



GLEN HUNTLY

PRIMARY SCHOOL

LEARNING TODAY LEADING TOMORROW

School tour information

'Learning today, Leading tomorrow'



School vision



The school's vision is to optimise student learning growth across all curriculum areas and levels of ability.

Mission statements



1. To nurture respectful, positive, informed and caring global citizens.
2. To help develop children who are happy, confident and who love school and learning.



School Values



- **Pride** in our actions and striving for personal best for ourselves and our school
- **Resilience** to accept and adapt to challenges, try hard and build positivity and self confidence
- **Respect** and care for each other and the environment
- **Teamwork** and learning together with optimism and enthusiasm to achieve
- **Creativity** to allow us to view and develop new possibilities to meet our goals

We celebrate inclusivity & diversity



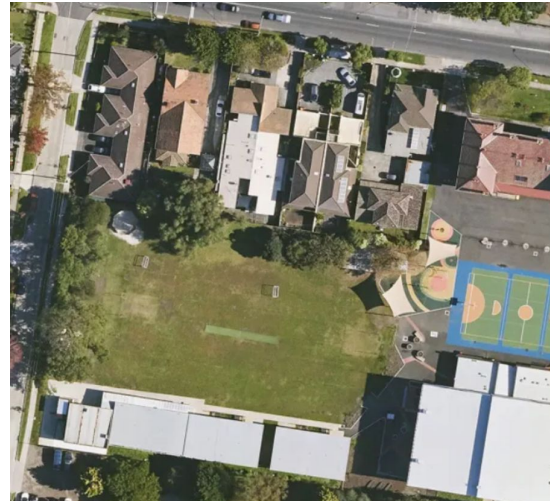
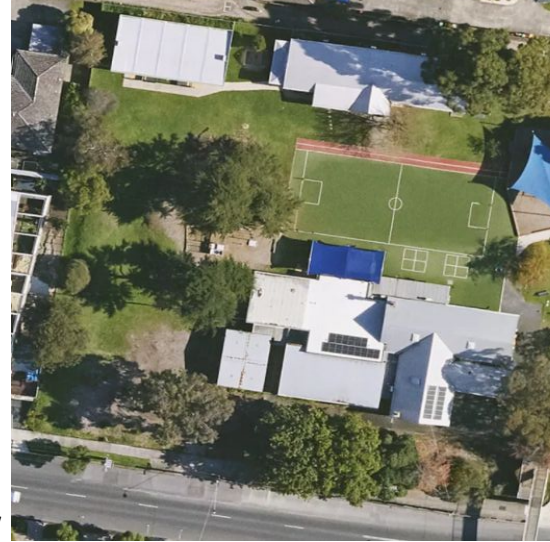


Junior and Senior Campus

There is a Junior and Senior Campus at Glen Huntly Primary School.

The Junior Campus includes Prep and Grade 1 classrooms and also a spacious library, Before/After School Care Activities Centre, Art Room and newly resurfaced soccer pitch.

The Senior Campus includes Grades 2 to 6 classrooms, reception and the administration offices, an inquiry room, the new full sized Gymnasium, Kitchen, Science, Japanese, STEM and Music Rooms.



Facilities

- Full court basketball stadium with 150 seats
- Music room
- Japanese room
- Kitchen classroom and canteen area
- Art room
- Science Room
- Inquiry/STEM Room with pod casting and green screen
- Large library
- 17 classrooms
- Multiple purpose room
- Teacher planning room
- Activities Centre - After hours and before care
- Learning Support and Learning enhancement room
- Grass football oval
- 3 x Playgrounds
- Synthetic turf soccer ground
- Veggie gardens
- Outdoor basketball court



Daily timetable example

7.00am	Before Care opens (if required)
8.50am	Classrooms doors open
9.00am	Session 1 Literacy block Reading
10.00am	Brain food break
	Session 2 Literacy block Writing
11.00am	Recess
11.30am	Session 3 Maths
12.30pm	Session 4 Specialist lesson (Music, Japanese, Art, PE or Science)
1.30pm	Lunch eating time
1.45pm	Lunchtime play
2.30pm	Session 5 Inquiry learning
3.30pm	End of school
6.30pm	Before and after school ends (if required)

Victorian Curriculum

At Glen Huntly Primary School we follow the Victorian Curriculum. It is the framework for which we plan, teach and formally assess students.

In the English domain, we assess all students individually in:

- Reading
- Writing
- Speaking and Listening

In the Mathematics domain, we assess all students individually in:

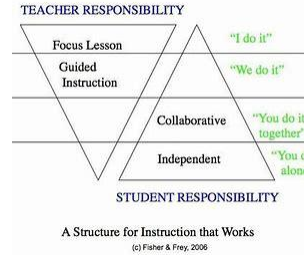
- Number
- Measurement and Geometry
- Statistics and Probability

Gradual Release Model

Glen Huntly School uses the Gradual Release Model for Instruction as our pedagogical model

This includes 3 steps:

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| I do | Teacher explicitly teaches the skill or concept |
| We do | Teacher and students practice the skill or concept together |
| You do | Students work independently on the skill or concept |



Lessons can be a mix of explicit instruction from the teacher, student groups working together in collaboration and students completing independent work.



Literacy

Reading

- Decoding words and placing emphasis on letter/sound relationships.
- Foster a positive attitude towards reading so that your child feels successful!

Writing

- Preps are introduced to a variety of writing genres such as creative and procedural writing, lists and letters.
- Some activities we do in class are: Recount Writing, Handwriting, Topic Writing, Poetry and Narrative writing.

Speaking and Listening

- This is enhanced through our phonics program 'Little Learners Love Literacy' which places a strong emphasis on oral literacy skills.

Little Learners Love Literacy

This is a literacy program we use at GHPS to increase our students' phonological awareness and understanding of sound/letter relationships.

Students each week are introduced to new characters from the book 'Milo's birthday Surprise' who introduce them to a new letter and sound.

- Introduction of characters with each sound
- Initial sounds
- Sounding out words
- Blends
- Letter formation
- Newsletter tasks



Literacy

This is a literacy session in action!

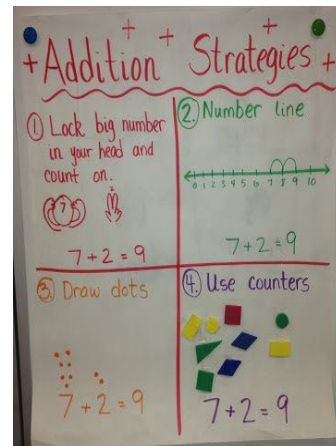


Numeracy

In Prep, students explore a variety of Mathematics topics. Throughout the year students will focus on 3 main areas of Maths - **Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry** and **Statistics and Probability**.

Some initiatives used to support the teaching and learning of the Mathematics curriculum at GHPS are:

- Number Talks/Daily Reviews
- Anchor Charts and Visuals
- Concrete materials i.e. unifix, numicons, counters, toys
- Extensive Pre Assessment of students to identify points of growth and establish individual learning goals
- Point of need Maths teaching
- Maths Talent Competitions. For example, Olympiad

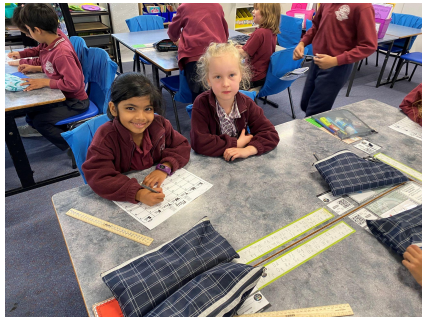


Inquiry - history, geography, civics

This is another area of the Victorian Curriculum.

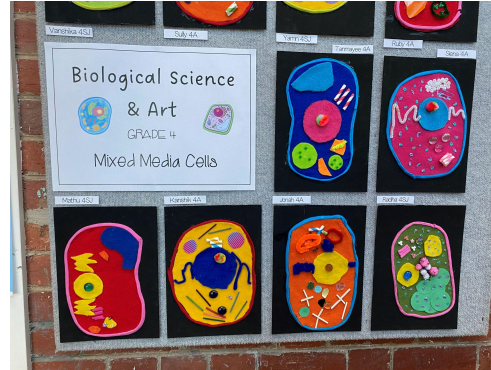
Some areas that students could focus on include: local history, civics and citizenships, basic science, economics in the upper school and geography.

Other areas taught include researching, communication, collaboration, thinking and self management skills.



Specialist Programs

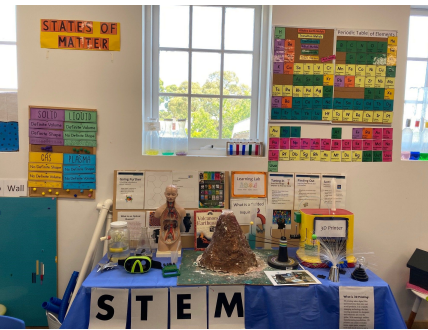
- STEM/Science
- Music
- Japanese
- Physical Education, Health & Sport
- Art
- Cooking (once a term)



Science/STEM

Students have science once a week for an hour with a specialist science teacher in our dedicated science Room.

Science topics include Chemical, Physical, Biological, Earth and Space Sciences.



Music and concerts



All students have one hour of music a week, taught by a specialist music teacher.

There is a dedicated music room.

There is also a junior and senior school choir and a school band.

The school hosts a whole school Music Performance once a year and every second year a concert at Monash University.



Japanese

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All students have one hour of Japanese a week, taught by a specialist language teacher. This includes learning basic Japanese and also learning some Japanese culture and history.

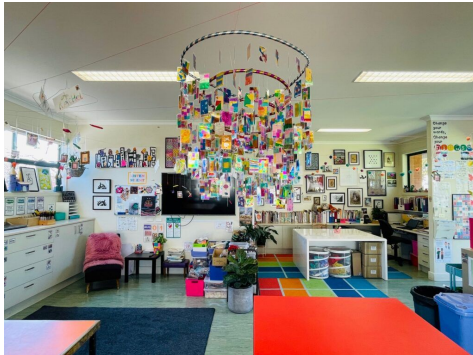


Art and the Annual Art Show

Students have a one hour session of art each week with our specialist art teacher and in our dedicated art studio.

Once a year, the school holds an Art Show and displays student's work.

Many student art works are proudly displayed throughout the school.



PE Health and learn to swim

All students receive a weekly one hour PE and Health lesson from a PE specialist.

The teacher can use a full court indoor gym, grass oval, basketball courts, or soccer pitch to deliver the program.

The school runs a swimming program every year for all students.

This is at Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre until Carnegie Pool reopens.



Library

Students visit the library once a week in classroom time with their teacher.

There is also a Library Club that runs on Thursdays at lunchtime.

Each Tuesday morning 9am to 10am, the librarian runs Little Bookworms, which is a pre school story time session.



Cooking

Students attend cooking classes once a term in our kitchen run by our cooking teacher Fiona.

Where possible, the classes uses ingredients from our own veggie gardens.



Digital Learning

Digital learning is integrated across the school in many subjects. Students use both laptops and iPads
Some of the programs we use include:

- Computer chess
- Robots
- Basic coding/programing
- iPads and laptops
- Podcasting equipment
- Green screen
- Google Apps for Education
- Coding Club after school



Social and Emotional Wellbeing

Student wellbeing is a major focus at the school.

Each Friday afternoon the whole school participates in a 'Wellbeing session'.

This is where a range of activities and lessons centred around wellbeing, engagement, respect, resilience and mindfulness are taught in the classrooms.

The school uses and teachers the Department's RRRR Program as well as Circle Time and the Zones of Regulation.



The **ZONES** of Regulation®



Figure 2: Wall Posters of the Zones





Buddy program



All Prep students are matched with a Grade 5 student at the start of the year. This relationship continues into Grade 1 when the older buddy is in Grade 6.

Buddy activities may include:

- Story writing or reading together
- Having lunch or morning tea together
- Skill teaching
- Leadership skills for the older buddy



Lunchtime clubs

The school runs a number of lunchtime clubs including:

- Gardening Club
- Art Club
- Chess Club
- Japanese and Origami Club
- Library Club
- LEGO and Board Games Club
- Junior and Senior Choir
- School Band

Learning Support

The school provides a number of programs to help any students that require additional support in either Reading or Maths. Additional support includes:

- Tutor Learning Initiative Program
- Access to occupational therapists, school psychologists and speech therapists
- Treehouse Reading Program
- English as an Additional Language support



Learning Enhancement & Enrichment

- Small group, targeted extension programs in Literacy/Numeracy (needs based)
- One to one extension to point of Need (supported by Maths Online)
- VHAP (Victorian High Ability Program) Masterclasses
- Maths Olympiad
- Ongoing monitoring and development of professional learning for teachers in High Ability Teaching
- Individual Education Plans for students exceeding year level expectations
- Podcasting Program
- Individual Goal Setting
- Debating

House Sport

There is a wide range of House Sport Competitions including House Swimming, House Cross Country and House Athletics.

Prep to Grade 2 also have their own athletics competition.



Interschool sport

In addition to weekly PE classes, students from Grade 5 & 6 also participate in both summer and winter weekly interschool sport. These sports can include cricket, netball, soccer, softball and volleyball.



The school also participates in inter school Cross Country, Basketball, Swimming and Athletics competitions.

Student Leadership

The school has a Student Representative Council from Grades 3 to 6 that meets with the principal 8 times per year at lunchtime, to work on ideas and projects generated by students.

We have a number of students in leadership positions that run assembly each week and organise fundraising events across the school.



Lunchtime clubs

The school runs the following lunchtime clubs:

- Japanese origami
- Chess
- Art
- Basketball
- Board games and Lego
- Gardening
- Library
- Junior and Senior Choir
- Band

Camp Program

The camp program aims to build resilience, perseverance, independence, responsibility, confidence, teamwork and organisation skills.

The school runs overnight camp programs from Grades 3 to Grades 6.



Sustainability and Environment

- Veggie gardens
- Recycling program
- Water tanks
- Solar panels
- Chickens
- Garden care/club
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- Tree planting



School events and programs

- Education Week
- Art Show
- Science Week
- Athletics Day
- House swimming
- Musical Concert
- Book Week & Fair
- 100 Days of Prep celebration
- Learn to swim program
- Astronomy Evening
- Reconciliation Week
- School disco
- Harmony Day
- Breakfast program
- Special Lunch days
- Walk-a-thon
- Parent Social Events
- Carols Evening
- Family Fun Nights
- School Fete
- Easter Hat Parade
- R U OK Day
- Class excursions
- Maths Week



Extra Curricular Activities

Before School Tennis

Before and after school basketball

Junior and Senior Choir

School bands

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Net Set Go Netball

Coding Club

After School Chess

Guitar lessons

Keyboard lessons

After school sports program
including cricket & soccer.



Before and after school care program



The school's before and after school program is run by TheirCare.

TheirCare offers care from 7.00-8.45am in the morning and from 3.30-6.30pm every evening. The program also runs during school holidays and curriculum days.

We have a large dedicated space on the Junior Campus, complete with a kitchen and toilets.

Snacks and meals are also provided.



Glen Huntly Parents Association



The school has a very strong sense of community with a range of community events including family picnics, Mother Day store, school disco, school fete, working bees, parent social nights and other whole school events like the end of year celebration.

The Parents Association is very active in running these events.



Communication with families

- Very important between parents and teachers
- Talk to your child about their day by asking open ended questions, like “What was the best thing about today?”
- **Compass App**
- **Communication Folder and Book**
- **Formal Reports:** June and December
- **Prep Newsletter:** goes home on Friday
- **Newsletters:** A Whole School or GPA (Glen Huntly Parent Association) Newsletter is sent out via Compass each Friday and is also online at www.glenhuntlyps.vic.edu.au.
- Separate Notices for excursions, special days & events at school



Little Bookworms Program

Each Tuesday morning between 9am and 10am, the school runs a Little Bookworms Club in our library.

This is a fun program run by our librarian Lisa, aimed at preschool children. It's a free program and bookings are not required.

The children who attend Little Bookworms, listen to a picture story book, complete a range of activities like art and craft, or sing and dance.



Transition dates for Preps starting 2025

Thursday 17th October 2024 9.00am – 10.00am

Thursday 31st October 2024 9.00am – 10.00am

Thursday 14th November 2024 9.00am -10.00am

Thursday 28th November 2024 9.00am – 10.00am



Prep Parent Information Session

Thursday 28th November (gym) 2024 9:00am – 10:00am



Prep 2024-2025 Enrolment timeline



Term 2: Monday 22 April 2024 - Friday 28 June, 2024

- ▶ From week 1, Term 2, 2024: Enrolment Information Packs are available to prospective families and the school community
- ▶ From week 1, Term 2, 2024: Enrolment applications open- parents/carers may submit their completed enrolment application to GHPS

Term 3 : Monday 15 July 2024- Friday 20 September 2024

- ▶ By Friday 28 July, 2024 Enrolment applications due- parents/carers submit their completed enrolment application to GHPS
- ▶ By Friday 9 August, 2024, GHPS notifies parents/carers in writing of Foundation (Prep) enrolment
- ▶ By Friday 23 August, parents/carers sent a letter of offer to return the completed enrolment form by this date, to indicate acceptance of their child's place at GHPS

Term 4: Thursday 17 October, 2024 - Thursday 28th of November, 2024

- ▶ GHPS hosts our transition sessions (previous slide)

Prep transition 2025



- School starts for Preps on Thursday 30th of January 2025
- Preps finish at the early time of 2.30pm for the first week
- Preps do not attend school on Wednesdays for the first 5 weeks of school.
- This allows the teachers to conduct 1:1 assessments of each student
- Full weeks for Preps start the week starting 3th of March

Why choose Glen Huntly PS?



- We have dedicated teachers who are caring and passionate about teaching
- We are ranked 30th in the state for NAPLAN
- We are a small inclusive school with a fantastic school community
- We have a dedicated science teacher and science/STEM room
- We have excellent facilities including a basketball stadium, 3 playgrounds, grass oval, library, art, science, music centre, netball court, soccer field, and inquiry rooms.
- We have a junior and senior campus, allowing new preps to share the yard with just Grade 1 students at recess and lunchtime



Thank you



Thank you for your interest today in our school.

You are welcome to come on another tour or if you have any further questions please contact Cameron or the office.

For more information visit our website and consider attending our open nights, assemblies, Little Bookworks Program, school concerts and art/science show.

