Thursday 5th November 2026

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Guthrie Street Primary School Newsletter



Message from Mrs Grumley

Hi Guthrie Street P.S Families,

I hope that you all enjoyed the long weekend. Just a few friendly reminders from me:

Our **Foundation students** are going to Echuca tomorrow to visit the Beechworth Bakery and Twisted Science. We wish them all the best and I am sure that they will have a great day filled with fun and learning. I look forward to hearing about this experience. Thank you to the Foundation teachers for providing this opportunity for our students.

Our **Year 5/6 students** have the opportunity to participate in a sailing experience on Thursday 12th November at Lake Victoria, Shepparton. The students will be learning about water safety skills, learn the basics of sailing and teamwork.

The **Year 2 sleepover** is scheduled to take place on Thursday 12th November. Thank you to the teachers for organsing and providing this opportunity for the Year 2 students.

Parent Requests in Writing to Leadership: We will start to think about class structures for 2027 in the upcoming weeks. I can confirm that we will have single year level classes in 2027. In our ongoing commitment to serving the best interests of our students, we encourage parents to voice their concerns, suggestions, or any specific information about their child in writing to Mrs Grumley that may help with class placements for 2027. The more information we have, will help us to create safe and inclusive classes.

Can all requests please be emailed to: **Angela.Grumley@education.vic.gov.au.**

Take care,

Mrs Angela Grumley
Acting Principal



School Bell Times

8:45am Morning Bell
9:00am First Learning Lesson
11:00am 11:30am Recess
11:30am Second Learning Lesson
1:30pm - 1:40pm Eating Time
1:40pm - 2:15pm Third Learning Lesson
3:15pm Home Time



Acting Principal
Angela Grumley



Assistant Principal
Michael Donovan



Acting Assistant Principal
Suzy Turton

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

2026 Term Dates

Term 4: 5th October - 18th December

2027 Term Dates

Term 1: 28th January - 25th March

Term 2: 12th April - 25th June

Term 3: 12th July - 17th September

Term 4: 4th October - 17th December

Easter 2027

Friday 26th March - Monday 29th March

Public Holidays 2027

Monday 8th March

Monday 14th June

Tuesday 2nd November

In 2027, we will advise families other days that there will be no school due to curriculum days and other events occuring. Please keep an eye out for these dates on Compass.



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WELLBEING NEWS

Helping Our Children Grow Through the Uncomfortable Moments

As parents and educators, one of the greatest gifts we can give children is the confidence and resilience to work through life's uncomfortable moments.

It can be tempting to smooth the path ahead of our children, remove the obstacles, solve the problems or step in before things become too difficult. Of course, this comes from a place of love and wanting the very best for them. However, sometimes, we need to resist the urge to mow the path for our children.

Some of these moments include help seeking in another adult. At schools we work on building relationships between adults and children; the yard duty teacher, the office staff, casual relief teachers, the school nurse. All of these interactions build a skill set of courage, articulation, vulnerability and negotiation.

The path won't always be smooth. There will be rocks, bumps, unexpected turns and moments when they feel like stopping or when the answer is not the one they want. These are the moments where some of the most important learning happens. Children need opportunities to navigate the rocky parts of the path, experience challenges, make mistakes, take responsibility and discover that they are capable of finding their way through.

This doesn't mean leaving children to struggle alone. It means walking alongside them, offering encouragement, guidance and support without removing every challenge along the way.

At school, we believe children grow through consistency, support and accountability. We set clear and predictable expectations, follow through with fairness and compassion, and model the behaviours we want children to develop. We teach them that mistakes are opportunities to learn, that our actions have consequences, that relationships sometimes require repair and that uncomfortable feelings can be worked through. This happens at a classroom level, in the yard with the yard duty teacher and at a Leadership level in RETHINK.

We want children to understand that it is okay to feel frustrated, disappointed, worried or upset. These feelings are part of life. ***What matters is learning how to respond, how to seek help when needed, how to take responsibility and how to move forward.***

Families play an equally important role in this journey. When your child experiences a friendship difficulty, doesn't get their own way, makes a mistake or finds something challenging, consider whether the moment might provide an opportunity for growth rather than something that needs to be immediately fixed.

Be their support, not always their solution.

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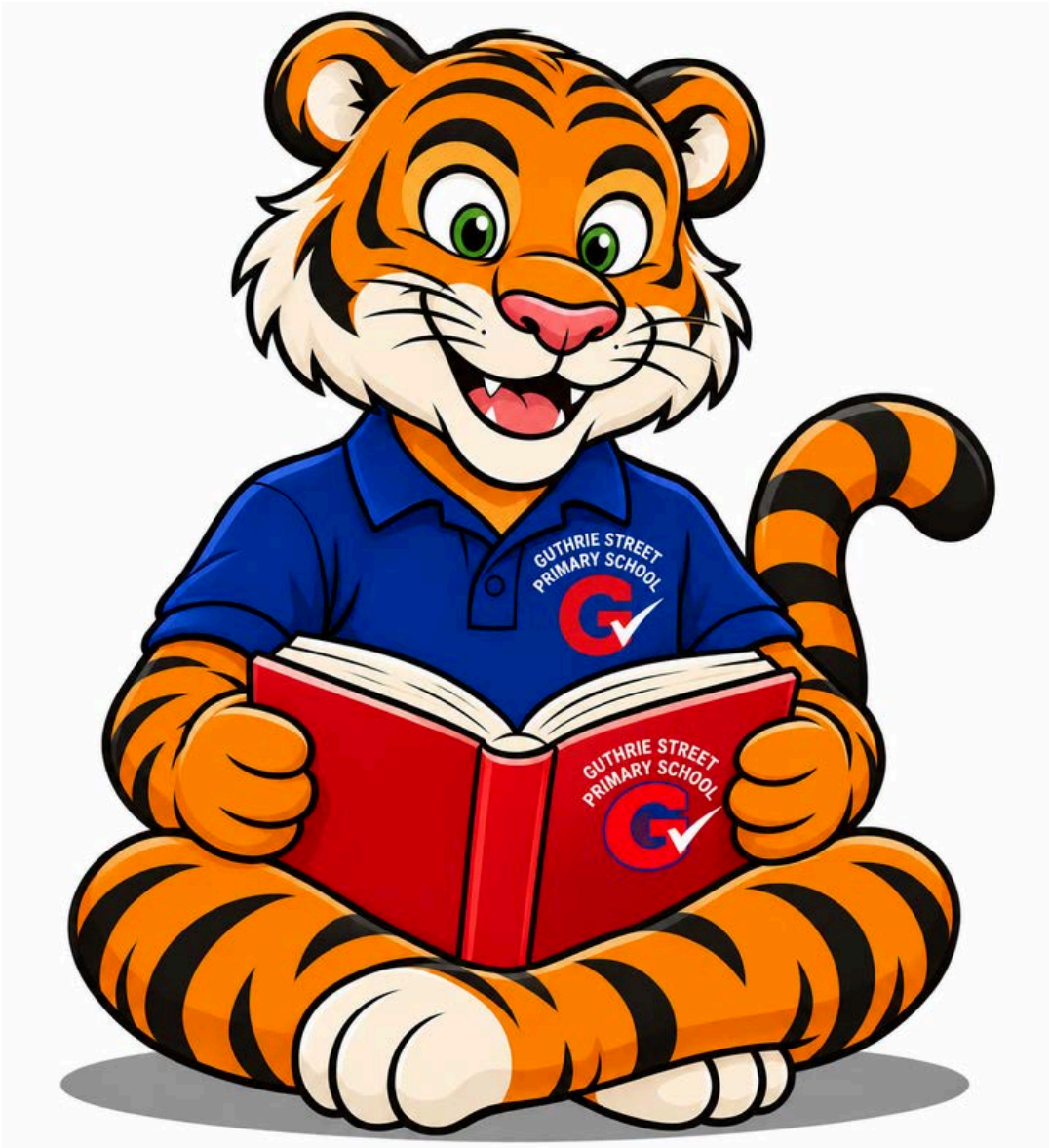
READING NIGHT CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to the following students that have been reading at home and have reached a reading milestone!

125 Reading Nights 1JC- Billie, 1EP- Ziggy

175 Reading Nights 1HM- Phoenix, 1JC- Jack M

250 Reading Nights 1EP – Nixon, 4RM – Philippa



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WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND GSPS

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SPORTS UPDATE

STATE ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS!

A massive congratulations to our amazing Guthrie Street students who represented our school at the State Athletics Championships in Melbourne on Thursday!

Competing against the best athletes in Victoria is an incredible achievement, and our students produced some fantastic results!

Billy C – 16th in Victoria in the 11 Years Boys Triple Jump & 12th 100m sprint

Jack D – 7th in Victoria in the 12-13 Years Boys Triple Jump.

Relay Team – Jack D, Lenny H, Thomas D and Success G – An outstanding 7th place in the State Relay Final!

To finish among the best athletes in the entire state is something you should all be extremely proud of!

The whole Guthrie Street community is proud of your efforts, determination and sportsmanship.

Well done, you've done us proud!



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SCHOOL CAMP DATES

Year 3
Thursday 19th November - Friday 20th November

Year 5
Monday 23rd November - Wednesday 25th November

If you would like to use your left-over School Saving Bonus, CSEF or go on a payment plan please email the school at guthrie.street.ps.shepparton@education.vic.gov.au.



LUNCH ORDERS

Please be advised that there will be **NO LUNCH ORDERS** for the following dates:

Tuesday 10th November - this will impact Foundation - Year 2 students

Wednesday 25th November - this will impact Year 3 - 6 students

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.
Thanks for your support!



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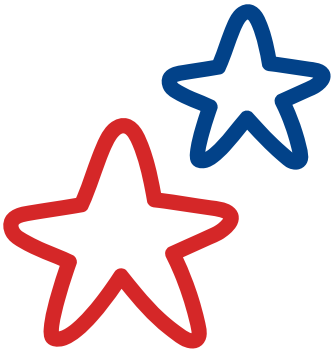
NOVEMBER UPCOMING EVENTS

- 2nd November - No school; Curriculum Day
- 3rd November - No school; Melbourne Cup
- 5th November - State track & field
- 6th November - Division Kanga 8's | Foundation Twisted Science excursion
- 10th November - Year 5 Leaders Day
- 11th November - Kinder/Foundation transition
- 12th November - Year 5/6 Sailing experience | Year 2 sleepover
- 13th November - Year 5/6 Covid Cup
- 17th November - Year 5 Leadership initiative
- 18th November - 2026 Deaf Sports
- 19th - 20th November - Year 3 Camp
- 19th November - Foundation activity evening
- 20th November - Regional Kanga 8's
- 23rd -25th November - Year 5 Camp
- 26th November - Kinder/Foundation transition
- 27th November - Year 1 activity evening

For more information, please check our Compass Newsfeed and in our school newsletter.

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2026 SCHOOL ASSEMBLY DATES FOR TERM 4

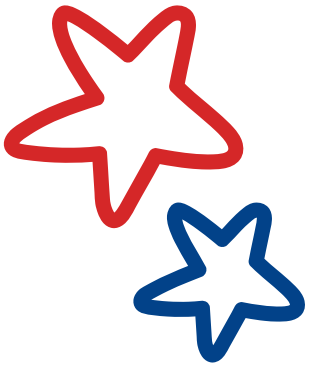


Friday 6th November 2026

Friday 20th November 2026

Friday 4th December - Terrific Kids Awards presented

Friday 11th December - Last assembly starts at 2:30pm



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Year 6 2027 Uniform Process

We're excited to provide information about the new ordering process for the Guthrie Street Primary School Year 6 2027 T-shirts and hoodies.

1

ORDERS OPEN

Students can go into the School Uniform Shop Shepparton from the start of Term 4 to place their Year 6 2027 uniform order.

2

TRY ON FOR SIZING

From the Term 4 date, **Year 5 students are required to go into the School Uniform Shop** to try on the options for sizing.

Payments must be made at the time of ordering.

3

PAYMENT REQUIRED

If no payments have been made, the order will **not** be processed for the student.

T-shirts are $36 each | Hoodies are $55 each.

4

ORDERS CLOSED

All orders will be closed on **20th November 2026.**

5

COLLECTION

All Year 6 2027 students will be **collecting their Year 6 T-shirts and hoodies from the School Uniform Shop the week before Term 1.**

School Uniform Shop Shepparton

183 Corio Street, Shepparton VIC 3630

UPCOMING CALENDAR EVENTS





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ZOOPER DOOPER

FUNDRAISER



ON SALE:

- Friday 30th October
- Friday 13th November
- Friday 27th November
- Friday 18th December

$1 PER ZOOPER DOOPER

ALL PURCHASES CAN BE MADE VIA THE

QKR APP

GLASSES FOR KIDS

IS COMING TO THIS SCHOOL

The Glasses for Kids program will be visiting this school to provide Foundation (Prep) to Year 3 students with **FREE** vision screening, then testing and glasses (as required)



SIGN UP HERE

Scan this QR code to sign up now

State Schools Relief

REAL RIGHT NOW SUPPORT

VICTORIA State Government

A Victorian State Government and State Schools Relief initiative

Questions? Please contact the GFK team via info@glassesforkids.com.au

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2026 PARENT PAYMENTS & POLICIES

Extra-Curricular Activities- $45

This levy covers your child's participation in swimming, sporting events, performances, and other incidental activities throughout the year. CSEF will cover Excursion Levy.

Voluntary Parent Payment - $150

We also ask families to support student learning by contributing to classroom resources. This Parent Payment helps cover essential learning materials such as stationery, books, etc, and other items students require every day. Payment covers online subscriptions, ICT & STEM. These contributions are important to ensure we can continue providing rich and engaging learning experiences for all students. We greatly appreciate your support.

Payments can be made via Compass, or you can come into the school office and pay by EFTPOS. Thank you.

If you have a Health Care Card and claimed CSEF, you will receive $400 credit which can be used for camps and excursions only. If you have a new HCC, please email the school office with a copy of your HCC.

School Policies

Guthrie Street Primary School, Shepparton is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment where all students feel safe, respected and able to learn.

Our child safety framework includes a range of policies, codes of conduct and procedures that outline how we support the safety and wellbeing of our students and protect them from harm.

These documents are available on our school website under 'school documents'.

We are committed to continuously reviewing and improving our child safety framework. Our policies and practices are regularly updated to ensure they remain current and effective in supporting student safety and wellbeing.

Students, families and our wider school community are important partners in this process. We welcome feedback, ideas and suggestions on how we can continue to strengthen our approach to child safety and wellbeing.

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PARENT TECHNOLOGY PLATFORMS

HOW TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH YOUR CHILDS SCHOOL NEWS

The School Newsletter is available fortnightly on a Thursday.

You will be notified through email and a COMPASS push notification.

You can access the school newsletter online through

- COMPASS PARENT PORTAL
- GSPS Website - www.guthriestps.vic.edu.au

USING OUR COMPASS PARENT PORTAL YOU WILL BE ABLE TO

Access your child's Student Semester Reports
• Book Foundation Students Assessment appointments
• Book your Parent/Teacher Interviews
• View up-to-date attendance information
• Approve or enter upcoming or past absences for your son/daughter
• Update your registered email and mobile number (used for SMS alerts) details
• Download, print and approve upcoming excursions • Access information regarding upcoming events and news

DOWNLOAD THE COMPASS APP

Troubleshooting: if you cannot login for the first time on iphone, try your computer, laptop or ipad first.

Your username and password is issued upon your child's enrolment.

If you need a new password please contact the school office in person or phone 58211944.

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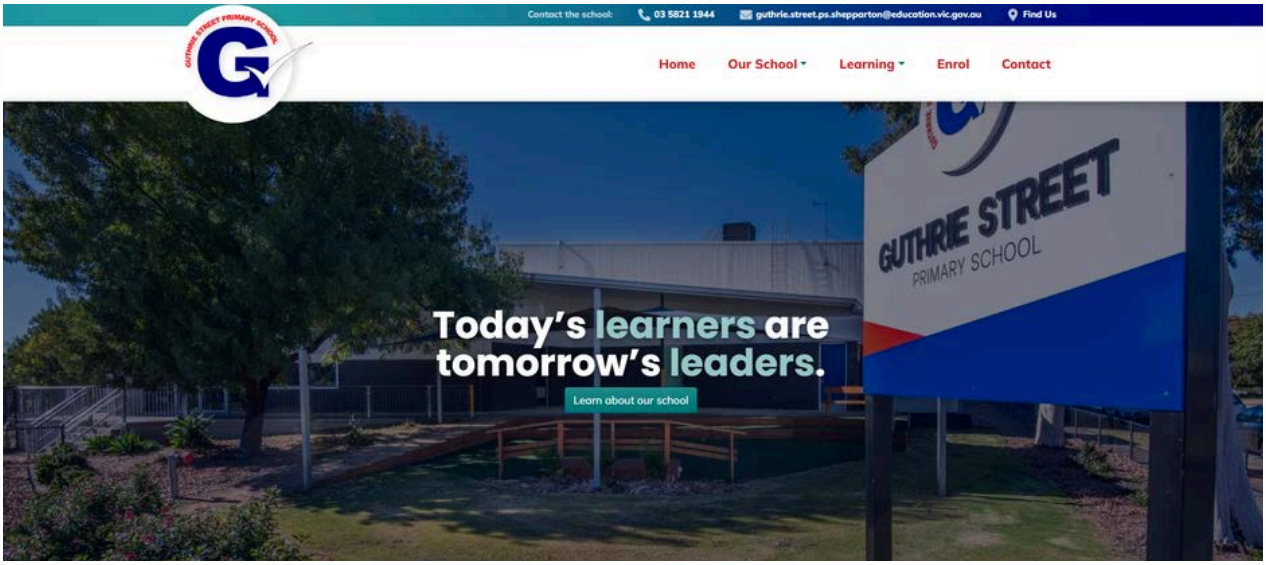
DOWNLOAD THE SEESAW APP

Seesaw is a great communication tool between teachers, parents and students.

A password is issued on your child's enrolment.

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Seesaw



DOWNLOAD THE QKR APP

Download the QKR! app to order your child's lunch order, purchase a school beanie and other items or events that are advertised over the year.

Qkr!

OTHER FORMS OF COMMUNICATION

GSPS Website | Facebook | Instagram

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COMMUNICATIONS

At Guthrie Street Primary School, we kindly ask that children are only collected before the end of the school day when the school has been notified in advance.

Unplanned early collections can interrupt your child's learning, disrupt other students, and require office staff to pause their work to locate your child. It may also mean your child misses important end-of-day learning activities and classroom routines.

If you need to collect your child early (for example, for a medical appointment), please notify the school ahead of time or as soon as possible on the day.

We appreciate your understanding and support in helping us maintain a calm, focused learning environment for all students.

Thank you for your cooperation.

WHOLE SCHOOL BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS

WE SHOW	AT ALL TIMES	CLASSROOM	IN THE YARD	ONLINE / TECHNOLOGY
SELF CONTROL	Use appropriate language towards all students and staff.	Show strong behaviour and follow teachers and ES instructions.	We must have a pass to be inside during recess or lunch.	iPads are only used for schoolwork, and we must follow teacher instructions.
SELF AWARENESS	Wear a wide brim hat in Term 1 and Term 4. We wear correct school uniform.	We are organised, on time and ready for learning.	Play in designated areas. We treat others the way we would like to be treated.	Mobile phones are signed into the front office each day.
SELF MOTIVATION	We do the right thing. Dangerous items must never be brought to school.	Complete our work to the best of our ability and do not distract others.	Play games for fun and enjoy our friends.	Talk to an adult when unsure of something online. We only share appropriate content.
BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS	Physically or emotionally hurting someone is not acceptable.	Be considerate of others and work co-operatively.	We don't interfere with others' games or equipment.	Keep ourselves and each other safe online.
EMPATHY	Include others in our games, activities and learning.	Take care of our school, our classrooms and equipment.	Eat our food inside; no chewing gum is allowed at school.	Care for our school devices like iPads, printers, laptops and other equipment.

CONSEQUENCES

FOUR STEP PROCESS, TIME OUT OF THE CLASSROOM, TIME OUT OF THE YARD, RETHINK, POSITIVE PLAY, INTERNAL SUSPENSION, EXTERNAL SUSPENSION



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Parents Association Volunteers Wanted!

Our Parent Association plays a huge role in creating fun, memorable experiences for our school community.

They help organise:

- **Mother's Day & Father's Day stalls & raffles**
- **Easter & Christmas raffles & colouring competitions**
- **Milo & Treat Days**
- **Year 6 Graduation gifts**
- **Icy pole days**

We are seeking new parent volunteers, so fresh faces are always appreciated! You don't need to commit to a big job just come along, share your ideas, and be part of something that truly benefits our students and school.

Please contact our school office for more information.

All volunteers must have a valid Working with Children's Check for any interactions with students.

Children whose parents volunteer at school often create a sense of belonging and connectedness that is conducive to positive behaviours, effective engagement and higher self-esteem

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