

22ND AUGUST 2019

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Thank you everyone!

What a fabulous effort!

Your gifts to the poor children in our city will mean a lot to them and to their families.

We are aiming to send \$1200 to The Smith Family – enough to sponsor two children – 1 boy and one girl for a year.

Assist your children to keep working away at their helping-hand jobs and we should be there by the end of this term.

CALENDAR

Thursday 29th August at 2pm
Whole School Sharing in Wahroongah

Friday 30th Aug, 6th & 13th Sept
Class 6 Computer Education
(Pick up from CIRES school in Mt Evelyn)

Fri 30th Aug, 6th, 13th & 20th Sept
Class 4 Gymnastics
(Pick up from Knox Gymnastics)

2nd - 6th September
School Dentist visit during this week

Wed 4th (all), 11th (Group 1) & 18th (Group 2) September
Founders 2020 Orientation

Thursday 5th September
Make your own Beeswax wraps!
Yoogali 7.30-9.30pm (See back page)

Monday 9th September at 7pm
Class 2 Parent meeting

Saturday 14th September
Bush Dance (see note on back page)
Mt Evelyn Public Hall 4-7pm

Thursday 19th September
Spring Festival from 9.00am

Friday 20th September
Last day of Term 3
(Term 4 October - 14th to December 12th)



NEWSLETTER #11

GHILGAI STEINER SCHOOL

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We're hoping that each child in our school will contribute to our gift-giving/fundraising... that each will have participated gladly and with understanding.

At a grassroots level this is an experience of gratitude and empathy in soul nourishment.

Soon we'll have our annual Walk-to-School Day and a pancake breakfast provided by the Seed Group – date coming.

Thank you everyone for your ongoing support.

Ruth – for Ghilgai Teachers

Tally Sheet

(Thank you to Class 6 for counting)

Class 2 Cake Stall	\$146.80	
Wreath makers	\$ 62.00	\$208.80
Winter Solstice	\$288.40	\$497.20
Helping Hand 9/8	\$ 6.50	\$503.70
PJ day 14/8	\$338.30	\$842.00
Helping Hand 22/8	\$150.90	\$992.90



It's not too late!

There is still time to request that your child be seen by the School Dentist. We expect them to visit us in the week commencing 2nd September.

If you need a form, please contact Justine on 9728 5819 or ggs@ghilgai.com.au



The alarm clock sounds!



Thank you to those who helped lay our long trail of coin donations.



It was a fun day for all, a big thank you to all who participated.

From the Classrooms...

Founders: Our busy fingers have been folding paper boxes and doves, plaiting bread dough and weaving finger knitting. We have also begun crafting a large hessian doll. They will be as bright and beautiful as the guests of a royal wedding (from our story this week). It has been magical watching daffodils unfold in our garden after their long winter sleep. Cindy

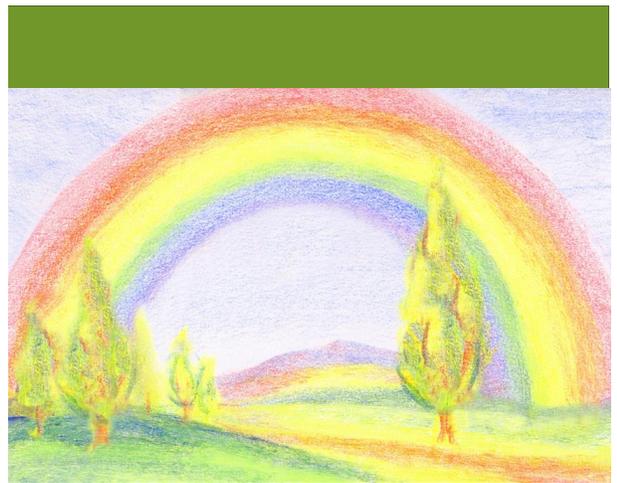
Class One: Our 'Golden Bird' Literacy Block is near completion. Our writing and recognising words has grown strongly. Fox is brave. Fox is a loyal friend. Fox has good advice so that the prince may avoid trouble. Our next Block is a Home Surrounds unit which follows the water from the mountains to the sea. Veronica

Class Two: Class 2 are deep in the world of sounds! Ull, ill, oll, ar, ir, er, ...what magical discoveries we are making! Community reading has commenced and we are hard at work making breaking our words into bite-sized chunks before we put them back together and the word is revealed, decoded and comprehended and then filed away! Jaime

Reminder: Parent meeting: Monday 9th September at 7pm

Class Three: Thank you to David and Chris for so capably working with, and caring for, Class 3 while Marianne is away.

Class Four: Stay tuned for Class 4 news in our next newsletter ...Karen



**Warm Birthday wishes
(in August)
we send to...**

Founders: Maisy

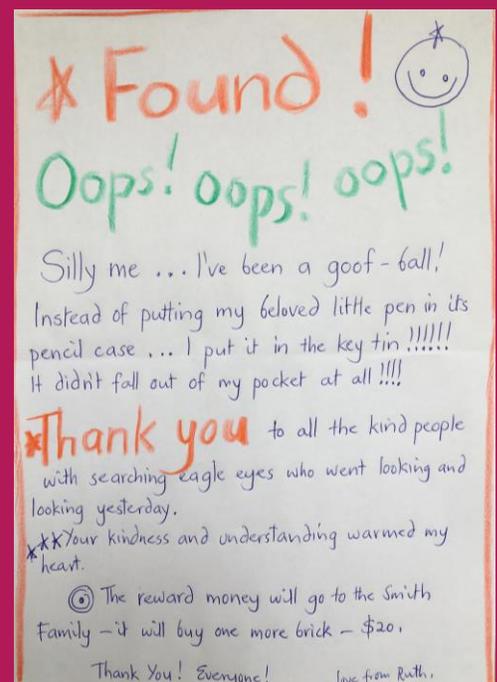
Class One: Sophie

Class Three: Raphael, Leo & Maita

Class Four: Sarah & Kaia

Class Five: James

Class Six: Phoebe



Class Five: Class 5 have continued to explore the magic of Geometry over the past couple of weeks. The children have completed a beautiful main lesson book full of carefully drawn forms based on the division of the circle, square and triangle. We also explored the possibilities for numbers to work within the laws of geometry; through squared (as well as triangular!) numbers. Next week we embark on a new main lesson, which is based on the story of the Greek hero, Theseus. Paul

Class Six: We are continuing to explore the world of geometry, creating accurate shapes with our compasses and rulers. Shapes appear within shapes and beautiful patterns are formed.

Our next step will be creating 3D solids – both interesting and fun! Cheers, Lisa

Craft with Lynda:

Class 1 – Knitting and knitting, row after row, when we stop we sew and sew. Then we stuff and what have we got, a chicken perhaps, perhaps a duck!

Class 2 – Knitting of hats is busy work. Tassels and pom poms we are making to be ready. Finger knitting, community work, making new ties to replace those that have grown tired from so much use. Year follows year for each Class one and in Class two a bag is needed to keep things safe but a tie is best, it's like locking a gate. Happy we part and happy we meet again. Lynda

Craft with Lisette: Classes 3- 6 are continuing their craft work with Julie whilst Lisette is away. Thank you Julie!

From Derek: If anyone has a birdbath they no longer want and would like to donate to the school, the birds and wildlife will greatly appreciate it with summer coming!



Playgroups at Ghilgai

Monday

Community 9.00am -11.00am
Rostered 12.00pm – 2.30pm

Tuesday

Community 9.00am – 11.00am
Rostered 12.00pm – 2.30pm

Thursday

Rostered 9.00am – 11.30am

Friday

Rostered 9.00am – 11.30am

**Enquiries to Michelle – our
Enrolment Coordinator
9761 8369**

Next School tour...

Please meet in the breezeway at 9.30am.

Thursday 29th August

Open Day 2019

Sunday 24th November

The value of Steiner Education

– a request for contributions

As part of Ghilgai's centennial celebrations we are asking for short written responses to the following question...

What do you value about Steiner Education at Ghilgai?

- We will print contributions in coming newsletters
 - you might only choose to write a sentence
 - perhaps you have a whole paragraph
 - we'd like to attach your name but do understand if you'd like your contribution to be unnamed.
- I have a lovely card from long ago, given to me by a parent exiting Class 6. It has a beautiful comment about the potential of Steiner Education. It says...

"I am grateful for our time at Ghilgai. My son has bloomed and I have learned how to step into the role of Mother in deep new ways."

We welcome all contributions. You may email them to edadmin@ghilgai.com.au or write a note and leave at Reception.

With thanks,
Ruth

Here is a sample of a contribution received recently...

To us, Ghilgai is a place of peaceful, meaningful education. It is a garden, with the children as seedlings being tended by faithful, nurturing gardeners; their teachers. Our children's efforts are valued, and skills are gently developed. This is allowing our children to develop a respectful attitude to their work and to cultivate their self-confidence. We are so grateful to see our children growing beautifully in the Ghilgai garden!

With thanks,
Selena and Tim Ahpee



If your child is at home sick...

Please call Reception on
9728 5819
or email ggs@ghilgai.com.au

We would appreciate it if you could inform us by **10am** if your child will be absent from school.
Thank you.

Ghilgai Organic Collective (GOC)

New members welcome!

Place next orders by:
Friday 13th September

For delivery on:
Tuesday 17th September



For more information contact
Fiona (Sylphe Class 5)
on 0409 171 727

Thoughts from Class 5 camp...

"I enjoyed the Flying Fox. When I went to do it, Piper screamed as we raced down. The Ropes course was fun and the best thing about it was that there was water below you. And how did you guess...I fell in at the end of course!" – Shaan

"What I loved about camp the most was Canoeing and the Flying Fox and Aeroball." Sylphe

"I liked pretty much everything at camp. The food was great. On the first day we got there we found our cabins, and then we had to go down a steep hill to canoeing. Paul and Warren fell into the lake. Then we did Archery. The next day we did Low Ropes and the Mud Run. We had lunch and then we did Bushcraft. Later, we had a bonfire and went to bed. The next day we walked down the big hill to go to the Flying Fox and Big Swing. Then we went home." Michelle

"What I enjoyed most about camp was by far the Flying Fox. I went down with James twice and Kenny twice. It was incredible. It was over a lake. The ride was nice. At first, I went down with James and we kept saying, "You go. No, you go!" but in the end the man just said "three, two, one", and we jumped." Kes

Ghilgai family of 4 seeking rental accommodation

We are looking for a new home for 2 adults, 2 children, 1 dog and 2 cats. The children are both at Steiner Schools. Ideally we'd like...

- A rental house
- Anywhere between Warranwood and Kilsyth & all suburbs in between or nearby
- Upto \$420 per week
- 3 bedrooms and a secure yard would be wonderful
- Starting mid-October or before January (when we have to vacate our current dwelling)

We have a good rental history and can provide references.

If you have any suggestions or leads, please contact Vivian on 0410 512 637 or Ian on 0416 162 637
Thank you.



Recipes! Recipes! Recipes!

I am so happy to hear that Justine is receiving your recipes for the Ghilgai Cookbook. I nearly fell off my rainbow in delight! I will be coming again soon to see for myself, but in the meantime,

Keep those
recipes coming!

Seed Group invite you all to the Ghilgai School Bush Dance!



Teachers Paul, Louise, Fiona and David will provide the music and keep you rocking to new and old favourites until you are danced out! This is an event for close family and friends of Ghilgai of all ages.

Saturday 14th September 4.00pm - 7.00pm
Mt Evelyn Public Hall,
44 Birmingham Road Mount Evelyn

Bookings:

Please book and pay (for food only, see below) online at this link. If you are unable to access online, please get in touch with Justine – Reception 9728 5819 / ggs@ghilgai.com.au

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ghilgai-school-bushdance-tickets-68864173597>

(The password is Ghilgai)

Food:

Dinner will be available on the night for \$5 per person. You must book and pay for it in advance and online for catering purposes. There will be a variety of soups and bread (including gluten free and vegan options) and toast making facilities for the fussier among us. You are welcome to bring snacks to keep hungry kids fed and happy (no nuts please) and SEED group will have some healthy snacks for gold coin purchase on the night.

Helpers:

If you are able to help out with decorations and meal preparations from 2pm on Saturday 14th September we would love to hear from you. No special skills are required. This is a great way to get involved in your school community. Please contact Michelle Masterson [0417 127 003](tel:0417127003).



Seed Group presents a workshop for you:

Learn how to make your own Beeswax Wraps ...

Beeswax wraps are so useful in the kitchen and will reduce your waste from single-use plastic wrappings. Don't pay over \$30 for a packet of three wraps...learn to make your own and save!

Kits will be available for \$15 and will include everything you need to make some wraps. If you wish to bring your own materials, I can provide a list of things you'll need.

Come along to Yoogali on

Thursday 5th September
7.30 - 9.30pm

R.S.V.P to Selena 0402 251 727
Places are limited.

