



10/09/2026

Principal's Report

Staffing News

A huge congratulations to Miss Ebony Gibson and her fiancé Matt, who are expecting their first child, due in March. We wish them both all the very best. Miss Gibson will be taking Family leave early next year.

Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey – Your Feedback Matters

A reminder to all parents, caregivers and guardians that the 2026 Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is open until Friday 18th September 2026.

Thank you to the 21 families who have already taken the time to complete the survey. We greatly appreciate your feedback and the valuable insights you have provided.

We are encouraging all families who have not yet participated to please take the time to complete the survey. While our response rate has increased, we would like to hear from many more families so that the results provide a meaningful and representative picture of our school community.

Your feedback helps us understand what we are doing well and where we can continue to improve. The results also contribute to our future planning and improvement strategies.

The survey is anonymous, takes approximately 15–20 minutes to complete, and can be completed online using a computer, tablet or smartphone. It is also available in a range of languages other than English.

If you haven't yet completed the survey, please make it a priority before **Friday 18th September**. Details are in the recent Compass post sent to every family. Every response counts, and your feedback genuinely matters to us.

Thank you again to those families who have already participated.

Whole School Photo Shoot – Thursday 17 September

As part of the exciting process of updating our school website with Melbourne-based education marketing agency School Presence, we will be holding a whole-school photo and video shoot on Thursday 17 September. Images and videos will primarily be used for our new website and may also be used in other approved school communications and marketing materials. In accordance with our school's Photography, Filming and Recording Students Policy, students whose families have previously indicated NO to public use of their child's image will not be photographed. If you wish to opt out specifically for this photoshoot, please notify the school office in writing by 4pm Wednesday 16 September 2026. If your child's image is selected for the new website, families will be contacted individually and given a further opportunity to opt out before the website goes live. Please contact the school office on 9560 6371 if you have any questions.

2027 Class Placement Requests

We are about to start the process of making plans for teacher assignments and student placements in 2027. This is a complex process involving a range of factors and allocations. Student and teacher placements will not be finalised until late in the school year. Each year the staff work through a comprehensive process to form classes for the new year. Current teaching teams (including specialist teachers) develop prospective lists based on their knowledge of the students in relation to their academic, social/emotional and physical



needs. We wish to offer parents an opportunity to provide, in writing, any special considerations in terms of any special educational needs their child/ren may have, in line with school policy. Please be aware that we will consider all requests but make **no guarantees** that all requests will be met. Once a placement is determined, it will be considered final.

Please note that specific request for teachers will not be considered. Any special requests from parents regarding the placement of their child/ren must be in writing and emailed to the school at glen.waverley.south.ps@education.vic.gov.au, by no later than Friday 9th October 2026. It is essential to have requests in by this date to assist with planning, staffing and organisation.

Late requests will not be considered.

To further assist us in our planning for the 2027 school year it is imperative that we have as accurate a figure as possible of enrolments for 2027. If you have any kindergarten children ready for Foundation next year and you haven't yet enrolled them, please do so at your earliest convenience. Also, if you know anyone who is intending to enrol their child at GWSPS but hasn't done so already, please encourage them to do so as soon as possible. If they are unsure about the process, please direct them to call the office for assistance. It is equally important to know if any families of children currently in Foundation to Level 5 are leaving GWSPS in 2027. If you are in this category, please inform the office staff using the form over the page.

VPA Conference: Leading with Connection & Purpose

Miss Vaudeau, Mrs Pozzan and I attended the Victorian Principals Association (VPA) Annual Conference in Geelong from Wednesday, 3 September to Friday, 5 September. The theme of this three-day event was Leading with Connection & Purpose.

Conferences such as this provide principals with a valuable opportunity to learn, collaborate and share new ideas that support whole-school improvement. At this year's VPA Conference, a diverse group of presenters challenged principals to reflect on the role of connection, trust and purpose in effective leadership. Across a range of keynote presentations, common themes emerged around fostering collaborative cultures, building psychological safety, communicating with influence, and creating environments where both staff and students can thrive.

Speakers explored the importance of empathy, adaptability and continuous learning, highlighting how human-centred leadership can strengthen wellbeing, engagement and organisational performance. Attendees also gained practical insights into developing trust, cultivating discipline and resilience, understanding motivation, and leading through change with confidence.

A recurring message throughout the event was that leadership is not just about achieving outcomes, but about empowering others, nurturing meaningful relationships and creating the conditions for sustainable growth. We left with fresh perspectives and practical strategies to strengthen connection and purpose within our school communities.

School Council

Our next School Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 15th September commencing at 5:00pm in the staff room. If you would like to attend as a visitor, please contact the office.

Level 5/6 School Camp

I'd like to acknowledge and thank our wonderful parent helpers who attended the Level 5/6 school camp last week. A huge thank you to:

Alec Y - Parent of Chloe

Emily W - Parent of Carter and Lincoln

Xenia K - Parent of Ilias

Neb R - Parent of Antonio



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Sarrah B - Parent of Hasnain
Kushani D - Parent of Venesha

The students had a fantastic time and reflected the values of our school community beautifully. A huge thank you to our amazing staff who attended as well. Well done, everybody!

R U OK?

Today is 'R U OK? Day', reminding us it is an important time to check in with friends and families. The 'R U OK?' website has some great resources, including how to ask others if they're ok, by following the steps: Ask, Listen, Encourage Action, Check in.

If you check in with your children and you're concerned, the Kids Helpline website <https://kidshelpline.com.au/> has a great section for kids aged 5-12 years old. It is a child friendly website which they can access, or you could access together to seek help. Also, 'Parent Line' ph:13 22 89, is available 8am-midnight, seven days a week, to talk through any parenting concerns you have for your child. They can provide counselling and help link you to other local services and much more.



Term 3 Highlights

As always, there have been many highlights to reflect on this term. These include:

- Levels 1-6 Swimming program
- Level 5&6 camp
- Father's Day Morning & Father's Day Stall
- District Athletics – next Wednesday
- 100 days of school for Foundation students
- Book Character Parade & Book Fair
- Maths Olympiad
- Foundation Teddy Bears Picnic (Wednesday 16th September)
- Footy Colours Day Dress Up (Friday 18th September)

Early Finish

Please be reminded that school will be finishing early, at 2.30pm, on Friday 18th September. We will be following the modified timetable below:

9.00am -10.30am Morning sessions 1&2 in classrooms
10.30am -11:00am RECESS
11:00am -1:00pm Footy Colours Day event (parade and the staff/parent vs students matches)
1:00pm - 1.50pm .. LUNCH PLAY
2.00pm – 2:20pm .End of day in classrooms
2.30pm..... Dismissal

Term 4

Please be reminded that term 4 commences on Monday 5th October.

Stay safe and have a wonderful term break!



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Principal



Maths Matters

Mathletics

We encourage all students to access their Mathletics account at home or at school. It is a great resource to help students practise their Maths skills in an interactive way using technology. If your child does not have access to the internet at home to use Mathletics, arrangements can be made with your child's teacher so they can access Mathletics at school.



Certificates are awarded automatically through the Mathletics system and are awarded fortnightly at Friday assemblies. Students will be awarded their first Gold certificate of the year, after that they will be awarded their first Emerald and Legend certificates of the year. Silver, Bronze or any other certificates are not awarded at assembly.

The awarded certificates are collated every fortnight, and the names of the students are published in this newsletter the week after the cycle ends. The students then receive their certificates in assembly the following week, which means students will receive them at assembly a few weeks after they have been awarded to them on their Mathletics account.

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved their first Gold and Emerald certificates in the period: 24th August – 6th September. They will receive their certificates in the last assembly of Term 3:

GOLD	Kudrat C 6J
EMERALD	Michael A-B 3E, Serena P 3E, Zoey K 12S

Mathletics Top 5s

TOP 5 CLASSES		TOP 5 STUDENTS	
Class	Activity Points	Student	Activity Points
5DA	42 984	Eshan K, 5DA	18 840
1/2T	16 017	Kimbrel H, 5DA	13 441
3A	14 578	Randal H, 3A	9678
4A	13 757	Lisa L, 12T	5241
6J	11 745	Haley C, 5DA	4020



Debbie Dimas
Mathematics Co-ordinator

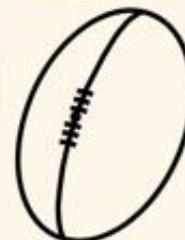




Footy Colours Day!



Last day of Term 3
Friday September 18th



**Wear your favourite footy or
sports team colours!**

Hot dogs and other items are available to pre
order by Friday 11th September
Level 6 students VS Teachers/Parents
in AFL & Netball.

Make sure to bring a gold coin donation for
Fight Cancer Foundation!



By Samuttraa & Chloe



Lost Property

All lost property items are located outside the Performing Arts Room.

Please make sure you and/or your child check through the lost property items before the end of term. Any items not claimed by the end of the term will be given to the Second Hand Uniform Shop for sale.

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Second Hand Uniform Shop

Glen Waverley South Primary School offers the opportunity for its school community to purchase second hand uniforms at a discounted rate.

The second-hand uniform shop is in Interview Room 1 (in the reception area). The second-hand uniform shop is open **Mondays between 3.30pm – 4.00pm**.

If you have any school bags or school clothing items (other than hats) that you no longer use with the current 'RESPECT' logo, consider donating these to the second-hand uniform shop. You can leave these at the office any time between 8.30am – 4.30pm.

The uniform prices are as follows.

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| • Short Sleeve Polo (Navy)\$ 5.00 | • Skort.....\$ 5.00 |
| • Long Sleeve Polo (Navy)\$ 5.00 | • Summer Dress.....\$12.00 |
| • White Polo (Yr 5 & 6 only)\$ 5.00 | • Bootleg Pants\$ 5.00 |
| • Crew Neck Windcheater\$ 5.00 | • Track Pants\$ 7.00 |
| • Hooded Windcheater\$ 7.00 | • Girls Winter Skirt\$15.00 |
| • Bomber Jacket\$25.00 | • Girls Winter Tunic\$15.00 |
| • Unisex Navy Shorts\$ 5.00 | • School bag\$10.00 |

Please note no hats & socks will be sold in the Second-Hand Uniform shop.



Dates to Remember

September 2026

Friday	11 th	Lv 5/6 Basketball Gala Day. School Assembly 2.50pm (families welcome).
Tuesday	15 th	Foundation Second Firefighter Visit.
Wednesday	16 th	Foundation Teddy Bear Picnic. Lv 3-6 District Athletics Day (selected students).
Friday	18 th	Footy Colours Day. JSC Fundraising Hot Dog Lunch. School Assembly at 2pm (families welcome). Last Day of Term 3 – School finishes at 2:30pm. OSH is available on this day from 2.30pm. Bookings are essential, please call Karen on 0409 168 410.

October 2026

Monday	5 th	First Day of Term 4.
Wednesday	7 th	Division Athletics (selected students)
Thursday	8 th	Foundation Swimming Lessons
Friday	9 th	Whole School Production Dress Rehearsal (at school).
Tuesday	13 th	School Production – Whole School Rehearsal (at venue). School Production Night 1.
Wednesday	14 th	School Production Night 2.
Thursday	15 th	Foundation Swimming Lessons.
Friday	16 th	2027 Foundation Students Transition Session – Story Time. School Assembly 2.50pm (families welcome).
Wednesday 21st – Friday 23rd Lv 3/4 Camp – CYC Forest Edge		
Thursday	22 nd	Foundation Swimming Lessons
Thursday	29 th	Foundation Swimming Lessons
Friday	30 th	2027 Foundation Students Transition Session – Fun & Games.





Student of the Week



FG	Aiden M.	For always listening to the teacher and following instructions!
FG	Adam C.B.	For always producing neat work in class!
1/2L	Mahadhi R.	For consistently showing our school values towards others and being a bucket filler!
1/2S	Amaira G.	For always showing our school values of kindness, honesty and fairness.
1/2T	Emma W.	For being a kind and inclusive friend who always makes others feel valued.
1/2T	Sia L.	For identifying the author's purpose in a text and explaining the evidence to support her thinking.
3A	Zuhaan U.	For working collaboratively with your partner during our Inquiry Project.
3A	Eleon L.	For trying your best to share your ideas, answer questions and contribute to our learning.
3E	Ruicheng J.	For working collaboratively with his classmate to create an informative presentation about forces.
4A	Minh Quan D.	For consistently staying focused during learning time, contributing to class discussions and always trying his best. Well done!
4A	Vishruth P.	For actively participating in class discussions. Your enthusiasm for learning and willingness to share your ideas helped create a positive and engaging learning environment.
4C	Oli L.	For always working collaboratively, sharing ideas and supporting your classmates!
4C	Vivaann K.	For consistently challenging yourself in your learning to extend your knowledge!
5DA	Ruixi J.	For doing a great job packing up her cabin on camp and being ready to load her bags. Well done!
5DA	Rishab M.	For working well with his inquiry group making a mind map about natural disasters.
5DA	Robbie S.	For being organised and helping others at camp.
5S	Mikhail F.	For putting a lot of effort during literacy tasks and confidently putting your hand up.
5S	Lachlan O.	For creating a fantastic inquiry poster about the solar system! Well done!
6C	Shannon H.	For showing initiative by helping his cabin mates pack up and keeping the cabin clean and tidy at camp.
6C	Avickna U.	For her enthusiasm and determination, always giving her best effort in every camp activity.
6D	Napapat S.	For understanding and using apostrophes accurately in her writing Awesome work!
6D	Ajay K.	For participating actively and often challenging ideas in the classroom. Awesome!



6J	Kudrat C.	For being helpful and considerate towards others during camp and always willing to lend a helping hand. Well done!
6J	Giselle N.	For showing growth and perseverance in your learning this term. I am so happy to see the progress you have made. Amazing effort!
P.E.	Abheer N.	For always demonstrating a can-do attitude and giving his best in every sport that we play!
P.E.	Trisha P.	For having a red hot go during our netball sessions and trying her best to improve her skills!
Visual Arts	Adanya R.	For fantastic abstract designs inspired by Wassily Kandinsky.
Visual Arts	Suhrab H.	For creative work making patterns with coloured beads.

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Community News

WAVERLEY WILDCATS

COME & TRY
TEAM SELECTION SESSIONS

SUN 30 AUGUST & SAT 5 SEPTEMBER
9:00 - 10:30 AM

BIG LEAGUE: DIAMOND 1
SL90 - DIAMOND 2
SL80/70 - DAVE WARREN (BACK DIAMOND)
LITTLE LEAGUE - DICK MASON (BACK DIAMOND)
ROOKIE BALL - BETWEEN THE BACK DIAMONDS

UNABLE TO MAKE IT ON THE DAY - EMAIL US:
JUNIORS@WAVERLEYBASEBALL.COM.AU



Glen Waverley
CRICKET CLUB

JUNIOR
REGO / OPEN DAY

ALL AGES. BOYS AND GIRLS.

SATURDAY
12TH SEPT
11AM - 12.30PM

FUN CRICKET BASED ACTIVITIES
Skills, games and challenges for all ages!

MEET THE COACHES
Chat with our experienced coaching team

ALL WELCOME
All ages, all abilities.
Boys and girls.

FREE BBQ
& MEET THE COACHES
12PM - 12.30PM

ANY ENQUIRIES
Call Priyantha Gunasekara : 0438 561 241
or via email : juniors.gwcc@gmail.com

BRING A MATE. WE'LL SEE YOU THERE!

BRENTWOOD RESERVE
31 Maylands Crescent,
Glen Waverley

MORE INFO & REGISTER
www.glenwaverleycc.com.au/junior-registration




INDOOR SPORTS SPECIALISTS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM age 5-12

21-SEP TO 2-OCT | 8AM-4:30PM

- Multi-sports
- Inflatables
- Arts n' Crafts
- Nerf
- Face Painting
- Bumper Cars
- Circus Workshop
- & MUCH MORE

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

NERF \$338 FOR 10

DODGEM CARS \$328 FOR 10

SPACE JUMP \$268 FOR 10

BUBBLE SOCCER \$338 FOR 10

LASER TAG \$378 FOR 10

MULTI-SPORTS \$318 FOR 10

PRIVATE FUNCTION \$510 FOR 2 HOURS

party food incl.

APPROVED BY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Community News



**EILDON PARK
CRICKET CLUB**

JUNIOR REGISTRATIONS OPEN · 2026/27

Super 7s – Under 18s

Rowville's home of junior cricket. All abilities & new players welcome!

JOIN THE PANTHERS



Scan to Register

Eildon Park Reserve, Tyers Cres, Rowville

Season: Oct 2026 – Mar 2027

ENQUIRIES

Brad Wilkins

Junior Cricket Coordinator

0490 243 607

epccjuniors@gmail.com



LIONS CLUB OF WHEELERS HILL

ANNUAL PLANT SALE

CNR SPRINGVALE & WAVERLEY ROADS
GLEN WAVERLEY

9AM TO 3PM

25 OCTOBER 2026

SPECIAL GUEST CELEBRITY GARDENER

VASILI KANIDIADIS 9AM -12 NOON



Glen Waverley South Primary School

ABN 49 140 012 401

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