Principal’s Address

New Telephone Number – Ph. 4899 4333

We wish to advise all of our families that the school has a new telephone number. **Our new number is 4899 4333.** The old school number will be diverted to the new number for the next six months. After that the old number will be disconnected.

Teacher Change in 2G

I would like to advise all of our community that Miss Gaine from 2G has made the decision to resign from her classroom position for personal reasons. I know that all members of our community will understand this decision and we wish Miss Gaine all the best in her future. We would like to welcome back to Gladstone South Mr Boland who will be taking the position for the remainder of the year. Mr Boland started in 2G at the end of last week and has settled but into South very well.

NAPLAN

With 2 out of 3 days completed of NAPLAN for this year I would like to congratulate all of the students sitting the tests. They have all given it their best effort and that is all we are asking for at Gladstone South. In the months to come the tests will be marked and parents will receive a report letting them know how their child performed on the day compared to other students in the same grade from around Australia. NAPLAN is a valuable tool for teachers to look at the effectiveness of our teaching and how we can support our students into the future.

Premier’s Reading Challenge

Next week the reading period for the 2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge commences. This is a great opportunity for our Prep to Year 6 students to improve their literacy, cultivate a passion for literature, and for teachers and families to encourage them to read widely for pleasure. Interested students should check with their classroom teacher or our Premier’s Reading Challenge coordinator Miss Wran to make sure they are registered.

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 items at school they will be confiscated by the office and will need to be collected by parents.

Kurt Goodwin
Principal

Contact us:
153 Toolooa St., Gladstone Q 4680
Email: the.principal@gladsoutss.eq.edu.au
Phone: 07 48994333
Fax: 07 4972 6799
Web: www.gladsoutss.eq.edu.au

Next P&C meeting:
Today 13th May
5.30pm in the Library
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.

Hearing Screens

Are you concerned your child ...
- Cannot understand simple words or instructions?
- Is difficult to understand at times?
- Has frequent ear infections or persistent middle ear fluid?
- Has poor educational outcomes?
- Has problems with balance?

Has your child’s hearing been checked lately?
It is recommended that children have hearing screens every two years.
Regular check-ups ensure your child is progressing normally. As hearing is essential to a child’s social, emotional cognitive development it is vital that hearing loss is detected early.
Hearing loss can cause significant speech and language delays, social and emotional development and your child’s success in school may be affected if not supported.
Community Health offers free hearing screens if you are a Medicare Card Holder. Appointments can be made by calling 49 76 31 30—Belinda Job Head of Special Education Services

CURRICULUM HAPPENINGS

Premier’s Reading Challenge

Next week the reading period for the 2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge commences. This is a great opportunity for our Prep to Year 6 students to improve their literacy, cultivate a passion for literature, and for teachers and families to encourage them to read widely for pleasure. Interested students should check with their classroom teacher or our Premier’s Reading Challenge coordinator Miss Wran to make sure they are registered.

Before School Reading Program – Each term different year levels and reading levels are targeted. 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!!

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GROUP</th>
<th>STAFF</th>
<th>LOCATION</th>
<th>DAYS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Group A</td>
<td>Miss Wran</td>
<td>Staffroom</td>
<td>Monday, Wednesday, Thursday</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Group B</td>
<td>Mrs Lillis</td>
<td>Library</td>
<td>Monday, Wednesday, Thursday</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Group C</td>
<td>Mrs Baxter</td>
<td>Library</td>
<td>Monday, Wednesday, Thursday</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Group D</td>
<td>Mrs Hayes</td>
<td>D Upstairs Middle Room</td>
<td>Monday, Wednesday, Thursday</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Group E</td>
<td>Miss Thomas</td>
<td>C Upstairs Middle Room</td>
<td>Monday, Wednesday, Thursday</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Group F</td>
<td>Mrs Christie</td>
<td>B Upstairs Middle Room</td>
<td>Monday, Wednesday, Thursday</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Group G</td>
<td>Mrs West</td>
<td>Library</td>
<td>Monday, Thursday, Friday</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Group H</td>
<td>Mrs Johnson</td>
<td>F Upstairs Middle Room</td>
<td>Monday, Wednesday, Thursday</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Group I</td>
<td>Miss Wran</td>
<td>Staffroom</td>
<td>Tuesday and Friday</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
From The Tuckshop

Meal Deal: Hot dog, juice or flavoured milk $7.00—Wed, Thurs, Fri this week

Calling for tuckshop helpers. Do you have 15 to 30 minutes spare on Wed, Thurs or Fridays?

Why not come in and help at our tuckshop? Our convenor, Di, would love to hear from you.

From The Library

Gladstone South State School is a Reef Guardian School.

Mrs Barrett from GBRMPA (Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority) spoke to 2G and 2K about the wonderful reef and how everyone needs to look after it.

Several students drew pictures on how we can help the Great Barrier Reef.
Community Notice Board

CENT SALE

Shrinking Violets, Relay for Life team, is holding a cent sale on May 23rd, at the Gladstone Bowls Club. Doors open at 11am for a 12.00Noon start. Entry $1, kids 50 cents. All the usual great prizes, Special draws, Raffles, Lucky Doors, Kids Prizes, Cake Walk and Money Board! Bring your friends and help raise much needed funds for Relay for Life. For bookings, ring Linda on 0407272578 or Chantal on 0405373563

AROUND THE SCHOOL AND P&C

Thank you to our wonderful South Stars who performed for the Mother’s Day Afternoon. Well done! Our guests were well and truly entertained.

The P and C would like to thank the following students and groups:-


There are also some very special mums who deserve thanks for their help during Mother’s Day week:-

Mrs Laing, Mrs Golding, Mrs Shayler-Rouvray, Mrs Pollock, Mrs Kaur, and Mrs Kylie Rogers.

These ladies contributed in many ways to help make our Mother’s Day activities such a success. Thank You!

Book Fair Week 6

All children will be shown the book Tuesday 26 May during school time.
Sales for the book will commence Wednesday and Thursday morning before school 8:15 – 8:45am.

The school library receives 25% of all sales.

Janelle Roy