Date Claimers

- School Photo Day- Thurs 30th May
- Great Australian Ice Creamery Strings Performance 7.30pm Wed 29th May
- Mother’s Day Stall 6th 7th & 8th May
- Mother’s Afternoon Tea Fri 8th May
- Parent Teacher Interviews 6th May
- NAPLAN 12th – 14th May

New Telephone Number – Ph. 48994333

We wish to advise all of our families that the school has a new telephone number. Our new number is 48994333. The old school number will be diverted to the new number for the next six months. After that the old number will be disconnected.

Parent Teacher interviews

In week 3 on the 6th of May the school will be holding parents teacher interviews. Interviews will begin from 2pm and will go into the evening. Teachers have sent home notes asking parents to indicate a suitable time. If you are unable to attend on the day please contact your child’s teacher to organise an alternative time. Time slots will be allocated on a first in basis.

NAPLAN

As most parents are aware NAPLAN testing is designed to give parents, students and schools information on how each child sits compared to other students in the same year level from around the state. The NAPLAN testing will take place again on the 12th-14th of May this year for all year 3 & 5 students. Parents play an important role in students readiness for the test on each day. Making sure your child has had a good night’s sleep, a good breakfast and is thinking positively about the testing will help their performance greatly.

Does your child have the best opportunity to succeed?

One of the most significant ways to improve academic performance of any student is to increase their attendance at school. Did you know that a student who misses 1 day per fortnight across all 13 years of schooling will only have had access to the same number of learning days as a child in year 11. Parents need to encourage children to attend school on every possible day where they are not ill. For help to increase your child’s attendance please contact the office.

School Uniform and Jewellery

Gladstone South SS is a uniform school. This means it is expected that students will wear the correct school shirt and blue pants. In addition to the school clothing, parents are reminded that most jewellery is not allowed at school. Neck laces and wrist bands are safety issues and should not be worn to school. Students wearing unnecessary jewellery will be asked to remove it. If they continue to wear jewellery

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HOSES REPORT

Updating your child’s medical information and emergency contacts.
It is imperative that the school has up-to-date medical and contact details if in the event of an emergency and to also ensure your child receives support for their needs.
If your child’s medical needs have changed please see Mrs Rios in the office.

Parenting Programs Coming to Gladstone

Additional information for children with a disability in secondary schools...
Centacare is offering a range of workshops for families with secondary students with disabilities from Years 7-12. Workshops are being offered to support families build their knowledge and capacity to assist their children pursue their goals for life after school.

Behaviour and Emotion Coaching...
1-2-3 Magic Workshops are also being offered at the Neighbourhood Centre to support families with behaviour and emotion coaching. Workshops are designed to assist parents with applying disciplinary strategies with arguing, yelling or smacking and how to encourage good behaviour.

Circle of Security Parenting Program
The Circle of Security is a relationship based early intervention program designed to enhance attachment security between parents and children.

If you are interested in additional information for any of these workshops please pop down to the office and see me for a brochure and assistance with registering.

Belinda Job - Head of Special Education Services

CURRICULUM HAPPENINGS

Before School Reading Program – New reading groups started on Monday. Each term different year levels and reading levels are targeted. Letters were sent home in the last week inviting the students who will be involved in the reading programs this term. A reminder that the before school reading program starts at 8:30am.

Below are the locations for each group. Please check the days your child’s group is run as we have a couple of groups running on different days this term. Happy reading!!

NAPLAN – Year 3 and Year 5 students will sit NAPLAN testing in Week 4 this term. Teachers and students in these year levels are working hard to be prepared for the tests. The testing will be in the morning session on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

It would be best for students to arrive at 8:45am so they can get organised and be settled for the start of each test. More information on the testing is available at the National Assessment Program Website (www.nap.edu.au).

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NAPLAN 2015 timetable

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### CLASSROOM CAPERS

**Shipwrecked**

Sizzling story starts from 2K

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<th>Zoom, zoom, BANG! I heard the sound and then I heard it again. It was a big, huge shark and I was sinking to the bottom of the sea. I quickly grabbed the net and began to catch the shark.</th>
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**ANZAC DAY—LEST WE FORGET**

Thank you to all the families and staff who participated in the 5.30am and 10.30am Parade. Our students did a fabulous job of representing Gladstone South.
AROUND THE SCHOOL AND P&C

Book Club

- Please hand all orders directly to Mrs Roy. Payment is due by 6th May.

Mother’s Day Stall – Library

- Wed 6th, Thurs 7th and Fri 8th May
- Prices for gifts—$3, $5, $7, $10

Mothers Afternoon Tea & Entertainment—P&C Fundraiser

- $2 gold coin for viewing performances only
- $5 afternoon tea and performance
- All grandmothers, Aunties, sisters, siblings—everyone welcome

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

2ND MAY 2015
FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT!

Come Support Yaralla Football Club for a Screening of Wreck it Ralph.
Time: 6:30pm
Address: O'Connell St Barneby Point

FREE JUMPING CASTLE FOR THE KIDS!!!!
IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOU BYO YOUR OWN CHAIRS AND BLANKETS

PRICING

CHILDREN UNDER 3 Free
Children 4 – 17 $5
Adults $10
Family Pass 2 Adults 2 Children
Price Includes: 2 Steak Burgers, 3 sausages in Bread, 2 Popcorn and 4 Soft drinks $50