Issue 18 13/06/2024

# Newsletter

Principal: Shane West Ph: 5428 2232 School Council President: Nial Muecke



# **DIARY DATES**

### **JUNE**

14th District Netball
 School Disco
 Kitchen Garden Gr 4A & 4B
 21st Kitchen Garden Gr 4D & 4A
 Soiree - House of Rock

26th Parent Teacher Interviews Early Dismissal - 12.30pm

**27th** Yr 5 Gisborne Secondary College Visit

28th End of Term 2

Early dismissal - 2.30pm

**JULY** 

15th Start of Term 3
26th District Basketball

# **INSIDE THIS ISSUE:**

Principal's Report	1	
Chester Chatter	2	
Energy Breakthrough	3	
PA Disco	4	
PA Book Club	5	
Performing Arts	6	
Visual Arts	7	
Canteen/Uniform Shop	8	
Camp Australia	9-10	
Victorian Container Deposit Scheme	11	
Sustainability	12	
Community	13	

**Dear Parents and Guardians** 

### **Staff Shortages**

I am writing to inform you that staff shortages are currently an issue for our school. At the moment, we have staff and students absent from school with a range of illnesses. We are continuing to deliver our programs under challenging circumstances, and we have implemented a range of strategies to enable us to do this. When staff are absent, we attempt to employ Casual Relief Teachers to cover classes, unfortunately, there is also a shortage of casual staff. When we are unable to employ casual teachers, we endeavour to cover classes from staff within the school, including our part-time staff, tutors, intervention teachers and learning specialists. Increasingly this term we are having to split students into other classes. When we split a class, the students are divided into small groups and join other classes to continue their learning. We attempt to keep them in the same grade level, but this is not always possible. As we are moving into the colder weather, I would like to thank our families for following the current health guidelines by keeping children home if they feel unwell. We also appreciate you collecting students when we call after they develop symptoms throughout the day. This gives children the rest they need to recover and also helps to protect other members of our school community from becoming sick. I would also like to thank our staff who have been so flexible and accommodating when they have students from other grades in their classroom or have had to cover extra classes and duties.

### 2025 Enrolments are Now Open

Foundation enrolments for 2025 have opened and information packs including enrolment forms can be collected from the office. Alternatively, you can download an enrolment form from the school website.

### Foundation enrolments are due back by 28th July 2024.

2025 Foundation **school tours** with our student leaders, run on Monday mornings at 10am, bookings are essential. School tours can be booked via TryBooking by scanning the QR Code. Please refer to the school's website to book. <a href="https://www.newgisps.vic.edu.au/enrolment">https://www.newgisps.vic.edu.au/enrolment</a>.

### **Report Writing Season**

Our staff are currently working on finishing Semester 1 reports. This is a busy time for teachers to review work samples, check data sets, and create accurate reports on your children's learning and school life. School reports are valuable tools to track your children's progress. When the reports are provided to families on Friday 21st June, please take the time to review them with your child. Celebrate their hard work and reflect on their progress over the first half of the school year. Please note that Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on Wednesday 26th June starting at 1:00pm. Students will be dismissed at 12.30pm on this day. Please refer to the Compass post sent earlier in the week titled '2024 Semester 1 Parent Teacher Interviews' regarding how to book a conference. Camp Australia will be operating on this day should you require their service.

### School Disco Tomorrow!

The school disco is currently being organised by our dedicated and hardworking Parents' Association volunteers. Students have been designing artwork with special UV paint to adorn the disco walls. Be there or be square!

### Disco 14<sup>th</sup> June at NGPS Gym

Juniors: Foundation - Year 2 from 5.30pm until 6.45pm (1 parent can stay) Seniors: Years 3-6 from 7.00pm until 8.30pm (drop your child at the door) New Gisborne Primary School students only.

Tickets available on Qkr! - \$2.00

Shane West Principal



# **Chester Chatter**

This week Chester has been very impressed with the wonderful books the Year 2s created. They have certainly been working around the cluck to complete them. They have done some eggs-cellent writing all about chickens, and the books contain lots of eggs-traordinary facts. Chester had great eggs-pectations as he accompanied the Year 2s into the Year 1 classrooms where the Year 1s were super eggs-cited. All the students behaved im-peck-ably during the book sharing.



# **Energy Breakthrough**



### **Dear Parents and Students**

We have entered a team to participate in this year's Energy Breakthrough competition held in Maryborough from Wednesday 20th - Sunday 24th of November 2024.

### **Briefly**

The Energy Breakthrough Challenge is a three-day event held in Maryborough in November each year. Each team comprises eight team members of 4 girls and 4 boys.

New Gisborne will participate in the Tryathon event in 2024. Students will maintain and race a recumbent tricycle throughout an obstacle course, sprint race and 8 hour endurance event. Students are also required to present their learning to a panel of judges in a 10 minute presentation.

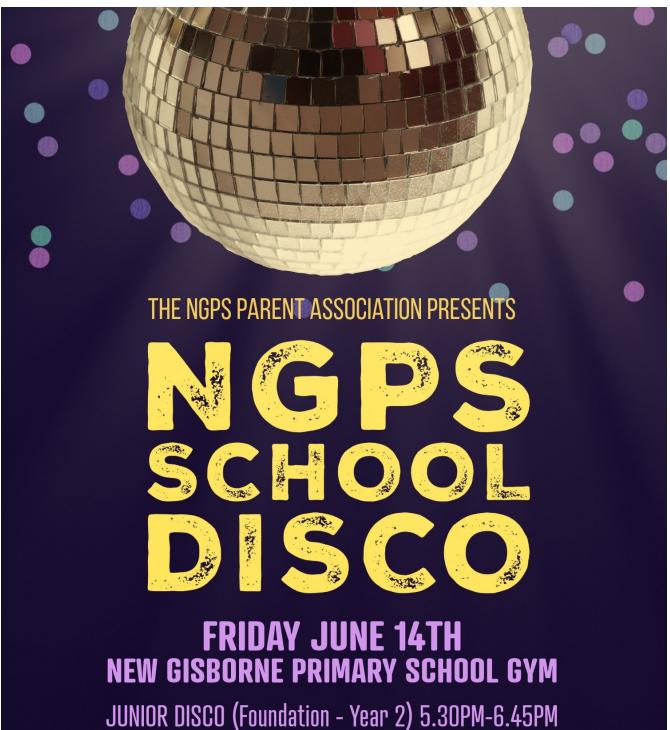


(2023 Blue Ribbon HPV Team)

Teams will meet during school lunches to train and rehearse their presentation. Interested parents and students are invited to an information evening on Tuesday 16th July from 6.00pm - 6.45pm in 5A's classroom. More information about the Energy Breakthrough can be found at <a href="https://www.eb.org.au/">https://www.eb.org.au/</a>

Mr Bell Energy Breakthrough Coordinator

# **Parents' Association**



JUNIOR DISCO (Foundation - Year 2) 5.30PM-6.45PM SENIOR DISCO (Years 3-6) 7.00PM - 8.30PM

GLOW & FOOD PRODUCTS (FOR SALE) | FACE PAINTING | DANCE COMPETITIONS

PARENT DROP OFF YR 3-6 | 1 X PARENT OK TO STAY FOUNDATION - 2

TICKETS AVAILABLE ON Qkr! - \$2.00

# **Parents' Association - Book Club**



# **Performing Arts**

### **Warrina Aged Care Visit**

The Singing Group and Years 3-6 Choir had the privilege of performing to the elderly residents at Warrina Aged Care last Friday.

Our students sang beautifully and had a lovely chat with the folks living there. They left Warrina

Aged Care buzzing and wanting more of this experience. The residents were very appreciative of our visit.

Thank you to Mrs Coote, Mrs Cairney and Mrs Mason for coming with us.







### **Music Soiree**

The Music Soiree will be held in the evening of Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June at the House of Rock on Station Road, New Gisborne (next door to NGPS).

The evening will begin with students arriving at 5:30pm sharp and finishing at approximately 7:30pm. A Compass event will be published to participating students this week.

This event showcases selected students from Music Foundations keyboard lessons and Infinite Sound guitar lessons; our school choirs and singers who have auditioned for Ms Préaudet.

Venue seating is limited and due to the number of students participating, two seats have been allocated per family on a first in best seated basis. Doors will be opened to parents at 5:45pm for a 6pm start.

For further information contact Ms Préaudet (carol.preaudet@education.vic.gov.au) or Mrs Anikeev (melisa.anikeev@education.vic.gov.au).

# Visual Arts



# FOUNDATION - COLUMBINA MASKS



# Canteen

### **HUNGRY POSSUM ROSTER**

We are always looking for canteen volunteers!
We require 1 person on Wednesdays and 3 to 4 people on Fridays.
Any time you can spare is always appreciated:

9am: Stickers on lunch bags & start lunch preparation

11:30am: Counter Service
12:30: Prepare and bag lunch orders
Contact Brenda at

Friday 14th June	Wednesday 19th June	
<ul><li>Kimberley Norman</li><li>Volunteers Needed!</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Volunteer Needed!</li> </ul>	
Friday 21st June	Wednesday 26th June	
<ul><li>Kimberley Norman</li><li>Volunteers Needed!</li></ul>	Canteen Closed Early Dismissal 12:30pm	

# **Uniform Shop**

# **UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

Welcome Autumn, frosty mornings, and mild sometimes sunny days.

We have stocked our shop with our lovely mix and match range of cold weather uniform....

- Polar Fleece Jackets
- Rugby jumpers
- Bomber Jackets
- Winter tunics and thick tights
- Long sleeved polo shirts
- Winter trackpants and Parkes pants.
- NGPS Beanies

Don't forget our Winter Shower proof jackets, lined with microfleece for extra warmth.

All these are available via our QKR website or personal shopping on Tuesday mornings 8.30am-11.30am.

Keep warm and dry.

Trish Johnstone Uniform Shop Manager

# Camp Australia

**Outside School Hours Care** 

# **Newsletter**

07/06/2024









### Term 2 - June 2024!

Dear New Gisborne Primary School Parents and Community members,

We hope this message finds you in good health and high spirits. New Gisborne Primary School's Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) is excited to share the fun and engaging activities your children take part in whilst in attending. Recently children have engaged in sports challenges, arts and crafts and group games to end the morning session before they are off to school.

### Last week: Colours

Last week at OSHC we explored the vibrant world of colours! Children explored the colour wheel and were set the challenge to fill in the missing gaps of the secondary colours by blending primary colours together. To further hone their fine motor skills and foster teamwork, children were tasked with a collaborative challenge.



Working in pairs, they set out to construct buildings using a minimum of three different colours. Through careful planning and coordination, they aimed to create structures that were not only tall but also sturdy. It was a dynamic exercise that encouraged both creative expression and problem-solving skills among the participants.

### This Week: Winter

This week at OSHC, the children delved into the enchanting world of winter with a series of engaging and educational activities. They embarked on a fascinating journey exploring the icy realms of the animal kingdom looking at how penguins and polar bears are perfectly suited to the frosty landscapes. Children also looked at the beauty of snowflakes and given the chance to create their own unique masterpiece of nature. One of the highlights of the week was the opportunity for the children to unleash their creativity by crafting their very own snowmen using playdough. It was a week filled with discovery, imagination, and joy, fostering a deeper connection to the magic of winter.



### Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at <u>pp.campaustralia.com.au</u> or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.







Find out more and book now at www.campaustralia.com.au

# Camp Australia

# **Outside School Hours Care**

# Newsletter

07/06/2024









### **Coming Up: Kindness**

Next week at OSHC, our focus will be on kindness. We'll be engaging in activities that encourage us to demonstrate respect and kindness towards those around us. These activities include filling up friendship buckets, creating kindness chains, and examining positive language that promotes encouragement and support among one another. It will be great to see and hear the positivity from both children and educators as to how we can choose kindness in and out of service.



If you wish to come and take a look at our service, please come in Before School Care as our Educators will have time to discuss the program and help you with any question you may have relating to the service. Our Educators are on site between 6:30am - 9:00am each morning, so please pop by or give us a call!

Service Number: 0405 449 832

Warm regards,

Jasmin Roberts

If you would like to make any changes to your child's aftercare bookings, they can be made through the Parent Portal on our website or app, or via the Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343. Our Customer Care Team is available to assist you with any questions or concerns you may have.

We would appreciate it if you could keep us informed of any changes in your child's aftercare arrangements so that we may update our records accordingly.

### Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at <u>pp.campaustralia.com.au</u> or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.







Find out more and book now at www.campaustralia.com.au

# Victorian Container Deposit Scheme

NGPS is collecting drink containers purchased through the canteen to raise funds via the Victorian Container Deposit Scheme.

These funds will go back into the **Sustainability Program** at NGPS.

We are encouraging students to check the container labels to see how items can be disposed of.

We're keeping an ongoing tally of the number of containers we have kept from landfill and an ongoing tally of funds raised.

It would be great if we could collect all 250 containers purchased weekly!

NGPS Collection Point - Outside Mr Bell's Classroom

Before placing an item at this collection point:

- Ensure the item has not been squashed
- The barcode is visible
- The contents have been emptied



# **Sustainability**



# Nude Food Day

**EVERY MONDAY** 

BRING YOUR FOOD IN CONTAINERS, REUSABLE WRAPPERS OR BAGS TO WIN YOUR CLASS POINTS!



# Community

Empowering Health in the Macedon Ranges

# MINDFUL MOVES 6th July 10 am to 12 pm





**Buffalo Stadium, Woodend** 

Join us for a **FREE** integrative fitness, well-being, and mental health event!

This event features low-impact circuit training, but it's more than just a workout, it's about connecting with other community members in a fun and supportive environment.

Macedon Ranges Suicide Prevention Action Group will kick off the event with discussions about mental health and our suicide prevention efforts within the community.

We'll provide information and resources on healthy eating and ways to connect with local support services for yourself, your family, or friends.

This is also a great opportunity to meet other personal trainers involved in the program, along with members of the MRSPAG team.

events.humanitix.com/mindful-moves-launch-even



# Disaster recovery event – June 2024

# A conversation on disasters and wellbeing for children's recovery

Join Michelle Roberts – psychologist, teacher and child disaster consultant – for a conversation about the impacts of a disaster and community trauma on children and families, and how you can best support recovery.

Michelle will discuss the ongoing psychosocial needs of children following a disaster and how school communities, community groups and families can work together to help prioritise and support children's needs.

Michelle has decades of experience as an educator and psychologist supporting school communities and is the co-chair of the National Infant Child Disaster Mental Health Advisory Committee.

When: Tuesday 25 June, 6:45 – 8:30pm Where: Gisborne Mechanics Institute Cost: Free – light supper provided RSVP: Before Monday 24 June 2024 Scan the QR code or visit: mrsc.vic.gov.au/childrens-recovery







