



Newsletter

2nd March 2016

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Crazy Hair Day – 8th March

Next Tuesday the 8th of March we will be having a crazy hair day, to raise money to go towards the year 5/6 Camp to Brisbane in September. Gold coin donations for all who come with crazy hair. It is very important to note the following issues with crazy hair day:

1. You need to be able to wear a hat still for play
2. School Photos are being held on the 10th of March. **All colouring needs to be removed the following day. NO PERMANENT COLOURING!**

Election Cake stall and Sausage sizzle – 19th March

On Election Day, Saturday 19th March, we will be having a major fundraiser for the year 5/6 camp. We will have a cake stall and sausage sizzle in the hall from 8.30am-1.30pm. If parents would like to help, your efforts would be greatly appreciated.

What we need is:

*Home baked goodies eg cakes, cupcakes, slices, biscuits, savoury items, jams or chutneys. Items need to be wrapped in containers or on plates; suitable for selling, and labelled with a list of ingredients. Items can be dropped off to the school hall on Friday 18th March, at school drop off time, or directly to the cake stall early Saturday morning.

* Helpers to cook and sell sausages, as well as sell drinks and cakes. If you can spare an hour or 2 that would be great.

Before and After School Care

This year the school has a before and after school care program in conjunction with Camp Australia. The program will run 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.



Regular school attendance

At Gladstone South State School we are aiming to have students at school 95% of the time throughout the year. Parents and caregivers must send children to school every school day under Queensland law unless there is an acceptable reason such as:

- illness
- competing in school sporting or cultural events.

If your child is going to be absent from school, you must let the school know why the absence has occurred within two school days of their return. If possible, it is best to advise the school beforehand.

Avoid keeping your child away from school for reasons such as:

- birthdays
- shopping
- visiting family and friends
- if they sleep in
- looking after other children
- minor check ups or care, such as hair cuts.



Routine medical or other health appointments should be made either before or after school or during the school holidays.

- Crazy Hair Day - Tuesday 8th March
- Girls Rugby League Gala Day & Trials Fri 4th March
- School Photos Thurs 10th March
- Election Day Sausage Sizzle/Cake Stall Sat 19th March



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: AGM

10th March 5:30pm/ Library

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Establishing good routines around school can assist with regular school attendance. These include:

- have a set time to go to bed
- have a set time to get out of bed
- have uniform and school bag ready the night before
- have a set time for starting and finishing breakfast
- set a time for daily homework activities
- speak about school positively
- send your child to school every school day including their birthday and the last day of term
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School Uniforms - NEW School named Shorts and Skorts

This year all school uniforms are being sold through the office. School uniforms prices are:

Shirt - \$30

Shorts - \$17.50

Skort - \$20

Hats - \$15

Swimming Caps- \$8

2016 School Captains - CONGRATULATIONS

Samantha Davies - Captain

Jannali Laing - Captain

Daniel Tomsett - Vice Captain

Cathy Lincoln - Vice Captain

6W Class Captain: Casey Castro



Auckland Captains:

Miguel Rios & Samantha Vasquez

Barney Captains: Iris Richardson & Alexandria De Guzman



Dawson Captains: Kaleb Ross & Tianna Ross

Capricorn Captains: Chanelle Miro & Kayla Scott



Chappy Chat

Wow! Halfway through the first term already! I'm Chappy Sandy and I thought I'd share with you a little about the chaplaincy role and what I do. As part of our school's support network, chaplaincy is really about making life better in some way for students, staff and families. Chappies provide social, emotional and spiritual support to school communities, helping others find a better way to deal with life's issues. Sometimes it's just being a listening ear and a caring presence, or it may be running life skills programs, brekky club, mentoring leaders, class room help, lunchtime club and other various activities.

I'm here at Gladstone South SS each Monday and Tuesday. So if you see me around, please make sure you stop and say hi! Looking forward to serving you in some way.

"Everyday may not be good, but there's something good in every day!"

Upcoming Sporting Events for Term 1 2016		
Date	Event	Trainings
Wednesdays & Thursdays	Swimming	During school lessons. See Swimming note for your child's swimming days.
Week 6 Friday 4th March	Girls Rugby League (Port Curtis) Gala Day & Selection Trials	
Week 9 Wednesday 23 rd March	School Cross Country	Trainings will be held mornings before school, for those who are interested. More information will soon be released about training days.

AROUND SOUTH WITH THE P&C

School Photos Thursday 10th March

Please ensure your child/children are wearing a clean, full school uniform.

This includes, white socks and black shoes. **Do not** send them in a sports house shirt.

Long hair should be tied back; with minimal hair accessories - royal blue preferably.

Pool Disco Fundraiser

The P&C is proud to announce that we raised approx **\$655**, which will go towards our new Year 1 to 3 Playground.

Fairy Floss sales came to **\$278**, and is a great start to fundraising for the Year 5/6 Camp!

It was wonderful to see so many volunteers; both familiar and new faces. These functions not only raise money; but also bring together our families and staff, who get to know each other as Gladstone South Community Members. Many friendships are forged, and ideas brought to light during these events.



Tuckshop News:

- Open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
- Orders in by 9:30 AM
- Meal Deal for the next 2 weeks - **Hot Dog, Juice or flavoured milk \$7**

If you do not have a menu, please collect one from the office.

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

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

Junior Squash Superstar Program (Ages 7 - 16)

Designed to introduce juniors to squash, through a fun & interactive program. Fun, Fitness, Skills, Achievement levels

Wednesdays 4 - 5:30p.m. (27th January – 23rd March 2016)

(Beginners group available on Mondays)

Advanced Junior Squad Fridays 4 - 5:30pm by invitation

Coach Richard Williams (Assisted by Junior CQ reps)

Venue - Gladstone Tennis & Squash (Glenlyon Road)

Cost \$10 per session (Discount for whole term)

Sessions designed to be fun while progressively developing skills

Please contact Richard Williams Mob 0407 124636 aytonwilliams@gmail.com