

# Junior Site Bites



**Term 1**  
**Week 8**  
25 March 2022

We started our week with a very successful Jump Rope for Heart 'Jump Off' on Monday where classes had a chance to finalise their fundraising efforts and engage in skipping for 40 minutes straight! It has been an amazing fundraising event and we have raised over \$9000, more than tripling our goal! A big thank you to our school community for getting behind this great event and cause! Our students had so much fun and have continued to keep skipping in their breaks! So great to see! We would like to thank Anthony Dimoski and the PE Team for all their organisation behind this great event, it has certainly been popular!



Dates to remember:  
[Calendar](#)

- 29 – 30 Mar – Parent Teacher 3 Way Interviews
- 8 Apr – Last Day of Term 1

TERM 1 ASSEMBLY  
ROSTER

- Wk 9 Year 3
- Wk 10 Positive Behaviours for Learning

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<http://goldcreekschoolpandc.org.au/>

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This week we celebrated [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. Throughout the week our students celebrated the diversity in our school and learnt more about the cultural heritage that we share. It was wonderful to see our students in their traditional cultural dress or wearing orange today to celebrate who we are.



This week you should have received an email regarding Three-Way Conferences in Week 9 and how to book through our Parent Teacher Online (PTO) system. If you have not booked your time, please do so. Our staff and students are looking forward to discussing learning goals with you next week.



Finally, this week, our school would like to congratulate Ms Cindy Condon on her new appointment to Arawang Primary School as part of the Leadership Team. As a school community we would like to thank Cindy for the significant contribution she has made to the whole Gold Creek School community as a highly valued member of the Preschool Team, Junior Site Executive Team and, most recently, the Senior Leadership Team during her time here. Cindy's positive influence at Gold Creek School has been substantial and she will be missed by students, family, and staff alike. We wish Cindy all the best!

Thank you for your continued support.

Cindy Condon & Kirrally Talbot

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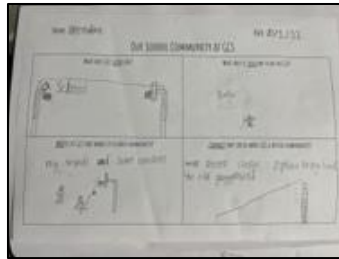
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## YEAR 4 NEWS

In Year 4 we have been inquiring into communities through our 'Who We Are' unit. We investigated how communities are shaped by the relationships within them. We have identified communities that we all belong to and unpacked how relationships within these communities helped to build a sense of belonging. We also explored and identified the shared values and beliefs that underpin communities. We have had a lot of fun building and creating our own communities to support us in understanding how our communities are shaped. Here is some of our learning over the past 8 weeks!



The Year 4 Team

## LEARNER PROFILE AWARDS - WEEK 4

<b>KA</b> Alfiej-S	<b>KB</b> Abel T	<b>KC</b> Stuart H	<b>KD</b> Ivy R	<b>KE</b> Aliya K
<b>1A</b> Bethany R	<b>1B</b> Chloe R	<b>1C</b> Eric P	<b>1D</b> Emily T	<b>1E</b> Anna Q
<b>2A</b> Deegan D	<b>2B</b> Scarlett H	<b>2C</b> Omar I	<b>2D</b> Alec H	<b>2E</b> -
<b>3A</b> -	<b>3B</b> Madden R	<b>3C</b> Zen C	<b>3D</b> -	<b>4A</b> Abeera A
<b>4B</b> Lara B	<b>4C</b> Torin M	<b>5A</b> Jack D	<b>5B</b> Felix T	<b>5C</b> James L
<b>6A</b> Lily T	<b>6B</b> -	<b>6C</b> James T	<b>SGP</b> Anvitha P	

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Dear Parent/Guardian

ACT schools will participate in NAPLAN Online testing from 10-20 May 2022.

ACT schools undertaking NAPLAN Online this year will participate in a practice/familiarisation test between 21 March and 22 April 2022. The practice test does not assess student performance and has been developed to replace one of the familiarisation activities that schools have traditionally undertaken.

As a parent, you can become familiar with NAPLAN Online tests by visiting the public demonstration site, <http://bit.ly/naplanonline>. The purpose of the site is to familiarise students with the type of items they will see on NAPLAN Online and related functionalities. This level of familiarisation is worthwhile to help students understand and be comfortable with the format of the test.

NAPLAN Online allows for tailored testing. This means that students are presented with sets of questions based on their performance during the test. This model provides students with the opportunity to better demonstrate their range of literacy and numeracy skills and it is more engaging for students. Further information explaining tailored testing can be found at <https://bit.ly/2PqG7rL>.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss your son or daughter's participation in this event, please contact the school on 6142 1340 (Junior Site), 6142 3100 (Senior Site) or email: [info@goldcreek.act.edu.au](mailto:info@goldcreek.act.edu.au)

Further information on NAPLAN Online, including the public demonstration site, is available at [www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/naplan-online](http://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/naplan-online).

## Privacy

The Education Directorate collects, holds, uses and discloses personal information to carry out its functions. Personal information about students and parents/carers will be used as part of NAPLAN Online testing and readiness tests. The use of this information is required for students to participate in NAPLAN testing, provide reports to parents and schools and to undertake research and compile statistics using anonymised data. More detail on how we handle your information is available in the Education Directorate Privacy Policy available at <https://bit.ly/2ZYzdtu>

As part of undertaking NAPLAN Online, the Education Directorate works closely with the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) and Education Services Australia (ESA). ESA operates the NAPLAN Online platform which will contain personal information. ACARA will collect anonymised information about each student who takes the test online from the Education Directorate.

Further information on how ACARA and ESA protect privacy is available through the ACARA privacy infographic <https://bit.ly/3uA6YrR> and ESA Privacy Policy [www.esa.edu.au/other/privacy](http://www.esa.edu.au/other/privacy).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Daniel Breen', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Daniel Breen  
Principal  
Gold Creek School

25 March 2022

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## P & C NEWS



The Gold Creek P&C is fundraising for new playground equipment / playground enhancements. Keep an eye on Flexischools to get your order in for some Bakers Delight Hot Cross buns available to pick up in the last week of term.

## JUMP ROPE FOR HEART – FINAL WEEKS TO REGISTER AND JOIN THE FUN!



Jump Rope for Heart is a fantastic physical activity and fundraising program that has been run by the Heart Foundation for over 36 years. It's a great way for your child to keep fit and learn new skills, but it also helps raise funds for vital heart research and education programs.

It's important to [register your child online](#), so they can receive the full benefits of the program and participate in online fundraising, simply follow the link below to get started. [www.iumproke.org.au/parents](http://www.iumproke.org.au/parents)

**Gold Creek Junior School** students have been skipping throughout the term, continue to share your child's online fundraising page with family and friends to help raise money for this great cause. We currently have **98 registered** students who have **raised \$7,877** and logged a current total of **42 Hours of skipping** with two weeks to go of the program, keep up the awesome work.

To celebrate JRFH's 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday, JRFH are running an exciting competition throughout Term 1. For every \$40 raised on your child's page, you will go into the draw to win a \$300 VISA gift card\*! There are 3 to be won this term.

Thank you for supporting the Jump Rope for Heart program! 😊

## SCHOOL CROSSING

A reminder to adhere to the 40 kph speed limit in the school zone. Please respect the Crossing Supervisor when around the school crossing by stopping in a timely manner when the Stop Sign is used to help children to safely cross the road. Your assistance is much appreciated.



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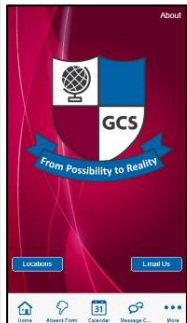
Did you know you can place an online lunch order for your child via flexischools?



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[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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