



# GLADSTONE

PRIMARY SCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

## NEWSLETTER

Term 2, Week 2, May 11 2022



**10<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> May**

▪ **Naplan**

**13<sup>th</sup> May**

▪ **Play group**  
9.30-11.00

**16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> May**

▪ **Naplan**

**26<sup>th</sup> May**

▪ **Sorry Day**

**27<sup>th</sup> May**

▪ **Play group**  
9.30-11.00

**27<sup>th</sup> May-2<sup>nd</sup> June**

▪ **Reconciliation Week**

**3<sup>rd</sup> June**

▪ **Mabo Day**

### COVID-19 update

Unfortunately over the past week we have had a daily increase in the number of COVID positive cases in our school. Thank you to the parents who have notified us that their child is COVID positive.

*What classroom contacts need to do:*

- All students and children (aside from the positive cases) without symptoms can continue attending school, preschool and childcare. No rapid antigen testing (RAT) is required.
- If students, children or staff develop any symptoms (even mild), they must not attend school, preschool or childcare. It's recommended they get tested for COVID-19 as soon as possible.

Please monitor your child/children daily and keep your child home if they have even the mildest of symptoms.

You will find some useful information on RAT tests further in the newsletter.

### GRIP Leaders conference

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May our Year 6 leaders, Khody Cama, Imogen Crawford, Koby Byles along with Mrs Zwar travelled with students from Laura Primary School and Napperby Primary School to Port Augusta to attend the GRIP Student Leadership Conference.

Reflecting on the day Imogen said, "We played loud noises, watched a play and made a poem". Below is a copy of Imogen's poem which reflected on what she learned.

### *Step Up*

*When we step up and aim for more  
We make things better than before*

*We want to be a shining light  
So we give our best and do what is right*

*With what we do and what we say  
We can help each other in every way*

*We put a smile on our face  
And make our school a better place*

*As a team we will get more done  
So let's get started get on the run.*

***By Imogen***



**COVID-19 symptoms**  
2 days before symptoms started

**No COVID-19 symptoms**  
2 days before positive  
COVID-19 test taken

[sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVIDpositive](https://sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVIDpositive)

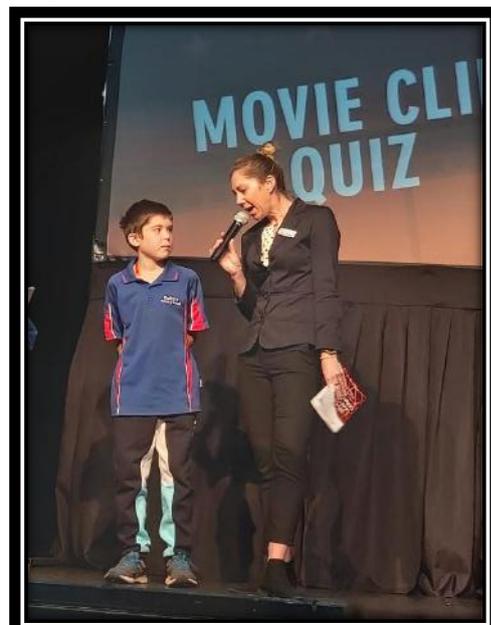
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“  
THE YOUTH OF  
TODAY ARE THE  
LEADERS OF  
TOMORROW.”

I was very proud of our three leaders who shared ideas with other students and even volunteered to go up on stage to represent our school. Congratulations Khody, Imogen and Koby!



I enjoyed the day. My highlight was the session where someone had to make a noise while another person guessed what the noise was. It was called Loud Noises.  
**By Khody**



It was a good day. My highlight was the big dance that happened at the end of the day. We followed the dance moves of the leaders on stage. They were random and strange dance moves.  
**By Koby**



### Governing Council Mother's Day Stall

I hope all the special women in our lives had a wonderful Mother's Day last Sunday. The Governing Council organised a stall in the main street of Gladstone which was led by Bianca Broome. A big thank you to all the parents who contributed to the produce of the stall. A special thank you to Bianca Broome and Kandice Prior for all the work you did in putting together an amazing stall which raised \$500.



### NAPLAN

The NAPLAN testing window began on Tuesday this week for our year 3 and year 5 students. If your child is away, there will be multiple opportunities for them to sit these tests during the next two weeks. These tests provide our school and the Department for Education with a snapshot of where your child's learning is at during this testing period. We will receive the results late in Term 3. Look after yourselves and each other,  
Jodie Z



Thank you to the 1-2 class for sharing your beautiful Kandinsky art work.



# SA Health Rapid Antigen Testing Information

From Rapid antigen testing (RAT) for COVID-19 | SA Health current as of May 11th 2022

## Rapid antigen testing (RAT) for COVID-19

In South Australia, rapid antigen tests are now used as a test to diagnose COVID-19. This means that if you test positive using a rapid antigen test, your result does not need to be confirmed with a PCR test.

**You must report a positive rapid antigen test result within 24 hours.** Reporting your rapid antigen test result assists with providing an understanding of cases in the community and also helps you to identify if you are eligible for COVID-19 treatments.

## When should I use a rapid antigen test?

If you are a close contact and have no COVID-19 symptoms, you must use rapid antigen tests to complete your required tests. You must test 5 times over a 7 day period.

If you are a close contact with no COVID-19 symptoms, you can access free rapid antigen tests from RAT Collection Points across the state. You must register **before** collecting your kits from the RAT Collection Point

You can also purchase and use rapid antigen tests:

- before entering a high risk setting, e.g. healthcare or aged care
- before going out where there may be crowds
- before going to work, especially if it is a critical worksite
- to provide reassurance if you have no symptoms but are feeling anxious or worried.

## Do I need a PCR test to confirm my RAT result? PCR test table

Your situation	Your RAT result	Do I need a PCR test?
I am a close contact	Positive	No
I have symptoms	Positive	No
I am a close contact with no COVID-19 symptoms	Negative	No
I am a close contact with symptoms	Negative	Yes
I have COVID-19 symptoms, but no known contact	Negative	Yes
I have no COVID-19 symptoms and no known contact	Negative	No
I have no COVID-19 symptoms and no known contact	Positive	PCR test recommended. You are still likely to have COVID-19. Stay isolated until negative PCR result received.

## Accessing rapid antigen tests

If you are a close contact with no COVID-19 symptoms, you can access free rapid antigen tests from RAT Collection Points across the state. You must register **before** collecting your kits from the RAT Collection Point.

If you are not a close contact, rapid antigen tests are sold commercially in supermarkets and pharmacies.

## Concession access RAT program

Eligible concession card holders can access free rapid antigen tests from participating pharmacies. People can access 10 free rapid antigen tests over a three month period, but no more than five in a one month period.

Find more information about the Concessional access RAT program on the Services Australia website.

**Register for free RAT kits as a CLOSE CONTACT at**  
**[www.sahealth.sa.gov.au](http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au)**