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**GOLDEN GROVE LUTHERAN**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



**BELIEVE COLLABORATE ACHIEVE**



**Assembly Awards Week 5**



**Ms Lownds year 1 class sharing their maths learning in Assembly**



**Ms Waldhuter's year 2/3 students working on their 'newspaper bridge challenge'**



**Year 5/6 students went on an excursion to Parliament House.**

As Christians, prayer is a very important practice in maintaining our relationship with God. The staff begin each morning together with prayer, teachers start the day with prayer with the children and we pray before we eat at lunch. Below are some prayers which you may find useful to use as a family.

### **Morning Prayer for Children**

For this new morning with its light,  
For rest and shelter of the night,  
For health and food, for love and friends.  
For everything your goodness sends,  
We thank you, dearest Lord.  
Amen.

### **Children's Bedtime Prayer**

Now I lay me down to sleep,  
I pray the Lord my soul to keep:  
May God guard me through the night  
And wake me with the morning light.  
Amen.

### **Fun Children's Dinner Prayers**

Good food,  
Good meat,  
Good God,  
Let's eat.  
Amen.

Dear Lord, bless this bunch  
As we munch on our lunch.  
Amen.

A B C D E F G  
Thank you, God,  
For feeding me.  
Amen.

Rub a dub dub  
Thanks for the grub  
Yay God!  
Amen.

Shane

Dear all,

It is hard to believe that we are halfway through term 1! From my perspective I have been quite pleased with the way the year has started and how we have progressed through to this point. While our new members of the community are still firmly finding their feet it is great to walk around the school and observe the learning taking place and the connection the students are having with this. If you have any questions or concerns I encourage you to see your class teacher to discuss any issues that may have arisen, so that they can be addressed early in the year. Parent teacher interviews are held later in the term but at times it may be wise to meet with the teacher prior to these dates.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the school,

Blessings,

Shane

**MOT:** Middle of Term breakfast (MOT), will be held next **Wednesday (7<sup>th</sup> March)**. You will have received a flier about this, last week. Thanks to the P. & F. for providing the hot cross buns and the staff for serving. A coffee van will be available.

**Kiss and drop:** In reviewing our practice with kiss and drop it is apparent that there are only a small handful of staff who know most, if not all the cars. This small pool of knowledge creates an issue if these staff members are away (or unavailable) at the same time, thus creating a need for other staff who are unfamiliar with all families to undertake this duty. In an attempt to address this all families who use the kiss and drop (as identified by the students) will be given three name cards (laminated) which are to be placed on your dashboard. Please hand these onto others who may be responsible for collecting your child / ren. If you did not receive any - but would like some, please contact the office. Feel free to customise the signs if you wish.

**Uniform:** As you are aware School Council is in the process of reviewing the school uniform – this review has taken into account feedback from staff, parents, students and also looking at the 'landscape' of school uniforms generally. It is expected that most of the changes decided will be released to the school community before the end of this term. While final decisions are still to be made I can share two matters

which have been decided: the students will no longer be required to wear the school tie - terms 2 and 3 (from this year) and girls will have an option included for formal shorts and pants – we are waiting for samples of these to arrive. I ask that you do not worry about cost as School Council are very mindful of the cost of the uniform and there will be a changeover period of a couple of years.

**Sport shoes:** A reminder that sport shoes are not to be **bright** or **fluro** colours. While it is understood that predominantly white sport shoes are difficult to find you are asked to keep to school colours in the tonings of the shoe.

**School absence:** At the last school Council meeting a policy on student absences was adopted. Under law, students from the age of five must attend an educational institution unless exempted. There are also expectations of the amount of school days that students can also miss – as a school we are obligated to discuss any concerns re absences with parents. I encourage you to read the policy which has been posted on the school website. Included in this newsletter is a brief flier concerning school attendance and lateness. Some mornings we have over **30** students who are considered late (excluding the bus children). If lateness is an issue for you I would ask that you review morning practices so that children arrive in time to prepare for the day.

### **SPORTS DAY**

Sports Day will be held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March. School begins at normal time, however sports day itself will start at 9am with cheerleading in the Worship Centre.

All activities will finish at approximately around 1pm with lunch to follow. More information will come home shortly as will a letter asking for help at the different stations.

### **UNIFORM SHOP**

Please note that the uniform shop will be closed on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

If you require an item urgently please contact the front office.

### **COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS**

Thank you to everyone who have brought in the Coles Sports for Schools vouchers. Please keep collecting the vouchers and depositing them in the collection box in the school office.

Ask your family and friends to collect them too so that we can receive more sports gear for the students at our school. Thanks you!

### **CARPARK REMINDERS**

Please note that the carpark is on a one way system. Entrance is on Richardson Drive and the exit is on Sunnybrook Drive.

We also remind you that the speed limit is **10kph**. Thank you.

**ENDEAVOUR COLLEGE INTERVIEWS:** Please note that Ms. Vogt, principal of Endeavour College, has begun interviews for students in year 5 who are intending to go to Endeavour in yr 7. If you are intending for your child to attend Endeavour and an interview has not been arranged could you please contact their office as a matter of urgency. While there is essentially guaranteed entry to Endeavour for GGLPS students, there are some formalities to be undertaken - including an interview with the principal.

### **LOST PROPERTY**

A reminder to clearly label all items of clothing. We have several hats in the lost property box with no name on them.



Celebrating Ash Wednesday



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**COCKLING at GOOLWA BEACH**  
**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2018 at 9 am**

MEET at GOOLWA BEACH CAR PARK  
 BYO Chairs, Drinks, Hats, Sunscreen, Change of Clothes  
 All invited to Michael & Robyn Oatey's holiday house at Goolwa  
 for sausage sizzle BBQ lunch  
 Contact: Graeme Hoklas at School Reception  
 ALL WELCOME



We had a lovely visit yesterday from our teachers Melanie Arnold and Cloe Richardson along with their gorgeous babies Nathaniel and Harper.

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

**9.30am with Pastor Greg leading the service and Ivan Schmocker sharing the message 'For they know not what they do'**

**Children please join us for Kids at Heart children's ministry time. This Sunday's Bible Song topic is '10 Commandments'**

**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).**