



# Newsletter

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## October 26th

### From the Principal's Desk....

We are well into the swing of things. Term 4 is always busy but exciting as we prepare our graduating Grade 6 students for their transition to high school as well as introducing our new Preps to the start of their educational journey.

Please keep an eye on the events calendar in the newsletter as this is how you will be able to keep up to date with what is happening at school. Some activities coming up in the next few weeks include the grade 3/4 camp, Milo Cricket, puppet incursion, Curriculum day, Melbourne Cup, The Gordon Fair and the Ballan Lioness BBQ just to name a few. This is all happening in the next few weeks.

#### Compass

Next year we will be moving to a new three way (student, parent and school) communication and reporting system. This will replace Tiqbiz (flexibuzz) and our current reporting software, further improving the communication between school and home. Staff have been "getting to know" the system and are looking forward to the whole school implementation in 2018. I will be sending home further details including parent usernames and passwords before the end of the year.

#### Grounds

You may have noticed that our grounds are improving with numerous maintenance works taking place. Thankyou to Brian and Kate for volunteering their time around the school. It is much appreciated by the whole community.

#### Ballan Market

Thank you to Tania, Jo, Michael and Megan for donating their time to assist at the market. Once again this is much appreciated by the whole community.

#### Gordon Fair

Not long to go now! Mrs Brooks has a roster at the front office for anyone wishing to donate some time on the day supervising the jumping castle. Please see the front office if you can assist. This will be a great event for the community and is also our major fundraiser for the year. Please promote it in your circles so that we can get as many people to the event as possible.

#### Raffle Tickets

Thankyou to the families who have returned their tickets. If you have not already done so, please return these by Monday.

#### Cricket

Well done to our 3 and 4 students who participated in Milo cricket last week. They all had fun and played well.

#### Music 2018

Music will be taught as a specialist subject in 2018. This will compliment PE, Indonesian, Health and S.T.E.M (SAKG, Wood etc). Our students are extremely lucky at Gordon PS to have such a broad curriculum on offer.

#### Presentation Night

We are currently trying to confirm dates and times of our end of year function. We will have these available for next week's newsletter.

#### Happy Birthday

We would like to wish Happy Birthday to Rohan and to any members of our community who are celebrating their special day.

***Have a great weekend,***

***Russel Cowan***

***Principal***

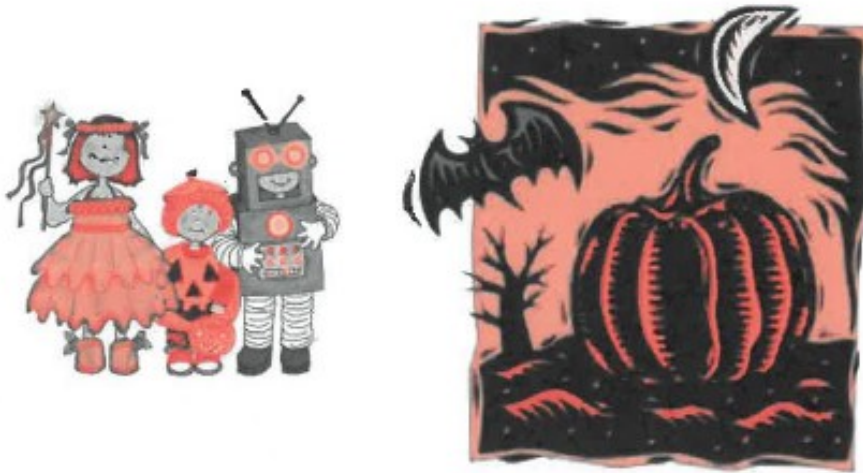
Dear Parents/Guardians

The Junior School Council are holding a Halloween Dress Up Day on Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> October, you can dress up as something scary, pretty or funny, etc. If you would like to dress up please bring along a gold coin donation.

Come along and participate in our Dress Up Day. See you looking your best - whatever that may be.

Thanks,

Junior School Council



## Term 4 Challenge

### “The Petibalds”

We all know about the Archibald Prize, awarded annually to the best portrait.

We are running the “**Petibald Prize**”. Each family is invited to submit a painting, drawing or print of either their own pet, a pet they know or perhaps even a famous pet. All entries must be the original work of the family made this term.

We will display all works and nominate a winner at our end of year function which is sure to be a great event. The more entries, the better the event!

# October 2017

**Mon**

**Tue**

**Wed**

**Thu**

**Fri**

**Sat**

**Sun**

23	24	25	26 Grade 5/6 Cricket	27 Raffle Tickets Due Back	28	29
30	31 JSC Halloween Dress Up					

# November 2017

**Mon**

**Tue**

**Wed**

**Thu**

**Fri**

**Sat**

**Sun**

		1 WWII Puppet Incursion	2	3 Walk to School Day	4	5
6 Curriculum Day	7 Melbourne Cup Public Holiday	8 Camp Wyuna P—4	9 Camp Wyuna 3-4	10 Camp Wyuna 3-4	11	12 Gordon Fair
13 Assembly	14	15	16 Grade 6 Graduation Photo 2018 Prep Info Session	17 2018 Prep Transition Morning	18 Lioness BBQ	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Assembly	28	29	30			

*All dates were correct at the time of going to print however they may be subject to change.*

# Students of the Week



Prep  
Grade One  
Grade Two  
Grade Three  
Grade Four/Five

Perry and Elke  
Olivia and Josh  
Diana, Milla, Ashton and Finlay  
Matilda, Leah, Asher and Caitlin  
Sid and Riley

Indonesian

Tharaa and Bryan

The Grade that sold the most movie tickets was  
Grade 3.



# Our Grade 3/4 Cricketers



The winner of the book fair lolly jar was Jackson J.

# FAMILY PORTRAIT

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### BOOK TO RECEIVE *for \$15*

- 20 minute portrait session
- 20 minute viewing / selection session
  - 8"x12" print
- Glass bottle frame + print of your choice
  - Complimentary retouching (Remove unwanted dribble or bumps!)
- Opportunity to purchase the BEST value packages & lowest cost options!

We also have the best value digital files available!

#### *Wallace & District Kinder Family Portrait Fundraiser*

The easiest way to have boutique portraits, book now to secure your session!

WHEN: Sunday 19th of November  
 WHERE: Outdoors at the Kinder  
 TO BOOK: head to [www.averandline.com.au/book](http://www.averandline.com.au/book)  
 enter the password **hooray2** and select your kinder + session time  
 then pay your \$15 online  
 BOOK BY: Monday the 13th of November  
 CONTACT/QUESTIONS: Jo on 0407 805 760

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# Gordon Community Fair

**SUNDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2017**

**10AM-4PM**

**GORDON RECREATION RESERVE**

**\$5 ENTRY PER PERSON** (CHILDREN UNDER 5 FREE)

- Face Painting
- Jumping Castles
- Petting Zoo
- Pony Rides
- Showbags
- Food Stalls
- Craft/Market Stalls
- Emergency Services Display
- Live Local Entertainment
- Victoria Police Pipe Band
- Sporting Activities
- Plus much more!



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