Enrolment now being taken for Prep 2016
The school is taking enrolments for 2016 prep year and are actively seeking new enrolments for the remainder of the year in other year levels. Any current parents who know of families that are considering enrolling in 2016 are asked to let the school office know. Towards the end of this term we will be holding information sessions for prospective families. Additionally in 2016 Gladstone South SS will be offering before and after school care to assist parents with extended work hours. For more information please contact the schools office.

Attendance – Every Day Counts: The data tells the story
In the last twelve months South School has been encouraging increased attendance on a daily basis. I am very pleased to be able to share some information about the link in our school between attendance and school performance.

Since the middle of 2014 until now the school has increased its overall attendance percentage to 91.7%. This is an increase of over 3% in that time. In the same time English and Mathematics grades have increased 20% across all grades.

This improvement is also linked to the efforts of the teachers and students but the direct correlation between attendance and academic improvement is very clear.

This term we are continuing to promote regular school attendance. Students who attend 95% of the time will go into a draw to win an ipod at the end of the term. For more information about this please contact the office.

NAIDOC Celebrations
On the 31st of July the school will be holding NAIDOC Celebrations. Nhulundu are supporting the school to host these activities to celebrate NAIDOC week. The school will be split in prep to year 3 from 9-10am and year 4 to 6 from 10-11am with four round robin type activities on the top oval. During play time Nhulundu staff will remain at the school and offer ‘dreaming’ or story time and some ‘arts and crafts’ activities. Families are welcome to come along and join in the mornings activities.

Before and after school care program
The school is aiming to have organised before and after school care at Gladstone South by the beginning of term 4. This would allow families to have their children supervised and fed in a supportive environment from approximately 6am – 6pm. This will be a great addition to the schools capability to offer families extended care options. We look forward to detailing the program further once the tender process has been finalised.

Kurt Goodwin
Principal

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South’s Support Services

Gladstone South has a number of Support Staff available to provide assistance for Students with Additional Needs. Our Support staff work with all students, including students with disabilities or learning difficulties, by offering a range of Enrichment Programs for Literacy, Numeracy and Lifeskills.

Say Hello to our Support Staff!

In term 3 there has been a few small changes to staffing as Mrs Golder and Mrs Johnstone is away on leave.

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ANDY GRIFFITHS EXCURSION
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P&C NEWS

- The P&C are holding a Monster Raffle to be drawn at our Pool Disco on Friday 30th October.
- Prize valued at $7000—see below
- Get in quick! There are limited tickets available—only 300 at $50 per ticket.
- Tickets will be available at the office from next Monday 27th August.

BOOK YOUR FAMILY PORTRAIT—WE NEED 25 FAMILIES!

Advanced Life Studios are booked at Gladstone South’s Library for Friday 14th August 2015. Your student/s have received a brochure explaining how to book your session; also, the guidelines/rules.

Sessions can be booked starting at 3pm and running between 10 –15 minute intervals. With the last booking at 7:50pm. Payment must be cash $20—paid when booking at office.

SOUTH STARS—WEEK 10

Attention all potential performers. Start preparing now for your performance in week 10.

Drummers, singers, dancers, poets, musicians—any performers—organise now

CLASS ROOM CAPERS

3/4M & 2K need your old (CLEAN) :) bedsheets. We are contributing to Australia’s Largest Recycled Rug - as debuted at ECO-FEST! Please send your contributions to 3/4M & 2K classrooms. We would especially love coloured sheets, but any will do. What a great excuse to clean out your linen cupboards ;)

Michelle McCaughey 3/4M Teacher
FROM THE TUCKSHOP

MEAL DEAL - Your choice of: Lasagne, Macaroni & Cheese, or Spaghetti Bolognaise plus flavoured milk or juice $6

Kids keep an eye out for our latest special menu item – Olaf ice creams. They will be sold for a limited time at the tuckshop for $2.20. Look out for the flyers around the tuckshop to know when they go on sale.

Woolworths Earn & Learn

Don’t forget that the Woolworths Learn and Earn promotion is on again. This year shoppers will be given stickers to collect and place in the container at the school or in stores. Every $10 spent the school earns 1 sticker. I would hope that parents in our school could collect a large number of stickers that are traded in for school equipment. This is a very worthwhile promotion and one that is easy for school to benefit from. I encourage everyone to collect the stickers and enlist your extended families to do the same for our school.