

# Newsletter

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## DIARY DATES

### MARCH

11<sup>th</sup> Labour Public Holiday  
12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> Yr 4 Camp Wilkin  
21<sup>st</sup> Yrs 3-6 House Cross Country  
25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> Yr 6 Sovereign Hill Camp  
28<sup>th</sup> Foundation Easter Concert

Thursday 28th March  
Last Day of Term  
2:30pm Early Dismissal

### APRIL

15<sup>th</sup> First Day of Term 2  
19<sup>th</sup> Yrs 3-6 District Cross Country

Dear Parents and Guardians

### NAPLAN

From Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March till Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, NAPLAN assessment activities will be taking place for the children in Years 3 and 5. All children across the state will be completing tasks online, except for the Year 3 writing task which is still completed using pencil and paper. Please note that the activities are spread across several days during these two weeks. Whilst the data is valuable for cohorts and schools, please remember that this is just a snapshot of your child on one day. If you have any concerns or questions, please discuss these with your child's teacher this week. Students will require headphones for some of the tests and although we do have some available if your child has their own wired headphones, they may feel more comfortable bringing and using them.

### School Council Elections

School Council elections have closed, and we have some members who have renominated and some new members filling all positions. Our first meeting of our new school council will be Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March.

### Year 1-2 Swimming Program

Year 1-2 swimming is coming to a close with Friday 8/3 being the final day. We have had fantastic feedback for the program and hope that your children have gained a lot from the experience. Thank you to staff who have had their programs disrupted and all the parents who have assisted at the pool. Also, a big well done to all the Year 1-2 students who have done such a good job of following instructions and getting in there and trying their best.

### School Uniform

Year 6 jackets arrived on Monday and Trish made a special visit to ensure that students got these as quickly as possible. Can you make sure that your child is wearing correct school uniform? This means navy blue shorts, skorts or track pants, please.

### Performing Arts Concert (PAC)

Your child may have come home talking about the whole school performing arts concert or PAC practice. This is a whole school concert in House teams that is run just for students. There is no parent audience for this concert. Year 6 students have designed performances with some teacher assistance and these songs and dances are then taught to the rest of their House team. Our Performing Arts competition is on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

### Year 4 Camp

Year 4 students head off to Camp Wilkin on Tuesday. This overnight camp is jam packed with activities that students have been learning about in class.

### 2025 Enrolment Information

The Department of Education has released new enrolment information for 2025. We are currently registering a lot of interest but are unable to accept enrolments until Term 2. We will get more information out to you soon in regards to information evenings, school tours and enrolment packs.

### Parking around school

We had a visit from the Local Laws officers last night who were observing traffic flow and parking around the school yesterday. A number of cars were cautioned for stopping in the bus zone on Station Rd and the turning circle on Ferrier Rd. I am unsure when they will be back, but in the brief chat I had with them they explained that they would be issuing fines on their next visit.

Stay safe people.

Shane West  
Principal

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# Chester Chatter

It's been an exhausting but rewarding two weeks for the Year 1s and 2s with daily swimming lessons at the Gisborne pool. Chester's been very impressed with the students' organisation and resilience and has loved being part of the welcomes and farewells as the students and teachers have travelled to and from the pool. He even dropped in for a visit at the pool to see what this serious business of learning to swim was all about.




# Foundation Grandparents Afternoon



Thank you to all the wonderful grandparents who helped make special memories with our Foundation students on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February. There were lots of smiles as the Foundation students proudly showed off their classrooms to their special visitors!



## HOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The results are in .... congratulations to **Lee Lions**  winners of this year's House Swimming Shield. After collating results in the splash, grass, novelty and 50m events, Lee house finished with the most points overall for the day. Runners up were Hurst, followed by Galloway and then Devlin. It was a fantastic result from all participants in attendance. Well done to all our students involved, your enthusiasm and energy was brilliant. Thank you again to our amazing staff and family volunteers including Nicola Ciesielski, Nial Muecke, Alison Simmenauer, Kate Belford, William Holloway and Sheryl Frank for marshalling and supporting our students on the day.

**Picture: Lee house Captains Evie and Milla**



In addition to our whole school events, over 70 students signed up and competed in our 50m trials in Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke and/or Butterfly races. The results from these races helped us to select our Interschool Swimming Team, that competed in the District Swimming Carnival. Many of the students swam in 2 or more events on the day.

## AGE GROUP CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to the following students for winning the most points in their 50m events at House Swimming. Our 2024 AGE GROUP CHAMPIONS for their respective age groups are:

12/13 Girls – Amelia, 12/13 Boys – Zak, 11 Boys – William, 11 Girls- Ella, Dual winners 9/10 Boys Kai & Jax and 9/10 Girls- Chloe



## DISTRICT SWIMMING

On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February, 28 NGPS students in Years 3-6 travelled to the Sunbury Aquatic Centre to compete with eight other schools at the annual Macedon Ranges District Swimming Carnival. Over 200 students attended the carnival, competing in 50m individual events, Freestyle and Medley relays. Our swimmers performed very well with some nail-biting finishes! We are very proud of their effort and the way they conducted themselves.

As the host school, we would especially like to thank Mrs Smith and Dannille for doing an amazing job marshalling, recording and supporting our swimmers. Thankyou also to our wonderful parent volunteers William Holloway for undertaking marshalling roles and contributing to the overall success of the carnival.



## DIVISION SWIMMING QUALIFIERS

The following students finished 1st and 2nd in their events and will now go on to compete at Division Swimming, next Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> of March, at Melton Waves Leisure Centre.

The 9/10 boys freestyle relay team- Jax, Baxter, Arthur and Kai. The 11 girls freestyle relay team- Ella, Ivy, Eloise and Laila. The individual 50 m events in 9/10 girls freestyle and breaststroke - Chloe, the 9/10 boys backstroke - Jax, the 11 Girls freestyle and Backstroke- Ivy and the 11 boys backstroke -Will.

We wish them all the very best!



# Visual Arts

## Year Six

### Skateboard Designs In Progress



# Indo Lingo



## SELAMAT DATANG



( WELCOME )

### Spotlight On: Foundation and Year One

The Foundation students have made a wonderful start to their Indonesian language learning journey. They have learnt all about where Indonesia is in the world and the significance of Masks in Indonesian culture. Over the past few weeks they have been learning how to say the names of the colours (warna) in Indonesian. More specifically they have learnt the colours putih (white) and merah (red), as they are the colours of the Indonesian Flag. The students created a collage of the Indonesian flag using small pieces of putih and merah paper. They have also learnt the colour hijau (green) and created a hijau gecko. Keep an eye out for these on display in the main building. Before the end of term the foundation students will learn the rest of the colours.



The Year One students have been learning all about families (keluarga). Over the last few weeks students have been introduced to Ibu - mother, Ayah - father, Kakak laki laki - older brother, Kakak perempuan - older sister, Adik laki laki - younger brother, Adik perempuan - younger sister, Nenek - grandmother and Kakek - grandfather. This week the children have started work on making their own books all about their families. We will be continuing to add to these over the next few weeks. They can't wait to share these with you when they are complete.



## INDO LINGO VOCAB

Ibu (i-boo) - Mother/Mrs

Ayah (eye-ah) - Father

Nenek (Neh-neck) - Grandmother

Kakek (Kah-keck) - Grandfather

Laki laki (lar - kee lar - kee) - boy

Perempuan (per - em- poo- arn) - girl



## SAMPAI JUMPA ( GOODBYE )

IBU HUNICHEN & IBU WENCEL

# 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  
[Brenda.Morgan@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Brenda.Morgan@education.vic.gov.au)

Friday 8th March	Wednesday 13th March
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Renee Ogier</li><li>• Larissa Boyd</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sarah Holland</li></ul>
Friday 15th March	Wednesday 20th March
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sarah Holland</li><li>• <b>Volunteer Needed!</b></li><li>• <b>Volunteer Needed!</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chantal Preaudet</li></ul>

# Uniform Shop

## Price Increase effective from 1st March 2024

Unfortunately, we have been advised by our supplier that there has been an increase in their uniform prices due to escalating supply and trade costs. We have kept our price increases to a bare minimum.

A new Qkr! price list will be available from 1st March 2024.

**YEAR 6 SUPER SIXERS JACKETS** have now arrived and been distributed to students.

Trish Johnstone  
Uniform Shop Manager



# 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



KEEP THE  
**Reading  
Rolling!**

in 2024 with Issue 2!

**SCHOLASTIC**  
**ISSUE 2**  
**2024** **Book Club**  
Open a world of possibility with reading

**ORDERS DUE BACK BY:**

**NEW!** **MAKING FRIENDS** **WOLFFY FOREVER**  
Includes 40-pp. paperback, sticky notes, stickers, pen, highlighter.  
NEW! Together Forever. Dany's back to being a loner, but her mum is an alien impostor! 208 pp. AGES 10+ \$18.99 **\$12.00**

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Includes kitty keyring.  
NEW! The Firefighter's Kitten. Can Lola rescue the stray kitten and help find him a new home? 128 pp. AGES 6+ \$20.99 **HALF PRICE! \$10**

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**NEW!** **DRAGON BALL SUPER**  
NEW! Dragon Ball Super, Vol 7. Friends have to

**NEW!** **PIZZA TACO**  
BEST PARTY EVER!  
NEW! Best Party Ever! Pizza and Taco learn how NOT to throw a party. 112 pp. AGES 6+ \$10.99 **SAVE 45% \$6**

**NEW!** **Battle of the Dinosaurs**  
Includes 3D glasses.  
NEW! 3D Battle of the Dinosaurs. Awesome facts, stats and pics in eye-popping 3D! 48 pp. AGES 6+ \$15.99 **\$12.00**

**NEW!** **How the Crayons Saved the School**  
On a boring grey afternoon, seven crayons surprise the school. 32 pp. AGES 4+ \$16.99 **EVERY CHILD \$3**

**Due 15th March**

SCHOLASTIC **Book Club**

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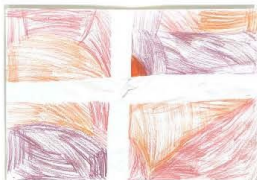
## Term 1 – February 2024!

Dear New Gisborne Primary School Parents and Community members,

We hope this message finds you in good health and high spirits. We hope Term 1 has started off well with all children settling back into the school year. New Gisborne Primary School's Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) has started off with a variety of activities and challenges to keep children happy and engaged throughout each session. Children have been given the chance to explore a range of activities that encourage independence, creativity and learning.

### Big Art:

February's Big Art challenges have allowed children to showcase their creativity and individuality every Friday. Children have been able to explore different forms of painting such as abstract, collages, and geometric artworks that allowed for each child's unique abilities and creativity to shine. Children were able to explore art using items other than a paint brush to create these art works, including masking tape, a ruler and markers.



### All about me:

Last week's focus was on getting to know the children. Children were able to participate in a range of activities that assisted in getting to know them. Children started off by creating a puzzle piece each, each one showing how unique each child is as no puzzle piece was the same. We proceeded to discuss during circle time how we are all different and while we may have similar likes or dislikes, there are no two people the same. This was further seen in the fun fact challenge, where children were asked to come up with 5 fun facts about themselves. Educators assisted children in writing out their fact sheets to place on our display board.



To register and book, visit [www.campastralia.com.au](http://www.campastralia.com.au)

Your  
OSHC.



# Newsletter



## What's coming up: Camping

As we know this term Year 4 and Year 6 will be going on school Camp. We have planned our week 6 program with fun activities to get your children excited and camp ready. During arts and craft on Monday we will create a camp fire using cellophane, as well as sharing stories of previous camp experiences with the children on potential activities. On Wednesday children will engage in a range of games that may be played with their peers and on Thursday children will be set with the challenge to create a tent using a resource of their choice. Even if your child is not going to camp, they will still be able to join in on our fun activities and we are sure they will be asking to go on camp by the end of it.



*Please ensure your bookings for the period that your child will be on camp are up to date as soon as possible, to avoid paying for the session.*

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

## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT ROCKETEERS

### 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 [pp.campaustralia.com.au](http://pp.campaustralia.com.au) 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](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)

# Community



1ST NEW GISBORNE SCOUTS

**ITS YOUR TIME TO JOIN  
COME AND TRY  
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS  
6.30PM - 7.30/8PM**

Are you looking for fun, adventure, building confidence and learning new skills, while making long lasting friendships?

We are looking forward to meeting you!

Contact our Group Leader  
**Rusty 0400 297 025**  
[gl.ngscouts@gmail.com](mailto:gl.ngscouts@gmail.com)

Location:

**Church of Christ  
Saunders Road New Gisborne**

### Sections

Joey Scouts: 5-8yrs

Cub Scouts 8-11yrs

Scouts: 11-14yrs

Venturer Scouts 14-18yrs

## GISBORNE ROOKIES NETBALL 2024 season

An RDFNL netball club



**CALLING UNDER 11s!!**

Sign up now for some netball fun!  
Meet new people and learn and develop new skills.  
Non-experienced to experienced players welcome!

U11s play a very important part in any club and association's future as the foundation of local netball - carried through to U17s.  
Under 11's - D.O.B 1/1/2013 to 30/4/2015

Enquiries welcome via

Facebook: [Gisborne \(Victoria\) Rookies Netball](#)

Email: [rookiesnetballco@outlook.com](mailto:rookiesnetballco@outlook.com) or

whatsapp <https://chat.whatsapp.com/EXAHy5jc9RnIYMXHEMclxQ>

Rookies Netball Co-ordinator,  
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