

# Gembrook Primary School



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**Vision:** *To provide every student with every opportunity to be the best they can be.*

## **Mission Statement** **A view to the future**

*Gembrook Primary School is a vibrant and aspirational education community, providing a safe and supportive learning environment that enables a personalised, engaging and challenging learning program. Our objective is for students to achieve the academic, social, emotional and physical growth to thrive in a global society*



**4th June, 2021**

# DIARY DATES

<b>JUNE</b>	
Monday 7th	<i>Parent Survey closes PFA Pie Drive Orders Due today</i>
Wednesday 9th- Friday 11th	<i>Grade 3/4 Camp Manyung (Postponed)</i>
Monday 14th	<i>Queens Birthday - Curriculum Day</i>
Wednesday 16th	<i>Extension Maths—Olympiad Test</i>
Wednesday 16th	<i>Pie Drive orders delivered to School</i>
Tuesday 22nd— Thursday 24th	<i>Grade 5/6 Camp Woorabinda</i>
Friday 25th	<i>Last day of Term 2.30pm Finish</i>

## **Parent Survey:**

We would love to hear your voice in our parent survey which close Monday June 7th <https://forms.gle/dxPVKfSYLFFc5gnt8>

# A VIEW TO THE FUTURE

Hi everyone,

Well we have all gone through an interesting week or so and the responses I have received from many families have been extremely positive. The wonderful school community is adhering to the Victorian Health Officer's lockdown instructions. The overwhelming message that we want to share is that we want to support our students and children to get through this period of time with a healthy and positive mindset and continued learning.

I have been in contact with Brendan and he is thoroughly enjoying his trip throughout South Australia. He has plenty of stories to share with you all.

## **PFA DISCO**

Two weeks ago, the P.F.A. organised a disco for the students. The response was outstanding with the largest attendance we have had. Many parent volunteers attended and supported your children, so thank you to those who reached out and helped. I wanted to thank the 10 teachers that also attended to ensure the safety of the students during the disco. Once again, they have supported our students to ensure their evening was successful.

## **PARENT SURVEY**

Just a reminder that our Parent Survey is still open, it closes on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June. We would love as many parents to complete it. Please go to <https://forms.gle/dxPVKfSYLFFc5gnt8>.

## **INTERNET SECURITY**

I just want everyone to understand that the school's internet security is only viable onsite. When students are using a school device at home or their own device, then the internet security firmly belongs to the parent's home internet security and parental supervision. It is important that all children are supervised when using the internet for their safety.

## **LATEST COVID & LOCKDOWN INFORMATION**

### **Schools are closed and students will move from "Learning from Home" to "Remote Learning" from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June to Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June**

- **QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY (Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June)**
- **3/4 CAMP, has been POSTPONED, further information to come on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June.**
- **5/6 CAMP, there has been no communication of week 10 camps, as yet.**
- OSHC will be operating for students of essential workers (Before and after school hours only).
- The bus service will be operating as normal for students of essential workers.
- **The school grounds (oval, basketball and playgrounds are not available to the general public during school hours (8:45am-4:30pm).**
- Staff in all workforces, wherever possible, are encouraged to work from home.
- Communication from myself and your child's teacher have been sent today outlining the remote learning details.

### **Remote Learning will begin on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June until Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June**

We have uploaded a full week of learning lessons and a weekly timetable on the website and on Compass today Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June, each class teacher has sent a newsfeed to outline the learning expectations for the class.

I have sent a newsfeed today Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June, providing support on how to access lessons, Webex meetings, etc.

**Any family that does not have an electronic device (iPad), and would like to use one during this lockdown, please contact the school A.S.A.P. on 5968 1313 (8:30am-4:30pm) or via email on [gembrook.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:gembrook.ps@education.vic.gov.au).**

**Device collections are available from 9am Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June.**

# A VIEW TO THE FUTURE

## Schools are closed and students will move from “Learning from Home” to “Remote Learning” from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June to Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June, except for students in the following categories;

Children where both parents and or carers are considered authorised workers as listed (I will send through the DET updated version) who cannot work from home, work for an essential provider and where no other supervision arrangements can be made:

Where there are two parents/carers, both must be essential workers, working outside the home in order for their children to be eligible for on-site provision.

For single parents/ carers, the essential worker must be working outside the home in order for their children to be eligible for on-site provision.

Vulnerable children, including:

Children in out-of-home care

Children deemed vulnerable by a government agency, funded family or family violence service, and assessed as requiring education and care outside the family home

Identified by a school or early childhood service as vulnerable, (including via referral from a government agency, or funded family or family violence service, homeless or youth justice service or mental health or other health service)

Please contact the school, if you fall into these categories 5968 1313 (8:30am-4:30pm) or via email on [gembrook.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:gembrook.ps@education.vic.gov.au) each day prior to the required supervision day. This is to ensure we have adequate supervising staff in place.

Teachers and staff are NOT required to be at school, except to contribute to a roster of supervision. It is therefore important to note that onsite supervision can occur only as an absolute last resort, where all alternative arrangements for care and supervision have been exhausted.

When on-site supervision is provided, hand sanitiser will be available at the entry points to classrooms.

Physical distancing will be implemented in classrooms to the extent feasible and unwell students will be excluded from attending.

The learning program delivered on-site will be the same as the learning program delivered to students undertaking “learning from home” until Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June and “Remote Learning” from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June-Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June. Students attending on-site will be supervised by staff on-site but follow the learning program provided by their classroom teacher.

For those students of essential workers that meet the guidelines and vulnerable students:

Please enter through the front gate only, **from 8:45am.**

Please use the sign in sheet outside the administration office to sign your child in at the beginning of the day and out at the end of the day.

Please wait in the area outside the administration office to collect your child at 3:20 pm. Students will come up from the classroom for dismissal.

Students are required to wear full school uniform.

I want to let you know you can contact me if you are concerned about your child’s wellbeing and I will endeavour to support you as best I can. If you need to contact your child’s teacher, please contact the school and we will pass on your message.

School Office: 5968 1313 (8:30am-4:30pm)

School Email: [gembrook.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:gembrook.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

Kerri Drew: 0437 027 107

# A VIEW TO THE FUTURE

## **2020 STAFF OPINION SURVEY REPORT FROM BRENDAN FITZPATRICK**

### **As presented to GPS School Council at the May meeting:**

The Department of Education and Training (DET) conduct three main surveys per year. They are:

Student Attitudes to School Survey (Years 4-6)

Staff Opinion Survey

Parent Opinion Survey

The process for sharing results of the surveys is as follows:

Results are analysed by GIFT (Gembrook Improvement Focus Team). GIFT is our school leadership team consisting of Mrs. Drew, Mrs. Liston, Miss. Banks, Miss. O'Mara, Miss. Mitchell and myself. Results are analysed in terms of data to celebrate as well as identifying areas for improvement that align with our Annual Implementation Plan. The survey results are then shared with staff, and following that, with school council. A summary of the survey results is then shared with our school community via the newsletter.

The 2020 Staff Opinion Survey was conducted during the period of remote learning.

The Staff Opinion Survey is divided into six sections and for 2020 results for our school were ranked as follows:

1	Teaching and Learning – Practice Improvement
2	School Leadership
3	Teaching and Learning – Implementation
4	Teaching and Learning – Planning
5	School Climate
6	Teaching and Learning – Evaluation

### **Cause for celebration included:**

ALL data across all sections was extremely high. For example, the section ranked sixth 'Teaching and Learning – Evaluation' had an overall positive endorsement of 87.9%!

We are assembling an incredible workforce, skilled and totally student centred. We should ALL be very proud.

Collective focus on student learning = 93.4%

Instructional leadership = 90.3%

Parent and community involvement = 98.2%

Professional learning targeted to improve literacy and numeracy = 100%

Believe student engagement is the key to learning = 100%

My school's leadership team supported innovative approaches to instruction during remote learning = 100% (State = 74%)

And anecdotal observation – staff worked incredibly hard and as an exceptional TEAM during remote learning.

Whilst the Staff Opinion Survey data was incredibly high and reflecting no obvious areas for improvement, we are excited to be striving for further school improvement throughout 2021 and beyond.

### **Some of our school improvement initiatives for 2021 include:**

Increased engagement with education consultant Danny Hyndman.

Three more staff to complete the Bastow Leading Literacy course during 2021

Differentiated Support for School Improvement (DSSI) initiative

Positive Behaviours for Learning (PBL) initiative will support staff in terms of a unified and whole school approach to expected behaviours in all school contexts.

Implementation of GPS Developmental Curriculum Continuum, further professional learning around conferring, study group etc will help improve student agency and engagement in learning.

Take care everyone and stay safe.

Kind Regards  
Kerri Drew



# STARS OF THE WEEK TERM 2 WEEK 5

## ***Vin Prep L***

Vin you are making such excellent choices for your learning! It is great to see you sharing your knowledge and helping other members of our team be successful!

## ***Liam Prep M***

Well done Liam on the amazing progress you have made in reading! You are absolutely zooming along and you should be very proud of yourself.

## ***Nate Prep G***

You are growing as a learner and showing a great improvement in your learning and behaviour. You have become a great team member in our classroom and have been working very hard during learning times to improve your focus. Excellent effort Nate, keep continuing to grow!

## ***Brooklyn 1F***

Well done Brooklyn on your achievements during our writing workshops. It has been great to read all of your facts about Space and you have made a fantastic start in your poetry writing!

## ***Bridget 2B***

Bridget, you have absolutely relished the opportunity to research your non-fiction text topic. You have constructed an informative report that includes many non-fiction text features, all of which have been completed at a high standard. Well done Bridget!

## ***Kayley 2W***

For always being a respectful, thoughtful and kind member of our class! You always strive to do your best with your learning and are always willing to give a helping hand to others. Thank you for being a role model to your peers, you should be proud of yourself!

## ***Macey 3/4L***

You are a supportive and considerate friend, and continually show respect to all. You avoid distractions and put effort into whatever you do. I am so proud of the kindness you showed during our basketball clinic, and the attitude you bring to school everyday.

## ***5/6M***

Nate, thank you for being such a friendly and approachable member of our grade. You have a positive influence on those around you and lead by example. You conduct yourself with maturity and respect, whilst maintaining your sense of humour. You ensure that you are focused during class time and uphold the classroom expectations, regardless of changes to routines. Thank you for being a positive role model to your peers.

## ***Sierra 5/6J***

Sierra, your reader's notebook is always full of insightful reflections and tracking of your thinking. You facilitate positive discussions in our class and have offered valuable insights in our poetry unit. Thank you for always being ready to engage, share and develop your work in our class.

## ***Amelia 34L PE***

For always challenging yourself to get better, and your outstanding leadership skills during Netball. Amelia you're a star!

# Academic Awards

## Term 2 Week 5

Reader of the Week: **Lia Prep G**

Writer of the Week: **Madeline 1F**

Speller of the Week: **Emelia 3/4S**

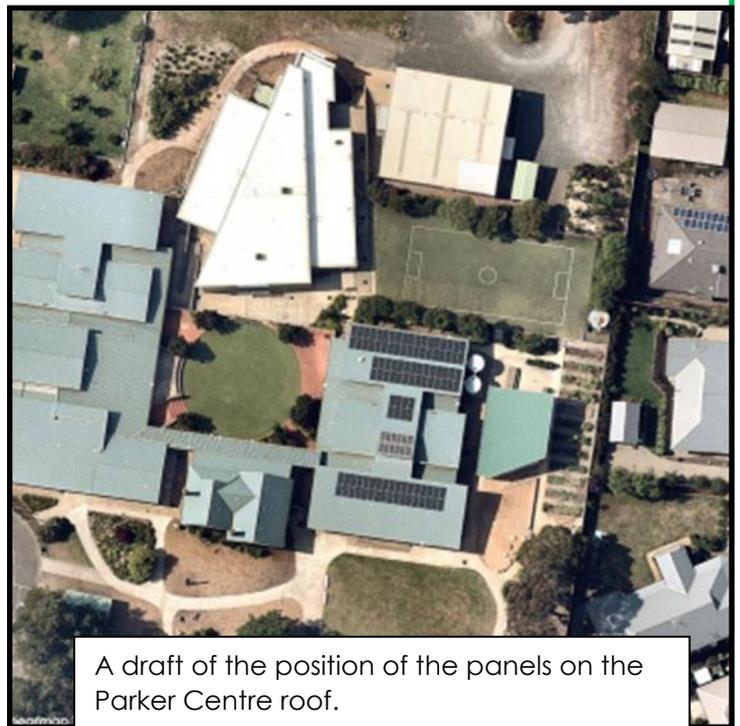
Mathlete of the Week: **Lucy 5/6M**

**While the school is closed an exciting change is happening.....**

Gembrook Primary School is participating in the 2020 Greener Government School Buildings program to install a solar power system for our school. It is a huge power and cost saving measure, as well as to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions.

This is an initiative of the Victorian Government as part of their legislation for zero emissions by 2050 under the *Climate Change Act 2017*.

The Solar power system design is based on our power usage data and will be a 39.22 KW system with 106 panels on the roof of the Parker centre. The installation is due for completion next week.

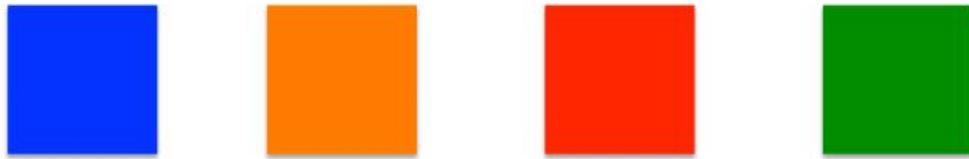


A draft of the position of the panels on the Parker Centre roof.



# Gemmie's Mind-Blowing Maths ..1,2,3...

(T2W7)



## Colour Sudoku

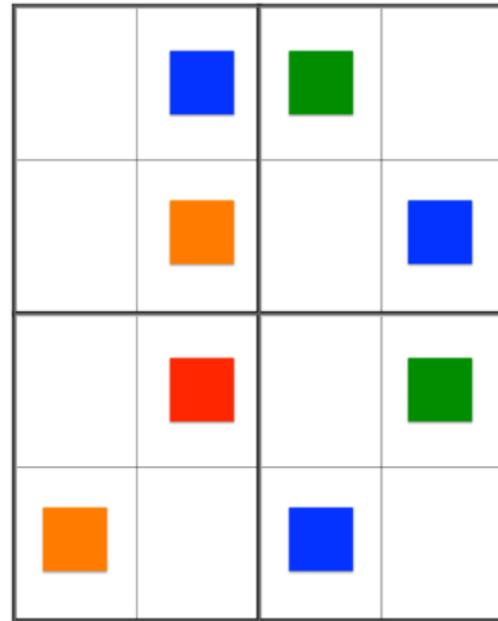
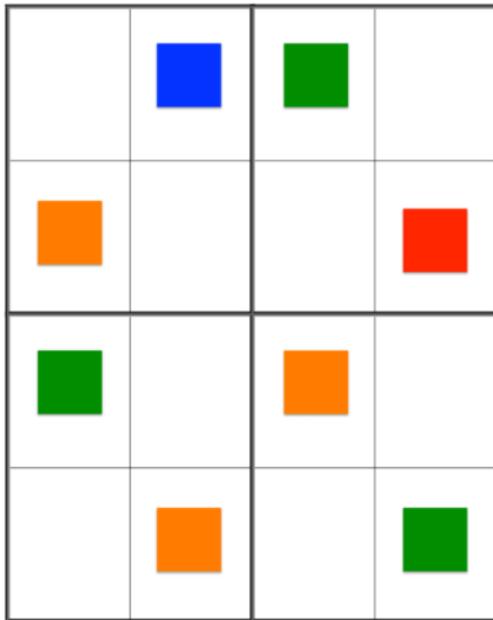
Solve the puzzle by making sure each column, row, and block have all four colours (red, orange, blue, green)

- Each column must have all four colours without using a colour twice
- Each row must have all four colours without using the same colour twice
- Each block must have all four colours without using the same colour twice

Use red, blue, green and orange cubes or blocks to arrange and move around the board to solve the puzzle. You could also use buttons, pom poms or bottle tops with the four colours.

	Blue	Green	
Orange		Blue	
	Red	Orange	
	Orange	Red	

		Red	Green
		Blue	Orange
	Red		Blue
Green			Red



Try doing this as a family activity. Get your older sisters and brothers to help you. Ask your Nan and Pop for the answer or even your next-door neighbours if they are friendly.

**Come see Mrs D with your answers to receive a beautiful star smiley face.** Watch this space for the correct answers in the next newsletter

Answers to last week's maths question (T2W5)

Each line of the Pascal Triangle is obtained by adding the first two numbers of the previous line and writing the answer in the space between.

Each line starts and end with the number 1.

Pascal Triangle is also Symmetrical . That means a line have the same numbers in the beginning and at the end.

How cool IS Maths !!!

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      1
     1 1
    1 2 1
   1 3 3 1
  1 4 6 4 1
 1 5 10 10 5 1
1 6 15 20 15 6 1
1 7 21 35 35 21 7 1
1 8 28 56 70 56 28 8 1
1 9 36 84 126 126 84 36 9 1
1 10 45 120 210 252 210 120 45 10 1

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# ★HAPPY★ BIRTHDAY!

## June



2nd Ruby 1V  
6th Kalana 5/6J  
6th Alinta 5/6M  
8th Finn 3/6L  
9th Ivy 3/4L  
9th Claire 3/4L  
11th Leo Prep M  
11th Max 3/4S  
12th Cooper 1F  
12th Isabelle 3/4S



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Friday 4th June- 9.30 to 11.30am  
Cockatoo Community House

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Come and see the products  
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We are all local business women  
in the Milk industry and would love to share  
our knowledge  
Some products will be available to buy on the  
day, so please bring CASH

If you have any questions, or would  
like to get in touch before the event,

Call Susie, 0409 980 519  
9.30 to 11.30 am, Cockatoo Community House  
23 Bailey Rd, Cockatoo

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# COMMUNITY NOTICES



**SO LONG SUMMER**

**FUNDRAISING AUCTION**  
Sunday 27th June  
Open 8am – 9pm

Auction items include music lessons, musical instruments, wine and dine packages, beauty packs, John Deere products, kitchenware AND MORE!



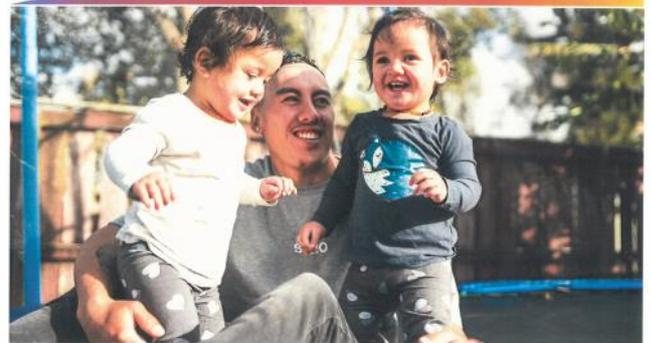
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## Being a Dad

- Are you an experienced or new Dad?
- Do you have questions about being a parent?
- Is being a Dad different from what you expected or changed?

Date: Tuesday 29 June 2021  
Time: 6:30 PM-8:30 PM  
Venue: ParentZone Hub  
75 Army Road Pakenham

Parentzone and CfC are hosting a Dads' Night where your questions about parenting can be answered.

### For Dads/ Dad-Carers only

- A light supper will be provided on the day

You can submit as many questions as you want. To ask questions and to register use the links below:  
[https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/WN\\_mpyiuRfTQb-T8VWoK58rkg](https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/WN_mpyiuRfTQb-T8VWoK58rkg)

You are welcome to join us in person or online.



or Scan the QR Code



[anglicarevic.org.au](http://anglicarevic.org.au)

BETTER TOMORROWS

## Kindergarten Registrations for 2022

**Have you ticked the kinder registrations task off your to-do list yet?**

Families with children across Cardinia Shire are preparing for kindergarten in 2022 by submitting their registration applications and updating their placement preferences now.

Our online kindergarten portal makes it quick and easy to check and update your placement preferences, contact details and application information.

Final date for changes and new applications for first round offers is 5pm, Wednesday 30 June 2021.

For more, visit [www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/kindergarten](http://www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/kindergarten)