Gladesville Primary School
Newsletter
Thursday 19th March, 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

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

I was absolutely thrilled to be notified of my appointment as Principal of Gladesville Primary School. Thanks to all of those parents who have taken the time to come and congratulate me and have a chat about our wonderful school. I am very much enjoying working with our staff, students and families. I especially love the enthusiasm of parents who want to be involved in their children’s learning and school. This was evident during our first meeting of the Garden Project Group last week. Our first Working Bee on Sunday March 22nd is shaping up to be a beauty with a number of families already confirming that they will be there. We really need to get the garden resource ready for student learning in Term 2 so the more the merrier as many hands do make lighter work.

Communication is a vital part of any good community, especially Gladesville. If you need to see me about an important issue, concern or a general catch up the best way is to make a time to meet so that I can ensure that you have my full attention. While I enjoy chatting to parents in the morning and afterschool these are not optimum times for deep conversations. I am also happy for parents to email me if that is more convenient. My email is: wood.nicole.l@edumail.vic.gov.au

Have a wonderful week!

Mrs Wood

March

Friday 20th
Interschool Sport

Wednesday 25th
Excursion - Healesville Sanctuary Grade 3 - 6

Thursday 26th
School Photos
Grade 6 Puberty session

Friday 27th
Crazy Hair Day
Last day term 2:30 dismissal

A Tribes Learning Community

Mutual Respect, Personal Best, Appreciation,
Participation/Right to Pass, Attentive Listening
Visit to Yarra Hills

On Monday, Mr Daniel Gooding (Principal of Kilsyth Primary) and myself travelled to Yarra Hills Secondary College. Mr Darren Trip-pet, (Principal), gave us a tour of their wonderful facilities and learning spaces. We discussed a number of ways that Gladesville and Yarra Hills can further develop our partnership to benefit students at both settings. These include taking primary students to have lessons in the science labs at Yarra Hills, use of the college bus and showcasing some of the amazing artwork developed by the talented Yarra Hills students back here at Gladesville.

World’s Greatest Shave and Crazy Hair Day

On Friday 27th March I will be shaving my head at assembly for The World’s Greatest Shave. I am doing this to raise money for The Leukaemia Foundation. All I ask for you to support me is to donate a gold coin and come to school with your “craziest hair style” on the last day of term. This is the 3rd year I will be shaving my head for the foundation and I would like to thank you for your support!

Kyle Heffernan 5/6T.

All students are invited to come to school with their Crazy Hair on Friday 27th March. Please ensure that all hair preparations including spraying, teasing, curling, ribboning etc. is done at home, before you come to school.

Thanks, Mrs Wood

Camp Quality

We had a wonderful visit form the team at Camp Quality. Thanks Mr Humphrey for helping out with the presentation.
Last week I had the pleasure of attending the GRIP Student Leadership Conference with 11 of our Student Leaders at the Melbourne Convention Centre. The GRIP Student Leadership Conference is unique in that it concentrates specifically on training student leaders for their role as school leaders. The style, topics and content of this conference all focus on what the students can do right now.

Our Gladesville Student Leaders were outstanding ambassadors for our school. We started the day travelling by train to Southern Cross Station then walked to the Convention Centre. 2100 primary aged students had an amazing day of leadership development.

Our first session focused on understanding that leadership is not about enjoying privileges and giving instructions to others. Similarly, student leadership is not always about waiting for instructions from teachers. Instead, leadership is about ‘standing up’ every day in practical ways. This session makes it possible to recognise the many ways in which a student leader can be proactive every day and stand up for others, for what is right, for self and whenever there is an opportunity to serve.

The second session focused on the important leadership quality of ‘generosity.’ Too often students assume that generosity is only about donating money to charity. This session helped leaders to understand a variety of ways that they can demonstrate generosity each day, in ways that takes the focus away from self and shifts it towards others. Not only were students able to learn how they can be generous, a special focus was placed on how leaders can help their entire school to be generous and ‘pay it forward.’

In our third session, students explored how leadership opportunities are not only available to students that might have been chosen for a position and who wear a special badge. This session gave all students practical ways that they can serve teachers, serve students, serve the school and serve the broader community. Activities during this session enabled students to have discussion with other schools to share experiences and generate ideas together.

Our final session gave our student leaders an opportunity to develop an action plan. One of the keys for leaders to be effective is to write a simple leadership plan, both individually and as a team. This session helped students to develop a plan based on the needs of the school and comprised the essential steps required for students to make a genuine and lasting contribution to the school.
Our Girlfriends Group came together to raise money for a mirror to be put in the girls toilet. Together, they set a goal of raising $200, planned what needed to be done and produced a range of delicious cupcakes! At this stage, the girls have raised just over $140! This has been a tremendous effort and truly demonstrated their ability to work as part of a team.

The group will be selling more cupcakes before and after assembly this week. Bring along your coins and enjoy a delicious treat for the bargain price of $1.00.
Dear Dad,

You should start eating more healthy foods. The foods you should eat are Bok Choy, Asparagus, parsnip, peas, snow peas, mango, banana, celery. You should eat these because they all have vitamins in them.

You should only have unhealthy things once a week or fortnight. The unhealthy things are chocolate, lollies, icy poles, ice cream, etc.

From Ashalyn.

Dear Miss Thompson

My dad’s name is Lindsay and my mum’s name is Lucy and my brother’s names are Tallon and Xavier.

From Kynan

Dear Nan

I tried lots of healthy food at school celery and cream cheese and it was yummy. I’m not going to eat lollies because they are not healthy.

From Sam C

To Miss Thompson

I like PlayStation 3. My mum’s iPad too. I have 2 brothers, Deklan and Jaiden. I am seven years old.

From Tyson Mc

Dear Ms Thomson

My name is Mitchell. I have a family of 5-1 pet and 4 people. My brother is interested in trains. My favourite thing to do is play video games and my favourite one is Mario Kart 8. My pet’s name is Flynn and he is nearly 1 year and 2 months old. I hate eating veggies and waiting for birthdays. I really like eating gum-balls even if I don’t get them a lot. I really like working with you.

From Mitch C

Dear Jarrod,

The healthy foods we should eat are bananas and peaches and a lot of more healthy foods. You should start to have more healthy food like me and mum. I don’t want any more bad foods. I love healthy foods that’s why I should eat more too. I am going to make better food choices and not going to eat bad foods like KFC, Red Rooster, lollies and chocolate and all the other bad foods. I think peaches are healthy because the vitamins and lots more good things.

From Aleisha D

Dear Isaac,

Only eat take out once a week, like chips, pies, soft drink and lollies. You can eat vegetables, fruit, plain popcorn, carrots, broccoli, apples, bananas, peaches, oranges, mandarins and watermelon. You can only eat junk food once a week because you will get fat, but if you eat healthy food you will stay healthy. If you eat meat it will give you proteins.

From Ryan C

Basketball News

Results

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School Photographs for 2015 will be on the 26th March by our School Photographers, Spargo Photography.

To ensure that your photos are returned back as quickly as possible, please follow these quick and easy guidelines.

- Please write clearly on your child's envelope (Block letters preferred)
- If possible please don't use small change as this can break or fall out of your envelope, if this is not possible, please tape up the sides or put the money in a freezer bag then inside your envelope.
- All children must have their own envelope with them when being photographed. Please don't use one envelope for multiple children.
- Children without an envelope when having their individual photos taken will not have an order placed against their name. Any envelopes handed to the school after we have left will incur a $15 late order processing fee.
- For Family/Siblings Portraits please see your school office for an information flyer and red family envelope. Please do not place a family envelope in another envelope or an individual envelope. We will only photograph family/siblings with a completed family envelope.

ONLINE PRE-ORDER

We now provide you with the flexibility of pre-paying your child's photos online. Simply follow the links below to place your order. Once completed, print out your confirmation invoice and include in your child's envelope.

Order online and Save $2.00. Note; online orders do not incur the $2.00 bank fee charge.

To order:


If you have any inquiries please contact us on (03) 5942 5234

Spargo Photography

Parents have the option to send the photo envelope back to school before photos or you can send them on the day. We recommend that you send them before the day to avoid forgetting on the day.

REMINDER

If you have elected to pay your Essential Education Supplies payments in instalments, the next instalment is due on the 19th March. If you haven’t as yet paid the 2nd instalment could you please do so as soon as possible. These payments are very important to the school as they enable us to provide your child with a high level of education.

19th February 2nd payment $50.00 per child

19th March 3rd payment $50.00 per child

17th April 4th final payment $50.00 per child
Working Bee

You might have noticed that our fabulous little vegetable garden is looking a little sad and sorry at the moment, but that is all about to change! One of our wonderful parents has offered to lead the organisation of our garden make over and is working with Mrs Wood to plan for how we can transform this garden into an exciting outdoor learning space that is used by our students all year round.

We will be holding a working bee on Sunday 22nd March, 10am—2:00pm, to actually get the work started. If you know of anyone who can help us out with donations, please see Mrs Wood or Mrs Farley in the office.

Student of the Week

13th March 2015

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<td>Tori S</td>
<td>For being such a wonderful peer tutor ad worker</td>
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<td>For participating well in class and for helping classmates in class and in the playground</td>
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<td>Jamie T</td>
<td>For his positive attitude and problem solving skills displayed during our brainstorming session on our class mission statement</td>
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<td>Campbell W</td>
<td>For demonstrating mutual respect with others in our grade</td>
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<td>Jordan K</td>
<td>For his positive attitude in class and for always doing his best</td>
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**Holiday Program - April 2015**

**Paddlepower**

Come and try kayaking!

**Lake Lilydale & Westerfolds Park**

An exciting Paddlepower program for young people with awards, fun games and activities! Parents and advanced sessions also available.

**Go Ahead. Give it a Go!**

- **Location:**
  - Lilydale Lake (Open - 4pm)
  - Sat April 9: Paddlepower River Trip!
  - Westerfolds Park, Templestowe (3pm - 4.30pm)
  - Wed April 6: Kayak fun and games!
  - Fri April 8: Paddle the Yarra!
  - Sun April 11: Paddlepower River Trip!

**Cost:**
- $20 per session (90 minutes - Coaching and all equipment provided)
- $15 for club members - join for $35 annual youth membership! Book in for 1 or more sessions!

**Bookings:**
- wandring@gmx.com.au
- (Bookings essential)

**Notes:**
- This program will be coordinated by 3 time Olympian, Nailla Draper and delivered by qualified coaches. We thank Camerons Victoria for their support through Paddlepower. It is recommended that parents/careers are present at all times. A reasonable donation is recommended to support the delivery of this program.

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**Scaredy Cat**

**The Melbourne International Comedy Festival Presents**

**Scaredy Cat**

**Live at the Famous Speigeltent**

**Tuesday April 7 2015**
**To Sunday April 12 2015**

Scaredy Cat is a show the whole family will enjoy. A great way to entertain both children and adults this school holidays!

Visit our website: www.yackanddandyoungplayers.com/

**PERFORMANCE DATES AND TIMES...**

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**Note:**
- Suitability recommended for very young viewers. Contains a few loud scary sounds.

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**Come and celebrate**

**50 years of St Josephs at our Community Day**

**Sunday 22 March 10am – 2pm**

- Fun food and drink
- Educational and displays
- Entertainment

Celebrating 50 years of St Josephs coming together.
Come and experience the St Josephs difference.

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**2015 OPEN NIGHT**

**Tuesday 21st April 2015, 7pm – 8.30pm**

**College Tours**

- Wednesdays 9.15am-10am
- Saturdays 9.30am-11.30am

Contact the College Office on 9871 4888