

Guthrie Street GAZETTE

30th January 2025

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the first week of the 2025 school year! We're excited to start the year with fresh energy, new opportunities, and a renewed commitment to fostering an environment where every student can thrive.

First Assembly – A Warm Welcome Back

We kick off the year with our First Assembly this Friday at 2:50pm in the stadium, where students and staff will gather to celebrate the start of a new school year. It will be a wonderful opportunity to reconnect, share our goals for the year. Hope to see you there.

Welcome Back Wellbeing Week

The first 3 school days of the year will focus on wellbeing (*Welcome Back Wellbeing Week*). This initiative is designed to promote getting along and build positive relationships with our students and staff. Throughout the week, we will host a variety of activities such as team building and getting to know you activities.

Welcoming New Families – A Growing Community

We are thrilled to welcome many new families to our school this year! We are excited to have you join our vibrant community and look forward to getting to know each of you. We also have our new Foundation students start school on Thursday, so there will be many new faces across the school.

Looking Ahead:

- **Curriculum Day Friday 7th May:** therefore, no school for students on this day. TheirCare will be running on this day.
- **Year 3-6 Swimming Carnival:** Friday 14th February.

Compass/FaceBook

Please keep up to date with everything for the year via Compass. A calendar of the year is sent out with regular updates. FaceBook is also a great way to stay up to date.

Thank you for your continued support in making our school a place where everyone feels safe, valued, and ready to succeed. We are looking forward to a fantastic year ahead and to seeing all of

the amazing things our students will accomplish!

Take Care,
Mr B

Calendar - Upcoming Events

JANUARY

Friday 31st

- First school assembly 2:50pm

FEBRUARY

Wednesday 5th

- No school for Foundation students

Friday 7th

- No school for all students

Wednesday 12th

- No school for Foundation students

Thursday 13th

- National Apology Day

Friday 14th

- Year 3 - 6 students Swimming Carnival

Wednesday 19th

- No school for Foundation students

- Division swimming carnival

Wednesday 26th

- No school for Foundation students

Monday 24th - Friday 28th

- Scholastic Book Fair

On the LOOKOUT



We use this closed statement with our students to remind and to recognise when they make great choices.

It is a quick beginning and end to behaviour we do and don't want to see continuing.

E.g, In the yard if kids are climbing on the poles a quick statement is 'We do the right thing because the right things is the best thing to do'.

In Other News

Piano Lessons

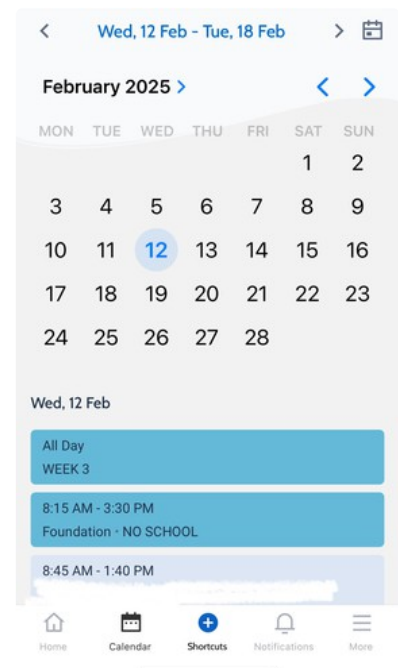
There will be no piano lessons occurring at Guthrie Street this year as Heather is no longer taking lessons.

Compass Calendar

Please be advised that all 2025 important dates and events have been added to the COMPASS Calendar.

If any changes occur or new dates are added, you will be advised by COMPASS. Other ways of keeping you up to date are also shared in our GSPS Gazette and our Facebook page.

Please see an example below.



Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Submitting an application

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) system is open for schools to enter applications from 29 January 2024. Parents/carers wishing to apply for CSEF payments for 2024 must submit their application form to the relevant school before 28 June 2024.

However, a parent/carer will only be required to submit an application form to the school in the following circumstances:

- the parent/carer is applying for the CSEF payment for the first time – i.e. an application form was not lodged with the school in the previous year, or
- circumstances have changed – for example, there has been a change in the care arrangement of the student, a change of name or CRN, or a new sibling has started at the school and the parent/carer wishes to apply for the CSEF payment for the new sibling also.

Where a parent/carer is not required to submit a new application, schools can rollover/copy the previous year's application on the CSEF system to the current school year.

Application forms

Schools are able to accept and process applications up until 28 June.

- [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund application form 2025 \(DOCX\)](#)

Applications are also available at our school office.

If there's shared custody

The CSEF system only allows one application per student. Where there are parents/carers in shared custody situations (who both hold a concession card) the parent/carer who submits the eligible card first will be the parent/carer who is to receive the payment.

LUNCH ORDERS NEWS



Lunch orders will return on the following dates:

**Foundation, Year 1, & Year 2 -
Tuesday 4th February 2025**

**Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6
-
Wednesday 5th February 2025**



Become a Berry Street foster carer

In our community, some children are not always able to live with their family.

Become a foster carer and support a local child at a crucial moment in their life.

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Any questions or queries regarding bookings or cancellations
please contact Michael Wilson on 0497 781 120

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- Social, enjoyable & fun experiences for children
- Develop creativity, life skills & confidence through play
- Qualified, caring & engaged staff
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- Healthy & Yummy food provided each day

Bookings now open!

	Monday - Friday Hours of Operation	Fees before Child Care Subsidy*	Out-of-pocket fees after Child Care Subsidy**
Before School Care (BSC)	6:30 AM to 8:45 AM	\$22.95	\$2.29
After School Care (ASC)	3:15 PM to 6:00 PM	\$27.54	\$2.75
Pupil Free Day	7:00 AM to 6:00 PM	\$80.33	\$8.03
Holiday Program***	7:00 AM to 6:00 PM	\$74.60	\$7.46

*Standard fee costs before Child Care Subsidy | ** Standard fee costs after maximum Child Care Subsidy | *** Standard fee costs excluding incursions/extracurriculars

Cancellation Fees
(No Child Care Subsidy applied to Cancellation Fees)
BSC/ASC within **48 hours** of session start time: **\$5.00**
Holiday Program within **5 days** of session start time: **\$10.00**
 Same day cancellation fee is out-of-pocket session fee.

Late Booking Fees
(Child Care Subsidy is applied to Late Booking Fees)
BSC/ASC within **48 hours** of session start time: **\$5.00**
Holiday Program: book less than **5 days** from the session start time fee is **\$10.00**

Late Pick-up Fees
(Child Care Subsidy will not apply to Late Pick-up Fees)
\$1 per minute after service close time.

Service Phone Number:
01437 981 330
Your service Coordinator will be available during session times.

Save up to 90% with the Child Care Subsidy!



To register visit theircare.com.au

TheirCare support team is available between 6.30am - 9pm weekdays (Eastern Standard Time) on 1300 072 410 or info@theircare.com.au



Want \$500 to help you with school costs?

saverplus

Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

To join Saver Plus, you must:

- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card **AND** an eligible Centrelink payment*
- ✓ Be studying yourself **OR** have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- ✓ Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)*
- ✓ Be 18+ years old

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:

- laptops & tablets
- uniforms & shoes
- books & supplies
- sports fees & gear
- lessons & activities
- camps & excursion

For more information, please contact your local Saver Plus coordinator:

 Richard Pemberton

 enquiriesSP@berrystreet.org.au

 0407 567 312

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BERRY STREET

Find out more at saverplus.org.au

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ and delivered in partnership with local community organisations. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

Guthrie St 2nd Hand Uniform Shop

If you would like any pre-loved Guthrie St uniforms please ring Ronika on 0458 281 833.



Guthrie St IRON ON TRANSFERS

Iron on transfers are now available from the School Office.
Red for Polo Shirts and Blue for windcheaters - \$2.50 each



Guthrie Street Primary School

Please contact the office if you have any queries. You can also follow us on Facebook and Instagram @guthriestreetps

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