

# Newsletter

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From The Leadership Team

Issue 17

- Thursday 12th Dec  
Reports go home / Whole  
School Transition /  
Year 7 Graduation



- Friday 13th December  
Last Day of Term  
Casual Day  
Early Dismissal 2:10pm  
NO LUNCH ORDERS  
AVAILABLE
- Monday 27th January  
Australia Day Public  
Holiday
- Tuesday 28th January 2020  
First Day Back

## Congratulations to All on another Successful Year!

In our last newsletter edition for the year we would like to congratulate all members of our school community on another very successful year. We have all worked tirelessly to bring many events, activities and programs to our school which will leave us and the students with many special memories of Gulfview Heights in 2019.

A special mention must go out to all staff and parent helpers/volunteers who have supported students with some fantastic learning experiences throughout the year. Over 88 volunteers were acknowledged at our Volunteer morning tea on Thursday 5th December. This was an opportunity for staff and students to express their gratitude and personally thank them for all their hard work throughout the year.

Congratulations to the following volunteers who were the recipients of our Volunteer Awards for 2019:

Narelle Rayment - (Governing Council Award for Years of Service)

Paula Starke & Abby Kowal- (Governing Council Award for Outstanding Contribution)

Tanya Lancaster- (Blair Boyer Volunteer Of The Year Award)

We look forward to your continued support in 2020.

Whilst each year presents us with many new

and exciting challenges, we have thoroughly enjoyed the year and take enormous pride in our achievements and the work of all staff, students and volunteers. Together we have seen many new initiatives and programs which reaffirm our standing as a 'GREAT' local community school. This is evident by our student results and achievements in all areas, and many new families now enrolling their children at Gulfview Heights Primary School as a school of their choice. I encourage you to attend our **Annual General Meeting early next year on Monday 10th February** to hear about our improvements and achievements in 2019.

In particular, we would like to highlight the strengthening partnership we have with our Governing Council and thank them enormously for their work and support throughout the year.

Wishing you all a safe, enjoyable and restful festive season.



### Thank you and Farewell to our Year 7 Graduates

It is with sadness we farewell several students and families at the end of the year. On behalf of the school community we wish to extend a BIG THANKS & CONGRATULATIONS to you All for your work and contributions to Gulfview Heights Primary School over the many years.

The class of 2019 includes: Taj, Laura, Harley, Madeleine, Seth, Danielle, Marli, Caitlin, Antonino, Chelsea, Emily, Jack, Aaden, Cooper, Maddie, Jaxon, Nicholas, Emma, Connor, Zane, Trinity, Chelsea, Ezra, Taylor, Chloe, Victor, Jayden, Jaxon, Emily, Ethan, Kayla, Saskia, Micah, Kareem, Georgia, Seth, William, Riley, Bonnie, Flynn, & Dakota,



### Congratulations and Farewell Mrs Searles

It is with enormous sadness that we farewell our Deputy Principal Mrs Susie Searles at the end of this year.

On behalf of our entire school community I wish to congratulate Mrs Searles on her appointment as Head of Paralowie Junior School, and thank her for her enormous contributions to our school over the past 12 years as Early Years Teacher, Learning Coordinator and most recently as Deputy Principal.

Many of the programs and initiatives Mrs Searles has led over this period have had an enormous impact on the leaving improvements of hundreds of students. These will remain as a legacy of her work and contribution to our school community. This is something she can be truly proud of. Well done and Good luck!



### Class Placement/End of Year Reports

On Thursday December 12th you will receive your child's End of Year Report and a letter outlining their class placement in 2020. Please be advised that where possible all parent/carer requests have been met. There will be no requested late changes to class lists as unforeseen changes may occur as late as Term 1, week 2 in 2020.

### Walkathon Fundraiser

The Fundraising Committee would like to give a big shout out of thanks to the GHPS families who participated in the 2019 Walkathon. The students raised a whopping \$4,258.15. Student's who participated will receive their ice blocks on Monday of Week 9. The overall winner who raised the highest amount for the school received a prize at assembly on Friday. Each class winner will receive their prize this week in class.

### Premiers Be Active Challenge

The Hon Steven Marshall MP & Premier of SA wishes to congratulate the student of Gulfview Heights Primary School for successfully completing the 2019 Premier's be Active Challenge. We know that physical activity is a great way to help students with their development and to prepare their brains for learning. Our students are amongst the 31,500 young South Australians across our State who will receive medals for completing this important challenge this year. Students who have participated in the challenge for 12 years will receive a *be active for life Hall of Fame* medal. Other students will receive different medals depending on the number of years they have participated.

### Christmas Raffle Baskets

Thankyou to **Nature Science Love, Soul Movement Studio, Movement Personal Fitness, Vitality PT & Coaching, My Little Secret Designs, Jodi Charman Remedial Massage, Little Hair Room by Jo, DeLovely Skin Diagnostics, The Body Shop(Amanda Williams Independent Consultant), Bunnings, Entertainment Books & GHPS** families for their kind donations towards our Christmas raffle baskets drawn at our Week 8 Community Assembly.

### Materials and Services Charges 2020

After a successful poll of the school community which closed on 27th November 2019-Materials and Services charges for 2020 have now been approved at \$330.00 per child. Invoices will be sent home early in Term 1 2020.



# Brightpath Writing



This year our school once again took part in the Brightpath program which saw teachers assessing student writing using a software program called 'Brightpath'. At the completion of this program a student writing sample was chosen by a selection panel to send into the Department for Education to display in the Head Office in Flinders Street as part of a Brightpath writing exhibition. This year Jazmyn Chegvidden had her writing chosen for display. Jazmyn was videoed reading her written narrative and a copy of her written work is being displayed as part of the exhibition. We would like to extend a big congratulations to Jazmyn on her outstanding effort - we are all very proud of you!

*Miss Dani—Senior Leader (Early Years & Literacy)*



## Important Canteen News



Please note the following important information regarding our canteen service.

- As we run down stock for the school holidays please be aware that there may be a need to substitute some items in lunch orders. Students will be consulted where possible when this occurs.
- The canteen will be **closed for lunch orders on the last day of school Friday 13th December** to allow for cleaning and stock take - **PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD BRINGS LUNCH ON THIS DAY—THERE WILL BE NO LUNCH ORDERS AVAILABLE.**

We would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank Sonya Solly for all her hard work in our Canteen. We wish her all the best in her new position.



## Chinese Award

Congratulations to Emily Henriques-De-La-Fuente who won the 2019 CLTASA (Chinese Language Teacher Association of South Australia) Award for her achievements in Chinese.

Well done !

We hope you enjoyed celebrating your achievements.



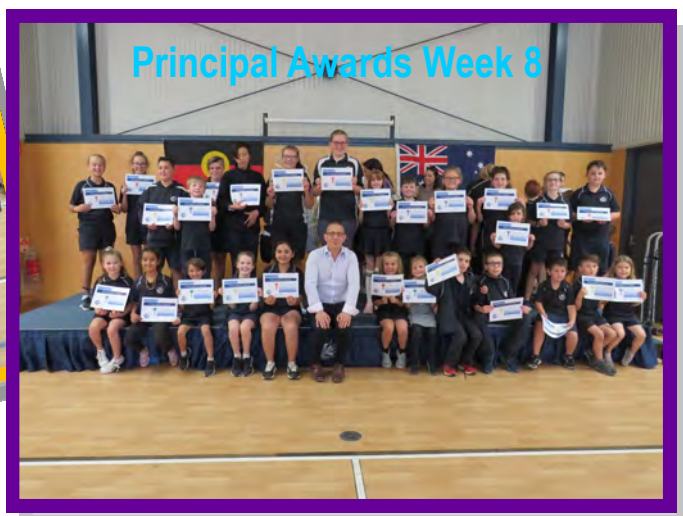
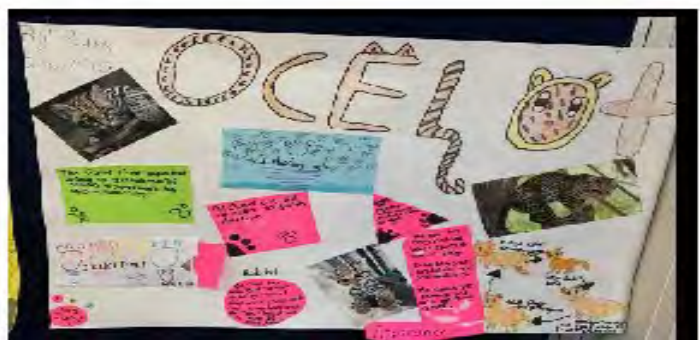
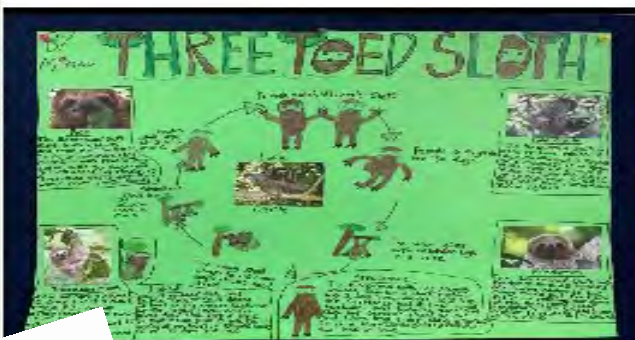
## School of Languages Awards

I am delighted to inform you that the following students have been chosen as this year's language award recipients and their achievements were formally acknowledged at the 2019 School of Languages Celebration of Achievement, held on Tuesday 26th November at Bonython Hall, University of Adelaide. Luis Badcock (Year 3 Spanish) - Award of Merit & Olivia John (Year 2 Chinese) - Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement. Congratulations on this outstanding personal achievement.

# MYII Animal Projects and Monarto Zoo Excursion!



In MYII we researched an animal from Africa or South America and wrote an information report about them. We then went to Monarto Zoo to further explore African animals!



Students who participated in District SAPSASA  
 Storm – Swimming, Caitlin – Athletics, Marli -Netball,  
 Sebastian -Basketball, Maxine – Softball, Jaxon –  
 Cricket, Flynn – Athletics, Jayden – Soccer, Antonino –  
 Soccer, Joshua – Basketball, Jay – Athletics, Gia -  
 Athletics.



Play in the shade  
 in Term 1, 3 & 4