



Great Western Primary School

May 8th, 2025

Principal: Kerri-Ann Harris

Pupil Free Days



Friday 6th June
Report Writing Day
Monday 9th June
Kings Birthday



Mothers' Day Stall

On Friday May 9th we will conduct our annual Mothers' Day Stall. Students may purchase a gift for their mother or significant person. Gifts will be on sale from \$2- \$6.

Education Week

Education Week commences on Monday May 12th. We will hold an *Open Day* on *Thursday May 15th*. Family, friends and prospective students are welcome to visit our classrooms. We will also hold the traditional *Morning Tea*, raising funds for the Cancer Council, at 11:00am. We ask that all families supply a plate of morning tea to share at this event. We invite family, friends, and community to join us!

Hot Lunches

Just a reminder students are welcome to bring along lunch that can be placed in the pie warmer. Lunch packs, casseroles, pasta and leftovers **must be in foil containers**, whilst pies, pasties, sausage rolls and toasted sandwiches must be wrapped in foil. Please ensure all lunches are clearly marked with your child's name. Students may also purchase a pie or a sausage roll. \$3 each, (not available Thursdays).

Breakfast Program

Our Breakfast Program has begun. Breakfast will be available from 8.30am - 8.45am each Thursday morning.

Toast, cereal, baked beans and fruit will be on offer. All students and family members are most welcome to join us for breakfast.

Playgroup

Playgroup meets each Wednesday morning in the Art Room from 10:00am-11:30am. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please encourage them to come along and enjoy the activities.



Absences, Late Arrivals and Early Departures

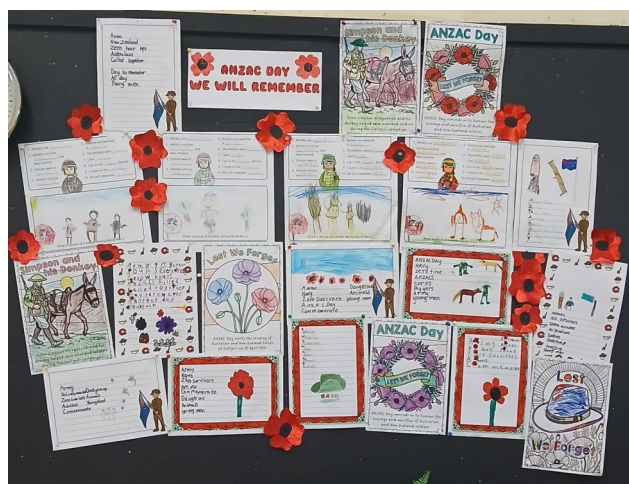
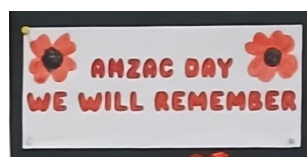
A reminder, 'It's not okay to be away!' If your child is absent from school, is arriving late or leaving early we ask that you please send a text message to the **school mobile** prior to 9:30am. We are required by DET to follow up unexplained absences after 9.30am. A text provides us with the written parental consent for an absence.

ANZAC Day

We had a wonderful turnout of students and parents at the service to pay their respects to our service men and women.

It is always fantastic to see our wonderful students conduct themselves so beautifully even when it rained.

The staff always leave the service with great pride in our students. It is incredible how many people stop to commend our students for their participation in the service and march.



School Sports –

Friday 23rd May

This year's Cluster Sports will be hosted by Halls Gap PS at **North park, Stawell.**

- Students need to be at the ground by **8:40am** with the day concluding about 3:00pm.
- Students will need to **make their own way to and from** the sports.
- Students are required to be in full school uniform at the start of the day for the marching.
- Black track pants **for marching** (then black shorts for sporting events)
- Black polo with white logo
- Black Shoes
- School rugby jumper or black polar fleece
- Hair accessories in school colours.



After the judging of the marching is completed students will have time to *change into black shorts and runners* to compete in the sporting events.

Please bring enough food and snacks for the day including lunch and a warm jacket if weather is cool.

In the event of bad weather, families will be notified by the school of the need to cancel the sports.

You will be notified from 7.30am onwards. If this does happen, students will be expected to come to school as normal.

This day is a fantastic day with parents, family and friends attending to cheer along our students.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

As the students will be practicing the varied events over the upcoming weeks, they may wear or bring their runners to school each day.

No Smoking or Alcohol

This is a **SMOKE FREE** and **ALCOHOL FREE EVENT**. As this is a school event, neither smoking nor the consumption of alcohol is permitted. If you do need to smoke, please do so outside the sports ground.

If any parents are able to help with marshalling age groups around please contact Kerri-Ann as soon as possible.

ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN

FOR 2026



Enrolments are currently being taken for 2026 students.



Children turning 5 years of age by April 30th 2026 are eligible to enrol to attend school in 2026.

Please contact the school to arrange a tour and to collect an enrolment pack for your child.

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MAY BIRTHDAYS HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We hope you have a great day

Lenny

&

Tom



Biggest Morning Tea

Thursday 15th May-11:00am

All welcome. This is a great time for families and the community to sit back and enjoy a cuppa and some lovely baked delights while raising funds for the Cancer Council. If you are unable to come along but would still like to make a donation just pop it in an envelope with Cancer Council on front and we will ensure it goes in the collection box.



Healthcare Cards

Do you have a healthcare card????

If so, you could be eligible to receive the Camps, Sports and Excursion funding. This funding is provided by the department/government and is paid direct to the school to cover your child's extra camps excursions etc. Please contact the school for more information.

Please contact the school to collect an application form.



On behalf of the staff we would like to wish all our mothers a wonderful Mothers Day.



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Enrolments for 2026 are now open:

- Small class sizes
- Individualised teaching
- Personal tours by arrangement
- Phone: 0408 389 319

Transition Days: 2025 Preps

Wednesday September 10th: 9.00-11.00
Wednesday October 22nd: 9.00-12.45
Wednesday November 26th: 9.00-1.30
State-wide Transition Day December 9th



Education Week:

- Open Morning – Thursday May 15th
- Classrooms open 9:00am – 11:00am

Great Western Primary Schools
Staff, Students and Community

Extend an Invitation to attend
Great Western Primary School to
raise funds for 'The Biggest
Morning Tea'

Thursday May 15th
11:00am

Gold Coin Donation Please



Cancer
Council

Australia's
Biggest
Morning
Tea

May

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
28/4	29/4	30/4	1	2
5 PUPIL FREE DAY TEACHER CURRICULUM DAY	6	7	8 MARC VAN	9 MOTHERS DAY STALL
12 BOOK CLUB DUE BACK	13	14	15 BIGGEST MORNING TEA OPEN DAY	16 ART GALLERY GUM SAN VISIT LIVE PERFORMANCE
EDUCATION WEEK				
19 SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING	20	21	22 MARC VAN	23 ATHLETIC SPORTS
26	27 WINTER SPORTS YEARS 4/5/6	28 LOTE	29	30 BACKUP SPORTS DAY

June

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2	3	4	5 MARC VAN	6 REPORT WRITING DAY PUPIL FREE
9 KINGS BRITHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	10	11 LOTE	12	13
16	17	18	19 MARC VAN	20
23 SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING	24	25 LOTE	26	27
30				