

Gembrook Primary School Staff Profile

Name: Jessica Banks/Miss Banks (alias: Batman)

Position: Grade 2 teacher, team leader, and ICT coordinator



When I'm not at school: I enjoy playing footy, swimming, going to the beach to scuba dive, paddleboard or surf, hiking, spending time with my friends, family, and my dogs (Charli and Lola).

Favourite book/author: J.K Rowling - Harry Potter

Favourite sports team: Richmond FC

Something that always cheers me up: chocolate, exercising, spending time with friends and family and watching my students grow and learn, children have an amazing ability to continue to make you smile.

Favourite holiday destination: Everywhere! I have visited many places overseas, my favourite of which would be when I taught in Nepal and China, BUT I would love to travel to the Solomon Islands to scuba dive.

Favourite style of music: Everything! I enjoy songs from a range of genres, especially when they're played live.

Favourite songs: Go your own way – Fleetwood Mac, A Million Dreams – The Greatest Showman and All I want is you – U2, Up & Up – Coldplay, To Her Door – Paul Kelly, The Unguarded Moment – Ruby Fields, Dreams – The Cranberries.

Hobbies: Football (AFL), swimming, scuba diving, hiking, paddle boarding, and surfing.

Why I am passionate about working at GPS: I joined a career in teaching because I wanted to facilitate growth and change within our world. I want the next generation to surpass ours, in every way possible. I want to change lives and at Gembrook, our teachers do this every day. We are supported in the best possible way to become the best teachers we can and thus, empowering our students to become the best learners they can be.