DATE CLAIMERS

• Prep Open Morning - This Friday 6th November - 9am-11am
• Year 6 Camp 5th & 6th November
• Book Fair Week 7
• Christmas Carols Evening Wed 2nd December
• Year 6 Graduation 9th Dec

For some great parenting ideas visit:
www.parentingideas.com

School Facebook

The school has a facebook page dedicated to updates and information for parents. If you are an active user of facebook search for Gladstone South State School and like the page. This will keep you up to date with what is happening around the school.

Next P&C meeting:
Wednesday 11th November

Kurt Goodwin

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GLADSTONE SOUTH STATE SCHOOL

Term 4 Week 5
4th November 2015

Newsletter

PRINCIPAL’S ADDRESS

Year 6 Camp

We wish the year 6 students going on camp to the Capricorn Caves all the best. The students will spend two days and one night there enjoying one of the last opportunities to be together as a year 6 group. Parents need to have their child at school by 7:45am on Thursday to catch the bus. It is expected that they will return by 3:30pm on Friday. The school will notify parents if these times change dramatically.

Final 2016 Prep Open Morning

This Friday is the final prep open morning for our 2016 prep students. The morning will start at 9am and finish at 11am. Students will be involved in classroom activities, using the play equipment and reading stories. We hope to see as many of our new preps there as possible.

New start date for the 2016 Queensland school year

A new start date for the 2016 Queensland school year will see students return to the classroom on Wednesday 27 January 2016 — the day after the national Australia Day public holiday. The previous Term 1 start date of Monday 25 January 2016 will now become an additional professional development day for teachers.

Contacting the office regarding 2016

We are encouraging all families to contact the office regarding their plans for 2016. We understand some families may not be returning in 2016 due to work commitments or family reasons. It is important that we are notified about this as it will impact on planning for 2016. Additionally if families have a new child starting school in 2016 we would like to get the paperwork organised this year. This will make the transition into school much easier for the child and their parents.

Transition to electronic newsletters

If you didn’t receive a newsletter last week it was because the school is now only sending home fortnightly paper newsletters. The school plans to bring forward the phasing out of paper newsletter to February 2016 with only emailed or online newsletters available. Parents and community members can always access the newsletter from the Qschools app which is available through the Itunes store or play store. The most recent newsletter is also available via the schools website on the front page. If you haven’t sent in your email address to the school, please see Tracy in the office or directly email athom156@eq.edu.au with your name, your child’s name and grade and we will add you to the list.
Before and After School Care Program – Starting in January
Camp Australia will be opening a before and after school care program at Gladstone South in 2016. The Program will commence as of the 25th of January 2016. The program will run from 6:30am to 6pm on all school days throughout the 2016 year. Camp Australia will be coming up to Gladstone in early term 4 to begin to pass on information to parents.

Is your child eligible for Prep 2016 – Enrol Now!
Your child is due to start school in 2016 if they are born between 01/07/10 and the 30/06/11. Children born in July 2011 are also eligible to enrol for the 2016 schools year if they have had a meeting with the school principal.

Any current parents who know of families that are considering enrolling in 2016 are asked to let the school office know. 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 school’s office.

SOUTH STARS GRAND FINAL WINNERS
Year Prep - 3: 1st Marianne Golding and Aleia Golding, Chloe Taylor, Arya Ngatikura, Aleisha Gray. (skit) 2nd Felix and Abernathy Hewett (jokes) 3rd Hannah Dologan (song)

Year 4 - 6: 1st Alice Coleborn (singing with drum) 2nd Kate-Lyn Shaw (singing) 3rd Luka Yow Yeh-D’Arcy, Holli Davis Cox, Kellee Moore (continuing strings)
MONSTER RAFFLE DRAW WINNER

MR BLAKE JONES CONGRATULATIONS!!

Due to the incredible amount of support from the Gladstone Community, also, those tireless ticket sellers, P&C volunteers, and the Businesses who sponsored the Major and minor prizes, the Monster Raffle raised $4200.

The following people deserve a special mention for their ticket selling campaign: Sheree Betts and Leigh Hayes sold numerous ticket books each; to Tracy and Oscar Rios, Amber Sharp and Craig Tomsett for manning our IGA Raffle stall Thankyou to Chloe Donald and Brooke Goodwin for their assistance in fine tuning the minor prize draw.

In particular, South gives thanks to Mr Craig Tomsett, who secured the Major Prize Packages and many minor prizes. Without his effort, there would be no Monster Raffle. South is lucky to have such dedicated staff and families!


POOL DISCO We have such tough students! Regardless of the cool and somewhat miserable weather, we had 109 students attend with their families. I’m sure our new families who attended for the first time, were thoroughly impressed with this event. Thank you again, to all of our dedicated volunteers: Kirsty Golding, Vicky Rogers, Sandy Richards, Craig Tomsett, Jackie Weldon, Trinity Wran, Jacobi Leaver, Chloe Donald, Kurt and Brooke Goodwin and Tracy Rios.

Funds Raised: approximately $600

Tracy Rios P&C President
AROUND SOUTH WITH THE P&C

TUCKSHOP: Meal Deal - Pizza plus Juice or Flavoured Milk $5 - Open Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

Slushie Machine Coming To South Tuckshop
- Just in time for Summer, the Tuckshop will be selling icy cold Slushies.
- Slushies available at both breaks
- Available in a variety of flavours - changing over time.
- $2 per cup

BOOK FAIR – Week 7
Book Fair will be here again during week 7 of this term. All students will be shown the books for purchasing
- On Tuesday 17th November. Sales will commence Wednesday morning 8:15 – 8:45am and then again on Thursday morning 8:15 -8:45.
- It is a great time to boost your home library, encourage reading and help the school library all in one go.
- The school library receives 25% of all sales.

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Is your child having concerns with their fine motor or gross motor skills? Are you worried that they are not coping with school? Are they having difficulties with toileting? Can they not sit still and having difficulties attending in class?

CIK are here to help you! Contact us today!