

Glen Huon Primary School

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Term 1 Week 4 Principals Update — Rob McArdle

Dear GHPS Families,

Welcome back for 2022. It has been a different start to a school year with so much focus on COVID19, however amidst the disruption we have all faced, children have settled in well and got off to a wonderful start. As students have settled, they have worked hard to display our four expectations in and out of the classrooms adjusting well to the timetable and playground changes.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club will recommence next Monday, however will only be operating on Mondays and Thursdays. The breakfast club location has also changed and will now run out of the canteen.

COVID-19 update

- Learning at home

Our staff have been busy preparing for remote learning support. To access our Learning at Home information and plan, click here . This is a growing resource with additional documentation to be added leading into next week.

- Relief teaching

We are well prepared for the disruptions and impacts from COVID-19 outbreaks on the continuity of teaching across our school. Over the coming weeks and months there will be many occasions where relief teachers are in classrooms for a prolonged period of time. Whilst a number of our regular relief staff are familiar to students, there will be new faces. We will do our best to inform families early that relief staff will be in classrooms, however it will not always be possible.

- How we communicate information

When major updates are received resulting in changes to school operations this will be communicated as a formal update through Class Dojo. Links to all correspondence and downloads will direct you to our school website where information will remain stored for ongoing access.

- Kindergarten drop off and collection changes

Starting Monday, we are making changes to how students in LA1-3 are dropped off and collected each day. Access to this area of the school will now be through a gate located on the main oval providing entry to the playground or outdoor area of LA1-3.

This gate will be opened at 8:10am each morning and 2:20pm of an afternoon.

The LA1-3 staff will communicate some additional procedures around lunchboxes, water bottles and how student bags will be managed.

To assist with this change, it is important to note that access to school grounds is for drop off and pick up only. Parents / caregivers do need to leave the school site as quickly as possible each day. Additionally, to avoid congestion under the back verandahs, please wait on the grassed areas and children will be dismissed to parents / caregivers.

- Gatherings and events

Gatherings and events are on hold until further notice. Excellence awards will still be handed out and students recognised for their wonderful efforts.

- Parents / Caregivers on site

Under the current restrictions, parents and caregivers are allowed onsite to drop off and collect their children. Parents / caregivers do not need to wear masks outdoors unless social distancing is not possible. To reduce any potential COVID-19 outbreaks at GHPS, please take note of the following:

- Parents / caregivers cannot remain on school grounds after school to chat with other parents unfortunately, it's drop off and collection only
- Playgrounds are out of bounds after school
- Masks must be worn outdoors when social distancing is not possible (major collection points outside of classrooms)
- Community groups who use the school grounds after school have prior arrangements in place must comply with any relevant restrictions
- The front office foyer has a maximum capacity of 4 people.

We appreciate your support and understanding as we all do our best to minimise the impact of COVID-19 at GHPS.

School handbook

Our 2022 School Handbook is now online and available to download. The School Handbook is our one stop shop covering all of the major areas of information for our school families.

Please click <u>here</u> to access this document.

School Board nomination

There are 3 parent / caregiver places available on our school board due to recent retirements. The school board is a vital committee overseeing major strategic and policy decisions at GHPS. Please click <a href="https://decisions.new.good.new.goo

I encourage any interested parents / caregivers to consider nominating for the school board. If more than 3 nominations are received, then an election occurs. Only the parent / caregiver community can vote on parent / caregiver nominations. Please contact me if any further information is needed.

Therapist appointments

Please note that if your child has a scheduled therapist appointment onsite at GHPS and is absent, parents / caregivers need to inform the therapist of this. Missed appointments without notification may result in therapist providers passing on a fee.

Student information contact forms

We have about 75% of the student information contact forms received. It is of high importance that we have 100% accurate details for when we need to contact families. Please return completed forms to the school as soon as possible. Well done also to LA7 who returned all of their forms the quickest in the school.

Bike racks

A large number of bikes and scooters are not being locked up. We encourage all students to lock their bikes and scooter for greater protection against possible theft.

Parking

Parking is an ongoing challenge each afternoon. As communicated before, we are working with the Department of Education, Shire of Dardanup and Department of Finance to come up with longer term solutions.

In the interim, we are getting complaints from house owners on Monash Bvd that driveways are being used or blocked in. This is a Shire of Dardanup matter and I'm of the understanding that these matters are being referred to the Rangers.

Additionally, we ask that families please not start lining up at Kiss and Drive until 2:30pm at the earliest. As cars line up earlier, the road to the carpark area gets blocked causing further parking difficulties. Also, as the line of cars begins to flow and build up on the road, other issues occur. I acknowledge there is no easy fix for this, however arriving later may assist.

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Rob McArdle

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Community News

Online Workshops January to April 2022

Communication in Relationships

Thursday 10 February

6.30pm-9pm

People who communicate with care create healthy relationships. This session covers the basic principles for communicating with those you love to gain clarity and achieve respectful relationships. The workshop is open for everyone to attend, whether they are currently in a relationship or not.

Emotion Coaching Your Child

Monday 21 February

6.30pm-9pm

We explore the most helpful way of responding to a child to help them to learn how to regulate their own emotions.

Dads and Daughters

Thursday 24 February

6.30pm-9pm

As the primary male role model in a girl's life, Dad holds the key to her self-esteem. This workshop will identify some of the potential pitfalls for dads and give you some tips to build a rewarding father-daughterrelationship.

Self Worth: An Introduction

Wednesday 16 March

6.30pm-9pm

Healthy self worth is one of the keys to physical and emotional well-being. It is central to our motivation and plays a big part in our capacity to make decisions and choices.

Supporting Your Anxious Child

Monday 21 March

6.30pm-9pm

For parents and carers. This workshop explores anxiety in an easy-to-understand format and gives you strategies to support your anxious child.

Understanding Angry Emotions

Wednesday 30 March

6.30pm-9pm

This session aims to help you understand anger and turn it to your advantage. It includes how we mismanage anger and how we can learn to respond and not react in an unhelpful way.

Healthy Conflict in Relationships

Monday 4 April

6.30pm-9pm

Are you often in conflict with others? Don't be too worried - differences are part of any relationship and can be healthy. Learn how to manage conflict and make it constructive. This workshop is suitable for individuals and couples.

Please phone 6164 0200 to enrol.

Bookings, registrations and payment prior to the session are required. Times are Western Standard Time WST Attendees will need a Computer/Laptop/Tablet with webcam and microphone (smart phones are not suitable).

For more information about our courses and workshops, please click here or visit www.relationshipswa.org.au



Uniform Concepts

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OPEN: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9am - 5pm & Saturday 9am - 12pm



2022 Voluntary Contributions

2022 voluntary contributions are now due and can be paid directly at the front office or by direct deposit: Name: Glen Huon Primary School BSB: 066-040 Account: 199 000 14

Reference: student first name initial and surname (i.e. J Bloggs)

School Times

8:10am - classrooms open

8:30am - day commences

11:00am - 1st lunch 12:55pm - 2nd lunch

2:35pm - day concludes

Breakfast Club

Monday, Thursday @ 8am

in the Undercover Area



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