

Glass House Mountains State School

NEWSLETTER

12 November 2025

FROM THE PRINCIPAL - MR PERSINI

GR8 RACE UPDATE

Well done to all the students who helped raise over \$10,000 to slime Mr. Vlieg at last Monday's parade!

We're aiming even higher, let's hit \$20,000 by Monday! If we reach that goal, Miss Stirling, one of our amazing admin ladies, and Mr. Luke, our Grounds Officer, will also be slimed on parade. Every dollar raised goes back to our school to install new water bubblers for everyone to enjoy. We want everyone involved and as much money raised as possible! Register for the Great Race and collect a \$10 donation from a family member or friend. It's going to be an incredible day next Friday, so let's make it one to remember!



OVER HALF WAY

We are now over halfway through the term, and our students are beginning to complete their final assessments of the year while teachers start preparing report cards. Our weeks are getting busy! Over the next two weeks, we have swimming and surf skills programs starting, as well as high school transition activities for our Year 6 students. Please make sure permission forms and payments are submitted for these activities were applicable, we know how much the students love them!

A reminder to families: if your child has any unexplained absences, please amend these with reason for absence. You can do this by logging in to QParents or by contacting our admin staff. This helps make sure absences are correctly recorded and won't appear on report cards too, as well as it being a department requirement.

STUDENT LEADERS

Our candidates for School and House Captains are preparing their speeches to share their ideas, leadership goals, and visions for the year ahead. It's always exciting to see students step up and demonstrate the qualities that make them great role models. Students will present their speeches to staff and peers on Monday, 1 December, immediately after our regular school parade. This is a great opportunity to showcase confidence, creativity, and commitment to our school community. Stay tuned for the announcement of our new School and House Captains

VOLUNTEERS WELCOME

As a school, we greatly value the support of our parent and community volunteers. Whether it's helping in the classroom, assisting with school events, or supporting extracurricular activities, there are many ways you can get involved and make a difference.

If you are able to help in any way, please contact your child's classroom teacher to organise a time that works best and is most beneficial for the students. Our P&C is also always looking for volunteers to support fundraising, events, and other important initiatives. Please note that Blue Cards are required for volunteers, but the process is straightforward, and our staff are happy to assist you with it. Your time and support help enrich our school community and provide valuable experiences for our students.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL - EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

You should have received an email earlier today regarding our upcoming Swimming Carnival, scheduled Monday 8 December 2025. If you have a child in Grade 3 - Grade 6 attending our school, please take a moment to read the email and complete the survey.

Due to some increased costs for the carnival, the P&C has kindly offered to help reduce expenses. The survey will help us determine whether we have enough participants to go ahead with the event, so your response is very important. To assist with planning, we ask that parents of children 9 years and older complete the survey via the link HERE

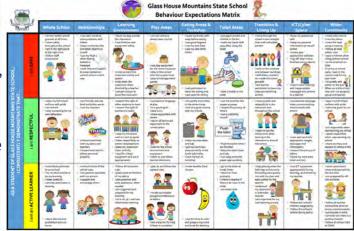
The survey will close on Monday at 5pm, so please submit your response before then.

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - MR VLIEG

BEHAVIOUR FOCUS

During the first four weeks of this term, we had lots of poor behaviour in the toilets. This has included some students playing in the toilets, wasting the soap, water and hand towels, and even some students intentionally clogging up the toilets, sinks and drains with paper towel making an absolute mess.

Students who continue to play in the toilet, make a mess in the toilet or waste our soap, water and hand towel will receive removal from play and parents will be contacted. Additionally, students who've made a mess in the toilets will be the one cleaning up the mess.



For the remainder of the year, teachers are again being asked to write the names of all students who are going to the toilet during class time on the Toilet Log in each classroom. This will help us to track who is using the toilets throughout the day and ensure that this inappropriate behaviour stops!

Don't forget to watch our weekly episode of Mr V's Vlog to learn more about each week's focus and the expectations for students.

A BUSY TERM AHEAD

Our Term Four calendar is jam-packed full of events and activities for our students and community. Be sure to stay up to date by checking our <u>school calendar</u>, located on our website.

MOTIV8 SPORTS GR8 RACE

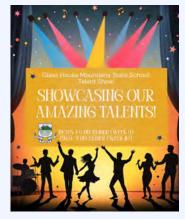
Our Motiv8 Sport Gr8 Race is being held this Friday 21st November. This is a major P&C fundraiser. Money is being raised to purchase chilled water stations to go in prep, lower school eating area and upper school eating area. All money is raised via an online account that parents will set up for their kids. The P-3 and 4-6 class who raises the most money will each win a pizza party. Our P&C will also be holding random voucher draws each week at parade for students who have been raising money.

On the day: Our Year 4-6 students will run during the first session and our Year P-3 students running in the middle session. Students run in teams of approximately 6 per team with their passport. Each team completes each country's activity to get a stamp in their passport. The event will conclude with the sliming of Ian for the highest fundraiser overall.



TALENT SHOW

Our key whole school cultural event for Term Four is our Talent Show. We are currently sifting through the mountainous amount of student entries. Our heats have been extended to Weeks 8 and 9 to accommodate the large amount of students wishing to showcase their special talent. Our final is being held during the middle session on Tuesday 9th December (Week 10). All parents are invited to come along and watch the heats and finals.



Students of the Week



Congratulations to our latest Student of the Week recipients!

FROM HEAD OF CURRICULUM - Mrs Hodgetts

CELEBRATING LEARNING & GROWTH AT GLASS HOUSE

Our classrooms have been buzzing with excitement as students complete their end of year learning tasks and reflect on how far they've come. Over the coming weeks, teachers will be finalising assessments across all learning areas to capture each child's achievements and progress throughout the year.

This information helps teachers prepare end-of-semester report cards, celebrating both academic growth and individual effort. Reports will be sent home in the final week of term.

We're so proud of the hard work and determination our students have shown across 2025, thank you for your continued support in helping them finish the year strong and with pride in their learning!





Mrs Cronk's 2/3 Class - In Design Technology students used their old clothes and recycled them into a design of their own choice

FROM THE LIBRARY - Mrs Matchett

LIBRARY RETURNS

As the school holidays are just around the corner, we have decided that all books and resources need to be returned by the end of Week 8 - Friday 28 November 2025. Some classes may borrow in Week 8, so if your child brings home a book in that week please make sure it's returned by the Friday. Please encourage your little ones to dig deep at home for overdue loans and return their books to the library. Thank you for your support.



BOOK CLUB - LAST ORDER FOR 2025

Book Club catalogues have been sent home this week. This is the last Issue for the Year. Orders will close on Wednesday 19TH November 2025. Thank you for using – LOOP – Linked Online Ordering and Payment available on www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP or download the LOOP Apple or Android app.

Please note Glass House Mountains Primary State School is not accepting cash orders. Please do not send any orders to school. Each order helps earn free books for our school and your support has helped give back in meaningful ways: more reading resources, adding classroom readers, and ensuring students have access to quality literature that sparks a love of reading. We couldn't have done it without you! However, there is never any obligation to order.

You can redeem your Regular Reader Reward for the last time this year! You have already earned a \$5 promo code*, just for being part of Book Club. Issue 8 is packed with student favourites **NEW** Dog Man, Wimpy Kid and there is a fresh Anh Do series Hotdog & Friends and many great award-winning books, as well as old and new favourites. They span a wide range of children's reading levels and interests and are great value. Given the time of year, our gift functionality (where books are left with the school for discreet collection, instead of delivered directly to the child) has been turned ON for this Issue. If you choose to use this option, you will be able to pick your purchases up from the office. Happy shopping, gifting and reading.

NEWS FROM THE P&C

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Wednesday tuckshop special. Introducing Sushi Bowls! Available in chicken or tuna and filled with rice, avocado, edamame, carrot, cucumber, nori, and topped with sesame seeds, Japanese dressing and kewpie mayo. These bowls are available on Wednesdays only this term and are on QKR now.

Our last day of trade for tuckshop this year will be Wednesday 10th Dec. We thank you all for your continued support of our tuckshop in 2025. We can't wait to be back making yummy lunches in 2026.



CHRISTMAS MARKET

Our Christmas Market is back and better than ever! Saturday 29th November 8:00am at the school hall. If you would like to book a table please email ghmpandc@gmail.com Tables are limited so make sure you have your booking secured ASAP!



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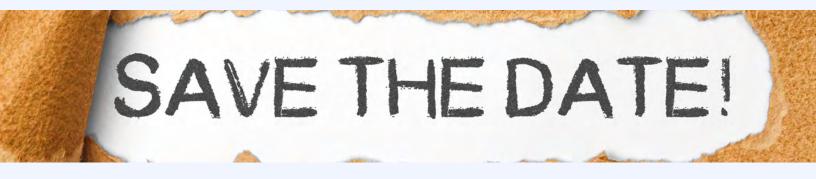
THE GR8 RACE

The Gr8 Race Important Information Please see below some important information we need to share about the upcoming Gr8 Race.



- 1. This is a paid to participate fundraiser. All students must be registered and have paid the \$10 registration fee, or had a min \$10 in donations to participate. For those that haven't met the threshold, or not registered by Thursday 20th Nov, they will do supervised activities in another class during their Gr8 Race time slot.
- 2. If the students don't want to do the stations that involve slime/water/coloured powder, they don't have to. They can simply skip that station/s and enjoy the other stations. There are only 3 stations that involve slime/water/coloured powder, so there are another 12 fun stations to explore.
- 3. Students are encouraged to come to school dressed in their Gr8 Race clothes. Clothes must be sun safe (t-shirt and shorts, no singlets) and enclosed shoes must be worn for the race. Please pack their school uniform, a towel and spare shoes to change in to after the race.
- 4. Volunteers! We need volunteers to ensure the kids have the most fun possible. We need 15 volunteers for each race time. If you can help please reach out via DM or email. We would love to hear from you! We as a P&C know how fun events like this can be, but also how much work they take to put on, which is why we only do big fundraisers like this every 2nd year. We have a big goal of \$30,000 to hopefully reach this year to supply and install chilled water stations throughout the school. We appreciate all the support, let's smash our goal GHMSS!

Register here https://thegr8race.com.au/events/glasshousemountainsss/GlassHouseMountains-state-school



DATE	EVENT
Friday 21 November	P&C Fundraiser - The GR8 Race
Monday 24 November - Friday 28 November	Swimming Lessons - Prep to Grade 3
Wednesday 26 November - Friday 28 November	Surf Skills - Grade 4 to Grade 6
Thursday 27 November & Friday 28 November	Beerwah SHS Transition Days
Saturday 29 November	P&C Christmas Market
Monday 1 December - Friday 5 December	Talent Show Heats
Tuesday 2 December	Class 1/2 Play
Monday 8 December	Swimming Carnival - Grade 3 to Grade 6 - PENDING
Tuesday 9 December	Talent Show Finals
Tuesday 9 December	Annual Awards Ceremony
Wednesday 10 December	Year 6 Graduation Ceremony
Thursday 11 December	Year 6 Clap Out
Thursday 11 December	Prep Puppet Show
Friday 12 December	Year 6 Aussie World Excursion
Friday 12 December	Last day of Term 4
Saturday 13 December - Monday 26 January 2026	Summer School Holidays
Tuesday 27 January 2026	First day of Term 1 2026

PLEASE NOTE DATES ARE CORRECT AT TIME OF PUBLISHING AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

COMMUNITY NOTICES

PARENTLINE

Parentline is funded by the Queensland Department of Education to offer free and confidential, one-off or ongoing telephone counselling for parents and others who care for young people. We know that families are complex and that anything can affect the functioning of a family. We are available from 6am to midnight, 7 days per week. Every day of the year. Parents and carers have the option to call or use our web chat. Regardless, they are always speaking with a degree qualified counsellor who is able to offer support, guidance, and therapeutic care. Whether their concerns feel big or small, we are here to support Qld families. Phone 1300 30 1300 or visit www.parentline.com.au









