



Glen Iris Primary School

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eNewsletter 22 March 2017

Dear Subscribers Name,

We hope that this eNewsletter finds you well and almost ready for the school holidays. Here are the items from the Recent News section of the GIPS website. Our community is doing great things. Enjoy!

Glen Iris Primary School



From the Principal's Office

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Dear Parents and Friends,

Although the term seems to be winding down, the last two weeks are always a flurry of organisation as teachers plan for the next term. My calendar is already jam-packed with events which you can find listed on the school website. These include:

- 19th April Our Review Day 2
- 21st April Our ANZAC Assembly
- 3rd May House Cross Country
- 18th May School Photos

- Education Week with various events including Open Day Tours, Family Learning Night and Prep 2018 Information Night (More information next term)
- 31st May- 2nd June Grade 3s & 4s will go on camp. (Mrs. Morrison is looking forward to going too!)
- 7th June Curriculum Day which will enable us to develop our School Strategic Plan for the next 3 years.

Don't forget our Cake Bake stall on 24th March. It promises to be a fabulous feast for all. There is a table especially for the Preps.

Two parent workshops are being offered: Cybersafety (30th March in room 10) and Respectful Relationships (May 2nd library) . Please book through <https://www.trybooking.com/PJKF> to let us know numbers.

Our Review Day is Thursday 30th March and we look forward to some challenging and informative conversations to guide the school in the next 3 years.

On a sad note we are farewelling three staff members. Firstly, Lucy Gargano who has been a member of our staff for eighteen years will take up a new position in term 2. Claire Sutherland also takes up a new position with the Alana and Madeleine Foundation, and Catriona Botterill who has been a teacher aide has completed her teaching degree and begins an Internship. We wish them all the best in their new careers and thank them for the energy and vitality they have brought to our school.



Parents' Association News - 22 March

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Hi Everyone,

Since the last update, we have had a Dad's Souvlaki catch up at Mr Burton's (now the mum's want to have their own Souva night), the 2017 class rep meeting (hopefully your class rep has been in touch to organise your class's first catchup), a PA meeting (could have done with a few more attendees), and the kitchens across Glen Iris and surrounds have begun to stir in preparation for this Friday's Cake and Produce Stall.

For those of you who have never been to the Cake and Produce stall, here is a video clip showing what happens:

<https://tinyurl.com/lg79w2o> Password parents

Details are

- It is held **from 3.20 to 3.50pm**, on the coloured squares this Friday
- There are all sorts of produce for sale, Prices start at 50 cents.
- Sending along some silver and gold coins with your kids to buy some goodies supports the school with **proceeds** from the Cake & Produce Stalls go towards the **significant purchases that benefit all students**
- **Huge thanks** to **Kelly Blue, Kate Venter, Debbie Graham** for co-ordinating and **3C, 5/6KH, 5/6H, 2T, 1M** who will be stocking and manning the stall.

The Cake and Produce stall is an exciting event for the children and creates a wonderful sense of community amongst the students, teachers and parents. It is product of people volunteering to make a contribution for the whole school community.

Unfortunately some other regular events in the schedule are facing the possibility of not going ahead because we haven't found someone to run them. The first is the Mother's Day Stall. This is a stall run by parents, where the students can come and buy cute gifts for their mothers/grandmothers/special person for Mother's Day.

To have stock to sell to the children, the orders need to be submitted **by this Friday**. If you would like to be the person that makes sure the stall goes ahead, we would love to hear from you. (It is ideal to have 2-3 people to manage the stall.) **This is urgent.**

We have other events that need organisers but the Mothers Day Stall is the most pressing at the moment.

And a reminder about the First Special Lunch for the year on Tuesday 28th March

- Get your orders in to [Classroom Cuisine](#) by 5pm – Friday 24th March.
- Thanks **Rachael Thomson** for coordinating.

Thanks for being part of the GIPS community.

Gavin Blue - Dad of Harry (5/6K), Archie (4G) and Felix (2T)
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Sports News

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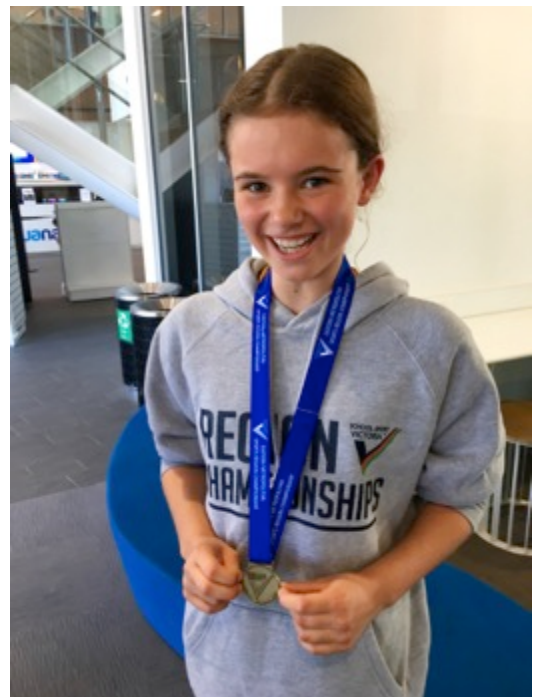
Harry M. – State Athletics (Grade 3)

Harry competed at the club State Athletic finals in the 400m, finishing in 19th place. A fantastic effort to make the state finals and to run a personal best time! Congratulations Harry.

**Mia V. – Regional Swimming (Grade 4)
50m Backstroke**

Mia’s natural ability in the water continues to shine through! Mia finished in 1st place and has now qualified for the State finals at the Melbourne Sports Aquatic Centre next term. We are very happy for Mia and wish her all the best at the State Finals.
Congratulations Mia.

Go G.I.P.S
Mr Gilliland



Special Lunch Tues 28 March

Look at the menu [here!](#)

To register and order online go to www.classroomcuisine.com.au.



Save the Whale Fundraiser - Thank you!

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Thanks so much to every one at GIPS for their help. It was a wonderful day & Josh loved the experience.

Josh has been mentioned on the Sea Shepherd Australia Facebook page,

www.facebook.com/SeaShepherdMelbourne



Cake Stall 24 March

The first of our famous cake stalls will be held on Friday March 24th. Click [here](#) for more information.



Keep Your Kids Safe Online - A Presentation

Please note the change of date.

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This parent cyber safety session will focus on the positive uses of digital technology, what is currently trending, signs to look for when things turn sour online, and how to approach these issues with your child.

This talk will be presented by Claire Sutherland, one of our Grade 3 teachers, who is about to submit her PhD on "Understanding Cyberbullying in Australian Schools"

Thursday 30 March 9.15am - 10.15am

Venue at GIPS to be announced.



Gender Inclusive and Respectful Relationships

On Tuesday, May 2nd at 7pm we will be holding an information evening for parents around the very important social issue of

On Tuesday, May 2nd at 7pm we will be holding an information evening for parents around the very important social issue of gender inclusiveness and respectful relationships which is an essential element for all our families.

This is an issue that can affect every community, regardless of their social or financial status.

Our guest presenters for the evening are:

Hayley Wesson (Feeling Safe Together & Respect, Protect, Connect Program Coordinator for SECASA, Monash Health) &

Lizzie Fox (coordinator of the Young Men's Program at SECASA)

We encourage all parents to attend. The evening will take place in the Library and will run for approximately 90 minutes.

Please indicate your attendance by filling in the form below or booking via Try Booking:

<https://www.trybooking.com/PJKF>

Kind Regards

Shelley Morrison

Raising children to be gender inclusive and to have respectful relationships

Children as young as three can start to show certain values about gender. Rigid belief systems about gender and gender stereotyping can have long term effects on how both boys and girls feel they should behave, act and treat one another. These out dated belief systems have been closely linked with abuse in our communities and households.

To ensure our children have the best chance at having healthy relationships it's important that we model gender equality within our own families and communities.

This information session will cover how to change our language around gender, the negative effects of gender norms for both girls and boys and how gender stereotyping and inequality can contribute to abusive relationships.

Flyer is [here](#).



Singers Wanted!

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Rock With You are on the look out for singers. If your child would like to learn how to sing from our talented and passionate singing teacher Ruby Jones then please get in touch with Steven at info.rockwithyou@gmail.com or 0413 605 083.

We currently have a few spots left so be sure to be quick in getting in touch with us as these places won't last long. We are also taking enrolments for drums and the rock band program.



Social and Meeting Diary

Important dates for school and social events.

Social events coming up:

Thursday 23 March	2J Social Night 7.30pm	Mr Burton 199 High St Ashburton Contact: Emma Teoh
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School events coming up:

Friday 24 March	Prep Helpers Info Session	9.10am - 10.30am	Prep G Classroom
Friday 24 March	Easter Cake Stall	3.20pm - 3.50pm	Coloured Squares
Tuesday 28 March	Special Lunch - order through Classroom Cuisine		

Friday 31 March	Assembly and last day of Term 1 School finishes at 2.3pm.
Tuesday 18 April	First Day of Term 2



End of Term 1 - Early Finish

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SRI at Glen Iris P.S

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If you would like more information please drop into the office and pick up a form, or call the office on 9885 3624.