

# THE BUZZ

## NEWSLETTER OF THE GSS P&C



TERM 2 | 2025

The Buzz newsletter is designed to inform our school community as to what is happening at GSS, what events are coming up, why is the school fundraising and how those funds are being invested back into our school community.

If you want to learn more about P&C, or if you have an opinion on what is happening, we'd love to hear from you!

### MESSAGE FROM OUR MADAM PRESIDENT

#### Term 1 & 2 highlights

Wow. What a start to the year it's been, and we're already hurtling towards the end of term 2!

Term 1 really threw us a curveball with Cyclone Alfred and a whole lot of rain, which meant a number of our events had to be postponed or reshuffled. It was a bit of a wild ride but as always, our P&C and school community gracefully pivoted and made the best of it.

It was great to finally hold our **Welcome (back) BBQ** in term 2. Despite some menacing clouds and an early afternoon shower, the event went without a hitch (or a drop) and so many families turned up to enjoy the fun and festivities which was great to see.

**Check out photos** from the BBQ and other events we've held so far this year on the following pages.

#### Looking ahead

We have a few things on the radar to keep an eye out for in the coming weeks.

We know first-hand how tricky it can be to stay on top of all of everything going on at school, and are exploring new ways to keep everyone engaged and informed. We're excited to introduce the concept of **P&C Info Champs** for each year level, who will be your dedicated information gurus. More on this soon!

In other news, and after many months of managing a waitlist, our **OSCA service has now been approved to welcome additional students from 14 July** - woohoo!

A huge thank you to the families who have been patiently waiting. This expansion is a big win for our whole community, and we're thrilled to be able to support more families with this much-needed service.

Catherine Curtis  
P&C President

### MARK IT IN YOUR DIARY!

**Active School Travel**  
Every Wednesday  
morning 8am!

#### Upcoming P&C Meetings

- **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June**
- **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July**  
6:30pm in the library

**Athletics Carnivals**  
**Yr 4-6 - Mon 16<sup>th</sup> June**  
(Annerley soccer fields)  
**Prep - yr3 - Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> June**  
(GSS oval)

**Movie Night**  
**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June**  
GSS oval

**School Disco**  
**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> August**  
Coorparoo Secondary  
College

**Trivia Night**  
**Tuesday 12th August (night before Ekka holiday)**  
Lord Stanley Hotel

**Father's Day at GSS**  
**Active School Travel Brekky**  
**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**  
**Father's Day stall**  
**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September**  
Note: Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September is a pupil free day!

## SO FAR IN 2025...

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the P&C AGM this year. Over cheese, crackers and drinks, we celebrated all that we achieved in 2024 (so much!) and set the agenda for the exciting things ahead in 2025.



It was also a night to celebrate two people who have given so much of themselves to GSS. We said a heartfelt thanks (but not goodbye!) to Mel and Jax for their time and efforts serving on the Executive committee. They've both left a lasting legacy on the GSS community and we're so grateful.



We welcomed Catherine and Alice to the team, alongside the ever-dedicated Don, Leisa and Leah, returning for another year. What a team!

## P&C AGM - A CHANGING OF THE GUARD

We also have an amazing team of coordinators supporting the Exec, managing the Cafe, social media, Containers for Change, Active School Travel, lost property, our Mother's & Father's Day stalls, fundraising, events, applying for grants and so much more. Give them a wave when you see them around!

## STUDENT LEADERS' MORNING TEA



Our GSS 2025 Student Leaders were inducted at a special assembly in March, and the P&C hosted a morning tea afterwards for family & loved ones.

Congrats to our leaders who are doing an amazing job and already making a big impact!



## ANZAC SERVICE MORNING TEA

Despite the rain, GSS held a moving ANZAC service, and the P&C hosted a morning tea afterwards for special guests who attended, including members of our community who have served.





## WELCOME (BACK) BBQ

In week two, we held the Welcome (Back) BBQ. It was a terrific night for families to mingle and children to fill up on sugar!

A very big welcome to families new to GSS in 2025. We hope everyone had a wonderful night!



## Active School Travel Mother's Day Brekky



Greenslopes students showed their love and appreciation for their mums this year at both the Active School Travel breakfast and the Mother's Day stall.

They enjoyed delicious croissants and juice for brekky, and picked out special goodies and wrote heartfelt messages for mums and other important women at the stall.

It was a delight to see our Prep students experiencing the stall for the first time!

A special thanks to Mia, one of our talented mums, for donating handmade earrings, and congratulations to JayJay (JP2) and Ethan (MP1) for their winning competition entries.

Thank you to the mums, grandmas, and our one superstar dad who helped out. We hope all our mums had a wonderful Mother's Day and loved their gifts!

## MOTHER'S DAY AT GSS

### Mother's Day stall



## UPCOMING EVENT

### GSS Movie Night 20th June!

P&C are hosting an outdoor movie night.

Get your snacks, blankets and chairs ready and come along for one or both of the movies on the night!



## GSS TEA TOWELS

This term students will be completing self-portraits that will be screen printed onto a limited edition GSS tea towel. It's like a year book in a tea towel! Place your orders on Flexischools. A sample tea towel can be viewed outside the office.





## CAFE DUNELLAN



### Vanilla latte, anyone?

Thanks to a kind donation from our lovely regular customer Megan, we now offer flavoured syrups to add to our excellent coffee!

You'll also find hot chocolate, cold chocolate milk, smoothies, hash browns, chocolate brownies and chocolate croissants on our regular menu.

Cafe Dunellan is open Fridays before assembly from 8–9am, with last orders 10 minutes before closing. Run by P&C volunteers, all proceeds support the school. Come in for a Friday treat and catch up — get your coffee fix from Cafe, and all the tea from assembly!

CAFÉ  
dunellan

OPEN FRIDAY 8-9am

#### Coffee (Merlo Beans)

Disposable Cup	\$4.00
BYO Cup	\$3.00
Hot Chocolate	\$3.00
Tea	\$2.00
Home Baking	\$1.00

CASH & CARD ACCEPTED



### Thanks to everyone who supports Cafe Dunellan!

Huge thanks to our Friday volunteers — Lachlan, Alice, Kathryn, Maddie, Melissa, Mia, Nicole, Gillian and Nell — for serving with a smile. Special shout-out to Meg & Jacqui for your regular brownie donations.

All nut-free brownies are welcome; use your own ingredients or grab a mix from Cafe or the tuck shop



## CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

Our Containers for Change program is going strong with over **14,500** containers collected towards our target of 40,000 this year.

### How can you help us reach our goal?

1. School drop - drop your containers in the green bin outside the school gate and grab a fresh new bag to start collecting again.
2. Direct to depot using our school code - C10028875.
3. Pick up - if you can't make it to the school or depot, get in touch with our P&C and we'll arrange a collection for you.



### Eligible containers

Any of these containers are eligible and able to be dropped into our collection bin!

### Do you own, or know of a local business who might be keen to collect containers for us?

We'd love to partner with local businesses to boost our collection, and can offer big shout-outs on socials in return! We can also make things easy by arranging collection and swapping out bags or bins. Reach out to the P&C email if you can help out.

## JOIN THE P&C AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Want to get involved in making our school awesome? We're always looking for volunteers and people to contribute, in big and small ways! It could be through helping organise events, raising funds, or lending a hand whenever you can. Your voice matters, and we'd love to hear your ideas and suggestions.

### Get Involved Today!

- **Join the P&C using the QR code.** All previous and new members need to complete a 2025 membership form.
- **Reach out to us** at [greenslopespandc@gmail.com](mailto:greenslopespandc@gmail.com) with any queries or ideas.
- **Stay updated** and connected by joining the "Greenslopes State School Community" and "Greenslopes State School P and C" Facebook groups.



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