

# Junior Site Bites



**Term 1  
Week 7  
18 March 2022**

**Dates to remember:  
Calendar**

- **21 – 27 Mar – Harmony Week**
- **21 Mar** – Jump Rope for Heart 'Jump Off Day'
- **29 – 30 Mar** – Parent Teacher 3 Way Conferences

- **TERM 1 ASSEMBLY**
- **ROSTER**
- Wk 8 Harmony Day
- Wk 9 Year 3
- Wk 10 Positive Behaviours for Learning

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Over the next few weeks our students will be working with their teachers on reflecting on their learning so far this year and identifying goals for the remainder of the year in preparation for our annual Three-Way Conferences which will be held in week 9 this term. This year we will be holding the Conferences via telephone with the opportunity for parents and carers to request a face to face meeting if needed. Parents and carers will be required to use the Parent Teacher Online (PTO) booking system to make your appointments and you will soon receive an email from the school, outlining the relevant information. Once you have received the email, you can make a booking through our [website](#). All families are encouraged to book in a time with their child's classroom teacher to discuss their child's learning goals.

Conferences will be conducted on:



**Tuesday 29 March**  
(Preschool - Year 6)

**Wednesday 30 March**  
(Preschool - Year 6)

**Thursday 31 March**  
(end of the week Preschool only)

3:15-5:30pm

8:00-8:30am &  
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This week we wanted to remind families again of the importance of parking safely around the Paisley Street (Years 3-6) pick up area. We ask that parents and carers please ensure that only designated car parks are used at pick up time and that everyone maintains a focus on the safety of our students around roads. It may be worth waiting an extra 5 mins after the bell to collect your child or arranging a suitable alternative meeting point. A reminder that Years 3-6 students may also be collected from school at the turning circle. We thank you for your support in minimising the impact school pick up is having on our surrounding community.

Next week we will celebrate [Harmony Week](#) which is a time for us to acknowledge Australia's cultural diversity and reflect on the importance of respecting each other and our differences. At Gold Creek School we like to live the messages of respect and inclusivity every day. We would like to invite our students and teachers to mark this special week by joining us in celebrating Harmony Week on Friday 25 March, by coming to school dressed in their cultural dress/costume. If your child does not have national dress to wear, we ask for all students to wear **orange** - the colour of Harmony Week. Throughout the week students will celebrate the diversity in our school and learn more about the cultural heritage that we share.



Thank you for your continued support.

Cindy Condon & Kirrally Talbot

Associate Principals A/g

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## YEAR 5 NEWS

The Year 5 students have started the year with amazing enthusiasm and commitment to their learning. Our main focus so far has been our 'How We Express Ourselves' inquiry into personal identity. Our central idea for this unit is:

***Identity can be expressed through behaviour and relationships***

Year 5 students have reflected on their learning so far:

"We have been reading a book called Year of the Dog by Grace Lin. We have been predicting what we think might happen later in the book. For example, we have predicted that

- Melody might move schools, Grace will want to learn the piano, and Melody will win the book contest."

### Evie P 5B

"We have been reading a book about the year of the dog. It is about a half Asian girl who tries to find herself in the Year of the Dog. We are making thick and thin questions for it. Thick questions are question that have more than one possible answer. Such as:

- Why did Grace give up playing Dorothy in the play?
- What is wrong with being Chinese?"

### Scott H 5B

"Year 5 has been learning about fractions in mathematics. First, we learned about equivalent fractions, for example an equivalent fraction is when a fraction that is the same as another fraction with a different denominator like three fourths is the same as six eights. Then we learned Improper Fractions, an improper fraction is where the numerator is greater than or equal to the denominator.

My favourite type of fraction to use is equivalent fractions because it's cool how one fraction can be the same as the other fractions but different fractions. But all the other fractions are cool as well."

### Nethun S

"As we investigate deeper into the complexity of the identity and mind, we have been learning about exploring and expressing identity. We are inquiring into how identity can be shown through behaviour and actions. In class, we have been making abstract portraits to express our identity. These portraits include our values, interests, personality, beliefs, and interesting shapes and colours that show who you are. "

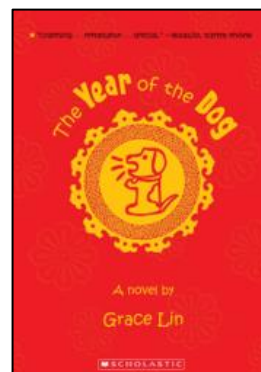
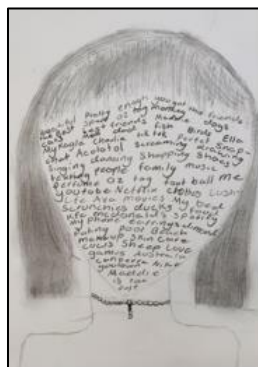
### Elara O 5C

"What Year 5 have been learning about in art. We have made chicks in easter eggs to give to the sick people in the Hospital. We made them to spread Easter cheer for people that are having a hard time during Easter. Year 5 hopes that the Easter Chick will spread some happiness around the Hospital. "

### Holly R 5A

"We also made clubs to represent our identity. People in Year 5 have made lots of different clubs. My club is called the hangout. We have also written persuasive texts about our club after we finished, then we made posters to persuade people to come to our club. Year 5 has made about 15 different clubs like the Cancer Club, an Anime club, The Gamers, The Designer Club and much more. Year five have had so much fun making their clubs and self-portraits this term."

### Katelyn R 5A



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## LEARNER PROFILE AWARDS - WEEK 7

<b>KA</b> Joshua C	<b>KB</b> Isaac C	<b>KC</b> Afsheen F	<b>KD</b> Daniel B	<b>KE</b> Christian J-S
<b>1A</b> Allen L	<b>1B</b> Hazel A	<b>1C</b> Kelsie W	<b>1D</b> Isabel B	<b>1E</b> Braxton B-S
<b>2A</b> Sienna L	<b>2B</b> Ida D	<b>2C</b> Mohamed M	<b>2D</b> Harry B	<b>2E</b> Alexis P
<b>3A</b> Kelly B	<b>3B</b> Iyla B	<b>3C</b> Thomas H	<b>3D</b> Catarine Y	<b>4A</b> Charlie Y
<b>4B</b> James T	<b>4C</b> Asher G	<b>5A</b> Katelyn R	<b>5B</b> Tilly B	<b>5C</b> Freya H
<b>6A</b> Emily F	<b>6B</b> Jayden V	<b>6C</b> Tamsyn R	<b>SGP</b> Khiloh C	



## MID SEMESTER 1 THREE WAY CONFERENCES

Our Junior Site Three Way Conferences will be held in Term 1, Week 9.

Date: Tuesday, 29 March 2022

Wednesday, 30 March 2022

Time: 3:15 – 5:30pm

8:00 – 8:30am & 3:15 – 5:30pm

Where: Phone Interviews

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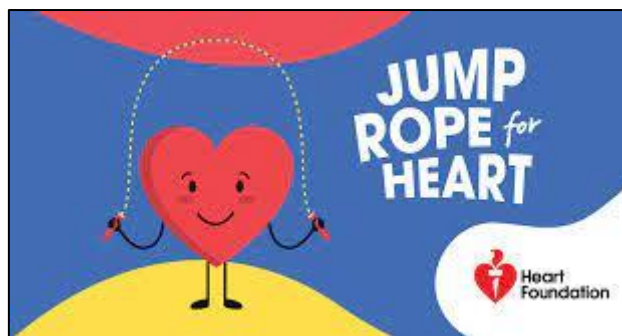
(Additional timeslots are available on Thursday 31/3/ & Friday 1/4 for Preschool - end of week sessions only)

This year Three Way Conferences will be via a phone interview with the option of face to face upon request. If you would like a face to face meeting you will need to email your child's teacher directly to arrange this. For phone interviews, you will need to add the phone number you want the teacher/s to phone you on, on the first PTO screen when you book your timeslot. Login information for the PTO website will be emailed to families on Tuesday 22 March 2022.

Please note: Mid semester written reports are for Senior Site students only. Junior Site students will receive written reports at the end of the semester 1.

Please also be aware household information is stored differently in the school's new Sentral database to that used in previous years. If you do not receive your child's PTO email, or if you receive your child's PTO email and don't want to receive these emails, please contact [GoldCreek.StudentRecords@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:GoldCreek.StudentRecords@ed.act.edu.au) with your correct information so we can update our records. With split families, both parents should independently receive an email with PTO log in information. If this doesn't happen, please let us know and we will rectify as soon as possible.

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Congratulation to our Gold Creek students on an outstanding effort so far raising over \$6500 in Jump Rope for Heart, more than smashing our target and placing us in the top 5 schools Australia wide! Students have so far participated in over 34 hours of skipping! What an amazing achievement! Thanks go to our PE teacher, Anthony Dimoski for the fabulous work done to organise Gold Creek Schools' participation. The 'Jump Off Day' will take place next Monday, 21 March. Students are invited to come to school in non-uniform on Monday and are asked to bring a gold coin donation. Stay tuned for the results!

## HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS™



The next Holiday Happenings edition is now available online.

To see the *Programs, Activities & Events* happening these holidays go to:

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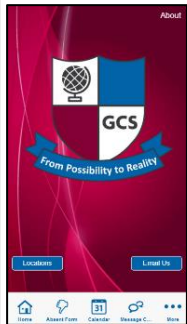
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## SCHOOL APP & REPORTING STUDENT ABSENCES



### 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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