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Principal's Report

Literacy and Numeracy Week Monday 29th August – Friday 2nd September

This theme is *The Fundamentals are Fun* and to launch the week, whole school joined in to have a cross age session together.

On Monday, straight after assembly, all the students met together in the Learning Street and in rooms 1, 2, 3 & 4. They then got into groups or pairs to do a Numeracy activity together which was either to play a card game, bingo, a game involving strategy such as connect 4, chess, battleships or another board game brought from home. They may also have chosen a story to share together.

The students worked very well together and some reflections are as follows:

Macca (Prep) – What I liked was reading *The Ticklish Octopus* with my buddy.

Marc (Prep) – I liked winning the bingo and getting a pass to The Pancake Parlour.

Ania (Gr5) – I enjoyed reading a book to my buddy and also listening to my buddy read to me.

Leto – I loved bingo. I was really close to winning.

David V (Gr5) - I enjoyed Mr J's morning television show.

Will (Prep) – I enjoyed when we read *Who Sank the Boat?*

Vansh (Prep) - I loved when we were singing songs.

Michael (Gr5) I enjoyed reading to my buddy and working with him.

Also during the week 5 Bingo numbers were called over the loud speaker every day. While the Preps are at Healesville tomorrow, Ms Bruce will check off their numbers. The class who will be announced the winner will be the one who has the numbers marked off the quickest. If we need to, more numbers will be called until there is a winner.

Parent Opinion Survey 2011

Thank you to those parents who have already returned their survey, but we are still hoping to get in the last few by tomorrow at the latest.

Drawing/Design and caption competition – “What I like about Glen Huntly Primary School”

Thank you to the families who have responded to the School Council's idea of a competition for

families to design and draw something that depicts what they like about GHPS. Voting will be taking place shortly and more information will be in next week's newsletter.

2012 Prep Enrolment

Could all parents who have a preschooler coming to school next year send in their enrolment form this week as we would like to get the forms entered on the system for next year and to get an idea of what numbers we are looking at for our prep classes.

Junior School Council

A big thank you to everyone who supported the Junior School Council's Winter warmer Fundraiser for the State School's Relief Appeal. All the receipts are in and we have raised \$109 which will be donated to State School's relief.

Fete Meeting

The next Fete meeting will be held tonight, Thursday 1st September in the East Site Staff Room at 7pm. All welcome.

Jump Rope for Heart

The students are doing so well with practicing their skipping. Every recess and lunch, there are loads of children skipping and keeping fit, trying to skip in pairs and improve on their own. Well done everyone and keep up the great work. The Jump Off day has been moved to Friday 9th September so as not to impact on the Art and LOTE program. We also hope to raise some sponsorship money for the Heart Foundation so we hope families can support this worthy charity and make a donation to which our school will contribute.

Finance & School Council September Meeting

This will be held next Monday 5th September in the East Site Staff Room. Finance will meet at 6.30pm followed by School Council at 7pm.

Exciting News- It's A Girl

Kerrie and Bernie FitzGerald are very thrilled to announce the safe arrival of Phoebe Judith FitzGerald, born 30th August weighing 6lb 5oz. Everyone well and elated! Congratulations!

Happy Fathers' Day to all dads on Sunday!

Libby Alessi - Principal

ZOO EXCURSION – GRADE 3/4

NOTICES DISTRIBUTED TO PARENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>NOTICE</u>
29/8/11	All children	Family Games Night

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARD

Congratulations to the following students who received a 'Student of the Week' Award at last Monday's Assembly:

Kellyn PB – Great work learning about money

Jim PT – Fantastic effort in making Gingerbread people and excellent procedure writing.

Hisha 2T – Well organised factual text about the digestive system

Shreeya 2T – Good use of a number line for 2 digit subtraction

Gail 3/4M – For consistently writing interesting stories and poems

Noah 3/4M – For a great poem entitled 'The Boat'

Arman 3/4M – For an excellent storyboard plan for the story 'Jack the Dunnart'

Yael 3/4S – For excellent work in solving division problems

Ritish 3/4S – For excellent work in solving division problems

Ben 3/4S – For creating a detailed storyboard to plan his narrative

Vansh 3/4S – For using a storyboard to plan his story about a 'Diamond Snake'

Elouise 5/6J – Great work with protractors in Maths activities

Namit 5/6J – Great work in maths using protractors

Sunny 5/6J – Great contribution to Ultranet collaborative learning

LITERACY & NUMERACY CROSS AGE GRADE 1 & 3/4S

- I had fun playing "go Fish" – Bansari
- I had lots of fun playing 'Snakes & Ladders'- Kanak
- I had fun playing 'Snap'
- I had fun reading 'Charlie & Lola' book – Pia
- I liked Hanna reading 'The kitten wants a Home'-Tess
- I had fun reading Jack & the Beanstalk – Max
- Sophie, Akshata, Bianca & Miriam had fun playing 'Snakes & Ladders'
- I really had fun playing 'Guess Who' and cards and also reading a story with my partner, Amelia. We also talked about the book on Literacy & Numeracy day. – Noopur
- On Monday the grade ones came over to play and read with 3/4S for Literacy & Numeracy Week. – Zoe
- At the end of our cross-age activity everyone played charades. It was cool! - Phoebe

On Tuesday, 30th August we went to the zoo for an excursion. The first thing we did was we had to go to the discovery centre for a lesson to touch animals. My favourite part at discovery centre was getting to touch the wombat. I liked looking at the lions, wild dogs and the seals. My favourite part at the zoo was when we saw the baby spider monkey. I liked the zoo.

By Jarred

Yesterday 30th August 3/4M & 3/4S went to the Melbourne Zoo. When we arrived we went to the Discovery Centre. At first they showed us two birds. One of them was a Major Mitchell Cockatoo and the other one was a Red Tailed Cockatoo. We got to feed them sunflower seeds. After that we went into the Discovery building. When we were inside we got to touch a snake which was called a Milk Snake. After we got to feel a tortoise and it felt very rough. And the last animal we touched was a Green Tree Frog. When we touched it we had to get water squirted on our hands. After that we visited all the animal enclosures. We visited the elephants, markets, giraffes, zebras and many more. My favourite part was when we went to the reptile house because my favourite animal is the turtles and I enjoyed looking at them. I enjoyed going to the zoo. **By Daphne**

On the 30th August grade 3/4M & 3/4S went to the Melbourne Zoo. The first thing we did was the Animal Discovery Centre. We got to touch some animals like the milk snake, turtle and a green tree frog. Then after we saw a bilby. It was cute. Later after the animal discovery centre, we had our snack. Then we saw more animals like gorillas, echidnas, mandrills and lots more but my favourite was the spider monkey. Then last but not least the reptile house. I enjoyed the zoo.

By Yael

Yesterday, 30th August my class and I visited the Melbourne Zoo. First we visited the Major Mitchell Cockatoo and the Red Tailed Cockatoo. Then we had a lesson. We got to touch a snake (that felt like leather), a tortoise and a frog. Then we went into a cave. There were nocturnal animals there! At snack time there were lots of birds. Just as I went to put some rubbish in the bin, some seagulls circled me! Annoying. We saw lots of animals. Gorillas, lions and elephants. The giraffe and the zebra were best buddies. We even went into an underwater building. Last of all, we went to the reptile house. It was a good day. **By Joshua**

On Tuesday, 30th August I went to the Royal Melbourne Zoo. I saw lots of animals there. I got a bit scared when I touched Jake the snake because I thought that Jake would bite me. Next, I saw a wombat. He was at the zoo when he was tiny. He got bigger at the zoo. After I saw the beautiful butterflies. The butterflies were happy flying around. After I saw the butterflies I went to the spiders house. I saw all different types of spiders there. I was a bit scared when I saw the lions and tigers because I thought that the lions and the tigers would come and bit me. Last I saw the Reptiles and the pythons they were so scary. Our visit to the zoo was great fun! **By Khushi**

ZOO EXCURSION – GRADE 3/4

On 30th August we went to the zoo. We had to sit on the bus for 45 minutes. When we reached the zoo we met a guy called Tom he took us to meet a Red Tailed Black Cockatoo. Then he took us to the Discovery Centre. There we touched a corn snake, a green tree frog and a turtle. We washed our hands and had our snack. After snack we met some of the animals, an Emperor Tamarin, Red Panda, Quokka, tigers and elephants, they were huge. The butterfly house was cool. We also saw orangatang, bilbies and spiders. We went to the playground and ate our lunch and played. Then we saw the seals, they were quite fun. Next we saw the lions and reptiles then so sadly we had to get on the bus and go back to school. I had a fun day. I wonder if we could go again. **By Rithish**

On Tuesday 30th August grade 3/4S and 3/4M went to the Melbourne Zoo. I sat next to Shreya on the bus. When we arrived at the zoo we first went to the Discovery Centre because we had a lesson there at 10 o'clock. At the Discovery Centre we saw a Red Tailed Black Cockatoo. I fed the Red Tailed Black Cockatoo. We saw a Hairy Nosed Wombat called Mary. We went into the centre and we touched three animals. The animals were, Jake the Corn Snake, a Turtle and a green Tree Frog. After we had snack we went to see the Macaw. We saw the Peacocks, the Quokkas, the Fairy Penguins, the Red Panda, the Gorillas and the Spider Monkeys called baby Estella and grandma Sonya. We saw beautiful fluttering butterflies in the butterfly house, Spiders, Tigers and the Elephants. After lunch we saw the seals and we went in a tunnel to see the seals. We saw the huge roaring lions. We went into the Reptile House and we saw pythons, snakes, crocodiles and turtles. We had a great day at the zoo. **By Jahanvi**

On Tuesday, 3/4's went to the Zoo. We had to go on the bus. The bus driver was a little late. I sat up the back next to Jemma and Schuyler. When we got to the Zoo, we could smell the poo. We went to the Discovery Centre and we met a wombat named Mary. We went into the water room. It had some water animals. We got to pat a snake, a frog and a turtle. Then we had snack. All the seagulls kept swooping us. One nearly pooped on Hannah's spoon. After that we went and looked at the animals. We saw all the monkeys except for the baboons. I liked the quokkas. We also saw the elephants. We went to the butterfly house and a butterfly landed on my hand twice. Soon after that we had lunch. My lunch was boring. After Mr Manuel blew the whistle and we set off again. We saw the zebras and the giraffes and the patterns on them were so cool. We went to the seals and they were doing flips. We also saw the fairy penguins they are so cute. We started to go on our way to the bus. I sat next to Gabi. When we got to school we could play. I think the zoo was fun. I wonder what it would be like to be a seal. **By Phoebe**

GLEN HUNTLY PARENT'S ASSOCIATION NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fri 9th Sept – 5.30 – 7.30 Games Night
Sun 6th Nov – FETE

GPA (Glen Huntly Parent's Association) are the social and fundraising sub committee of Glen Huntly Primary school. We are a small group of parents who are very dedicated to raising the additional funds needed to provide our kids with extra equipment, fun activities and facilities not funded by the Government. GPA also hosts social events to bring the school community together.



CAKE RAFFLE

Congratulations to Libby Alessi on winning Christine's delicious orange cake and thank you Christine for joining the 'Brave Cooks'.

Next week's 'brave cook' is Keerthana (Vicknan 5/6J) so please support Keerthana's efforts and purchase a raffle ticket from your class teacher next Monday for 20cents. You may be the lucky winner!

We are now looking for bakers for Term 4. If you would like to bake a cake please add your name to the list and return to the office. Thank you.

Friday, 9th September – Games Night

Family Games Night 5.30-7.30pm in the Wendy Wilson Hall. Bring a board game, bring your family and join your friends for our first family games night. Admission free! Hot dogs available for dinner on the night but must be pre-ordered. The hot dogs are pork free. Vegetarian hot dogs available on request. A notice went home Tuesday regarding hot dog orders. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

WANTED

Please save your empty 3 or 4 litre juice bottles as we need these for the fete to be used as sandbags.

ICY POLES/HOT CHOCOLATE

Hot chocolate and icy poles are available every Wednesday at lunchtime. You can purchase them for \$1.00 each on Wednesday.

House Points – Hot Chocolate – Mugs

The following houses have received points for students bringing their own mugs for hot chocolate:

	<u>31st August</u>	<u>Total</u>
Batman:	2 points	74
Flinders:	8 points	115
Hume:	2 points	63
Mitchell:	3 points	51

The countdown is on!! Only 66

days until the GHPS fete

FETE NEWS

Thank you to the following families who have collected vouchers for our Fete:

- Nikola – **Sunny’s Fruit & Vegie** \$20 Voucher
- Alvin– **Miss Kitty’s Costumes** \$55 fairy dress with accessories
- Ben – **Lewis Pharmacy** \$50 hamper
- Ben–**The Change Agent Network** \$35 book ‘Work Smarter, Live Better’
- Keanu & Arsha – 10 x \$20 Quicksales Voucher
- Keanu & Arsha – 2 x \$20 Voucher Caribbean Queen Hairdressing
- Gail & Kurt – Rosh Hair & Beauty Eyebrow & Upper Lip Voucher \$30 x 2
- Mackenzie - Safe & Sound Childseat \$250 value from Britax Childcare
- Mackenzie – Personal Training Session value \$120 – from Be Proud Personal Training
- Samantha – Penhalluriacks \$100 Gift voucher
- Mandy – Donation \$40 for Soft Drinks
- Will & Rose – Pet Stock Fish Tank value \$90

Cake Raffle Term 3	
Mon 5 th September	Keerthana
Mon 12 th September	Juliana
Mon 19 th September	Michelle
Cake Raffle Term 4	
Mon 10 th October	Rose
Mon 17 th October	
Mon 24 th October	Donna
Mon 31 st October	Nicole
Mon 7 th November	Michelle
Mon 14 th November	
Mon 21 st November	Elena
Mon 28 th November	Yvonne
Mon 5 th December	
Mon 12 th December	
Mon 19 th December	

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September

- Thurs 1st Sep 9.00 Fathers’ Day Stall
- Thurs 1st Sept 7.00pm FETE committee Meeting
- Thurs 1st Sept 6.00pm Curriculum & Policy mtg
- Fri 2nd Sept 9.00 Preps Healesville Sanctuary
- Mon 5th Sept 6.30 School Council Finance
- Mon 5th Sept 7.00 School Council Meeting
- Fri 9th Sept Jump Rope for Heart
- Fri 9th Sept 9.00 GPA Meeting – Activities Ctr
- Fri 9th Sept 5.30-7.30 Games Night Wendy Wilson hall
- Thurs 22nd Sept 7.00pm Fete Meeting
- Fri 23 Sept 2.30pm End of Term 3 – early finish

October

- Mon 10th Oct 9.00am Start Term 4



DISABILITY Respite & Recreation EXPO 2011

FOR PARENTS AND CARERS LIVING IN THE SOUTHERN REGION

Find out more about opportunities for people with a disability

- Respite Options
- Recreation & Arts Info
- Over 30 Stalls

Wednesday 14th September
10am - 2pm

Beaumaris Community Centre
96 Reserve Road, Beaumaris

Enter through main entrance of Beaumaris Library
MELWAYS REF: 86 D6

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PAUL'S MILK CAPS

Don't forget to collect your Paul's milk caps that have the 10cent logo on the top. Bring them to school and place them in the box in the office.

Available on 2litre Paul's Rev, Smarter White and full cream milk.