

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022

### Term 4, week 7 summary.

Dear Families,

I hope that this email finds you all very well.

As this is my last newsletter, please allow me to convey my thanks to you for your support whilst I have been Acting Principal at GIPS.

Today, I was asked by a visitor “*what makes GIPS unique?*” and I was genuinely able to share that it was your happy, confident children who are always willing to have a go, and to engage with heart.

It has been a pleasure working with you all.

### Parent Association: Make & Bake

On **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August**, the Parent’s Association delivered another amazing Make & Bake. A big shout out to our wonderful PA, and especially Brooke Langdon, Nadia Liberta and Mala Mathison who raised over \$2500.

We rely heavily on the community efforts of the School Council, Parent’s Association, and parent volunteers; the fact is that there are many activities and resources that would simply not exist at GIPS without this extra support. Please contact the reception for details of how you can do your bit to help.

### Oval Upgrade: A birds eye view!

As not all of you have the luxury of observing GIPS from Mr McClure’s penthouse suite of a classroom, please see below a photo of the oval works so far.

The blue sections will be netball, basketball, futsal, and soccer courts. The red sections will be volleyball and mini-tennis courts. You can also see the chess board for our budding chess players!



## OHS: Student supervision

We have received quite a few emails and phone calls from members of the GIPS community about student safety before and after school; please take the time to carefully read the following:

- When students are dropped off before 8.45am, there is no guarantee that there will be staff around to supervise them, and therefore no guarantee that your child is being looked after.  
If you arrive at school before this time, we request that you stay with your child to ensure that they are safe until 8.45am.
- School finishes at 3.30pm, with staff supervision on site until 3.40pm.  
At the moment, there are still a lot of unsupervised students on Glen Iris Road after school finishes and again, there is no guarantee that your child is being looked after whilst they wait at the roadside.  
If you know you are going to be late, give us a call on 9885 3624 and we will make sure that your child waits safely with us in reception until you arrive.
- Some families are parking and leaving their cars in the no standing zones on Glen Iris Road. This is causing traffic congestion whilst other families wait on the road until a bay is free. This is also a safety issue in the morning as when the bays are full, children are exiting cars whilst they are still on the road.  
During peak times, please use the no standing zones as they are intended.
- The car park at Glen Iris Road United Church does not belong to GIPS.  
We have been asked by Lisa Carey (Property Manager at the church) to pass on her concerns around GIPS families parking on the church car park with some also driving above the speed limit whilst using the church car park.
- A reminder that Team Kids offers both before school and after school care.

## GIPS Sponsorship

You may have noticed that our new GIPS sponsors now have their advertising boards in prime position at the front of the school. A huge thank you to [Neumode Design and Construction](#), and [Smile Place Dental](#) for supporting our school.



If you know of anyone else who is interested in supporting GIPS, please send them our way!

**Don't forget about:**

- 6 →7 Transition Day: **(13/12/2022)**
- Year 6 Graduation Night: **(15/12/2022)**

Please remember that Compass is our preferred method of communication. If you need help navigating this system, let us know.

Kind regards,

Rachael Stone

(Acting Principal)



## Celebrating Success.

### Year 3 Healthy Humans Incursion

On Monday 7th November the Year 3s had a visit from Luke from Daley Nutrition.

We enjoyed a session called Healthy Humans. We explored how food influences our body systems and the vital role vitamins and minerals play.

There were heaps of interactive activities and some delicious food tastings.

