



1st May 2018

**2018 Dates to Remember****May**

- 11 Mothers Day Stall
- 11 Assembly: Announcers 2/3SM  
Work to show: 5/6T and K/PE  
Last day for book club
- 11 Parent Teacher Conversations
- 14-18 National Walk Safe to school day
- 18 Years 3-6 Cross Country
- 22 National Simultaneous Story time
- 24 School Photos
- 25 Assembly: Announcers 2/3M  
Work to show: 2/3SM and K Lewis

**June**

- 8 Assembly: Announcers 3/4S  
Work to show: 3/4C and P/IT
- 12 Div A Cross Country Carnival
- 22 Assembly: Announcers 3/4C  
Work to show: 2/3M and 3/4S
- 27 Whole school performance "Buddies"

**July**

- 2-6 Growing Up Program
- 6 Assembly: Announcers 5/6T  
Work to show: P/IS and 5/6B

**Soccer Boot Swap—outside office  
from tomorrow!**

**MOTHERS DAY  
STALL**

We will hold our Mother's Day Stall on Friday the 11th of May. The stall will be held at recess time for children who have donated a gift. Stall items will be \$2.00 and help to make mum feel extra special. If you have any small items to donate to our stall, please send them along to the office as soon as possible.

Dear Families,

**Ready for a new term**—As always it was wonderful to see everyone again after a term break. The smiles and greetings as children and family members arrived yesterday was evidence of the strong connections and relationships across our school community.

We welcome to our school Miss Georgia James who will be partnering with Mrs Coe to teach the 3-4 class, following the retirement of Mrs McKibben. Miss James is already familiar to some of the classes at Goulburn Street through her relief teaching role and we feel very fortunate to have her join us in a more consistent capacity.

Teachers commence duty of care at 8:30am and students are encouraged to arrive from this time in the morning to greet their teacher and friends and to set up in readiness for the day's learning which begins at 9:00am. The school day finishes at 3:00pm. Students remaining in the school grounds after 3:10pm must be supervised by a parent/carer or be booked into the after school care program through Lady Gowrie.

You may notice the Year 6 students wearing their *Leavers' Hoodies*. These are a special addition to the uniform range, just for our senior students. For other year levels, windcheaters, jackets and polar fleece tops are available from the uniform stock at the office and the second-hand cupboard is also a great source of items. As the days become colder it is sensible to wear layers beneath the school uniform. Plain colours that match the uniform and which are easily obtained are *navy blue, white and black* (with *red* under the winter tunic also acceptable).

**Parent/Teacher Conversations – starting Mon 14<sup>th</sup> May**—Thank you to the many parents who have already booked times to meet with teachers for the *Parent/Teacher Conversations* to be held in week three of the term. These conversations are valued by teachers as they provide an opportunity to discuss achievements, share information and identify areas to work towards over the months ahead. Information for using the online booking system is included later in the Newsletter.

**Kinder Development Check**—In early term two and again in term four Kindergarten teachers complete the *Kinder Development Check* (KDC) for each child in their Kindergarten year. The checklist assists teachers in monitoring each child's development and supporting their progress. Information is shared with parents in May and again in Term Four.

**NAPLAN – May 15<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup>**—The annual *National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy* will be held in week three of term two for students in Years 3 & 5. NAPLAN is one way of gathering information and schools use the data to inform decisions around targeting programs and resources for individuals, groups of students and across the school. Class teachers will support students leading up to the assessment week by familiarising them with the test formats and styles of questions. During this time we encourage parents to reassure children involved in the NAPLAN process that it is an experience that helps to give teachers and the school information for future planning and it is not something to feel worried about, rather it is another example of giving our best effort on the day. More information is available from the national NAPLAN website at: <http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/naplan.html>

Kind Regards

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**Parent/Teacher Conversations – Week 3 of Term 2**—Conversations between parents/carers and teachers are an important element in supporting children at school as well as being part of the reporting process. Parent/Teacher Conversations will take place in the week beginning Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May. The **online booking system** enables parents/carers to book times through the website <http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au> by entering the code **sw8cs**. If you require assistance or access to the online system please contact the school office.

### **Gold Reaccreditation!!**

Our school canteen has recently been reaccredited at the highest level awarded to schools in Tasmania – GOLD! The award demonstrates our 'ongoing commitment to providing an outstanding whole of school approach to health and wellbeing' (Tas School Canteen Association). To be awarded at Gold status we have a canteen menu that includes only the foods that are in line with standards set by the association, we continuously make links with healthy eating across other programs/curriculum areas, our canteen practices/structures/documentation have passed the Environmental Office standards and we have also maintained Australian Food Safety Assessment requirements. Well done us!



### **Aussie of the Month Recipients**

The Aussie of the Month Award focusses on recognising students who exemplify the values we all share as Australians including a sense of fair play, generosity of spirit, commitment to the community, participation and a genuine concern for the environment. At Goulburn Street Primary School, we present an Aussie of the Month award once a month at our whole school assembly.

*Charlotte Vanthoff* was the recipient in March and *Olive Turk* was the recipient in April. Congratulations to these two students.



**ISSUE 3 OF SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB IS DUE BACK TO THE OFFICE NO LATER THAN RECESS ON FRIDAY THE 11th of MAY.**

**Information Sessions for Parents and Family Carers**—Autism Tasmania is conducting a series of information sessions for parents and carers of children of all ages on the autism spectrum. All sessions are free to attend, however registration is required. Please register online at [www.autismtas.org.au](http://www.autismtas.org.au) or contact them on 6231 2745.

**Thursday 14th June 10.00am—12.00pm** Glenorchy LINC room 2, 4 Terry St, Glenorchy - School: Keys to Successful Collaboration (collaboration between families and school staff can have a positive impact on the education of children on the spectrum)