Gosnells
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 23 September
Good Standing
Maali's Birthday

Friday 25 September
Final day of Term 3

Monday 12 October
Start of Term 4 Pre Primary To Year 6 & Kindy Blue

Wednesday 14 October
High Tea for Yr4-6 girls (must register for this event)

Thursday 15 October
Kindy Yellow start

Monday 19 October
Room 22 Zoo Excursion

Tuesday 20 October
P&C Meeting 5.15pm

Thursday 22 October
Interschool Athletics Carnival Langford Park (participating students have been invited)

Tuesday 27 October
Families of Aboriginal and TSI Children Meeting 8.50

Wednesday 28 October
CPC Local Advisory Meeting 9 – 11

Thursday 29 October
Yr 5/6 Careers Expo 1.40pm

Dear Gosnells Primary School Community,
What an amazing term 3 we have had at GPS! I'm incredibly proud of what we have achieved as a school community this term. I'm looking forward to seeing this growth continue as we move into Term 4.

Class Placements 2027

Class Placements Planning for 2027 is very much underway with provisionally planned classes to be prepared shortly. We are inviting parent requests for class placements in 2027. Requests for class placements will only be considered if they are made in writing, based on the specific educational needs of your child and close on **Wednesday 18th November 2026**. Such requests can be made via email: **gosnells.ps.office@education.wa.edu.au** or by dropping a letter to the front office. When considering a class placement request, please be mindful that our teachers may not be in the same class or year levels they are currently as some changes to this is always necessary. A common request is for example when you have two children in the same year level that you may want them to be kept together or apart.

It is important to note the complexities involved in establishing classrooms and that parent requests are one of a number of pieces of information considered when arriving at class placement decisions. **If you have previously made a request in the past year, please resubmit if you'd like this to be continued for 2027.**

Leaving GPS at the end of this year?

With the year fast drawing to a close, if you are planning to enrol in another school for the start of 2027 please let the school know by emailing: **gosnells.ps.office@education.wa.edu.au** or phone on 9234 6350. This notification will greatly assist us to plan classes for the new year and prepare any information to share with the new school too.

Grant Success:
We're excited to celebrate securing a $3,000 let's Grow Grant to help make the front of our school even greener! The grant will be used specifically to purchase and plant new mature native trees along the Hicks Street boundary of our school. The trees will create a beautiful natural screening barrier, helping to enhance the appearance and feel of the front of the school while adding valuable native vegetation to our grounds.

Claiming your WA Student Assistance Payment:
A reminder that Western Australian Student Assistance Payment is closing this Friday and open to all GPS families and offers cost-of-living relief to families with school-aged children. You can claim $150 per Kindergarten/primary student and $250 per secondary student. Claims are recommended via the ServiceWA app. You can also collect paper forms from the front office where a member of our team will be more than happy to assist you.

How to Apply: To claim your payment, you will need to log into the Service WA app with a Digital ID or collect a paper form and provide the following details for each student:

- The 8-digit WA Student Number (WASN) found on student reports.
- The student's name at the time of enrolment, date of birth, school name, and year level
- Your bank account details

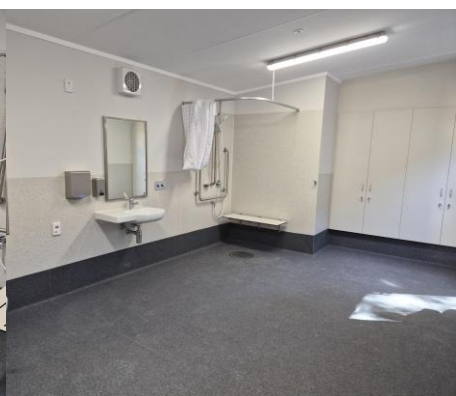
Eligibility: The payment is available to all students actively enrolled at WA schools. Every parent at our school is eligible to apply so I encourage all parent to access these free funds.

End of Term and Start of Term 4:
School closes for the Term 3 holidays at the end of this week (last day Friday 25th September) with Term 4 starting for all pre primary to year 6 and kindy blue students on **Monday 12th October**. Kindy Yellow's return date is **Thursday 15th October**.

We wish all our students, staff and families a very relaxing and productive holiday break.

Best wishes, **Scott Tapper** | Principal

Our new accessibility toilet block is now ready for use:



K-2 Afternoon Collection changes from Term 4 onwards

From the beginning of Term 4, 2026, students in Kindergarten, Pre-primary, Year 1 and Year 2 who are being collected at the end of the school day will need to be collected directly from their classroom by their parent, carer or nominated older sibling.

Students will remain with their class until the person collecting them arrives. Once the teacher has sighted the parent, carer or nominated adult, the student will be able to leave.

Parents and carers do not need to enter the classroom. We simply ask that you come to the classroom door or the designated collection area immediately outside the classroom.

This change is being introduced to provide a clear and consistent handover process for our younger students and to further support student safety at the end of the school day.

This change applies to Kindergarten to Year 2 students only. There is no change to the dismissal arrangements for students in Years 3–6.

Students attending OSHC will also be collected from their classroom.

If you are collecting a child in Kindergarten to Year 2, please come to their classroom to collect them from 2:35pm onwards. This ensures minimal disruption to the end of the teaching occurring within the class.

We appreciate that changes to established routines can take a little time to become familiar, and staff will support families as the new process begins.

Thank you for working with us to provide a safe and consistent end to the school day.

Mr Michael Everett | **K-2 Deputy Principal**

Honour Certificates

Congratulations to the following students who received an Honour Certificate at our Assembly on 10 September 2026

Eiliyah Pappin, Reece Wilkes, Jimmy Hicks, Mary Shamas, Ishita Malik, Riley Morrison, Vyakhyaa, Alfie Scott, Mika Ragmac, Alice Kiing, Kiara Faltyn, Leo McLevie, Ghanshyam Tharayil Prajeesh Prajeesh, Danica Aimedeo, Lucy Walker, Olivia McKelvey, Eiliyah Pappin, Blake Burrows, Haniyey Moqadasi, Trey Leaf, Eram Gulzari, Oscar McLevie, Tyson McGowan, River Willis, Suki Zhang, Alinah Durrant, Janedeep Singh, Kinzang Tshering, Seth Irish, Skye Apostol, Sanbigaa Vipulan and Emilia Mackenzie

Pride Certificates

Congratulations to the following students who received their Pride Certificates recently:

Bronze

Andi Khawla Patawari, Noah Chebbo Halatau, Owen Bury, Christian McKelvey

Silver

Emily Devine, Riri-O-Te-Moana Williams, Harrison Carthew, Blake Burrowes, Khayle, Liyana Bhuiyan, Sarah Bilal, Somto Chukwu, Max Daniel, Orion Elwin, Marcio Francisco, Jayda Hill, Alfie M'Intyre, Thnayen Sky Odcheo, Rachael Pichette, Arlen Riches, Kharmani-reid Savea, Ronnie Whitney Brooking, Te Ahi Kaipatu Williams, Hunter Wilson, Fadak Razai, Levi Hustler

Gold

Graham Smith, Levi Sterrett, Mykielah Quartermaine, Caleb Karafilis, Jennifer Tobina, Charlie Burman-Wheadon, Eram Razai, Lester Bennell, Arush Ghimire, Mateo Chukwu, Erin Lao-As

Platinum

Hope Churitter, Sahar Fatima, Seth Irish

Make It Special

Carers Week

Make It Special Carers Week Garden Lunch

A special afternoon for carers

Tuesday 14 October | **11:00am – 2:00pm** | **Romancing the Stone Gardens, Maida Vale**

Join us for a relaxing afternoon to celebrate Carers Week.
Enjoy a garden tour, creative craft activity, light lunch and raffle,
with plenty of time to connect with other carers in a beautiful setting.

- Garden tour
- Craft activity
- Light lunch provided
- Raffle

Bookings essential via Eventbrite

Scan the QR code to book

Proudly supported by

Carers WA | lotterywest | Woodlupine Family Centre

We'd love to welcome you for an afternoon of connection, creativity and celebration.

Child and Parent Centre
Gosnells

GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Spring Holiday Activities 2026

MONDAY 5 October

Learning Language with Jackie: Cloudy with a Chance of Playdough

9.30 am-11.00 am

Ages 3-5 years

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

TUESDAY 6 October

Mums Chill n Chat: Choose a Craft

10.00 am-11.30 am

Pick from a selection of crafts or bring your own to continue working on

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

WEDNESDAY 7 October

Messy Play

10.00 am-11.00 am

Ages 0-5 years

Please bring in clothes suitable for messy play

NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED

THURSDAY 8 October

Spring Animal Playgroup

9.30 am - 11.00 am

Ages 0-5 years

No shared fruit

NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED

TO BOOK: For **Learning Language with Jackie & Mums Chill n Chat** Please email *cpcgosnells@centrecare.com.au* with the following information: your name, your child/ren's names and ages, suburb you live in and a contact phone number. We will confirm your booking via return email.

VENUE: Child and Parent Centre - Gosnells
173 Hicks Street (**entry via Gate 9 in Clara Street**)
Gosnells

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Op Shop VOUCHER Program

Obtain a voucher at Mission Australia Wattle House
40 Orr St, Maddington
Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30am – 4:30pm

Available until 07 November 2026

Choose from a range of quality pre-loved items for yourself and your family.
Supporting reuse. Caring for our environment.

Vouchers Valid Only at
Uniting Church Gosnells Op Shop
142 Hicks St, Gosnells

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Amanda's Garden Fete

10-11 October 2026

Open daily 10am - 4.30pm Entry $5

THE AMANDA YOUNG FOUNDATION
fighting meningococcal disease

There is something for everyone at our annual open garden.

You can sit and relax with a cuppa or explore the many treasures in our garden.

Mass rose displays, water features, large variety of trees, shrubs and plants in a rural setting.

Devonshire teas, sausage sizzle, plant sales, art display.

Paddy's market and music.

Located at the junction of Margaret and Matison Streets, Southern River.

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All proceeds go towards Meningococcal Awareness. Enquiries to 9398 7275.www.amandayoungfoundation.org.au

the fathering project

Changing Children's Lives

Community Fathering

Connect Dads Workshops

8 Workshops
Starting from Friday 16th October 2026
12:00PM - 2:00PM

at

Challis Parenting and Early Learning Centre

40 Braemore Street
Armadale

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

David Walker | Facilitator
E david.walker@thefatheringproject.org
M 0494 740 071

WORKSHOP TOPICS

Friday 16th October
What does it mean to be a dad?
- Societal expectations

Friday 23rd October
How well are you dad?
- Body, Mind and Behaviour

Friday 30th October
Understanding and managing emotions
- What are emotions and feelings

Friday 6th November
Getting on their level
- Stages of Development

Friday 13th November
Creating hope, getting to know your kids
- Personality Development

Friday 27th November
Co-parenting/ Co-parenting in separation
- Why it matters

Friday 4th December
Resilience and belonging
- Protective Factors v's Risk Factors

Friday 11th December
Creating stronger connections
- Family and Community

What is Connect Dads

Open to any fathers or father figures:
Connect Dads is a **FREE parenting program**

Focused on educating and resourcing fathers with the fundamentals of what makes a safe and loving home for a child, and what doesn't.

What will the program help me with?

- Create better relationships with your children
- Enhance your role as a father
- Gain practical tips for better fathering
- Improve your mental health and confidence
- Help connect you with other dads
- Build your toolkit to be able to respond to the changing needs of your children as they develop

MADDINGTON LITTLE ATHLETICS

Athletes compete in distance running and sprints to jumps, throws, and walks, there's something for everyone! We welcome athletes of all abilities and fitness levels to join in the fun.

Training Days
Tuesdays and Thursdays 4:45-6:15pm

Pre-Season Training
Tuesday 15th of September 2026

First competition
3rd of October 2026
Langford Oval

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- Registrations cover a twelve-month period, which includes the summer season (October–March) and the optional winter season (May–August).
- We cater for athletes aged 5 to 17 years.
- Kidsport vouchers are available for eligible families.
- You're welcome to join us for two free trial training sessions before registering.

MORE INFORMATION

Tammy - 0434910148

secretary@maddingtonlittleathletics.org.au

Harmony Fields, Alcock Street
Maddington

MADDINGTON LITTLE ATHLETIC CLUB

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