our families who have returned their forms regarding the fully funded places in a Certificate III in Business course. We need two more people to be able to run the day sessions and two more people to be able to run the evening session.

The offer is available to parents, friends and families of the school community who meet eligibility criteria. For more information contact the office.

Have a great week!

May
Friday 29th
Interschool Sport
School Tour 9:15—10:00am
Ride to School

June
Friday 5th
Interschool Sport
Tuesday 9th
Curriculum Day—no students at school
Wednesday 10th
School Council
Friday 12th
Interschool Sport
Tuesday 16th
Life Skills - Parent Information Night
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Wednesday 24th
Curriculum Day / Parent Teacher interviews

A Tribes Learning Community

Mutual Respect, Personal Best, Appreciation,
Participation/Right to Pass, Attentive Listening
Last week we had Professor Maths come to our school and we worked on Maths.

There were some easy games and some hard games. If you completed the hard games and do them correctly, you got to wear a vest and glasses with no lenses in them.

There were 20 games. My group only completed 7 games out of 20. Here are the names of the Maths games, Palm Trees, Rabbits, Race, Rolla Ball, Shadow Shapes, Spinners, Stairs, Buildings, The Cube, Throw, Triangles, Add 3 Up, Build, Cover Up, Square Bird, Fruit Shop, Horse Race, Jolly Jigsaw, Log Hop, Lollipops and Mirror Village. My group did Add 3 Up, Build, Square Bird, The Cube.

He did some tricks. He juggled and he was being silly with his glasses. It was so much fun that it was amazing to play the games. The games were a bit easy.

We worked in groups of four and worked as a team to work out the answers. The grade threes had to bring a pencil and the teachers gave us a work sheet to work out some harder answers with the games. I worked out the answers from all the people in my team who helped me lots. It was a really fun activity to do with everyone.

One my favorite games was building the castle and the other building the castle and all the other building games. I had the best fun ever there. When I’m in Year Six, I would love to see new activities and I hope they have it in High School as well.

A JOKE TO TELL

Did you know Professor Maths was BALD under his wig?
Thank you to our amazing students, families, staff, grand parents and special friends for supporting our first Book Fair of this school year. We are very happy to let you know the book fair was extremely successful! Because of you we will be able to purchase over $500 worth of new resources for students to enjoy in the library. This has been our most successful Book Fair for some years so thank you to everyone who supported our Book Fair this year.

**Major Prize Winners**

Ebony P and Zac D

*Our major prize winners have won a book of their choice from the Fair.*

**Minor Prize Winners**


*These winners all received a poster.*

**Congratulations to our winners!**
Supporting our Young People in an Online World

We are holding an information session for parents on:

Wednesday 22nd July 2015
7pm – 8.30pm @
Mount Lilydale Mercy College
120 Anderson Street, Lilydale
RSVP: Monday 20th July, ph: 9735 4022

Join in the discussion with an ACMA Cybersmart expert.
Arm yourself with the knowledge of ‘what’s trending’ and how to assist your child navigate safety online.

FREE EVENT – TEA & COFFEE PROVIDED

www.cybersmart.gov.au

Thank you to the Warrandyte Bakery for donating the muffins, once again supporting our Biggest Morning Tea.

Please support them as they support us.
SchoolMate App

The Department of Education and Training has released an App which is designed to help you better understand the curriculum we use to teach your children every day. The App, called SchoolMate, is available for free download now in the App Store for iPhones and iPads and in Google Play for Android phones and tablets. SchoolMate gives you a general overview of the Victorian curriculum in each subject at each year level and:

- Provides you with an overview of what your children are learning in each subject at each year level according to the Victorian curriculum (AusVELS)
- Provides you with tips regarding activities and things you can do at home to help your kids in each subject and year level
- Suggests apps, books, events and activities related to each subject area and year level.

Our school, like all other government schools in Victoria, uses AusVELS as the basis for the learning programs we run at school every day. Our teachers adapt the curriculum to meet the needs of our students and community, for example, designing learning programs around what your children are interested in, or around days or celebrations that are important to our community.

SchoolMate is designed to give you an overview of what children are expected to learn in Victorian government schools across every subject from Prep to Year 10.

I encourage you to download SchoolMate and to please talk with your teacher or myself if you are interested to find out more about how our school teaches the curriculum.

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ASPIRE APPLICANTS’ EXAM

**DATE:**
Friday 12th June, 2015

**TIME:**
9.15 am—12.30 pm (All Applicants)
12.30 pm—2.00 pm (Only Music Concert Band Applicants)

**LOCATION:**
Mooroolbark College

Applications Close:
Thursday 4th June, 2015

This program targets students with high aspirations, who actively set and strive to meet challenging learning goals. ASPIRE students consistently aim for their personal best. These students learn through engaging in a stimulating curriculum which is designed to respond to their abilities, interests and needs.

There are three classes running in the ASPIRE program: English/Humanities, Mathematics/Science and Music Concert Band. Students are placed into one or more of the classes depending on their individual strengths.

Further enquiries regarding the ASPIRE Program should be directed to Mr Christopher Stephen, Aspire Program Coordinator

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