Principal’s Report

We have had a great fortnight with our students settling back into our school routines and enthusiastically welcoming our new roles and responsibilities in our classrooms and playground. We have all been busy and have enjoyed getting to know our new students and their families, this week we have extended a warm welcome to Jethro, who has joined the Primary class. We are all excited to have new faces around our school!

Our newly established SRC has been inducted and are all excited to represent their peers at our SRC meetings. Well done and thank you to all of the students who nominated themselves to be part of the SRC. All of the speeches were well presented and it was great to see our students displaying great sportsmanship and resilience when the newly elected members were announced at our assembly. All students will again be invited to nominate for a position on the SRC for term 2. Congratulations to our representatives for each stage, well done to Cayleigh and William W in the Infants class and to Kieran, Darby and Tyson in the Primary class. Alongside our year 6 school leadership team we know our school is in great hands!

How exciting our past fortnight has been with many of our students competing in our PSSA Zone swimming events, thank you to all of our parents who have taken time out to assist with transporting our students to and from the pool. Congratulations to Ashlee, Darby, Abbey, Skyann and Evelyn who are all off to represent our school and the other schools in the Lower North Coast at the North Coast PSSA Swimming Carnival in Ballina in week 6. Just a reminder to those students attending the carnival need to return their signed forms and levy to the office as soon as possible.

Starting in week 6 Miss Atkins and myself will be participating in an ongoing professional learning to better support our students with their Literacy learning, this professional learning is called Language, Learning and Literacy or L3. This ongoing professional learning will require either Miss Atkins or myself to attend network meetings, being held regularly on Monday or Thursday afternoon throughout the year. We will add these dates to the calendar and have structured our classroom timetables to ensure our students weekly timetable and routine is not disrupted.

Have a great week,
Rebecca Smith
Principal

Calendar Term 1 2019

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PBL FOCUS

‘A Friend in me’ Students are excitedly joining in with our student initiative to build a strong partnership with another buddy student, this program has given each of our students a buddy they can talk to and seek help and assistance from. This is a great initiative building friendships and respect amongst our peers.
In our classrooms…

Infants Class

Student of the week: Tylah Holden
Academic Award: Mia Grose
Behaviour Award: Ashton Donnelly

We have named our Infants Class the Owlets, we are all small and cute but very clever and are learning how to do all of our work independently. This fortnight in the Owlets room we have been busy creating our narratives. We started the week planning who will be the characters in our stories and have now started drawing our stories into a storyboard our next step is to begin adding our writing.

We have also been exploring different topics in maths including volume and capacity and fractions.

The children each have a news day and we will begin to make it topic based so each child can bring something to share about themselves and families.

Miss Atkins

Primary Class

Student of the week: Bailey Donnelly
Academic Award: Riley Westerman
Behaviour Award: Darby Barnett

Our students have all enjoyed the start to our year and have settled into their new classroom and school roles.

We have had some rain at last!!! Skarlyte, Chace and Lilly are preparing the vegetable garden beds for a new crop. Any community help or plant donations would be most appreciated.

In the classroom we have been working hard in literacy groups and on persuasive texts. In science we are studying the Great Barrier Reef and in health, Child Protection.

We look forward to clean-up Australia Day when, on 15th March, we will be out and about in Gladstone Township picking up any litter we find.

Mrs Pugh
P&C NEWS

Our P&C will again be running our annual Easter fundraising raffle, this will be drawn on Thursday 11th April at our Annual Easter Hat Parade. We are looking for Easter donations and are asking our families to donate something Easter related to add to the prize draw. All donations can be left at the office. Thank you to everyone in advance for supporting our P&C fundraising efforts. Raffle tickets are now available from the office.

Library News

It has been wonderful to see almost all students making use of our library and the Kempsey Library Van on Thursdays. Also, thank you to the SWR View Club for donating our new library bags. Thank you to our Library monitors for this Term: Georgia Meehan and Darby Barnett, you are both doing an amazing job.

We always welcome parents in if they have some time to help out in our library, there are always so many jobs to do. If you can help, please contact Mrs Pugh on Thursdays or Fridays.

SCHOOL STREAM DOWNLOAD INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you to all of our families who have already downloaded our School App. Our aim is to have a member from each of our families connect with us through the use of our school app to ensure clear and regular communication between school and home. Please follow these instructions to download your app. From your mobile device go to The App Store (iPhone/iPad) or Google Play (Android), search for School Stream and download the app to your phone. Once School Stream has finished installing, open the app, type your school name, Gladstone Public School, into the search THEN select your school. If you are prompted to accept push notifications, you will need to select OK. We are encouraging our app users to register their contact details with their app to be able to send and receive personalised messages and information specific to each child and family.

The Big Vegie Crunch

1st to 5th April, 2019

What is The Big Vegie Crunch?

Only around 5% of NSW children eat enough vegetables. To help our community do better, our school will be taking part in The Big Vegie Crunch (part of Vegetable Week) at 10am on Thursday 4th April. We will be continuing this into term 2 alongside our units of work in PDH/PE.

Primary schools across NSW will be joining together to break the record for the most students crunching vegetables simultaneously. Last year 50,260 students crunched together.

What can you do to help? Pack a container of vegetables (not fruit this time) for your child to eat on Thursday 4th April and as always keep serving up the vegetables at home and in your children’s lunchboxes!

Clean Up Australia Day

Community Events - Sunday 3rd March

for more details go to www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au

Gladstone Public School Clean-up Day
Friday 15th March 2019
Gladstone Public School Canteen

Menu 2019

Wednesday's

**Recess**
Choc & Banana Muffins ................. $1.20
Hash Browns .................................. $1.20
Garlic Bread with Cheese ....... $0.50

**Drinks**
Milo, Hot or Cold ................................ $0.50
Juice's - Apple, Orange, Apple & B/Currant .... $1.50
Milk - Chocolate or Strawberry ........... $2.00
Water ........................................... $1.00

**Lunch**
Pizza - Ham & Cheese or
Ham Cheese & Pineapple ................. $2.50
Chicken Nuggets .............................. $0.60
Hash Browns .................................. $1.20
Mini Meat Pie ................................. $1.50
Mini Chicken Pie ............................ $1.50
Sausage Roll .................................. $2.00
Garlic Bread with Cheese ............... $0.50
Lasagne ....................................... $3.00

**Burgers & Sandwiches**
Chicken Burger, lettuce & Mayo .......... $4.00
Ham & Cheese Toasted Sandwich .... $3.00
Ham Cheese & Pineapple or
Ham Cheese & Tomato (Toasted) .... $3.50
Boiled Egg & lettuce .................. $3.00

**Snack Foods**
Honey Soy Chips ....................... $1.20
JJ’s ........................................... $1.20
Sunfruit (pkt) ............................ $0.50
Yoghurt Sticks ......................... $0.20
Sunfruits (single) ..................... $0.05
Yoghurt Pops ............................. $0.20

**Icy Poles (Lunch Only)**
Calippo’s ................................ $1.00
Water Ice Breakers ............... Free
KaBluey (Cola) ................... $0.50