

# Junior Site Bites



**Term 3**  
**Week 4**  
16 August 2019

**Dates to remember:**  
**Calendar**

- 19 – 23 Aug - Book Week
- 19 Aug - Yr 5/6 Exhibition Information Session
- 20 Aug – Yr 3, 4 & 5 Author Visit
- 20 Aug – Yr 5 Combined Band Practice
- 22 Aug – Book Week Dress Up Parade

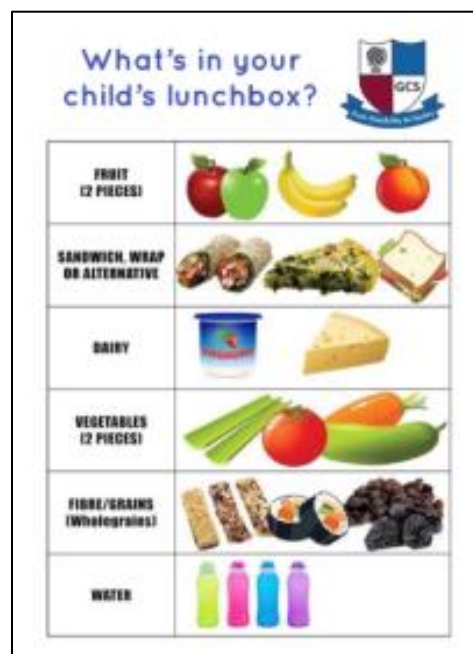
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Over the past few weeks we have followed the journey of Year 4 student, Seth in his bid to take ACTION against the war on waste and issues relating to sustainability. Earlier this term, after writing a letter to Prime Minister Scott Morrison, Seth was overjoyed to receive a letter in return! This week Seth received another recognition in his quest to become an Eco Warrior... he has been mentioned in a video released by Scott Morrison and the Liberal Party. In case you missed it, you can view the video [here](#).

In the video, our Prime Minister speaks of the many letters he receives from children such as Seth and he announced that Australia is banning our waste being shipped overseas! It just goes to show that we all have a voice and that together we can make a difference in the world!



Speaking of being environmentally friendly, as a Fresh Tastes school, we actively encourage families to adopt healthy eating and sustainable practices. One of the ways we can be both is by choosing foods that require minimal packaging therefore reducing our rubbish! Fresh fruit and veggies, healthy sandwiches and yogurts, all packed in recyclable containers are one way of reducing landfill! We've included for you a flyer to look at some healthy waste free options to support good habits for life.



Last weekend some Gold Creek students participated in the 2019 Korean Speech Contest at the ANU. Thank you to those students who took time out of their weekend leisure to represent our school at the contest and congratulations on your wonderful efforts – some of our students even ranked highly in the competition! Also, a big thank you must go to Mr Kim for your leadership in this and of course, for being our Korean teacher extraordinaire! It is great to see our students celebrating their achievements and sharing their knowledge with others.

Finally, I wanted to talk about one of the key priorities for our learning community at Gold Creek School. We focus on upholding a strong culture around students' social, emotional, physical and moral wellbeing. Our learning community reflects this belief in our daily interactions with students, through our rigorous pedagogy, our Social and Emotional Learning and the initiative of Positive Behaviour for Learning. At times, issues arise between students in social situations and these can usually be resolved through the restorative process. If you find that your child is having difficulty that is not being resolved, please contact your child's classroom teacher in the first instance. I also want to remind families of support services that are available to help you and your child in the tough times. They are listed on our website [here](#). I hope the weather continues to warm and that all families enjoy some time together in the outdoors this weekend!

Yours in learning

Cindy Condon

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## KINDERGARTEN NEWS

Kindergarten have had an amazing time investigating energy. Students are using the language of energy including, potential, kinetic, heat, light, sound and mechanical to describe and explain how and why objects move. They are identifying how energy affects everyday lives.



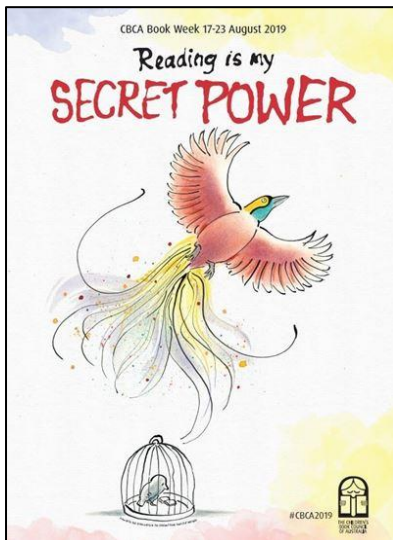
The excursion to Questacon reinforced their understanding of energy with some returning and labelling the fulcrum of a set of scales/seesaw. Currently students are drawing on this knowledge to create a new or existing toy using recycled materials. It would be greatly appreciated if lids from bottles, boxes, paper towel cardboard tubes (not toilet rolls) etc, could be shared with kindergarten classes.

The next focus is on Community resources and the journey they go through before they reach us.

*The Kindergarten Team*

## LIBRARY NEWS

Book Week is next week!



*Keryn Hoeschle*

*Teacher/Librarian*

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## PRINCIPALS AWARDS - WEEK 4

<b>KA</b> Jiahui Z Elvis T	<b>KB</b> Zena N Kahlan B	<b>KC</b> Kasey J Mustafa A	<b>KD</b> Toby S Kaspian S
<b>KE</b> Levi T lyla B	<b>1A</b> Charles S Jemima A	<b>1B</b> Billy J Nicholas L	<b>1C</b> Missy C Pedro T
<b>1D</b> Emily L Nathan P	<b>1E</b> Annable E-S Beau M	<b>2A</b> Claudia B Alex L	<b>2B</b> Samuel F Evelyn P
<b>2C</b> Felix T Amelia R	<b>2D</b> Oscar P Ameeka C	<b>2E</b> Hailan Z William H	

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- **TERM 3 ASSEMBLY** •
- **ROSTER** •
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- Wk 5 Book Week •
- Assembly •
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- Wk 6 Yr 3 •
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- Wk 7 Kindergarten •
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- Wk 8 Yr 4 •
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- Wk 9 Yr 2 •
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- Wk 10 Colour Run, no •
- assembly •
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## THE 2019 SCHOOL SATISFACTION SURVEY WILL BE CONDUCTED LATER THIS TERM.

Parents and carers, school staff and students (in Years 4 to 10) will be asked to participate in these important surveys. The survey results will contribute to school research and improvement processes.

Although the survey is voluntary, we hope you will want to participate. It won't take much of your time and will help us improve our school for your child and future students. An email about the parent and carer survey has been sent out today. The key ACT results from the 2018 School Satisfaction Surveys have been published on the Education Directorate website ([www.education.act.gov.au](http://www.education.act.gov.au)) and a summary of our school results is provided in our 2018 School Board Report.

## SCHOOL INTENTIONS FOR 2020

To enable Gold Creek School to transition students effectively from their current year level in 2019 to the next school year level in 2020 we need a clear picture of prospective student movement. This includes gathering data about known school leaver intentions.

If you are aware of prospective changes and your child/children will not be returning to Gold Creek School for schooling in the **2020 school year**, please could you complete the form using the link below.

[GCS 2020 School Leaver Intentions \(Preschool - Year 9\)](#)



Tickets went on sale for the **Step into the Limelight Gala Performance** on Thursday 1 August. Gold Creek school is performing on Friday 30 August.

The show is performed on floor area at one end of arena – best seats in D, E, F, G, H sections which are front on to stage placement.

*Katie Bennett*

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**The Gold Creek School's  
Production of**



ROALD DAHL'S  
**Matilda**  
THE MUSICAL

Book by

**Dennis Kelly**

Music & Lyrics

**Tim Minchin**

**Ticket Prices:**

Adults - \$15

Concessions - \$5

**Week 10, Term 3**

Senior Site Gym

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – 12pm**

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – 6:30pm**

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> – 6:30pm**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> – 6:30pm**

Food and drinks available for purchase prior to the performance

Tickets available via Flexischools or at the door

Licensed exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australasia).

All performance materials supplied by Hal Leonard Australia.

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Did you know you can place an online lunch order for your child via flexischools?



Online ordering is a convenient way to place orders, providing 24/7 payment and ordering system that can be accessed from home, work or a mobile device.

Visit flexischools at [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au)  
[Canteen menu](#)



## SCHOOL APP FOR MOBILE DEVICES

Did you know that you can report student absences, check the school calendar, read newsletters and receive important information via sms on your mobile phones (provided you allow push notifications) all through our school App!

[download from Apple store or Google Play](#)

Download the school App NOW, to help us keep in touch!

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## REPORTING STUDENT ABSENCES – JUNIOR SITE

Our 24 hour dedicated absences phone number is  
6142 1344



To report your child's absence, please leave a short message stating their name, year, class group and reason for absence by 9:30am. You can also report absences via mobile phones through our school App ([download from Apple store or Google Play](#)). After 9:30am please call 6142 1340.