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GARDENVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

ONWARD AND UPWARD

Special Centenary Edition

News

Magnificent 100!

Gardenvale PS celebrated its 100 years in magnificent fashion. The Centenary Assembly was a wonderful event. Returning teachers, students and parents were greeted by The Jets singing as they walked through a 'welcoming guard of honour' of Year 6 students. Many of the returning guests were so overawed by the welcome, I am told some did a second lap to savour the experience!



It was just lovely to see and chat to so many of the folk who decided to return to their old school. The day was perfect, the ground of Gardenvale looked superb, thanks largely to the hard-working attendees at the Year 3 Working Bee on the previous Sunday.



Tricia Ciampa, our School Council President, did a splendid job in hosting the Assembly and welcoming and introducing guests including Bert Hosking (former Gardenvale Principal), Hugh Maguire (former student and current GPS parent) and Peter Thompson (former student and current GPS grandparent).

All our speakers shared some of their lovely memories of Gardenvale – noting how the school yard had changed, spoke of simple games they played in



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various locations of the schoolyard. Comment was made by Bert Hosking (after whom Hosking House is named) that although the buildings and grounds had changed (referring to the COLA and turfed playing fields) the thing that had always been a hallmark of Gardenvale still remains – great teachers, great students and a wonderful parent community! How true!

We are grateful to Tim McRae and Year 2 students, Evie and Sam for their Acknowledgement of Country – it was the perfect way to start the assembly!

The Jets continued their great work with the singing of a beautiful rendition of 'Proud Mary'. Other highlights followed! The first was the unveiling of the spectacular Commemorative Mosaic – the brain child of Michele Jones-made by our Year 5 students under the guidance of artist Debbie Qadri. Secondly, the whole school singing the '100 Years' song written by our own musical maestros Julie Pitts and Tom Pitts! Thirdly, a little bit of light relief came in the form of the 'cleaning lady' introducing the features of the new art room which was officially opened – thanks Mrs Jones!



Following the assembly, guests enjoyed walking around the school, meeting up with old classmates and colleagues and partaking in a beautiful morning tea at their designated 'decade tables'.

It was wonderful to see the interaction and enthusiasm for pursuing old photos attendance rolls and registration documents and other memorabilia, so beautifully presented and displayed by Michele Jones, Marg Long and Sharon Westwick. A particularly large 'Thank You' to Marg Long, who over the years has meticulously collected and filed an amazing collection of photos, articles, and news events from the past decades. A massive thank you to Michele Jones who put her heart and soul into so many aspects of the Centenary Celebrations, including all the displays, both in the library and the new art room, facilitating the mosaic, making a movie of old school photos, the list goes on!!



This event would not have been possible without a team of hardworking parents and staff. Firstly, special thanks must go to Ali Rehn for leading, for the past 3 years, the organisation of the Centenary event. Ali led a team of parents and staff to ensure everything was perfectly planned and executed. I would sincerely like to thank the key members of the organising committee Felicia Welstead, Robyn Krawitz, Michele Jones, Julie Pitts, Danielle Egerton, Lyla Hennig, Nicky Martin and Hugh Maguire, as well as Sarah Cavalier and Penny Featherstone for the graphic art and drone photography. It was truly a great celebratory occasion!

Magnificent Take 2 – The Centenary School Fair

Our School Fair was certainly a wonderfully happy and enjoyable occasion for our school community. Everyone in attendance were treated to a wide variety of ways to spend their money and time, including: buying books, scooters and bikes, shopping at the sumptuous cake stall, potting a plant, bidding on the Silent Auction, a meal from

the barbecue or a welcome coffee. The Year Level Side Show Alley activities, the Reptile Show and Coding program proved very popular with the children as did all the rides. The library displays of photos, memorabilia, registers, etc were again very popular as visitors flocked to see some Gardenvale history. Thanks again Michele, Sharon and Marg for the many hours they spent helping people to enable them to take home a special memory of their childhood!

The Fair Planning Committee was well supported by many dedicated Gardenvale parents, teachers, students and friends. We can't thank you enough for all your hard work, time and energy you put in to ensure we had another great community event in aid of our wonderful school. From the early hours of the morning many volunteer parents and staff bought the plans of the Fair Committee to fruition.

A massive thank you to the tireless, hardworking and thoroughly organised Fair Committee for bringing the whole event together:

- Danielle Egerton - Event Manager/Fair Coordinator
- Felicia Welstead - Event Manager and Logistics
- Hugh Maguire and Alida Karro – Food and Health Safety
- Jodie Holthouse and Lisa Schafer – Silent Auction
- Robyn Krawitz - Positivity Co-ordinator and PFA President
- Soozy Jones – Finance
- Pauline Dunn and Maree Prosser – Finance and Fair Support
- Shaheen Khan – Waste Management
- Deb Putt – Waste Management, Bayside Council Liaison and Logistics
- Deb Liebhaber – Bikes, Scooters and Books
- Lainey Hanen - Rides
- Yana Mader – Cake Stall
- Sharon Yeo – Plant Stall



Our final thank you goes to the team behind the entertainment: Julie Pitts, Tom Pitts, The Jets, Kids Crazy, Year 2 and Year 3/4 Choirs, the Talent Show participants, for keeping us all entertained throughout the day!

I would like to pass on my sincere thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make the Fair a success. Every bit of help, from baking a cake, donating a prize, helping during setting up, buying a raffle ticket, coming to the event, helping to pack up and tidy up.....every piece of help adds up to the whole! Finally, events like this don't just happen and run smoothly without a lot of hardwork.

THANK YOU all for your support for these outstanding Gardenvale Community events!!!

Year 3 Camp

Tomorrow our Year 3 students will head to Phillip Island for their first school camp. They will be accompanied by the following staff, Tim McRae, Dimi Sfetsas, Lyn Smith, Eliza Ballas, Nathan Grant and Tom Pitts. We are very grateful to the staff and parents attending camp for giving up their time to support our camping program! Camps are an important part of our school curriculum. Our camping program begins in Year 3 and it aims to help develop children's independence skills as well as their relationships with their peers and teachers. It is a fantastic experience for all students.

On Sunday five of our students, from Year 2 - Frankie, Polly and Rose and from Year 3 - Olivia and Zoe had an amazing opportunity to meet with the Australia Women's Soccer Team (The Matilda's) and were invited to participate in the Women's FIFA World Cup 2023, as part of the player escorts program.



Have an enjoyable week, Janine Hall



Calendar of Events

NOVEMBER

Monday 14 - Friday 25	Year 6 Transition Program
Tuesday 15- Friday 25	Preps, Years 1 and 2 Swimming Program Waves Pool, Cheltenham
Wednesday 16- Friday 18	Year 3 Camp Phillip Island
Wednesday 16	Year 4 Excursion Chinese Museum
Friday 18	Second Hand Uniform Sale Junior Campus 8:45am - 9:30am
Friday 25	Years 4-6 Swimming Carnival
Monday 28	Staff Professional Practice Day Student Free Day
Tuesday 29	Year 1 Choir Concert 6pm Year 3/4 Choir Concert 6:45pm Junior Campus Hall
Tuesday 29	School Council Meeting Senior Campus Staffroom 7:15pm
Wednesday 30	Prep 2023 Orientation 9:30 and 11:30am

DECEMBER

Thursday 1	Year 4 Excursion Sovereign Hill
Thursday 1	Prep 2023 Orientation 9:30 and 11:30am
Friday 2	Year 6 Billy Carts Grand Prix
Friday 2	District Swimming Trials
Monday 5	Prep 2023 Orientation 9:15 and 11:15am
Tuesday 6	Prep 2023 Orientation 9.15am - 10:30am
Tuesday 6	Second Hand Uniform Stall 8:45am

Wednesday 7 Year 6
Beach Lifesaving Program

Thursday 8 End of Year Concert
Senior Campus 6:30pm

Thursday 15 Year 6 Graduation

Friday 16 Whole School Step Up Day

Monday 19 Year 6 Big Day Out

Tuesday 20 Last Day Term 4
1:30pm finish

JANUARY 2023

Monday 30 Whole School Curriculum Day
Staff return

Tuesday 31 Years 1-6 Students First Day 2023

FEBRUARY 2023

Thursday 2 Preps First Day 2023

Monday 13 -
Friday 17 Year 6 Camp
The Ranch, Boneo

Tuesday 14 -
Friday 17 Year 5 Camp
Grantville Lodge

MARCH 2023

Wednesday 1 Year 4 Camp
Arrabri Lodge

Scholastic Book Club – issue # 8

The above issue is now available for online ordering.

Orders need to be placed no later than Friday 2nd December.

Unfortunately late orders cannot be processed.

Second Hand Uniform Sale

When: Friday 18th November

Time: 8:45am - 9:30am

Where: Junior Campus, on the basketball courts, outside the music room

Cost: All items \$5 (Cash Only)

Please donate any clean, saleable items to the Junior Campus office this week.



Students of the Week

Ty R, PB - for being a great habitat helper and understands how to protect our sea environment. Well done Ty!

Shay H, 3D - for being a respectful, hardworking member of 3D who is always willing to lend a helping hand!

HERRRBy Awards

Lani M, 1B - for your responsible attitude towards all of your learning and for the way you display honesty and empathy - keep being yourself!

Kaiyah B, 4B - for being such a great friend to everyone in 4B and living the Herrrby values every day. Kaiyah always has a smile and makes sure others are included.

Green HERRRBy Award

Lenny A, 2B - for always being environmentally conscious through rubbish free lunches and recycling. Keep it up Lenny!

Grace R, PA - for always treating people with kindness and seeing the positive in everything. Keep showing the HERRRBy values!

Oliver K, PC for showing excellent resilience and persistence throughout the week. I'm super proud of you, well done.

Aurelia K, PD - for working hard in class and making progress in all areas of her school work. Amazing effort Aurelia!!!!

Adam M, PD - for always staying focused, working hard, producing great work and being a very positive class member!!!

Jackson A, 1A - for his excellent written report on the butterfly displaying wonderful vocabulary and knowledge.

Liam J, 1B - for the amazing effort you put into your butterfly guided drawing - it is stunning!

Bella S, 1C - for her detailed and descriptive Big Write about the gigantic dog at the beach. It was a very entertaining story.

Frankie A, 1D - for always doing her best, but also for being quick to compliment and encourage others. What a superstar you are!

Imi S, 1D - Instead of having Fun Friday, you chose to help your friends finish their maths. You show the HERRRBy values every day, Imi.

Danielle M, 2A - for being responsible and respectable classmate in 2A, keep it up!

Hailey K, 2B, for your rocket writing on 'What will the world look like in 100 years?' You used a lot of different openers and interesting vocabulary to up-level!

Sophia M, 2C - for your interesting rocket writing on "What will the world look like in 100 years?" Nice work adding so many interesting adjectives to uplevel!

Gus S, 2D - for being a Battleship whiz! I wouldn't want to be your opposition!

Max S, 3A - for the genuine care and friendship he displays towards all people and also for all the excellent work he does at school.

Cynthia Z, 3B - for settling back into Gardenvale Primary. You are making friends easily and challenging yourself to relearn the English language! It's so good to have you back Cynthia!

Asher T, 3B - for working with focus in class and putting in your best effort. Well done Asher!

Rex R, 3C - for being such a fantastic member of the Gardenvale community and helping so much with our CRAZY JAR stall!

Rhyder N, 4C - for his maturity and impartial contribution to our sensitive topic of gender-based violence. Good on you!

Josh K, 4D - for always displaying independence and responsibility when asked to complete individual and group tasks.

Elsa D, 5A - for her outstanding rebuttals during class parliament! Well done, Elsa!

Ray P, 5C - for actively participating in class discussions. Your insights are thoughtful and appreciated.

Latest News from the **GPS Parents & Friends Association**



Wow what a weekend!!!

The Fair, the Assembly, the celebrations! These have all been two years in the making and they did not disappoint!

So many helpers, so much effort and of course so many happy little faces! The appreciation is endless but here are a few shoutouts!

Lead by the incredible Danielle Edgerton and Felicia Welstead! Jodie Holthouse, Lisa Shafer, Hugh McGuire, Alida Karro, Deb Putt, Soozy Jones, Lisa Liu, Deb Liebhaber, Shaheen Khan, Lainey Hanen and Yana Madar.

Special mention to the families who ran the bar! Guy and Claudia Greenstone from Stomping Ground and Renae and Scott McKinnon from Wolf of the Willows donated all the alcohol and ran the bar! Thank you for your incredible generosity.

And special thanks to our incredible school team Janine Hall, Julie Pitts, Tom Pitts, Maree Prosser, Sandra West, Pauline Dunn and plenty more!

A special thank you to Robyn who is always full of energy and enthusiasm and somehow smiles ALL the time. Despite being so busy, she even had time to throw this poem together:

*Wow what a day! what an event! so truly grand!
Everything so organised, so thought-of, so planned!
A day like today doesn't just happen on its own,
There are meetings and emails and even a drone!
The 100 fair and special assembly too,
have been in the pipelines for over a year or 2!
There's rides and reptiles things to be booked!
Ponies to arrange and food to be cooked!
There's money to count and tokens to buy,
So much to do - because we love our school, that's why!
There's cakes to sell, books and scooters too,
There's chocolates to toss- so many fun things to do!
Thanks for the hampers, the raffle prizes are great,
Thanks for donating and asking your mate!
We wanted to celebrate our special milestone - you don't turn 100 every day!
So what better way than to party and fair- this is the Gardenvale way!
So to the team who did it who made today a success well done!
You deserve a round of applause - as a school- I think the jackpot we have won!
I will mention the names of the fair committee and really hope I remember you all...
Thank you for your energy and time - we simply all had a ball!*

Next PFA event is the **End of year concert**: Thursday 8th December

Given that we haven't had an end of year concert for a few years just thought we'd paint a picture. Think picnic blankets, food trucks, dessert trucks, kids singing and performing - awesome vibe! More details in next week's newsletter.

Recipe books- wow what a great success they have been! If you missed out at the fair we still have a few that you can purchase from the Senior Campus office for \$35!

Mangos - delivery of the trays are scheduled for the first week December. Please collect promptly, on the day we advise you soon.

Have a great week! From a very happy PFA!



GARDENVALE PS TEAMKIDS NEW SLETTER



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

This week at Teamkids has been filled with fun activities! Here's what we got up to.

On Monday we kicked off the week with a table tennis competition. Everyone got involved and demonstrated awesome sportsmanship as they encouraged and helped one another. With summer quickly approaching, we also had some fun painting watercolour flowers. These beautiful, colourful paintings will be used to decorate the room for our upcoming end of term summer party!

In Lego Masters this week, the kids created their own 'Lego Worlds'. As this theme was open to interpretation, it allowed the kids to make it their own. We discussed different themes for their worlds and had lots of ideas including fire world, star wars, theme park world and robot world! It was awesome to see what they came up with.

This week we also played some fun games such as line tiggly, hide and seek, musical statues and silent ball. With some of our kids being involved in chess club, they practiced their skills with chess games this week as well!

IMPORTANT DATES



 **Pupil Free Day – Monday 28th November**



TEAMKIDS CLUBS

ASC WEEK: 7

MONDAY



Epic Games / Art Attack

TUESDAY



Epic Games / STEM

WEDNESDAY



Epic Games / Art Attack & Sustainability

THURSDAY



Epic Games / Cooking Club

FRIDAY



Epic Games



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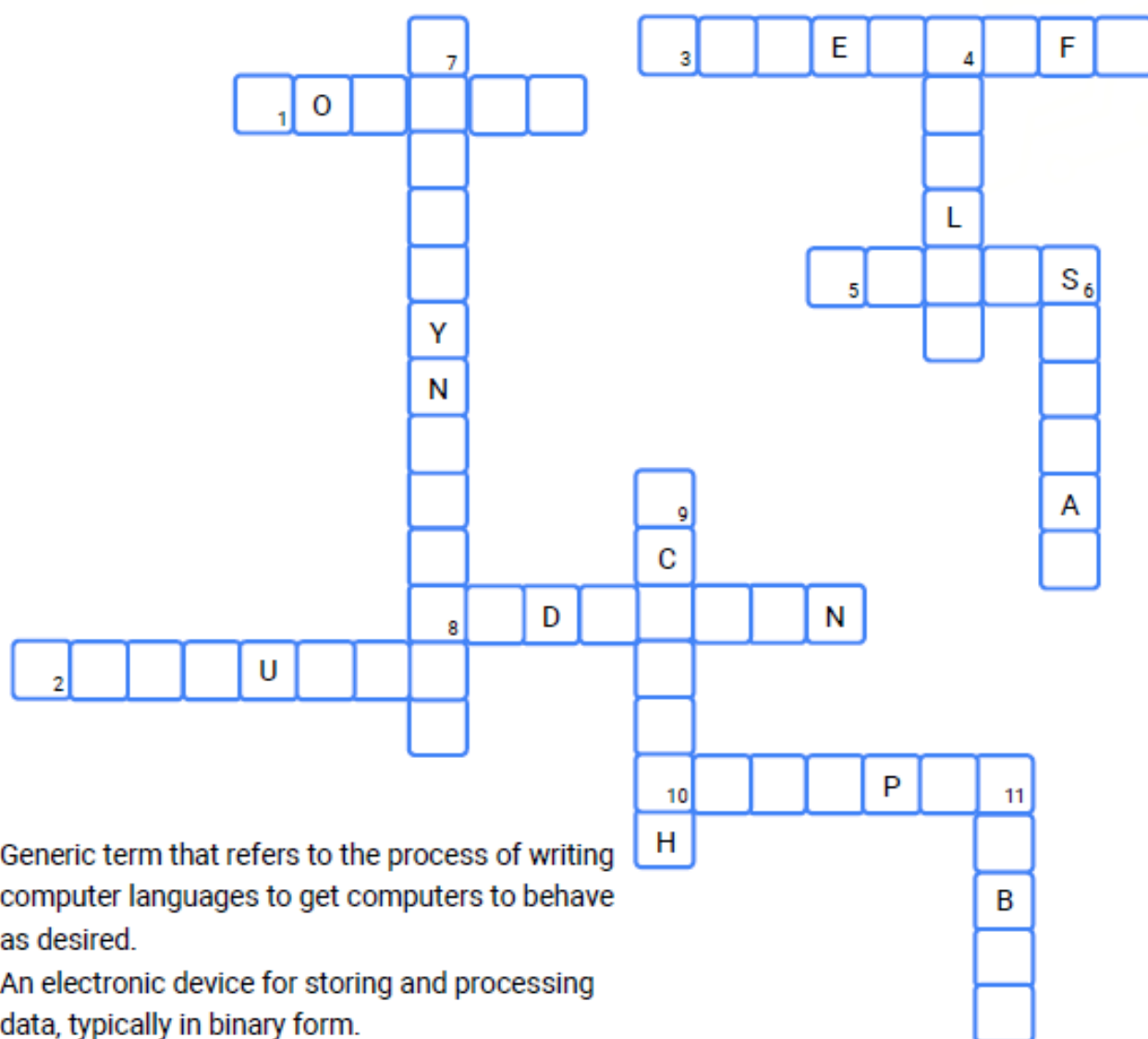


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- Generic term that refers to the process of writing computer languages to get computers to behave as desired.
- An electronic device for storing and processing data, typically in binary form.
- 3D Sandbox game often described as online Lego game, which involves building blocks and creating structures.
- Popular game platform and game creation system that is played by over 50% of US kids under 16.
- Sequence of instructions that is continually repeated until a certain condition is reached.
- The grammatical structure in computer languages.
- Computer number system made up for 0s and 1s (two words).
- Minecraft monster who has long legs and arms with purple eyes.
- Block-based visual programming language aimed at children as an educational tool for computer programming.
- Hostile monster that silently approaches players and explodes
- Roblox virtual currency used to buy items.

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Assistant Principals - Julie Pitts and Dimi Sfetsas

School Council President - Tricia Ciampa

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