

GARDEN SUBURB PUBLIC SCHOOL

A caring environment providing quality education

Assembly

In Week 6, Thursday 25th August, we will be holding our first assembly for the term. This assembly will be held at 12:00pm, after the Book Week parade and family picnic. During this assembly we will be presenting the athletics carnival ribbons, as well as three Principal Awards.

Student and staff absences

We appreciate your understanding over the past few weeks, as we have been managing student and staff absences due to illnesses in the community. At all times, we try to ensure that continuity of learning is not disrupted for our students, however there are times where we may have to split a class or have several different teachers for a period of time. If a teacher is absent, then you will not receive parent portal message replies during this time. If you have not received a reply to your message within 24 hours, please contact the front office and someone will be able to help you.

Students going on holidays during the school term

If you are planning on travelling with your child/ren on a holiday during the school term, for 5 or more days, you will need to complete an application for extended leave – travel form.

Travel is considered to be domestic or international travel for the purpose of a family holiday, family business, bereavement or other reasons, which should be specified on the application.

If you are planning on travelling, you need to contact the school to discuss this and request an application for an extended leave – travel form.

The form needs to be completed and returned to the school with relevant travel information prior to the travel.

If the application is accepted, you will be issued with a Certificate of Extended Leave – Travel and the absences will be recorded as “Leave”.

If a form is not submitted or accepted, then the absences will be recorded as “unjustified”.

When travels period exceeds one school term access to Distance Education must be considered.

If you need support with this process, please contact the school and we will help you complete the forms.

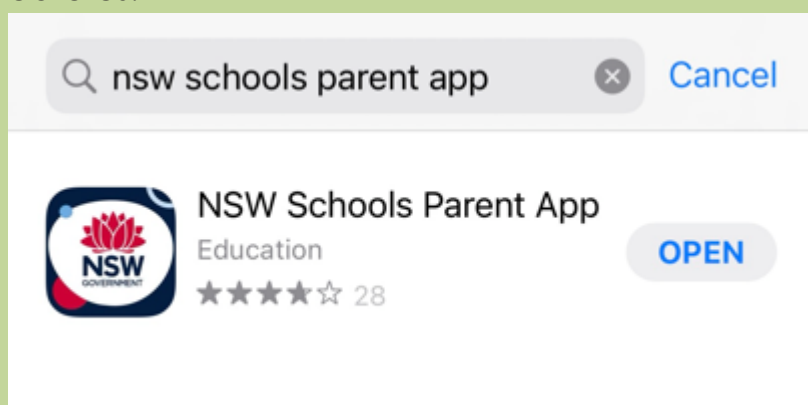
NSW School Updates app

The Department of Education's NSW Schools Parent App has replaced the NSW School Updates App. The new app has the ability for parents and carers with children in multiple schools to receive newsletters and updates within the same app and receive push notifications on their phones when newsletters and events are posted by the school. Information feeds are filtered by school year are customised for parents and carers and includes direct contact line details to the school. The app also includes a school website link to 'make a payment' and you will receive emergency updates such as school closures.

The app is free and available now for iOS and Android users.

- [Download for iOS - App Store](#)
- [Download for Android – Google Play](#)

We encourage parents and carers to download the new NSW Schools Parent App and delete the NSW Education Parent app to use the enhanced features.



Discovering what enables success for students in NSW public schools project

Our school has been invited to be part of the 'Discovering what enables success for students in NSW public schools' project. This project is conducted in collaboration with the University of NSW, the University of Canberra, Charles Sturt University and the NSW Department of Education. The project is part of the Ambassador Program in NSW public schools.

Over the coming week we will be sending home information to the parents of our Year 2-6 students about a student survey.

The project involves online surveys, focus groups and observations of staff and classroom programs.

Update to Award system

This week we are informing parents of a change to the school wide award system. At a PBL meeting in Term 1, the teachers discussed the inconsistency with the attainment of the Gold Awards and from analysing data, there was only a small number of children achieving these over a school year. A decision was made to review the procedures for this. After a discussion at a P&C meeting that followed, the P&C gave input into a decision to make it possible for the majority of students to achieve a Gold Award during their schooling at GSPS.

The decision when taken back to the PBL team, was to continue the process of achieving a bronze, silver and gold award over more than one school year. There is further information in the newsletter regarding this. If you would like clarification about this, please contact the school.

Bronze, Silver & Gold Awards

This year there has been a change to the way students can earn bronze, silver and gold awards. These awards can now be earned over a number of years. Once students have achieved a gold the process starts again.

Any 4 awards



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+ 2 more awards



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+ 2 more awards



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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Coming Up

Check the Sentral Parent Calendar

Dunford Cup	Fri 12 August
Week 5	
Stage 2 Awabakal Excursion	Tues 16 Aust
Week 6	
Book week Parade and family picnic– Dress up	Thurs 25 August
1 st Kindy Orientation & Expo	Thurs 25 August
Assembly 12pm	Thurs 25 August
Hunter Regional Athletics	Fri 26 August
Week 7	
P&C Meeting	Mon 29 August
Spelling Bee Regional finals	Mon 29 August
P&C Father's Day Stall	Thurs 1 st September
Dunford Cup Finals	Fri 2 nd September
Week 8	
Morning Tea with Mrs Sturman – reading cards	Tues 6 th September
2 nd Kindy Orientation session	Tues 6 th September

Dunford Cup

Dunford Cup Football and Netball groups will be travelling by bus to and from the school again on Friday 12th August.

Please ensure your child is at school by 8.30am on this day.

If you intend on someone picking your child up instead of travelling back to school by bus please email the school before Wednesday 10th August, to advise the details. Soccer is at Stevenson Park, Mayfield West Netball is at Cardiff Netball courts, Cardiff.

Stage 2 Awabakal Excursion

Permission notes are due back this Friday, 12th August for the Stage 2 Awabakal Excursion.

Book week parade

See below flyer for details.



Book Week at Garden Suburb Public School

During book week students will be participating in activities in class that celebrate a love of literature. We will be holding activities for the whole school community on Thursday 25th August.

Thursday 25th August

10:30-11:00 Book Week Parade.

Students are encouraged to come dressed as their favourite book character.

Families are welcome to attend the parade following the schools COVID safety plan.

Our 2023 kindergarten students are invited to participate in the parade after their morning transition to school activities.

11:00-11:45 Family book picnic & Book Swap

We invite our families to stay and enjoy a picnic with their children. The school will be putting on a morning tea at no cost to our families. Drinks will be available for a small cost.

During the picnic, we will be holding a book swap. We would appreciate any donations of quality books. Books can be sent to school from Monday 8th August 2022.

Students can purchase a book for a gold coin donation on the 25th August.

If you have any novels at home that you would like to donate, we would also like to have a section for our adult readers to purchase a book for a gold coin donation.

All the money raised from the book swap will be donated to the Indigenous Literacy Foundation who support remote communities by purchasing books.

We look forward to seeing all our families who are able to attend this event.

Garden Suburb PS P&C

FATHER'S DAY STALL

is

THURSDAY!

1st September

from 9.30am

Gift range \$10, \$5, \$2



GIFT DONATIONS

needed and greatly appreciated 😊

Students get to spoil Dad while
raising money for our school!

Remember not free, safe and appropriate gifts.

Please drop gifts off to the office.

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

During Weeks 4 -6 of this term, all Year 1 students will complete the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check. This is a short, quick assessment that informs teachers how your child is progressing in phonics.

Your child will sit with their class teacher and will be asked to read 40 words aloud. These words include 20 real words and 20 pseudo (nonsense) words. The assessment includes pseudo or nonsense words to see if the student is able to use their knowledge of blending to read a word rather than their memory of having seen that word before.

The test normally takes 5-7 minutes. If your child is struggling the teacher will stop the check. The check is carefully designed not to be stressful for your child.

If you have any further questions, please talk to your child's class teacher.

Bookclub

We kindly ask that all orders for Book Club be made through LOOP. Book Club's online ordering platform.



SCHOLASTIC

Book Club LOOP

for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:
www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP

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Google play

Download on the
App Store

Awabakal Word of the Week

Week 3-4

Raise your hand- barala madara



barala madara

ba ra la ma da ra

barala madara



raise your hand/s!

Reports

We were informed by some parents that they could no longer view their child's academic reports in the Sentral Parent Portal app.

Please note that we have rectified this issue and you can now view your child's report for Semester 1, 2022.

The app has recently been updated. To view your child's academic reports please follow these steps in your Sentral Parent Portal app:

- Click on the photo and name of your child (at the top of the screen)
- Click on 'Student Details'
- Click on the + symbol next to 'Academic Reports'
- Select the Semester/Year report you would like to view
- The report will open as a PDF

Please let us know if you have any further issues.

We apologise for any inconvenience.



Milkshake Monday

Congratulations to all the winners, who were lucky enough to share a milkshake with Mrs Sturman this fortnight.





Awards



Congratulations to all students that received awards in the past fortnight. The following students received a PBL merit award:

Novas

Lucy C, Leo B, Angie S

Galaxies

King F, Avoca L, Campbell A, Charlie V, Navarna G, Lawson D

Satellites

Meelah S, Ava H, Yuna K

Rockets

Orland H, Leo K, Jett A, Olivia W, Theo W, Mylee T, Jett A, Elliott M

Comets

Ivy P, Elijah S, Mitchell S, Zavier A, Alexie S, Archer P, Ishleen K, Charley B, Samuel C, Estelle K, Eli H, Mabel E, Rainn B, Taya B, Kasadee H

Astronauts

Jed B, Amber B, Ellie A, Brayden S, Maya W

Cosmonauts

Sireen A, Maya N, Mia F, Ruby Rose G, Lucy K, Sienna C

Milky Ways

Kaleb E, Reid O

Titans

Boston G, Lawrence C, Henry W

Positive Behaviour for Learning

GARDEN SUBURB PUBLIC SCHOOL

RESPECT	RESPONSIBILITY	PERSONAL BEST
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speak politely • Be kind • Allow others to play and learn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be prepared and ready to learn • Care for the school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dress with pride • Try your best at all times

ENVIRONMENT NEWS

Trash Free Tuesday

Reminder that students receive a dazzler from Mrs Brewer if they bring their lunch in reusable containers on a Tuesday.



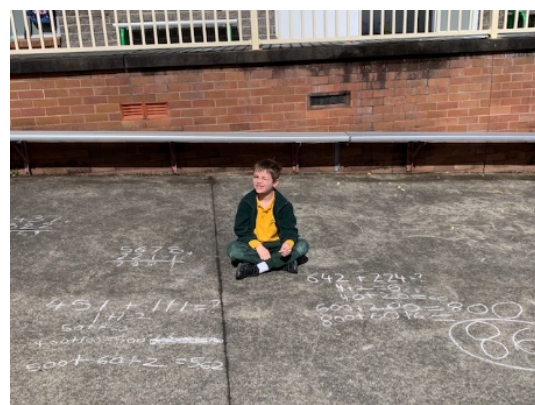
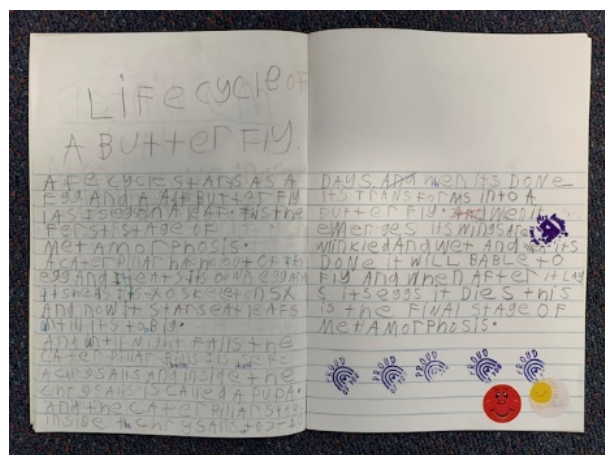
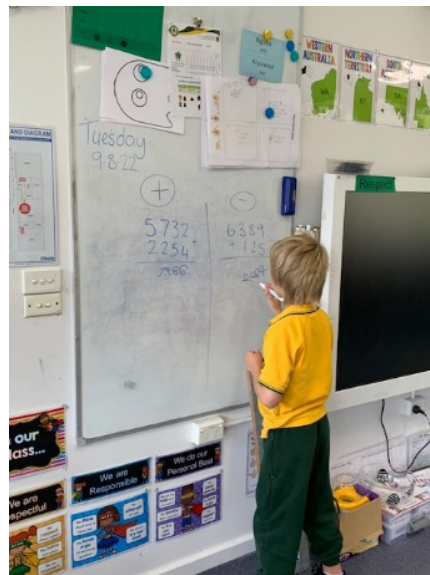
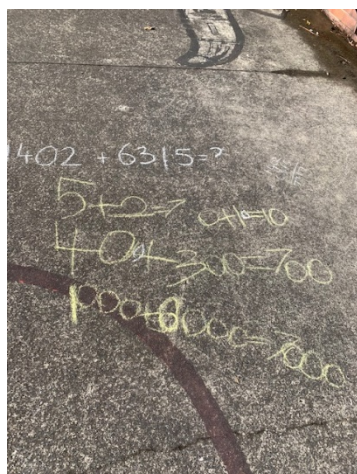
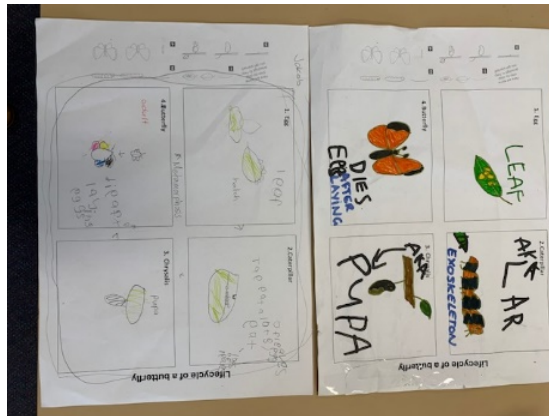
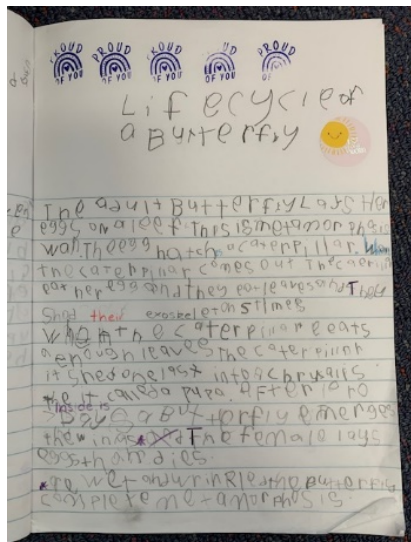
On Tuesdays, students and staff are encouraged to bring their lunch, recess and fruit to school in a reusable container, and bring a refillable water bottle. Rubbish bins will be removed from the playground, and students will take home any food packaging.

HELP GSPS BE TOTALLY TRASH FREE ON TUESDAYS!

CLASSROOM NEWS

Titans

The Titans have been working on Explanation Writing and have learnt about metamorphosis - The Lifecycle of a Butterfly. We have also been extending our addition and subtraction strategies.



What's been happening

Education Week - Dress as your future

Last Friday 5th August students were invited to 'dress as their future'. It was great to see so many creative costumes.



2022 Debating team

Our 2022 debating team went up against some tough competition. We won 1 out of 4 debates. We enjoyed the opportunity of meeting and debating against students from other schools.



Premiere Spelling Bee

This Term, students in Stage 2 and Stage 3 participated in the Premier Spelling Bee. The Premier's Spelling Bee is an educational way for primary school students to engage with and improve their spelling and is open to Years 3 to 6. Students tested their spelling skills in-class, following this, 2 students from each class participated in a stage-based spelling bee. At the conclusion of the spelling bee, 2 students are moving to the next round (one Stage 2 & one Stage 3) and will represent our school at the regional final. This year the regional finals will be conducted via Zoom and will be held during Term 3, week 7 with final the date TBC.

We are excited to announce that Liam and Molly will be representing our school at the regional finals. Congratulations to all students who participated in the Premier Spelling Bee and look forward to the finals.



Public Speaking Finals

In Week 2, students presented speeches to their classes. Two outstanding students from each class were selected to participate in our 2022 'Speak Offs'. 20 students across GSPS entertained their stages with well-practiced speeches in Week 3. These students should be very proud of their efforts, and we congratulate them all again!

Early Stage 1: Ali, Elise, Olivia and Layla

Stage 1: Matisse, Stella, Henry, Leo, Joshua and Theo

Stage 2: Liam, Bridget, Nevaeh, Samuel and Clancy

Stage 3: Sienna, Isaac, Logan, Caitlin and Edie

From these 20 students, our adjudicators, Mrs Mills and Mrs McShane had the tough decision of selecting only 2 representatives from each stage to progress to the Zone Public Speaking competitions this week.

Congratulations to the following students:

Early Stage 1: Ali and Layla

Stage 1: Matisse and Stella

Stage 2: Liam and Clancy

Stage 3: Sienna and Edie

We are very proud of Public Speakers and wish them luck this week at Zone level.



Morning Tea with Mrs Sturman

Congratulations to all the students that were invited to a morning tea with Mrs Sturman for completing 50 and 100 nights of reading on Tuesday 9th August. The students enjoyed a buffet of treats including chicken fingers, chips, fruit and party pies. Students that had read for 100 nights were treated with an extra milkshake. The next morning tea will be held on the 6th September. Keep up the great work!



Canberra Excursion

Students from our school have recently undertaken, an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.



The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.



Zone Athletics Carnival

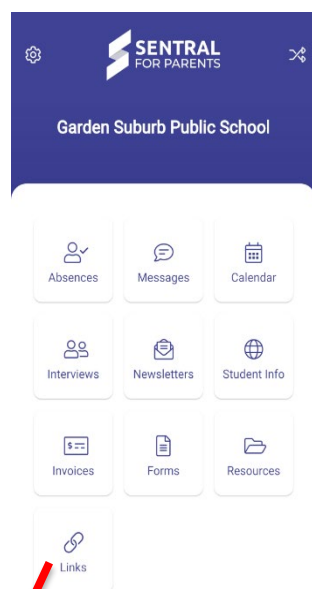
We were so proud of the zone athletics team on Tuesday 2nd August. Payton, Miller, Edward and Fred are off to the Regional Athletics carnival on the 26th August 2022. Good luck!



COMMUNICATION

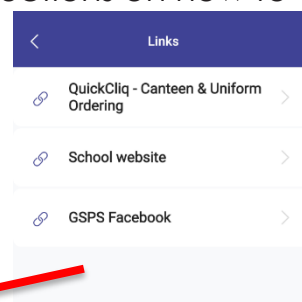
Please use the following forms of communication with the school to stay up to date

Sentral Parent Portal App



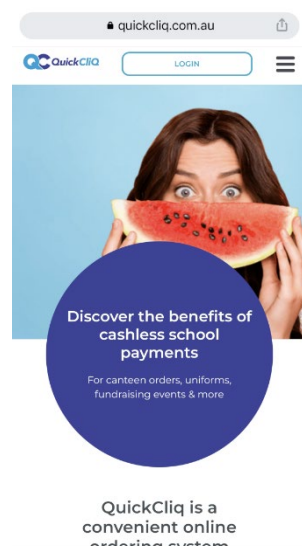
The school uses the Sentral Parent Portal app to communicate all school updates, newsletters, permission notes and fundraising opportunities with our parent community. Parents can also submit absence requests, check the school calendar for upcoming events and message the class teacher. Please download this app if you haven't done so already.

All new parents and carers to the school should have received a welcome email with instructions on how to register and your access key. If you don't have an access key, please let the office know. Parents can have multiple access keys for each parent to stay up to date on what's happening in the school.



All of the online systems used by Garden Suburb PS can be found in the Sentral Parent Portal 'Links' icon.

QuickCliq



Canteen and Uniforms orders can be purchased online through the website QuickCliq. Parents are encouraged to register an account, add their students details to the account and purchase credit through the website. For detailed instructions please see '[How to](#)' guide.

Website

Information regarding the school's policies, planning, reporting, expectations, P&C and so much more can be found on our [website](#). All parent payments and enrolment applications are made online using the quick link tabs along the top of the home page.

Facebook

The school has a Facebook page where you can find information on student successes, good news stories and community information. Our school Facebook page can be found by searching 'Garden Suburb Public School' on Facebook.



**GARDEN SUBURB
PUBLIC SCHOOL**

**ENROLLING
NOW**
Kindergarten



Is your child starting Kindergarten in 2023?

**Transition 1: Book Week parade on
Thursday 25 August, 2022**

Please visit our website or contact our school
office on:

Ph: 4943 4898

W: gardensub-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au



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P&C



Uniform Shop

Order uniforms through QuickCliq. Click on the hamburger symbol on the top right then click on 'Uniforms'. Orders will be sent home with the students on Fridays. The uniform shop is open Thursday afternoons 3.10pm to 3.30pm to try on sizes.



GARDEN SUBURB PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C UNIFORM SHOP

DID YOU KNOW ?



The Uniform Shop sells...

Available Thursdays at School, on Quickcliq or enquire at the School Office
PLUS CHECKOUT THE SECOND HAND OPTIONS - MOST ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR \$2!
Just a reminder our uniform includes Black Shoes and White Socks



Canteen News

The canteen is open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday lunch. Orders are made through the QuickCliq website. If you need assistance setting up a QuickCliq account please refer to the '[How to guide](#)'. Orders need to be in before 9.20am on the day of the order.

The canteen menu prices have had to increase slightly due to stock price increases. Please see updated canteen menu below.



CANTEN MENU

2022

SANDWICHES

Vegemite	\$2.20
Cheese	\$2.50
Egg & Lettuce	\$3.50
Ham	\$3.50
Diced Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo	\$4.50
Salad (let/tom/beet/carrot)	\$4.30
Salad with Ham/Diced Chicken	\$5.00

Toasted Extra \$0.50

Choice of White or Wholemeal Bread for all sandwiches

HOT FOOD

Corn on the Cob	\$1.00
Hard Boiled Egg	\$1.00
Garlic Bread	\$2.00
^Chicken Burger with Lettuce & Mayo	\$5.30
^Chicken Fingers (each)	\$0.50
Max 8/order	
^Party Pie (Low Fat)	\$2.60
^Large Pie (Low Fat)	\$4.20
^Sausage Roll (Low Fat)	\$2.70
Fresh Made Pizza	\$3.80
Cheese, Ham & Cheese, Hawaiian, Supreme, Vegetarian	
Pasta Bolognese	\$5.00
^Nachos	\$5.00

DRINKS

Water - 600mL	\$1.50
Hot Chocolate	\$1.50
Juice - 99% juice, 200mL	
Orange, Apple Blackcurrant, Apple	\$2.60
Milk - Reduced Fat, 200mL	\$2.60
Choc, Strawberry	
Juice Bomb - AppRasp & AppBC	\$2.60
Popper Juice	\$2.00

EXTRAS

Paper Bag	\$0.20
Sauce - Tomato, BBQ, Mayo	\$0.50

WRAPS

Salad	\$4.50
Ham & Salad	\$5.00
Diced Chicken & Salad	\$5.00
Chicken Finger (Lett, Mayo & Cheese)	\$5.30
Chicken Finger with Mayo & Salad	\$6.30

SALAD BOXES

Salad	\$5.00
Ham & Salad	\$6.00
Chicken & Salad	\$6.00
Egg & Salad	\$6.00
Chicken with Egg & Salad	\$6.50
Ham with Egg & Salad	\$6.50

SNACKS

Cereal Bag	\$0.50
Slinky Apple	\$1.20
Fresh Vanilla Yoghurt Cup	\$1.50
Vege Sticks with Hommus	\$1.50
Fresh Popped Popcorn	\$0.50
Pikelets - Jam or Margarine	\$0.50
^Fresh Baked Muffin - Choc	\$1.00
^Grainwaves, Sour & Cream	\$1.50
^Red Rock Chips, Sea Salt	\$1.50
^Monster Noodles	\$1.00
Chicken, BBQ	

FROZEN TREATS

Fruit Ice Block (5 flavours)	\$0.60
Frozen Pineapple Kebabs	\$0.20
Frozen Juice Cup	
Apple Blackcurrant	\$1.00
Juicies (3 flavours)	\$1.30
^Moosies - Choc, Blue Moon	\$1.60
^Ice Cream Cups	\$1.10
^Frozen Yoghurt	\$2.50
Choc Vanilla, Watermelon	



^Occasional Choice Items. They have a health star rating of 3.5 or above.

Community Notices



Garden Suburb Jumping Jellybeans

Garden Suburb Jumping Jellybeans Playgroup is located right next to the school, within the Garden Suburb Community Hall (No. 2A Prospect Rd, Garden Suburb).

Jumping Jellybeans welcomes all parents and carers with children up to 6 years old. The newly renovated Hall has a large play area indoors with a kitchen, lots of toys and equipment to play with, and a small, grassed area used for outdoor play.


Playgroup is all about creative and unstructured learning through play, which is essential to children's development, as it helps them explore and understand their world. Sessions are lightly structured as informal gatherings where babies, toddlers and preschool-aged children along with their parents or carers come together in a relaxed and friendly environment to connect, play and learn.

We meet on Tuesdays during school term at 9:30am. Fees are \$40 for the term or \$5 per casual session.

Please send us an email before attending at jumpingjellybeansplaygroup@gmail.com or contact Catie on 0427 356 193 (SMS preferred).

Yoga classes for a peaceful mind.

body & soul



**Henderson Park Hall,
Adamstown
Monday 9.15 - 10.15am
Saturday 8-9am
Hatha Yoga**

**GARDEN SUBURB
COMMUNITY HALL
SATURDAY 4PM-5.15
RESTORATIVE YOGA**

\$15, BYO mat. Book on Facebook @yogaforme or SMS Skye 0410 614 934



GARDEN SUBURB

Fun, engaging & value for money



Monday 26th

Harry Potter & Star Wars Day

Come along for a day full of Harry Potter & Star Wars themed fun and games.

Dress up as a character from either theme

Be prepared to be sorted by the sorting hat into your house on arrival and enjoy various activities that will tie the two sagas together.

Enjoy a movie to finish off the afternoon

Day Camp

Tuesday 27th

NetWorld

Discover a new world in the treetops as you leap, spring and bounce into NetWorld.

This vast series of elevated, interconnected nets, trampolines and ball pits is yours to discover and interact with!

Pack a yummy lunch and lots of snacks as you will be hungry after all the action and excitement.

Don't forget a refillable drink bottle.

Excursion

Wednesday 28th

Megamania

Fun and excitement awaits us today at Megamania for a 3 hour closed session.

There is so many opportunities for fun today, explore the play arena with your friends and play games, enjoy the ball cannons, make it to the top of the rock climbing wall, jump on the jumping castle and if you are brave enough, tackle the giant slides.

Excursion

Thursday 29th

Red Alert Laser Tag

Test your combat skills in the multi-level laser tag arena during our private hire at Red Alert Laser Tag.

There is hours of fun to be had during this out of this world experience with unlimited games of laser tag to play.

Head back to OOSH and take part in more activities to test your target skills as well as working on hand eye coordination.

Excursion

Friday 30th

Ship- O- Fools

Are you ready to laugh? Come along and enjoy a clown show at OOSH by Ship O Fools starring Willy Doodrop.

Be prepared to be amazed by magic and more.

Willy will hang around following the show to make balloon animals for all the OOSH kids to enjoy.

Continue the fun into the afternoon by learning magic and putting it to test on your peers.

Incursion

Monday 3rd



Tuesday 4th

Teddy Bear Picnic

Join us today at OOSH for a teddy bear picnic.

You will be able to create your own cuddly friend to take home forever.

Choose the design, fill them with stuffing and love and finish off your teddy by naming them and creating a unique birth certificate.

During lunch we will sit outdoors and enjoy a picnic with our new fuzzy friends.

Incursion

Wednesday 5th

Reptile Park

Board the coach for a day trip down the coast where you will get up close and personal with native animals in their enclosures or roaming around the park.

Be brave and enter the reptile cave and get creeped out by the slithering, sliming creatures.

Play on the playground and enjoy a day out in the sunshine.

Excursion

Thursday 6th

Revolution

Come along and join us for a PRIVATE closed session at Revolution.

Enjoy the main arena with over 50 interconnected trampolines and an ICE BOX (foam pit) or find your way into the inflatable arena where you can tackle the obstacle course, go head to head on the battle beam or enjoy the slides.

If this still isn't what you want to do, you can enjoy the kiddies arena and the climbing playground.

Excursion

Friday 7th

Fair Play Fete

Get your thinking cap on and become a young entrepreneur for the day.

Create a stall of your choice using objects and materials around OOSH.

Create and make your items before selling them to your friends with play money and see who can make the most on the day.

Items can be created throughout the holidays in preparation for this day.

Day Camp

Booking form to be completed to confirm your spot



Don't forget to apply for your \$500 worth of vouchers for OOSH which can cover your GAP fees before they expire on 30/9/22



Green Fair Play Shirt required on Excursions



\$15



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Fair Play OOSH Garden Suburb









Start your day with breakfast

Breakfast refuels your body, ready for the day!



Kids who eat breakfast have more energy to be physically active. They can concentrate, problem solve and focus better at school.

-  Involve kids in planning, shopping and making breakfast. It teaches kids how to plan, prepare and cook meals
-  Prepare the night before e.g. get out kitchen utensils, plates, cups, cut up fruit
-  Sleep in? Try healthy grab and go options; fruit, trail mix, fruit smoothies, bag of wholegrain cereal, reduced fat yoghurt, baked beans
-  Encourage your kids to start the day with breakfast. Make time to sit and enjoy eating breakfast together

Source: Breakfast: encouraging children to eat and enjoy it | raisingchildren.net.au;
<https://raisingchildren.net.au/toddlers/nutrition-fitness/breakfast-lunches/breakfast>



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