



Assembly Awards



Hiragana Karate Belts

Mothers

I suppose you could say that my mother was not a good role model for me

You see, she never really spent a lot of time with my brothers or me; she didn't make our school lunches, she never did the shopping or the washing and we never went for a walk together nor did the mother daughter things.

However, upon having my own children I realised my mother was totally AWESOME. I often wonder how she managed to raise four good citizens - how did she manage to bath us as babies, tend to our needs as babies and toddlers, settle us when we cried and keep us in controlwhen I found it challenging with just two children!?! You see, my mother was disabled through contracting polio not long after having her first child. This left her with a leg in a caliper, and being able to walk only with sticks and later with crutches. This, of course, made any task challenging for her, but she did it! I have only vague memories of my early childhood, but I can't remember too much chaos or wild children running around. Perhaps we were the perfect children.

But my mother taught me so much. While not so good in practical ways, what my mother taught me was persistence, patience, risk taking, problem solving, compassion, understanding, responsibility and so much more.... those intrinsic things that are hard to teach!

No matter the situation, all mothers are Awesome, special and unique in their own ways. They love their children unconditionally and would do whatever is possible for them....



Mother

She's the whisper of the leaves when you walk down the street
The smell of certain foods you remember
Flowers you pick
The fragrance of life itself
She's the cool hand on your brow when you're not feeling well
She's your breath in the air on a cold winter's day
She's the sound of rain that lulls you to sleep
The colours of the rainbow
She is Christmas morning
Your mother lives inside your laughter
She's the place you come from, your first home
She's the map you follow with every step you take
She's your first love, your friend, even your first enemy but nothing on earth can separate you..
Not time. Not space.. not even death.

(Life Learned Feelings)

"She opens her mouth with wisdom and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness" Proverbs 31:26-27

"I thank God every time I remember you" Philippians 1:3

Have an Awesome Mother's Day, filled with love and precious memories.

Joy Doecke (Learning Support)
(by the way, my father was AMAZING)

PARENT WORKSHOPS

As a school I believe it is important that we offer parents and caregivers opportunities to deepen their knowledge in support of raising children. The program for this year has now been finalised and is as follows:

Term 2 - Parent information sessions '**Learn to manage difficult behaviour in children 2-12 years old**' (2 week program) led by local child psychologist Dina Limberis.

Term 3 - Family Life sessions (date to be announced) - facilitated by KidBiz - personal and social development education.

Term 4 - Wednesday 1st November parent session led by child psychologist Mark Le Messurier, '**RAISING BEAUT KIDS - What's your parenting style? Is it working? Is it healthy and sustainable? Let's explore!**'

You are more than welcome to invite others to these sessions if you believe they will benefit from the experience of attending. Please note GGOSH will not be offered and all registrations are to be made through the school website www.goldengrove.sa.edu.au.



Connected Schools Worship is Thursday 18 May, 10:00 am with the theme of 'Walk my way' with all schools being involved.

Parents and friends are most welcome to join Yr 4-9 students as they gather together at Endeavour College to show our connections with God and each other.

CAR PARKING

The school has **two** disabled car parks. These parks are for the use **ONLY** for people who have designated permits which should be displayed. It has come to our attention that able bodied people are using these when parking on school grounds. It is expected that these car parks are left for the sole use of drivers with this permit.

Shane

Australian Curriculum and the PYP

Our national curriculum, 'sets the expectations for what all Australian students should be taught regardless of where they live or their background. Schools and teachers are responsible for the organisation of learning and they will choose contexts for learning and plan learning in ways that best meet their students' needs and interests.'

(<http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/>)

Here at GGLPS we use the Primary Year Program (PYP) to deliver the Australian Curriculum (AC). How do we know we are offering a contemporary comprehensive program? We undertake an audit of our program, checking to see alignment across year levels and within year levels against both the AC and the PYP.

Recent research has highlighted that even though science has had a strong focus in the curriculum, the science literacy overall has not increased. However the research did point out that girls are more involved in the sciences.

So what is science literacy? The scientific literacy definition used by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) – Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) states:

... the capacity to use scientific knowledge, to identify questions and to draw evidence-based conclusions in order to understand and help make decisions about the natural world and the changes made to it through human activity. (OECD 1999, page 60)

This research prompted us at GGLPS to undertake an audit of our program focusing on the science area. Other subject areas will be audited over time.

This involves the staff pulling apart the AC science subject and aligning it to our school program (Program of Inquiry). We will identify areas of strength and weakness in the program according to the expectations of the AC. Together we will look at how to offer a comprehensive program and develop an action plan for implementation. We have set aside just over a term to complete this audit.

This is not a quick task and involves collaboration and communication of all teaching staff. I ask that you support our staff as they carry out this task to provide an educational program that is both comprehensive and contemporary for our students.

Ruth Carter
Teaching & learning Coordinator

DIARY DATES



Friday 12th May – Mother's Day stall

Monday 15th May – Assembly 2:30pm – all welcome

Wednesday 17th May – Parent talk

Mainly Music Playgroup

You may have noticed in the newsletter early information concerning a Mainly Music Playgroup. This group is being run by GG Lutheran Church and will be held on site. I would encourage families to consider this as an activity for their child/ren on Fridays. More information will follow but I am sure Natasha would be more than happy to discuss this with you. It is certainly open to families who do not attend the school.

NAPLAN

As mentioned last week, students in yr 3 and 5 who have missed any NAPLAN tests this week will be given the opportunity this Friday to complete them. The rules of this testing do not allow us to carry over any testing next week.

Signwriter

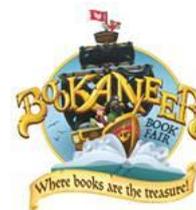
We are in the process of planning to beautify our undercover area and there are thoughts of using the large poles as part of this process. I am putting a call out for anyone in the school who is a signwriter (or has the ability to paint on the poles). Please contact me if that person is you - or you know someone who is!

In Christ,
Shane

Canteen News

Berri Quelches have been discontinued. However, we have homemade icy-poles made from 100% fruit juice.

Please note: Icy poles, krazy krush and slushies can only be purchased over the counter, not on lunch orders.



We are excited to again present our Scholastic Book Fair to raise money for school resources.

The fair will be held every day at 8:30am-9am and 3pm-3:30pm on Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June, in our library. We look forward to seeing you at the fair!!

Deirdre Fox & Jenny Canavese

GOLDEN GROVE AMATEUR FISHING



CADELL (MURRAY RIVER) FISHING TRIP

Date: Saturday 21st May 2017 Time: 10.30 am
Where: Meet at King's Riverside Drive near the River.
Fishing mainly for Callop and Carp.
Suggested Bait: Tiger Worms, Shrimp and other Carp Baits (eg. Corn, Bread)
Weigh In at 5:30 pm.
For enquiries contact Graeme Hoklas on 0419828091 or School Reception

Church this Sunday is in the Worship Centre at Golden Grove Lutheran Church

9.30am with Pastor Greg sharing the message

Children please join us for Kids at Heart children's ministry time. This Sunday's Bible Song topic is "Elijah hears God in Silence".

Followed by tea/coffee and fellowship.

6.30pm Salt Factory SERVICE AT 6.30PM. You are welcome to come for a light meal at 5.45pm (gold coin donation).

It would be great to have your company.

Worship sermon series

Pastor Greg will be preaching a sermon series for May dealing with the stress of modern life. The themes are as follows;

14 May Confronting depression 1 Kings 19

21 May Guest preacher Kevin Wood TBA (day after Synod)

28 May Seeing spiritual realities in daily life 2 Kings 6:8-23

Save the date

30th School and Church anniversary celebrations.

Booking any travel? Make your booking through **Amanda** at **helloworld Port Adelaide** and the school receives a benefit through our 'Corporate Sponsor' relationship (Amanda is the mum of Madison in 5/6N, Tyson in 3A and Dylan Rec S). Just tell her you're from GGLPS!



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Need to buy new tyres or any form of tyre care? Speak to the crew at '**Cluse Brothers Tyrepower.**' Michael and his team are 'Corporate Sponsors' of our school and in supporting them you are supporting our school as well.

Tell them you are from GGLPS!



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