South Snippets

Prep Photos
On Monday our new prep students will be having their photo taken to go in the observer with all of the other preps from around the local region. Parents are asked to send their children in a clean new school shirt for the photo.

Tuckshop menu changes
In the coming weeks the P&C will be changing the tuckshop menu to ensure that the food we are serving students aligns with the new healthy choices guidelines. Parents will receive notification about these changes prior to the end of the term.

Playgroup at South—Every Tuesday
Every Tuesday morning from 9am until 11am we will be holding a playgroup at South school. All members of the community are welcome to attend with their children who are not yet of school age. The playgroup will be co-ordinated by Kelly and will have indoor and outdoor activities for children to play and socialise. Parents can come to the office for directions.

Attendance Matters
There is a direct link between a child’s attendance at school and their academic performance. Currently the whole school attendance rate sits at 93.8% just short of our target of 95%. We are noticing a trend with some families taking Mondays or Fridays off consistently. It is very important that parents understand that every day at school builds on the next. There are no ‘slow’ days. If you need assistance getting your child to school please contact the office.

Year 5/6 Camp
Parents with students attending the year 5/6 camp are encouraged to begin to pay small amounts off the total cost of camp. By paying in instalments it will make the final cost in term 3 more manageable. Parents are actively beginning to fundraise to help pay the transport cost of camp. Any parents with suggestions of how we can raise money to ensure most of the students make it to camp can contact the office.

Arriving late to school
If you have to drop off your child after the school day has begun it is important that parents come to the office with the student to give a reason. The school cannot take a student’s reason for being late and this will mean that the event is entered as unexplained on our system.

Clinical Nurse Vacancy Part time (0.6 full time equivalent)
State Schools Nursing Service Department of Education and Training
Supporting students and schools in Gladstone and surrounding area.
Key Duties: Provides educationally relevant nursing services that enable student access and participation in education for students with specialised health needs.
Skills/Abilities: Level 2/Grade 6 Registered Nurse.
Experience in paediatrics, disability and/or emergency nursing desirable.
Enquiries: (07) 48428347 Helen.McCullagh@dete.qld.gov.au
Applications: smartjobs.qld.gov.au

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Student Absentee
Hotline
4899 4366

Important dates
1st Mar - Playgroup
10th Mar - School Photos
28th Mar – School Cross Country

NEW SPORTS SHIRTS
The school is now selling new sports shirts from the office for $25. The shirt is a cool dry material with the school logo on it with the house name underneath. Please see Tracy at the front desk for more information.

School Uniforms
The school has received the new school shorts and shorts with the school name embroidered on them. School uniform prices are:
Shirt - $30
Shorts - $17.50
Skort - $20
Hats - $15

Before and After School Care
The before and after school care program run by Camp Australia has started at Gladstone South. The program runs from 6:30am to 6pm on all school days throughout the 2016 year. For more information please contact the schools office or drop into the demountable building near the top oval before or after school.

Next P&C meeting: AGM
10th March - 5.30pm in the Library