

# GLADSTONE

PRIMARY SCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

## NEWSLETTER

Term 2, Week 5, 27 May 2020



### 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> May

- Reconciliation Week.

### 26<sup>th</sup> May

- Sorry Day.

### 8<sup>th</sup> June

- Public Holiday.

### 16<sup>th</sup> June

- Governing Council meeting.

### 17<sup>th</sup> June

- Student Free day.

## Jumper order...

New jumpers have arrived. See Bev if you'd like to purchase a school jumper for your child/ren.



Yesterday the school spent time thinking about Sorry Day and the people who were impacted by government policies. Today, 27<sup>th</sup> May, acknowledges the anniversary of the 1967 referendum where more than 90% of voters gave the Commonwealth the power to make laws for Aboriginal people and for Aboriginal people to be recognised in the national census. It was Australia's most successful referendum.

At the flag raising ceremony our school captains, James and Eliza, read the following:

*National Sorry Day is held on 26 May each year to acknowledge and recognises members of the Stolen Generations.*

*The term "Stolen Generations" refers to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians who were removed, as children, from their families by government, welfare or church authorities and placed into care or with non-Indigenous foster families.*

National Reconciliation Week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. The dates remain the same each year; 27 May to 3 June.

These dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey—the successful 1967 referendum, and the High Court Mabo decision respectively.

Reconciliation must live in the hearts, minds and actions of all Australians as we move forward, creating a nation strengthened by respectful relationships between the wider Australian community, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



### Reminders

- Please provide your child with a piece of fruit every day. Children are often hungry mid-morning and we have a healthy snack time. We have limited supplies of fruit donated by Kick Start for Kids and we would be appreciative if we could get any other donations of fruit from locals who may have excess on trees in their yard.
- Please continue to keep us informed about your child's health and wellbeing and we will assist in whatever way we can.

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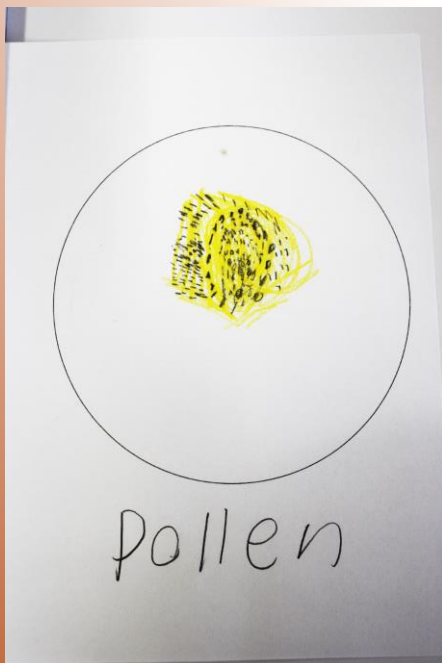
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We acknowledge and respect the traditional custodians whose ancestral lands we are meeting upon. We acknowledge the deep feelings of attachment and relationship of Aboriginal people to country.

# 2/3 Science Marvellous Microscope

We have recently purchased a new set of microscopes for use in classes. We thank the Governing Council Fundraising Committee for their support in providing the funds for the purchase of these instruments. The microscopes have a rechargeable battery making them portable and easy to set up. Children are already seeing the benefits from their use as demonstrated by the Year 2/3 class in Science.



The Year 2/3 class are looking at prepared slides including specimens of such things as pollen and housefly legs!

Pollen under the microscope by Jess.





Thank you all for creating your online profile!

Currently we have raised \$2,736.14 of our \$4,000 goal so there is a way to go. Remember, the money raised will be going towards playground equipment.

Please remember to keep sharing your online fundraising link. Text message is always the best way to share your link, followed by social media and lastly, email. Try to share every two days to keep donations coming in.

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