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Gormandale and District Primary School fosters a community learning environment in which each and every member is nurtured to become a confident lifelong learner.



We acknowledge the Gunaikurnal people as the traditional custodians of the land upon which we meet. We pay our respects to the Elders of the past, present and future.



Principal's Report

Dear GDPS Community,

The days are quickly slipping by and we are officially past the halfway mark of the term. Fantastically, we had an overwhelming amount of grandparents attend our event on Monday morning. A huge thank you to all that were able to join us on the day.

Our senior classroom has been busy preparing for graduation and student leadership applications. This year, we will have our 2025 student leaders confirmed before the end of the term. A separate post with information about graduation was sent on compass to grade 6 families today.

I know that many families are keen to know our class structures and staff for next year. We appreciate your patience and anticipate that we will be able to share this information in the coming weeks. I can confirm that all of our teachers will remain at the school in 2025; however, there may be some changes to roles.

A reminder that MARC Van books need to be returned by next Thursday as it is the last time MARC van will visit for the year.

We are gearing up for our excursion to Healesville in week 9. At this stage, we still have 1/4 of permission forms outstanding. If you are still yet to return a permission note, please do so ASAP.

Enjoy the lovely sunshine the next few days has to offer!

Charleigh Williams

November
December



WHAT'S COMING UP?

Tuesday 26th

Get Set for Prep

Wednesday 27th

Volleyball Clinic

Thursday 28th

Last MARC Session -
All books must be Returned

Friday 29th

Assembly

Tuesday 3rd

Healesville Excursion

Thursday 5th

Graduation

GDPS Bank Details

BSB 033-222

ACC 019138

Gormandale & District PS Council

Parents Club

On behalf of the GDPS Parents Club, I would like to thank our families for all their donations throughout the year, we have raised over three thousand dollars towards school projects such as new drinking fountains, bikes for kids, subsidising grade 6 jackets and the leadership conference.

I would also like to thank our hardworking committee for their work throughout the year and for their efforts towards the Christmas raffle. We have collected over three hundred dollars in vouchers to be raffled at the Christmas Concert this year and look forward to seeing you there. As a result, we are **not** asking families to donate this year.

Thanks, Jeff Watson - President

Christmas Concert

Christmas Concert Evening: Wednesday 18th December. GDPS School Grounds (weather permitting) Students arrive at 5.45pm for a 6.00pm start.

We would like to celebrate Christmas with our Gormandale & District Primary School family, friends and community. Staff and students would like to invite all families to attend a Christmas Carol/Disco themed "mini concert". Each class will perform 2 items and the whole school will perform together. We hope to see Santa on the night, so make sure that you dress in your favourite Christmas outfits! Celebrations start at 6:00pm. Please BYO a chair or picnic rug to sit on.

* Note that all school events are strictly alcohol, smoke and vape free and the consumption of alcohol or use of alcohol containers is not permitted on the school grounds



ASSEMBLY AWARD RECIPIENTS



JUNIOR ROOM

P/1/2 MISS COULTHARD

We are learning all about desert animals in Australia, and as part of our lesson, we got to create a desert setting. While exploring deserts, we discovered that they can be hot or cold, depending on where they are in the world.

We were surprised to learn that not all deserts have cacti; in fact, some deserts don't have many plants at all! This made us think about how animals in these places have to adapt to survive. It's amazing how different deserts can be!



MIDDLE ROOM

Skittles Math

2/3 MRS JUDKINS

This week, we have been learning about chance and probability in math lessons. Students completed an explicit lesson and learnt about how the probability of rolling certain numbers with two dice can increase for some numbers because there is more ways those numbers can be made. The quicker you roll your chosen numbers the quicker you get to eat your Skittles.



SENIOR ROOM



4/5/6 MS ELRICK, MS WILLIAMS & MISS DARBY



We have hit the halfway mark of our class novel, "Can you see me?" The students have loved sharing how they resonate with the main character, Tally, and her sister Nell.

We have been focusing on some vocabulary from the novel to expand our understanding of tier 2 words, which we have been practising using in our speech and writing.

Some words that we have worked with, include: SPITEFUL, MALEVOLENT, BLEAK, STUPEFYING and PERPETUAL.

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- To everyone who has dropped letters off to businesses asking for donations for our Christmas Raffle
- Everyone who continue to donation Cans & Bottles for the Return It program

GRANDPARENTS

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DAY



We loved spending time with our Grandparents. We played board games and had some morning tea.

