

Junior Site Bites



**Term 3
Week 5**
23 August 2019



Dates to remember:
[Calendar](#)

- **26 Aug – 6 Sep** – Preschool Hatching Chicks
- **28 Aug** – Limelight Technical Rehearsal
- **30 Aug** – Limelight Dress Rehearsal & Performance
- **30 Aug** – Zone Athletics Carnival, AIS
- **30 Aug** - Father's Day Breakfast, 8am

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We have had a wonderful week celebrating Children's Book Week! Students were involved in a variety of fun and engaging experiences throughout the week including Senior students reading with our K-2 students, sessions with visiting author Kaaron Warren, as well as fun and inspiring activities relating to quality literature. This morning we finished off the week with our Book Week Assembly, where students shared some of their learning. During the ever-popular Book Week parade, many of the characters that we have grown to love and cherish showed their faces! Students (and teachers) from Kindergarten to Year 6 dressed up as their favourite story book character and paraded around our oval, with appreciation from the onlookers. The children loved seeing the teachers in costume and it was also great to have a surprise visit from Pesky Panda! Preschool held their own Book Week parade on Wednesday which was a sight to see. Thank you to all the students and families who created the magnificent costumes, it was a wonderful display of community spirit! Book Week is always a great reminder to us all, of the importance of reading, and we hope that everyone has rediscovered their love of stories!



We have enjoyed seeing the weather warm up as the week has worn on. Hopefully with the weather warming up, we will begin to see a reduction in viruses which frequent the winter months. The winter period is often a time when students and teachers alike come down with illness. With the increase in teacher absences there has been a shortage of relief teachers across the ACT over the past few months, which has led to quite a few classes unable to be covered by relief staff during teacher absence. This has meant that classes have been split across the school. We apologise for this, but rest assured that during this time, learning continues. It is sometimes even a good opportunity for peer mentoring, with older students often assisting younger students with reading and co-operative work.

We have some exciting things coming up as we head into the second half of the term with Zone Athletics next Friday 30 August. We wish all participants the best of luck in their events. In week 7, Friday 6 September we will be holding a special assembly where the ribbons from the school Athletics Carnival will be presented to students. Also, in Week 7, students will be taking part in some activities relating to RUOK Day. Soon you will receive information regarding the Three-Way Conferences which will be held later in the term and, of course the annual Colour Run which will be happening in Week 10!

Cindy Condon

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YEAR 3 NEWS

Year 3 has been busy investigating how Earth's place in space affects living things. We have been doing different experiments to learn about how the position of the sun affects shadows and comparing the size of the earth to the sun and the moon. Our students have been practising using measurement as we learn about distances in space as well as time. Recently we went to Questacon and reinforced what we have learnt in class about our awesome Earth! At Questacon we saw an accurate model of the moon which filled a whole room. The students loved interacting with all the different scientific displays. Some of us even went down the Free Fall!



Our next focus for our inquiry unit is how we use signs and symbols.

The Year 3 Team

ARE YOU INVOLVED IN ADVERTISING OR MARKETING?

Year 4 would love for you to share your expertise for our next Unit of Inquiry.

Please contact the Year 4 teachers via their email addresses:

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NO PRINCIPALS AWARDS – BOOK WEEK ASSEMBLY

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- **TERM 3 ASSEMBLY** •
- **ROSTER** •
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- • Wk 10 Colour Run, no •
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STEP INTO THE *limelight*

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



P & C Father's Day Breakfast

We would like to show our appreciation for fathers, grandfathers, uncles, partners and other carers this Father's Day. Please join us next Friday, 30 August on the Junior Site for a bacon and egg roll before school. The event is to start at 8am.

Thank you to our volunteers for making the morning happen!

SCHOOL SATISFACTION SURVEY

Please take the short time it takes to complete the survey via the link below. The survey results will contribute to our school improvement processes and will also be used in public interest research projects and longitudinal studies aimed at improving the quality of services in the ACT. The reference number and school code has previously been emailed.

https://acteducation.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6LosQ3xOfheARzn

or

Scan the QR code below with your smartphone or tablet:



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Calling for Volunteers – WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Our students really enjoy participating in the CBA School Banking program. To keep this program running **WE NEED YOUR HELP**.

This only takes a small amount of your time each Friday morning. Your help with the program will greatly benefit students as they develop vital saving skills and help our school with fundraising.

School Banking day is Friday and we meet at 9am in the library and are normally finished around 10:30am. If you can assist for all or part of this time, we would welcome your help.

If you have younger children who are not yet at school, there is space for them to play in the library while you help with banking.

If you are interested in volunteering for this great program, please come and join us on Friday's or call:

Nicole (Gold Creek) 0410 543 725

Zoe (Holy Spirit) 0419 975 748

The Gold Creek School's
Production of

COMING SOON!

ROALD DAHL
Matilda
THE MUSICAL

Book by **Dennis Kelly** Music & Lyrics by **Tim Minchin**

Ticket Prices:
Adults - \$15
Concessions - \$5

Week 10, Term 3
Senior Site Gym

Monday, 23 September 2019 – 12:00pm
Monday, 23 September 2019 – 6:30pm
Tuesday, 24 September 2019 – 6:30pm
Wednesday, 25 September 2019 – 6:30pm

Food and drinks available for purchase prior to the performance
Tickets available via Flexischools or at the door

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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.

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[Canteen menu](#)



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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!

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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.

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