

# Junior Site Bites



**Term 1**  
**Week 3**  
**19 February 2021**

**Dates to remember:**  
[Calendar](#)

- **23 Feb** – Kindergarten Health Check Consent Forms Due
- **24 Feb** – Swimming Carnival (Yrs 3-6)

- **TERM 4 ASSEMBLY ROSTER**
- Wk 4 Yr 4
- Wk 5 Yr 1
- Wk 6 Yr 3
- Wk 7 Harmony Day Assembly
- Wk 8 Kindergarten
- Wk 9 No Assembly – Good Friday

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What a busy week it has been for staff and students across the whole school. We welcomed visitors from the School Review Team (in person) and the IB Evaluation Team (virtually) to explore the wonderful teaching and learning that we do here at Gold Creek. This visit included interviews with parents, staff, and students as well as class visits and examination of evidence aligned with the National School Improvement Tool and the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme standards and practices. Initial feedback suggests clear evidence of high collaboration across the school, great engagement of all stakeholders in embracing the philosophy of the International Baccalaureate and the development of an inclusive nature and ethos which embraces all aspects of the child. The process has certainly highlighted to us how much we have grown as a school and we are excited about the journey ahead! We cannot wait to receive the final reports so that we can share the findings with the school community.

It was wonderful to witness so many parents at the K-2 assembly this morning, students were so excited to finally have their families present to see them receive awards and watch their performance. Just a reminder that all parents attending the school site (for assembly or any other reason) must check in with the *Check in CBR* app and ensure social distancing from all other adults (except those in your own family group) at all times. The QR codes for the Apps can be found on all entrances to the school and at the entrance to the hall.

The afternoon pick-up procedures are going well with many families still choosing to utilise the turning circle. We are busy sourcing signage to better improve this area and to support families in parking protocols etc. We ask all families to continue to follow and observe safe parking practices in the carpark and neighbouring streets. The safety of our community is our number one priority with so many cars coming and going at one time. If you are utilising the turning circle, please help our staff by having your child's name in the car window so that they can be easily called up to meet you at the car.

As some of those regular viruses and illnesses begin to creep into school at this time of year, I would like to remind families that children who are unwell must stay at home until they are better. Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 should be tested. More information can be found on the [ACT Health website](#). Thank you in advance for your support in keeping our community safe and well.

Next Wednesday 24 February is our annual swimming carnival for our students 8 years old and up! This year it will be held at Big Splash Waterpark instead of the Gungahlin pool due to maintenance being carried out at Gungahlin pool. If you have not done so, please return the permission note ASAP. Spectators/parents will be unable to attend the event this year due to current restrictions in place in the ACT. Only those parents who are volunteering on the day will be accepted into the facility. In order for proceedings to stay on time at the carnival, we ask all participating students to come dressed in their swimmers (under their clothes). Sunscreen is also a must and will need to be reapplied throughout the day, as the venue is outdoors. Years K-2 will participate in their swimming program later in the school year.

Stay connected  
Cindy Condon

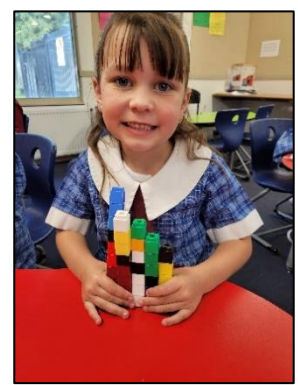
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## KINDERGARTEN NEWS

In Kindergarten we have been very busy exploring and learning in the first few weeks of school.

We have been learning all about how Kindergarten works, and ways that we can be Principled Learners by being safe, respectful, and responsible at school.

We are also exploring our new Unit of Inquiry "Family histories contribute to shaping our identity" by looking into the diversity of our families and the things that make us special.



Thank you for your support as we help the Kindergarten children grow towards becoming independent learners.

*The Kindergarten Team*

KA - Michelle Grabham   KB - Clare Barker/Tara Nichols   KC - Brooke Rogers   KD - Scarlet May   KE - Ione Leach

## LIBRARY NEWS

**Library Monitors** - We have 35 library monitors this term, which is a new record! Thank you to the Year 4, 5 & 6 students who are displaying principled behaviour by performing a very important community service for our school. They have been in training this week and are a very knowledgeable group!

**Overdue Notices** have been sent home this week about books not returned from last year. Please return them no later than next week, when a 'Please Pay' notice will be sent home. If you need to discuss any issues regarding your child's borrowing please contact me on 61421355.

Happy Reading!

*Keryn Hoeschle*  
Junior Site Teacher/Librarian

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## LEARNER PROFILE AWARDS - WEEK 3

<b>KA</b> Hazel A	<b>KB</b> Bethany R	<b>KC</b> Cora H	<b>KD</b> Rebekah B	<b>KE</b> Matthew N
<b>1A</b> Harrison B	<b>1B</b> Chloe F-S	<b>1C</b> Edward S	<b>1D</b> Deegan W-L	<b>1E</b> Deegan D
<b>2A</b> Rukhsar Q Z	<b>2B</b> Ollie c	<b>2C</b> Parker D	<b>2D</b> Dhaanvi U	<b>2E</b> Emma Y
<b>SGP</b> Joseph H				



**Attention Kindergarten Parents!**

**Kindergarten Health Checks are happening this year!**

All kindergarten students in the ACT are eligible to receive a **FREE** health check



**VISION CHECK**



**HEARING CHECK**



**HEIGHT, WEIGHT AND BODY MASS INDEX (BMI)**

 If you have not returned your child's Kindergarten Health Check Consent and Questionnaire

 **FIND** — Information packs will be sent home early in Term 1

 **SIGN** — Complete the Kindergarten Health Check Consent and Questionnaire

 **RETURN** — To your school by 19 February 2021

Your school can provide you with the date of the health check.



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Is this your daughter?

Look no further than the Australian Girls Choir because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and perform.

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Register now at [ausgirlschoir.com.au/febopenday](http://ausgirlschoir.com.au/febopenday) or phone 1800 338 142



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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.

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

## SCHOOL APP & REPORTING STUDENT ABSENCES

### Option 1

Using the school App allows you to 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 this is available through our school App!

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

(Download from Apple Store or Google Play).

### Option 2

email [GoldCreek.StudentJuniorAbsences@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:GoldCreek.StudentJuniorAbsences@ed.act.edu.au)

### Option 3

The other option is by leaving a short message via our dedicated absence number:

**Junior Site: 6142 1344**

**If using the number above, please leave a short message stating student name, year, PC class and reason for absence eg. Late/Sick or Leave.**

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