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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to the Elders both past, present and emerging.

Dear GVSS Parents and Community,

The last newsletter was written just before the 150th celebration, so it seems appropriate to start this newsletter by reflecting on the 150th. Despite the day being less than ideal in the weather department, the event was still overwhelmingly well supported by our community. There have been many community members, former staff members of the school and members of our current school community who have commented on how well organised and enjoyable the day was.

It is important to acknowledge, that days like the 150th celebration could not occur without the many countless hours of work put in by parents, volunteers and staff. While it would fill the entire newsletter naming everyone who contributed to the event, it is important to acknowledge the many and various roles people played on the day and say thank you too each and everyone. I also need to single out Andrea Walk and the P & C for their leadership and efforts in making the event a success. I also need to thank the Glamorgan Vale State School staff, who volunteered their time on a Saturday to support and assist at the 150th.

The day was certainly a highlight for the students and many members of our community.

Ball Games Carnival

We are looking forward to a fun day of competition at the Ball Games Carnival at Marburg tomorrow. Our teams have been practicing every afternoon this week in preparation. Lets go Glamorgan Vale!!!

Moderation and Planning Days

This week has seen our teachers travelling to Mackenzie State Primary School to work with other teachers from the cluster of small schools we work with. Teachers have moderated assessments for Term 3, which is a process that helps quality assure the marking and grades given to student work. The days also allow us to work together as we plan next terms learning together.

Readers Cup State Finals

Our team, comprised of Femke, Keith, Lachie, Lorelei and Mia, did an excellent job last Thursday at the State Finals of the Readers Cup. There were teams present representing every region of Queensland, from the Far North to the South-West. Glamorgan Vale placed 5th out of 18 teams and was only a couple of points behind the winners, St Joseph School from Atherton in North Queensland.

Child Protection Day - next Friday

The P & C has been successful in obtaining a grant to celebrate Child Protection week. To celebrate they are organising a fun-filled stay for the whole school next Friday. Stay tuned next week to see what the day will bring for the last day of Term 3!

School Camp - EOI

Expression of Interests in this year's whole school camp are due tomorrow. Once we have confirmed numbers attending, we will be able to finalise final costs and travel arrangements. Excitement is building as we prepare for a fantastic camp in 2025 at Lennox Heads!!!

Beginning of Term 4

The beginning of next Term will see an opportunity for Parent-Teacher Interviews, our Prep Orientation morning and our Book Week celebrations. Look out for the date claimers in the newsletters.

Sincerely,

Aaron McDonnell

School Date Claimers

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Child Protection Awareness Day Friday 19th September

Last day of term 3 Friday 19th September

First day of term 4 Tuesday 7th October

Prep Orientation Thursday 23rd October

Swimming Weeks 3 – 7 Friday 24th October – 21st November

Book Fair Monday 3^d November – Thursday 6th November

Book Week Parade Thursday 6th November 9am

Year 4-6 Camp Drewe Wednesday 26th November – Friday 28th November

Community Date Claimers

P & C Meeting Friday 12th September 7:30am

Keep a watch on our school these holidays

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see something suspicious, please don't attempt to intervene. Call School Watch on 13 17 88 and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

The School Watch program is a partnership between the Department of Education and Training, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.



Readers' Cup State Final

On Thursday 4th September, 5 enthusiastic students represented our school at the Readers' Cup State Final at Moreton Bay College.

We placed 5th with 72.75 points and tied winners of round 2 with 3 other schools. A huge congratulations to all.

A shout out goes to the parents and caregivers who attended the Readers' Cup, supporting and cheering on our participants from the sidelines.

Well done everyone!





Glamorgan Vale State School Book Fair

Week 5 Term 4 2025 - Commences Monday 3rd November Come dressed as a book character - Thursday 6th November

Blue card changes are coming from 20 September including:

- parent volunteers will require blue cards if:
 - services or activities do not include their own child
 - they attend overnight excursions or camps
 - close personal contact may occur with another child (such as assisting with toileting, bathing or dressing)
- external businesses, such as those providing services in schools or to children, will need a blue card.



150th Celebrations

On Saturday 30th August we celebrated our 150th Anniversary. It was wonderful to see so many people from the Glamorgan Vale community come along to celebrate this special occasion.





























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Next week marks the end of another busy term. Congratulations to our May Pole team on a successful performance under difficult conditions. Despite the weather, the 150th celebrations provided us with an opportunity to showcase our fabulous school and have some fun. Congratulations also to our Readers' Cup team who competed at the State finals recently. It is a big commitment to read all of the required books and are students again showed they have a strong work ethic. After such a busy term, students can take a well-earned break knowing that they have been able to 'aim high' this term.

In, Maths we have focussed on measurement, angles and space. Another big focus has been fractions, decimals and percentages. To develop students' understanding of fractions, students undertook a series of rotations. In one rotation, students used a variety of measuring utensils to convert and compare fractions. The following photos show some of the students hard at work doing













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P&C ROUNDUP

11th September 2025

P&C Executive

President: Andrea Walk 0438839365
Vice President: Sheree Stillaway
Treasurer: Jason O'Sullivan
Secretary: Chrissy Johnson

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Tuckshop

Next Tuckshop is Tuesday 16 September, and it will be the last tuckshop for the term being week 10!

Uniform Shop

The new hats have arrived!! So, the uniform shop is now fully stocked! Uniform shop will also be open by appointment if you need to come outside these times. Call Andrea 0438839365 if you have any queries or to make an appointment.

150th

Thank you so much to everyone the supported the 150th celebration. We hope you all had an amazing day despite the wind.

Pavers

Pavers are still for sale for the memorial garden near the well for \$100. Secure your spot in the history of Glamorgan Vale State School. Pavers will be available until the end of Term 3.

150th Book

Thanks to those who have ordered a 150th book. Your order has been received and will be distributed with the second run of books. Cost is just \$30. If you would still like a copy of the book, please let me know by Tuesday 16th.

Child Protection Week Fun Fair

Our annual Child Protection week fun fair will be held on 19th September. More information will come home shortly.

Next Meeting

12 September 2025 7.30am Resource Centre

150th Celebrations

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