

Guthrie Street Gazette

20th November 2025



Message from Mrs Grumley!

Hello Families,

I hope you have had a great week. Things are ticking along well at Guthrie Street. The students are settled, and some great learning is taking place. Students will be completing end of year assessments in the coming weeks and teachers will be finalising their student reports to send home to families. If your child is missing any school uniform, please remember to check the lost property cupboard. Better yet, get your child to check! It is overflowing once again.

Deaf Sports

Yesterday our Deaf Facility students travelled to Melbourne to attend the 2025 Victorian Primary Deaf Sports in Doncaster. They had a wonderful day connecting and meeting other Deaf and Hard of Hearing peers.

Year 3 camp

Our Year 3 students, their teachers and some parent helpers left for Billabong Ranch camp near Echuca. They will spend two days and one night there. Some activities will include paddle boating, rock climbing wall, mini golf, horse grooming, and a whip cracking demonstration. We are sure that they will have a great time connecting and building relationships with their peers.

Year 4 & 5 camp next week

On Monday 24th November the Year 4 and Year 5 students will be heading off to their respective camps. The Year 4s are going to Camp Alexandra Resort. This is an adventure camp. Some activities will include canoeing, flying fox, swimming, disc golf, big swing and orienteering. The Year 5s are going to Phillip Island Camp. The activities include surfing, Churchill Farm, pelican feeding, Nobbies tour, penguin parade, clip and climb and visiting the Koala Sanctuary. We wish them all the best. I am sure you will have a great time and make some memories that will last forever.

Planning for 2026

Planning for the future is essential, and we are already making preparations for the academic year 2026. We are currently working on creating class structures that will foster a positive and engaging learning environment for your children. I can confirm that we will run straight classes from Foundation to Year 6. The Specialist classes will be Physical Education, Science, Art and Creative Arts the same as this year.

Kinder/Foundation Transition:

The second of our Kinder/Foundation transition sessions will take place on Thursday 27th November from 9:00am-10:30am in the Bartlett Centre (stadium).

Take care,
Angela Grumley



WELLBEING NEWS

Social Media Reforms

Navigating the Online world with your child is a complex and difficult task at times. Below are the new reforms to come into play. A more in-depth explanation is available through the eSafety Commissioners website.

While there are no exact figures for "primary aged children," data for children aged 8–12 shows they spend an average of 1.5 hours per day on social media platforms. Some studies show this can be higher for some age groups, with older children averaging over three hours a day.

As a school we support the changes and talk to students about being Healthy online citizens.

From December 10, 2025, many social media platforms in Australia will be restricted for users under 16, requiring them to take "reasonable steps" to prevent underage accounts.

What this means for under-16's

- **Account restrictions:** Starting December 10, 2025, platforms that meet certain criteria will be required to prevent people under 16 from creating or keeping accounts.
- **Purpose of the law:** The goal is to ***protect young people from negative effects on their stress levels, sleep, and concentration***. The eSafety Commissioner also states it will give young people more time to develop their social, emotional, and digital skills before using social media.
- **List of affected platforms:** The restrictions will apply to many popular platforms, such as Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok, X, and YouTube.
- **Platforms likely excluded:** Some platforms will not be subject to the ban, such as Discord, WhatsApp, and YouTube Kids, although the list of included and excluded platforms can change.
- **What to do:** Young people and parents can visit the [eSafety Commissioner's website](#) for more information and to find practical resources to help them navigate the changes.

Phones / iPad in the Yard

Students are not permitted to use their phones or iPads in the school grounds and we request the parents are not sharing content with students in the school grounds also. Our aim is to keep all students safe and responsible online citizens.



Friday 14th November



JNF	whole class	all pillars
NWF	whole class	all pillars
JPF	whole class	all pillars
1EP	Finn Trevaskis	All Pillars
1LC	Leari Morris	All pillars
1JC	Gurveen Kaur	Self Control
2PP	Neve Annett	Self Motivation
2GP	Hunter Groves	Self Motivation
2MN	Max Dodsworth	Self Awareness and Self Control
3HD	Jace Hanson	All Pillars
3GL	Harlow Longmore	Self Motivation & Self Awareness
3PH	Jayden Avramopolous	Building Relationships
4RM	Heba Chkhaydem	All Pillars
4CJ	Addison Cann Harper Whittaker	Empathy Empathy
4KT	Khobe McCrimmon	Self Motivation
5CH	Paige Chapman	Self Motivation
5JH	Alex Stewart Spencer	Building Relationships
5JM	Emily Forte	Self Motivation
6GN	Moses McIntosh	All Pillars
6AP	Harper McCoy Max Watson	Self Motivation Self Motivation
6NR	Zaiden Cox & Lily Edwards	Self Motivation Awareness

ART: Jenavieve Hoare 5CH, Hamish Arthur 6GN, Eli Adornato 3HD, Novahlie Himona 3HD

CREATIVE ARTS: Preston Conte 1LC, Summer Dobson-Krog 1JC, Rabaab Kaur 1EP, 4CJ (whole class!)



CALENDAR UPCOMING EVENTS

Hi Parents,

We're excited to let you know that **Sportz Lab's Netball with the Stars Clinic is back!** 📺

After such a great response to our last clinics, we're thrilled to be offering another fun and engaging morning for all young netballers — from **Foundation to Year 7**.

Led by **Head Coach Charli Boschetti** and **Olivia Kirby**, both from **Shepparton United** and current **GVNL Stars**, this session will focus on:

- ☆ Fundamental skills & footwork
- ☆ Attacking & defending
- ☆ Match play & teamwork

📅 **Sunday 30th November**

🕒 **9:30am – 11:30am**

📍 **Guthrie Street Outdoor Courts**

💰 **\$30 per participant**

🔑 **Book your spot here:** <https://www.trybooking.com/DHJHU>

Please remember to pack a **hat, water bottle, and a small snack or piece of fruit** for a quick break during the session.

It's another great chance for your child to **learn from GVNL stars, build confidence, and have fun with friends** on court! Spots are limited – so get in quick!

Can't wait to see some familiar faces back on the courts! 🏀🌟

Kind regards,

Connor & Ian

Sportz Lab Team



NETBALL

with GVNL Stars!

PRESEASON SKILLS SESSION

JOIN US FOR A 2-HOUR CLINIC TO SHARPEN SKILLS, BUILD CONFIDENCE, AND HAVE FUN ON COURT!

COACHES: CHARLI BOSCHETTI & OLIVIA KIRBY (UNITED) & GVNL STARS!

FOCUS: BASIC SKILLS, FOOTWORK, ATTACKING & DEFENDING DRILLS, PLUS MATCH PLAY

OPEN TO FOUNDATION TO YEAR 7'S – BEGINNERS TO EXPERIENCED PLAYERS

WHEN: SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

TIME: 9:30 AM – 11:30AM

WHERE: GUTHRIE STREET OUTDOOR COURTS

COST: \$30 PER PARTICIPANT

SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER



IN OTHER NEWS

🏆 2025 Grade 6 vs Staff – Sports Trilogy Cup! 🏆

It's back again! Our annual Grade 6's vs Staff Sports Trilogy Cup is kicking off soon, and we're gearing up for three huge Friday showdowns. Who will take home this year's bragging rights? Bring your energy, your cheer voices, and come support your team across Netball, Football and Basketball!

Event Dates

Friday 21st November – Netball

 1:45pm – 2:15pm (Lunchtime)

 Netball Courts

Friday 28th November – Football

 2:20pm – 2:45pm (After Lunch)

 Oval

Friday 5th December – Basketball

 1:45pm – 2:15pm (Lunchtime)

 Stadium

Who can watch?

Students, teachers, parents & families – everyone is welcome to come along and cheer!

 Let the friendly rivalry begin – will the Staff defend the Cup, or will the Grade 6's rise to glory this year?

The Voice

Congratulations to all students who sang in the competition and well done to the award winners recognised by their peers.



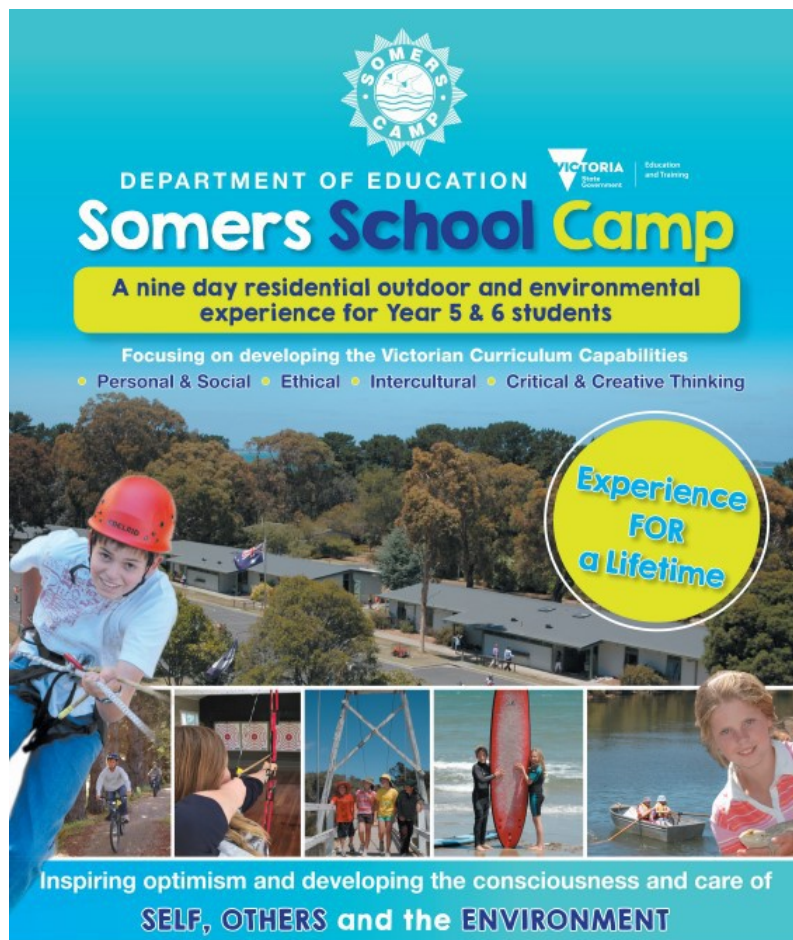
Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) for 2026

A recent Victorian Government announcement regarding BYOD states that school must no longer invite families to purchase or bring their own devices to school in Years F-6. Guthrie Street Primary School has chosen to cease our BYOD program starting next year, 2026.

This news item is being sent to families who have a child in Grade 2 or 3 in 2026 to inform families that we do not require you to provide a BYOD iPad for the commencement of 2026 school year.

Note for families who have students currently in Grade 2,3,4 and 5. Students who already own a device and bring this to school can continue to do so until they finish primary school.

If you have any questions, please contact Michael Donovan



The poster for Somers School Camp features a blue background with a sunburst logo at the top center containing the text 'SOMERS CAMP'. Below the logo, it reads 'DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION' and 'VICTORIA State Government Education and Training'. The main title 'Somers School Camp' is in large, bold, yellow and white letters. A yellow banner below the title states 'A nine day residential outdoor and environmental experience for Year 5 & 6 students'. Further down, it says 'Focusing on developing the Victorian Curriculum Capabilities' followed by a list: 'Personal & Social • Ethical • Intercultural • Critical & Creative Thinking'. A large yellow circle on the right contains the text 'Experience FOR a Lifetime'. The central image shows a student in a red helmet and harness rappelling down a rope. Below this are five smaller images: a student on a bicycle, a student in a canoe, a group of students standing together, a student holding a red surfboard, and a student in a canoe. At the bottom, it says 'Inspiring optimism and developing the consciousness and care of SELF, OTHERS and the ENVIRONMENT'.

SOMERS CAMP

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION VICTORIA State Government Education and Training

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- Personal & Social • Ethical • Intercultural • Critical & Creative Thinking

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Inspiring optimism and developing the consciousness and care of
SELF, OTHERS and the ENVIRONMENT

Years 5 & 6 Students from Schools in your area will be participating in the Somers Camp.

From: Tuesday 12th May 2026 To: Wednesday 20th May 2026

FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE SENT SOON
www.somerscamp.vic.edu.au

E-Scooter and Recreational Vehicle Safety

Students and families are reminded about the safe and legal use of e-scooters and other recreational vehicles.

While riding to school is a great option for many students, please be aware that riding e-scooters (or similar recreational vehicles) on footpaths is not allowed under Council's Local Law.

Instead, students should dismount and walk their recreational vehicle through these areas.

These rules apply to all recreational vehicles including:

- E-scooters
- Bikes
- Skateboards
- Rollerblades
- Monkey bikes
- Motorised go-karts
- Other petrol or battery-powered recreational vehicles



Victoria Police will be working with Council to monitor these areas – their focus is on keeping everyone safe and ensuring riders know the rules.

More info is available at shepp.city/recvehicles

Thanks for helping to look out for everyone's safety!

Guthrie Street Second Hand Uniform Shop

If you would like any pre-loved Guthrie St uniforms, please ring Ronika on 0458 281 833.

Guthrie St IRON ON TRANSFERS

Iron on transfers are now available from the School Office.

Red for Polo Shirts and Blue for windcheaters - \$2.50 each



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Please contact the office if you have any queries. You can also follow us on Facebook and Instagram @guthriestreetps

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