



GlenKatherine
PRIMARY SCHOOL

LINKLETTER



Children, Teachers, Parents: A partnership for the future

Issue 1 1st February 2018

Calendonia Drive, Eltham North 3095 Ph: 9431 1599 Fax: 9431 0686 OSHC Ph: 9431 2503 www.glenkps.vic.edu.au/ Office Hours: 8.00am– 4.00pm
Email: glen.katherine.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

LEANNE'S COMMUNICATION

WELCOME TO THE 2018 SCHOOL YEAR

Welcome everyone to the 2018 school year at GK! Hard to believe, but another school year is underway. It's always great to know that our students, staff and families have returned safely from the holiday period. A very special welcome to the many new students, families and staff who join GK for the first time.

We had an extremely smooth and orderly start to school on Tuesday with all students in Year 1 to Year 6 returning with smiles on their faces and plenty of enthusiasm for the year ahead. Everyone has settled into their new class routines quickly and the scene is all set for a terrific year ahead.

Our Prep (Foundation) students have started the year by meeting their teachers for 'Getting to know you' chats with the entire group officially beginning on Monday. This is always a special time of our school year with energy and enthusiasm in abundance.

OUR LINKLETTER MOVES TO FORTNIGHTLY EDITIONS

This is the first Linkletter for the year and it begins a new look at communication and information. We really want each Linkletter to become something that parents and the community want to read. Feedback from our parent community last year has indicated that the Linkletter may not be read as readily as we would like and this could be for a number of reasons.

This year we aim to not only use the Linkletter to disseminate relevant information but to do as the name suggests—link our community into the teaching and learning that happens at GK on a daily basis. The stronger our communication with you about what we do, the stronger the partnership with you in getting the very best from your child.

ASSEMBLY MOVES TO FRIDAY 2.10pm to support our focus on learning

To support our intent of getting the very best from learning opportunities we have made the decision to move our weekly assembly from Monday first session to Friday last session. Monday is the beginning of the learning week and provides the opportunity to set up students for success by articulating and embedding learning routines and expectations. Sending a clear message that learning starts from the moment you walk into class is our aim. For this reason every Monday session 1 is dedicated to a consistent lesson focus across the school with the thread of Social & Emotional Learning (SEL). These lessons include a focus on our school values, our resilience core concepts of **Gratitude**, **Empathy** and **Mindfulness** (G.E.M) and building social and emotional competencies that are needed to support successful learning. I have included a term one breakdown of our weekly focus on the following page for your reference. Assembly at the end of the week will now include an opportunity to reflect on our week in learning and establish the following week's whole school learning focus. Like Monday assemblies, we appreciate not all members of our community can attend however if you have the opportunity to join us on Fridays, please do.

SAFETY IN OUR SCHOOL

All visitors must head to the office to sign in before moving to other areas of the school. This includes parents who come to the school in the middle of the day. You may need to drop something at your child's classroom or need to leave a message for them. A quick visit to the office will enable us to know who is in the schoolyard at any given time, both for emergency purposes and safety of our children and staff. It is not acceptable practice to wander into the yard without this process occurring.

Have a wonderful week.

Leanne Tingwell

TERM 1 GK Whole School SEL FOCUS						
KEY FOCUS		SEL THEME	CLASSROOM	VALUE	Personal Charac- teristics	Class
Learning, Relationships, Self-management		(developing emotional literacy & empathy)	WEEKLY DEVELOPMENT	LINK	Link	meetings/ Task focus
Wk 1	Getting things in order (learning)	Who am I?	Class norms, expectations 100% What is expected?	Excellence	honesty love of learning humour persistence	Mindfulness
Wk 2	Positive school relationships (relationships)	Who are my classmates? Emotional literacy: Positive emotions - when we belong, connect.	Every Face Has A Place Creating a sense of belonging Teamness	Acceptance	kindness optimism teamwork leadership creativity	Gratitude
Wk 3	Positive classrooms (learning and relationships)	Respect the rights of others (see, feel, hear) Emotional literacy: Use emotions to describe feelings of respect and disrespect	Respectful classrooms and school How does this look? What actions help this? Manners	Respect	gratitude teamwork self-regulation social intelligence	Mindfulness Calming strategies
Wk 4	Positive School & Home Learning (learning and self-management)	Me as a learner Personal and academic goals How I learn best Emotional literacy: emotions linked to positive and negative learning experiences	Learning goals Learning responsibility – whose is it?	Responsibility	Self-regulation Curiosity Love of learning Open-mindedness	Gratitude
Wk 5	Keep calm & Breath (self-management)	Emotions Emotions of frustration, anger, embarrassment (peer interaction)	Things get tough – what can we do?	Resilience	perspective fairness laughter forgiveness	Mindfulness Self-calming strategies
Wk 6	Friendly school (relationships)	What is a good friend? Social norms Emotional literacy: Empathy Inclusion	How to be a positive friend Friendliness is owed to everyone, not just your mates	Acceptance	teamwork kindness leadership laughter humour	Gratitude
Wk 7	Active Listeners (learning, relationships, self-management)	Are you listening? How do I know? Respectful listening Emotional Literacy: How does it feel when you are not listened to?	Being present and focused Making someone a priority How to gain assistance appropriately when needed	Respect	wisdom Self-regulation fairness Self-control teamwork	Mindfulness
Wk 8	I believe in me Self-Belief (self-management)	Bullying. No Way! and Harmony Day Focus Self-talk Emotional Literacy – feelings of achievement	Self-motivation Understanding self as a learner Multiple I ntelligences Learning styles	Acceptance Resilience & Responsibility	creativity persistence grit zest curiosity wisdom	Gratitude
Wk 9	Look how much I have grown (learning)	Goal reflection Celebration Brain stretch Emotional Literacy: Connected emotions to achievement	Personal success measures Supportive learning community	Excellence	bravery persistence open-mindedness gratitude	Mindfulness

2018 STAFF LIST

TEACHING STAFF

Principal

Leanne Tingwell

Acting Assistant Principal

Shannon Whelan

CLASS TEACHERS

Grade Name

Prep F	Sandra Febbraro
Prep L	Lisa Tsobanopoulos
Prep P	Marisa Pace
Prep R	Luisa Rinaldi
Prep T	Angela Totino
1B	Jessica Bailey
1M	Amy Murray
1N	Tara Newton
2C	Helen Cleary
2J	Laura Job
2S	Jess Szczepaniak
1/2L	Jai Lincoln
3R	Madeline Rough
3W	Annemarie Webb
4A	Sally Armstrong
4H	Sarah Hill
4P	Rosie Piazza
3/4J	Jamie Whichello
5D	Libby Downey
5G	Tiffany Glynn
5K	Katya Gaiotto
5O	Sherryn Owen
6CB	Belinda Collett Amy Buckley
6G	Mary Green
6V	Brayden Van Der Pol

SPECIALIST TEAM TEACHERS

Welfare/Wellbeing	Shannon Whelan
Phys. Ed	David Blackburn
Art	Nadia Cosma Emma Hankinson
Performing Arts	Melinda Djukic Sylvia Ioannidis/Liz Blair
Science	Merryn Brown
Teaching & Learning	
Support	Julie Collins/ Jen Hopkin Lucy Miller/Carla Di Lizio
GK Kitchen	Shaz Mackay
Food Technology	Sandra Portaro

ADMINISTRATIVE / SUPPORT STAFF

Position	Name
Business Manager	Jodee Jackson
Administration	Jenny Bourke (Reception) Louise Ramsdell (Accounts) Leanne Cleary (First Aid)
Integration Aides	Vanessa Brennan Linda Bridgman Deanne Clamp Tamara Faulds Lisa Lewis Linda Wain
Library	Sarah Harris
Canteen	Suzi Cunningham
Computer Techs	Ben Iacobucci Andrew Fox
Out of School Hours Care	Narelle Seivers (Co-ord) Carolyn Smith (Ass.Co-ord) Kaye Frangos Leanda Hudson Sandra Embling

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1

Month	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
FEB Week 2	5 Prep 1st Day 9.15am-3.00pm	6 PFA Meeting Staffroom 7.30pm	7 Prep Assessment Day	8	9 Assembly 2.10pm (no Preps attend)
FEB Week 3	12	13	14 Prep Assessment Day	15	16 Assembly 2.10pm (no Preps attend)
FEB Week 4	19	20 OPEN AFTERNOON 3.10pm-4.30pm	21 Prep Assessment Day School Council 7.30pm	22	23 Assembly 2.10pm (no Preps attend)
FEB/ MAR Week 5	26 Prep First Full Week District Tennis	27 District Swimming	28 Prep FAMILY BBQ afternoon 5.30pm-7.00pm	1	2 Assembly 2.10pm - Preps attend
MAR Week 6	5	6 ThinkUKnow Parent Presentation 7.00pm (online safety) PFA AGM 7.30pm & Meeting night Division Swimming	7	8 Student Photo Day	9 Assembly 2.10pm
MAR Week 7	12 LABOUR DAY	13 CURRICULUM DAY - Students do not attend	14 School Council AGM 7.00pm Regional Swimming	15	16 Assembly 2.10pm
MAR Week 8	19	20	21Harmony Day Parent teacher Interviews 3.10pm-4.30pm	22	23 Assembly 2.10pm
MAR Week 9	26	27	28 Prep-6 HOUSE FUN RUN Parent teacher Interviews 3.20pm-7.00pm	29 Last Day Of Term - dismissal at 2.30pm No Assembly	31 GOOD FRIDAY



Canteen News

Suzi Cunningham, our canteen manager, will be taking personal leave for term one. We are grateful to Christine McFarlane and Kelly Wishart, two GK Parents, for volunteering to step in and manage the canteen in Suzi's absence.

Our canteen is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

★HAPPY★ BIRTHDAY!

Look who celebrated in January and who will be celebrating in February.

A big happy birthday wish to you all from your friends at GK.

- 1 Keeley G
- 2 Amelie C
- 3 Max H
Ryan P
Jake M
Luc K
Finley B
- 4 Dylan B
Harrison S
Avah M
Cindyanna O
Alice J
Olivia J
- 5 Chelsea G
Aysha M
Nadya C
- 6 Dayne E
Luke R
- 7 Owen E
- 8 Marnee S
- 9 Jack W
- 10 Laura M
- 11 Keira O
- 12 Zara R
- 13 Abbie G
Owen G
- 14 Abby C
- 15 Lucas A
Aaliyah W
- 16 William G
Elliott R
- 18 Harry P
- 19 Coco H
- 22 Jake H
- 23 Zoe C
- 24 Sebastian H
Cooper V
- 25 Ben F
Kiara G
- 26 Ethan W
George S
- 27 Max B
- 30 William A
Caitlyn A
- 31 Lucia C
James H



- 1 Alexander S
Daniel P
- 2 Eden L
- 3 Jackson B
Jack B
- 4 Zoe B
William W
- 6 Jessica M
- 7 Tom O
Aydin K
Zac C
Mili B
- 8 Emily B
Lucy B
Lara K
Joshua M
- 10 Grace R
Maddison H
Mike L
- 12 Grace S
Georgia M
- 13 Ethan P
Zoe R
Hayden C
- 14 Mia L
Macey P
Ben L
- 15 Ryan H
Imogen C
- 17 Kai D
- 18 Benjamin S
- 19 Bhavya A
- 22 Matilda W
- 23 Amy R
- 24 Ben G
Ivy C
- 25 Shayla M
Lachlan G
Jake S
- 26 Stefan V
- 27 Oliver B
Joyce B
Ameerah K
Alyssa W
Lucas H
- 28 Harley D



SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

PHILOSOPHICAL BASIS

Wearing School Uniform fosters pride in the school and unifies the students from various social backgrounds into a cohesive school unit.

GUIDELINES

1. The wearing of school uniform is compulsory for all students except where exemption is given by School Council.
2. The acceptable school uniform should consist of a combination of items from the designated uniform list.
Any modifications to school uniform other than adjustment for proper fit are unacceptable
3. Students participating in interschool sport and excursions will wear the appropriate uniform.
4. All Grade 5 and 6 Sporting Teams will be expected at lunch to change back into their school uniform prior to the start of session 4.
5. The majority of school uniform items should be available for purchase from the volunteer-operated Uniform Shop.
6. Second Hand Uniform Shop
 - a. A second hand uniform shop should operate to enable parents to sell or buy good quality used items of school uniform
 - b. The second hand uniform shop should be operated by the PFA and the profit earned on the sale of garments should contribute to the fundraising of the PFA.
7. Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State Schools Relief for families experiencing economic hardship.
8. A special jacket for the Grade 6 students will be available for purchase each year.
9. Guidelines relating to out of uniform days will be published in the Linkletter prior to the event.
10. Hats
 - a. Wearing a hat (as prescribed in the uniform list) for all outdoor activities is compulsory from September to April each year unless the activity is conducted in a shaded area.
 - b. Hats are not to be worn inside.
11. Hair
 - a. Hair should be neat and well groomed at all times.
 - b. Hair which is shoulder length or longer should be tied back at all times in line with our Head Lice Management Policy.
 - c. Extreme hair colours and styles are not acceptable at any time including special out of uniform days.
12. Accessories
All hair accessories should conform to the colour scheme prescribed in the uniform list, (navy blue, royal blue, pale blue, white and black) or be a neutral tone that matches existing hair colour (e.g. blonde, brown)
13. Scarves should conform to the colour scheme prescribed in the uniform list.
14. Fashion jewellery (including plastic wrist bands) is a health hazard during any physical activity and should not be worn to school. Stud earrings in pierced ears are an exception.
15. Make up and coloured nail polish are not to be worn except for approved school activities.
16. Footwear must be appropriate for the activities undertaken that day.
17. Teachers will hand out a Student Uniform Infringement Notice when incorrect school uniform is worn. If the issue is ongoing then teachers need to speak to the Principal/Assistant Principal for follow up.
18. Parents are recommended to purchase school back packs that are endorsed by the Australian Physiotherapy Association in order to minimise the risk of back injury to students. School back packs with our Glen Katherine logo which meet these guidelines are available from the uniform shop.
19. The School Uniform list will be published in the newsletter at the start of each year and be available in both the Parent Section of the school website and from the office.
20. Monitoring of Policy
 - a. The monitoring of the School Uniform Policy should be the responsibility of the Uniform Sub-Committee with the day-by-day decisions to be at the discretion of the Principal
 - b. In the event of conflict the School Council should be the arbiter.
 - c. The Uniform Sub-Committee should be accountable to the School Council.
21. Enforcement of the Uniform School Policy is the responsibility of the principal and supported by staff.

**"The first PFA meeting of 2018 will be held on Tuesday
6th February at 7.30pm in the GK Staff Room.
New members welcome."**

UNIFORM REMINDERS for 2018:

Checks for uniform compliance including shoe and shoelace colours will be undertaken next week. Please check the requirements below.

SCHOOL SHOES -

Footwear must be appropriate for the activities undertaken that day. Open toed shoes are not to be worn. Lightweight, slip-on style ballet slippers or canvas footwear is not considered appropriate.

SUNHATS -

Students must have their GK sunsmart hat ready to begin the school year. The 'NO HAT, NO PLAY' rule operates from September through to April so please make sure those hats are in school bags and ready to be worn on the first day of school. Also, **hats should be in good condition please without frayed edges and graffiti free.**



NAME EVERYTHING PLEASE -

Personal items of clothing, hats, school bags, lunch bottles, water bottles, books etc. all need to be clearly named from day 1 please. If items turn up in lost property labelled they will be returned to the student.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

T-shirt #	(light blue)
Short-sleeved Polo shirt #	(light blue)
Long-sleeved Polo shirt #	(light blue)
<i>Polar Fleece Windcheater #</i>	(royal blue)
Bomber Jacket #	(royal blue)
Bootleg Pants – fine fabric (girls)	(royal blue)
Straight leg pants (boys)	
Short-sleeved Summer Dress <i>with GK check</i>	
Skorts	(royal blue)
Pleated sports skirt	(royal blue)
Winter Pinafore/Skirt with GK check by order only	
Draw-string Shorts	(royal blue)
Broad-brimmed hat	(royal blue)
Socks	(white/blue/black – no logo)
Tights	(navy blue/black)
Plain Scarves	(royal blue)
Plain Beanie #	(royal blue)
Vest #	(royal blue)
Raincoat	(royal blue)

FOOTWEAR

Footwear must be appropriate for the activities undertaken that day. Open toed shoes are not to be worn. Lightweight, slip-on style ballet slippers or canvas footwear is not considered appropriate.

All of these items have school logo

INTERSCHOOL SPORT UNIFORM

(Optional for Physical Education)

T-shirt #	(light blue)
Short-sleeved Polo shirt #	(light blue)
Long-sleeved Polo shirt #	(light blue)
Shorts	(royal blue)
SKORTS	(royal blue)
Track-suit pants	(royal blue)
Socks	(white)
Pleated sports skirt	(royal blue)
Sports Briefs	(royal blue)
Bike shorts	(royal blue)

Sports skirts are only to be worn with approved sports briefs or track suit pants

FOOTWEAR

Sport specific footwear e.g. Football / soccer boots

UNIFORM SHOP (Community Room)

HOURS

Weekly
Fri 8.30-9am

All uniforms can be ordered via Qkr they then will be directly delivered to students in their classroom.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

SCHOOL CROSSINGS

Please use the crossings as directed by the crossing supervisors. Set the right example and don't be tempted to walk with your child/ren directly across the road instead of walking a bit further and crossing safely. This also includes not taking short cuts across the roundabout or across the school carpark entrance and exit driveways.

We are very appreciative of the great work done by our Calendonia Drive School Crossing Supervisors. Making sure that pedestrians cross the road safely is not an easy task. Road safety is the responsibility of all users—drivers, passengers and pedestrians and the crossing supervisors are there to provide assistance to those needing to cross a busy road at a busy time of day. Always show courtesy and respect please and importantly, just do the right thing.

STREET PARKING

Please take notice of the parking restrictions in Calendonia Drive and nearby streets. You will be booked if a Bylaws Officer notices you doing the wrong thing.

PLEASE READ THE PARKING RESTRICTION SIGNS CAREFULLY to avoid being booked.

SCHOOL/STAFF CARPARK

The carpark is only able to be used for a 2 minute pick-up or drop off (ALONG THE DOUBLE YELLOW LINES ONLY). Parents/grandparents are advised that the carpark is not to be used for parking and walking students to/from classrooms. Where it is observed that parents are parking their cars in the carpark, there will be follow up. We are a large school and need all of the parking spaces for teachers, non teaching staff, and others who visit the school on school business (tradesmen, psychologists, speech pathologists, pre-service teachers etc.) We have a number of part time staff who have different start and finish times so spaces need to be available for the parking needs of all staff and school business visitors. We also have two Disability Parking spaces that are used by a few of our current families who have need for them.

Further information regarding how the pick-up and drop off zone works can be found on our website (About Us / Facilities & Grounds / Pick-up and Drop-off Zone). When drivers follow the rules, the pick-up and drop-off area generally runs as safely and smoothly as possible during the busy peak 15 minutes period prior to and after school.

St HELENA COLLEGE CARPARK

Please note that the College carpark is only for the use of college staff and students. A number of their students are also drivers so the college needs all parking spaces to be available for their use.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation Leanne Tingwell

FIRST AID NEWS

Just a reminder, if there has been any changes regarding your child's Anaphylaxis, Allergy or Asthma School Management Plan, please supply an updated plan as soon as possible. Plans are available from the office if required. Any student that has been diagnosed with Asthma must have an up to date plan completed by a medical practitioner. Also any student requiring medication while at school will need to have a Medication Authority Form completed available from the office. All students medication must be kept in First Aid while at school. With thanks,

Leanne Cleary — First Aid Officer

GK Admin Information

A big welcome back to all our GK families, especially to our new families who have joined GK this year.

We have put together some general information about some tools we use here at GK to try and make the process of communication, payment of school charges and general interaction with our community more efficient and effective.

QKR

Qkr is an app that allows parents to pay for all school charges including Canteen, Uniform and OHSC fees whenever they want in a quick and secure way. Please download the app. For those without access to a smart phone, a web-based version of Qkr is available at: <https://qkr.mastercard.com/store/#/home>



Please see download instruction sheet in the following pages.

Skoolbag?

For those new families to GK, Skoolbag is the ultimate school to parent communication tool.

This School Mobile App provides schools with an easy way to tell parents and carers everything they need to know about school news, newsletters, events calendar, cancellations, school notices, school information, parent sick note forms, school documents and much more. It also allows us to contact parents immediately in emergency situations via text notifications so it is a valuable communication tool.

We would like all our GK families to subscribe to Skoolbag so we can use this great communication tool to stay in touch with our GK community.

Skoolbag is a Mobile App that can be used on iPhones and Android devices. Please find instructions on how to download the app in the next page

CSEF — Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund

The Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card are eligible to apply. A payment of \$125 for eligible primary school students and \$225 for eligible secondary students will be paid directly to the school to be used towards camps, sports and excursion costs for the benefit of the student.

Application forms are available from the office and we also need a copy of your concession card with the completed form.

The staff in our office are an integral part of GK being a great place to be and they are always here to help with any query you might have. In situations where parents need to discuss issues like the welfare of their child, concerns in the classroom or financial pressures, our staff are here to assist:

Leanne Tingwell Principal

Shannon Whelan Acting Assistant Principal (Welfare/Wellbeing)

Jodee Jackson Business Manager

DAY & DATE	NAMES
Tues 6 th Feb	L Emery
Wed 7 th Feb	K Ansell
Thurs 8 th Feb	N Campbell-Kerr
Fri 9 th Feb	S Armstrong & L Egan
Tues 13 th Feb	F Tragardh
Wed 14 th Feb	N Peerman; L Pugsley
Thurs 15 th Feb	T Forbes
Fri 16 th Feb	K Jackson; S Grant; K Agius

FIRST DAY FOR LUNCH ORDERS IN 2018 –
Tuesday 6th Feb – QKR order cut off at 8.20am
each day

HANDY HINT: As we are starting off a little tip is to have a special 'Canteen' wallet or purse with their spending money for the day

Unfortunately I will not be here for a few weeks but have been working madly to get things in place so the canteen can run as normal. I have been lucky to get Christine McFarlane (Tues/Fri) and Kellie Wishart (Wed/Thurs) to take over the reins in my absence.

There are just a few changes to the Canteen Menu – the major one being that we will no longer be stocking Jumpys once the last of the Chicken ones are all finished! I have found 'amber' snacks to replace these.

ROSTER: We have spaces available on the following days if you are free to help. It is once a month unless you'd like to do more 9am to 11.45am –

1st, 2nd 3rd & 4th Tuesday; 1st Wednesday; 1st, & 3rd Thursday; 1st (first term only), 2nd & 4th Friday

Please feel free to complete a form or contact the office if you can help

Look forward to seeing you all when I return,

Cheers, Suzi



PUT A SMILE ON YOUR CHILD'S FACE
.... And on ours' as well!

One way to put a smile on your child's face is to become one of our **valued volunteers** in the Canteen! The excitement is written all over their faces as they come up to see you helping us in such an important role. All we ask is for a small commitment of a few hours of your time (9am to 11.45am) once a month.

Being on our **Emergency List** is also a great way to assist us as quite often we know we will be short the day before and can give you early notice.

Feel free to pop in and chat to us Tuesdays to Thursdays between 9.30am and 1.30pm to find out all about how the canteen works and how you can help.

NB: Unfortunately, no younger children are allowed to come with parents who work in our Canteen as it is an Occupational Health and Safety issue. Also government regulations require all persons working and volunteering with children to have a Working With Children card. This is free to Volunteers (there is a small fee if you don't have a current passport size photo) and forms can be downloaded & lodged at your local Post Office.

Thanks for your time,

Suzi Cunningham (Canteen Manager)

Specialist Lessons - What to bring!

With all areas we expect good manners, following our school values and classroom rules.

P.E. with Mr Blackburn and Mrs Portaro (Prep)

Hat (terms 1 and 4)

FULL drink bottle

A note from parents if NOT participating in lesson and work to continue on with.

Runners and correct sport uniform

Asthma puffer (if required).

Science with Ms Brown

Hat (terms 1 and 4)

FULL drink bottle

YEARS 3-6 ONLY: pencil case with working pencil/pen, ruler, scissors, glue.

Visual Arts with Mrs Cosma and Mrs Hankinson

FULL drink bottle

PREPS AND ONES arrive with art smocks on

Art smock clearly labelled with 2018 class, placed in labelled class tub

Hat - if students will be going directly out to recess afterwards

There will be a note in the bulletin if other items are required

Performing Arts with Mrs Djukic, Mrs Ioannidis and Mrs Blair

FULL drink bottle

Appropriate clothing

IF books or pencil cases are needed, students will be advised prior to lesson.

GK Kitchen and Food Technology - Mrs Mackay and Mrs Portaro

Pencil case

Smocks

drink bottles

WALK QUIETLY, SAFELY and RESPECTFULLY around the school.

*Go the TOILET and FILL UP drink bottle **BEFORE** specialist lesson.*

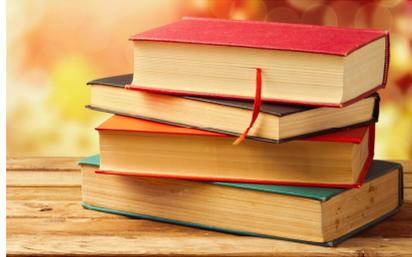
Year 5/6 ipads - arrangements will be made between specialists and classroom teachers.

GR 5-6 SPORT TRIALS

will be held on Friday 2nd February and
9th February

INTERSCHOOL SPORT

LIBRARY NEWS



Welcome to all new and returning families from the library. The following is a refresher for library borrowing for 2018:

- Class library borrowing is timetabled once a week with the classroom teacher.
- Prep students may borrow 2 books for two weeks. Grade 1-3 students may borrow 3 books for two weeks. Grade 4-6 students may borrow 3 books for two weeks + 1 literature book.
- Students must return books before borrowing new books.
- Bring books to and from school in a named library bag.
- Read your books with your family and keep them in a safe place at home.
- Please do not repair damaged books. You can advise of any damage with a note.
- Lost books or badly damaged books must be paid for.

Crinkling Newspaper

Sadly in early January Crinkling newspaper has ceased operation due to lack of funds. This will no longer be available in the library.

Book covering

New books will be arriving every month and the library appreciates any time you may have to help book cover them. Please pop in to the library 8-3 Monday-Wednesday and I can package some books for you to take home to cover. Thank you.

Sarah Harris
Library Technician

GK CANTEEN

Price List – FEBRUARY 2018

Orders: Use the **QKR App** to place your order by **8.20am** OR write your child's name, grade and order details on a **PAPER BAG** (No envelopes or plastic bags & use black or blue pen please). On arrival in the classroom, the order needs to be placed in the class lunch tub.

- **CANTEEN IS CLOSED ON MONDAYS**
- Place money inside bag & fold in 1/4's - No staples or sticky tape please
- One total order per bag (if paying for multiple orders, please mark clearly where payment is on all bags)
- If insufficient money, an item will be deleted from the lunch order
- **ALLERGIES** - Some of our food items may contain traces of nuts or eggs. We have an **ALLERGY ALERT** lunch system in place for those children of concern. Please contact the Canteen for details.
- **FORGOTTEN/LATE ORDERS** - 9.30am is the cut off time for processing orders in the Canteen. Orders received after this time will be offered the choice of a wholemeal cheese or vegemite sandwich & a piece of fruit at a charge of \$4.00
- **PRINTED ALLERGY LUNCH BAGS** - Available for purchase: 10 @ \$2
- **COUNTER SALES** - We're open for counter sales 11.20am to 11.45am (lunch recess) unless a hot/wet timetable is called
- **ICE CREAMS, FRUIT CUPS, SLUSHAS & JELLIES** - These items can't be pre-ordered & must be purchased at the Canteen counter

COUNTER SALES ONLY

(Not to be included on your lunch order)

Ice Creams

Mini Calippo (RaspberryPine) \$1.20	Icy Twist (Lemonade) \$1.20	Paddle Pop (Chocolate/Rainbow) \$1.50
Dixie Cup (Vanilla) \$1.20	Frozen Fruit Juice (Assorted Flavours) 80 cents	Slusha (Assorted Flavours) \$2.00

Suitable for those with Nut Allergies: Bulla Yoghurt N Fruit 100ml Frozen Cup (Strawberry) \$1.50

1st & 4th Term Only: Frozen Orange ¼ or Frozen Pineapple Ring 50c ea – Sunshine Jelly \$1.00

AVAILABLE TO ORDER TUESDAY TO FRIDAY:**Sandwiches & Hot foods – available in lunch orders only**

Vegemite Sandwich \$3.00	Cheese Sandwich \$3.50	Ham Sandwich \$4.50	Tuna & Mayo Sandwich \$4.50
*Rolls 40c extra *Cheese 40c extra **Salad \$1.50 extra-1 st & 4 th Term only WHOLEMEAL BREAD & ROLLS ONLY			
Dim Sim (Steamed) \$1.00	Hot Dog \$4.00	Lite N Up Party Pie \$1.20	Lite N Up Sausage Roll \$3.00
Lite N Up Cruizer Meat Pie \$4.00	Old Style Vege Pastie \$4.00	Spinach & Ricotta Roll \$3.00	Chicken Nuggets (Bag of 5 only – Not for individual sale) \$3.00
Meat Lasagne \$4.00	Macaroni & Cheese Pasta (Gluten Free) \$4.00	Cup of Chicken Noodles \$2.50	Hawaiian Pizza \$3.00
TOMATO SAUCE or SOY SAUCE available at 30c per sachet			

Snacks & Drinks – available in lunch orders & counter sales

Fresh Fruit in Season \$1.50	Carrot Sticks (8 per bag) 50c	Cheese Stick \$1.00	Corntos Cheese Snacks \$1.00
Rice Cakes (Salt & Vinegar or Plain) 20c	Popcorn (Buttered) \$1.00	Gingerbread Kid \$1.50	Choc Chip Go Cookie \$1.00
Canteen Made Muffins (Assorted) \$1.00	GK Bubble Slice 50c	Cereal Snacks 2 for 5c (maximum 50c)	Mini Cookies 10c ea or 60c per bag
Vege Crackers Salt & Vinegar \$1.50	250ml 100% Juice (Orange/Tropical/Apple & Blackcurrant) \$1.50		
350ml Water \$1.00	250ml Nippys Reduced Fat Flavoured Milk (Chocolate/Strawberry/Honeycomb) \$1.80		

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY LUNCH SPECIALS:**CHEESY CHICKEN BURGER**

Crumbed Chicken Breast
Burger & a cheese slice in a
wholemeal roll \$4.50

TOASTIE

Baked Bean, Spaghetti,
Ham & Cheese, Cheese &
Vegemite, Ham or Cheese
on wholemeal bread \$4.50

TEX MEX WEDGES

Oven baked potato wedges,
mild salsa and melted cheese
(made in the Canteen) \$4.50

HAVING A TUES TO THURS BURGER, TOASTIE OR WEDGES SPECIAL?

You can upgrade your *Tues-Thurs Special* with a choice of a Juice or Water & a Canteen
Made Muffin bringing your lunch total to **\$6.00**

SUPER SUMMER SALAD BOX - Only available 1st & 4th Term Tuesday to Thursday
Choice of Sliced Ham or Diced Chicken with Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Carrot, Cheese
& a Multigrain Dinner Roll \$6.50

**Volunteers are always welcome to help collate orders & prepare lunch. If
you can help, please contact Suzi Cunningham, Canteen Manager on
94311599**



For quicker, hassle-free school payments, try Qkr! today

Introducing Qkr! (pronounced 'quicker') by MasterCard, the secure and easy way to order and pay for school items from your phone at a time and place that suits you.

With Qkr you can:

- Pay for school fees, uniforms, excursions and more;
- See your receipts on the app and get them sent by email if required.



Getting started is easy - try it yourself today

Step 1 Download Qkr!

on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app



Step 2 Register

Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

Step 3 Find our school

Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10km's of the school, or search for our school by name.

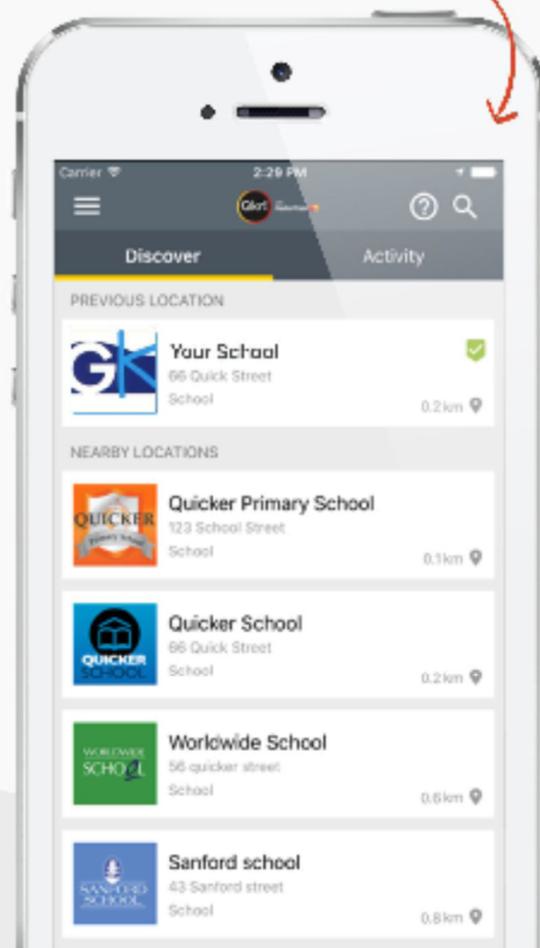
Step 4 Register your children

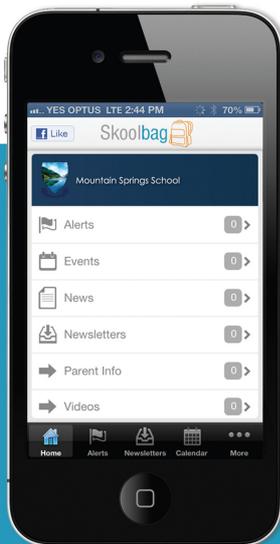
When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

Search for our school name

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'





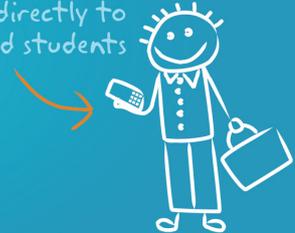
Skoolbag

Smartphone school to parent communication

Skoolbag is a mobile App for your school to communicate directly to both parents and students. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). Ideal for:

- > School, free push notification alerts
- > School events
- > School newsletters
- > School documents
- > School RSS feeds
- > School social media (Facebook, Twitter)

Skoolbag delivers school notices directly to parents and students



How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

iPhone & iPad Users

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.



Android Users

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.



Don't forget to like us on Facebook! 

Find out more at www.skoolbag.com.au

Skoolbag delivers school notices directly to parents and students



Parenting *ideas* INSIGHTS



Building parent-school partnerships

WORDS Michael Grose

Make this year your child's best ever at school

A new school year means a clean slate for students. Here are 7 ideas to help you make the most of the fresh start and make this year your child's best year ever at school

A new school year means a fresh start for students. Regardless of your child's performance last year, they start school with a clean slate. A break offers students the chance to begin new habits and adopt new behaviours.

Here are five ideas to help you make the most of the fresh start and make this year your child's best year ever year at school:

1 Commit to your child going to school every day on time

One of the most important things you can do to ensure your child has a bright future is to make sure he or she goes to school every day – and gets there on time. Kids spend more time asleep than at school, so we need to maximise every day to get full value.

2 Help kids start each day well

A good night's sleep, a healthy breakfast and some words of encouragement from you will help set a positive tone for a day of learning. This may mean that you adjust your morning routine so that kids have plenty of time get up, eat and get ready for the day.

3 Establish work & study habits

The most successful students are those that develop regular study habits that suit their lifestyle, their study style and their school's expectations. Find out the work expectations from your child's or young person's school

and help them establish a work routine that matches.

4 Make sure your child gets enough sleep

Many children and young people are sleep-deprived, which impacts on their wellbeing and their learning. A good night's sleep consolidates learning, as well as assisting future learning. Children need between 10-12 hours of sleep each day, while teens need a minimum of nine hours. Help kids get sufficient sleep by having a regular bedtime and get-up time each day. Have a 45-minute wind-down time each night, and remove screens and mobile phones from bedrooms.

5 Insist kids exercise

The old saying about 'a healthy body and a healthy mind' is so true. Exercise releases the chemicals needed for learning and wellbeing. Yet kids today get less exercise than those of past generations, which is an impediment to learning and mental health. Health professionals recommend a minimum of 60 minutes of exercise per day for kids of all ages. Encourage your child to play sport; promote free and active play and look for ways to make moving part of their daily lives.

6 Focus on being friendly

Schools are very social places requiring kids to negotiate many different social situations

each day. Yet we often only focus on academic learning. There are strong links between social success, and academic success and wellbeing. Encourage kids to be open and tolerant; to be friendly; to be sensitive to others; to be involved in plenty of activities and to be social risk-takers. These are all characteristics of socially successful kids. At the same time discourage anti-social behaviours such as over-competitiveness, self-centredness and lack of sharing.

7 Develop self-help skills

Successful students are often well organised, self-directed and self-motivated. Personal organisation seems to come more naturally to girls than boys, however both genders benefit from coaching in this important area. You can foster organisational skills and self-direction by developing simple, age-appropriate self-help skills related to their every day lives. Such skills as making lunches, packing school bags, and organising after school schedules can be great lessons that impact on how kids perform at school.

At the start of the school year kids are likely to adopt changes than at any other time. Make the most of the opportunity by focusing on two or three areas to really focus on and you'll find that the rest will fall into place.



Want more ideas to help you raise confident kids and resilient young people? Subscribe to Happy Kids newsletter, my **FREE** weekly email parenting guide at parentingideas.com.au. You'll be so glad you did.



COMMUNITY NEWS

"A DAY ON THE GREEN"



SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY, 2018

11.00AM TO 5.00PM

**Registration for Boys and Girls from
U9's to U18's**

**All new registrations will receive a
\$25 discount voucher**

**LIVE MUSIC FROM 11.30am to 4.30pm
FEATURING**

**GARY EASTWOOD and JOEL QUINN
together with
BBQ, RAFFLES, COMPETITIONS AND
MUCH MORE!!!**

ANTHONY BEALE RESERVE, ST HELENA ROAD, GREENSBOROUGH
EMAIL: info@gjfc.org.au

GLEN KATHERINE P.S

TENNIS LESSONS

Location: Glen Katherine Primary School Tennis Courts



WE SPECIALISE IN LESSONS FOR BEGINNERS

BOUNCE INTO OUR TERM 1 AUSSIE OPEN SPECIAL

FOR FIRST 10 NEW STUDENTS

Enrol Now & RECEIVE 30% OFF

YOUR FEES

and also receive a **FREE HEAD** Tennis Racquet Pack valued at \$60

**ENROL NOW FOR
TERM 1 2017 LESSONS**



For more information please call Topline Tennis on 9432 - 3706
Web: www.toplinetennis.com Email: info@toplinetennis.com



ENROL NOW FOR
TERM 1

**TENNIS
LESSONS**
GLEN KATHERINE PRIMARY
SCHOOL COURTS

TERM 1 SUMMER SPECIAL!

FOR THE FIRST 10 NEW STUDENTS
ENROL NOW & RECEIVE 30% OFF
YOUR FEES & ALSO RECEIVE A
NEW HEAD TENNIS RACQUET FOR

FREE

WE SPECIALISE IN
LESSONS FOR BEGINNERS



FOR MORE INFORMATION
TEL: 9432-3706
WEB: WWW.TOPLINETENNIS.COM
EMAIL: INFO@TOPLINETENNIS.COM

