

# GPF EVENT CALENDAR

The GPF and FoJS run or support many events across the school year. The list below outlines the major events that feature their involvement during a typical year.

The following events could not occur without the tireless support of the GPF and FoJS.

Term 1	Term 2
Parent Welcome Evening	Family Movie Night
New Parent Morning Tea	Mother's Day Stall
Swimming Carnival sausage sizzle	
Athletics Carnival sausage sizzle	

Term 3	Term 4
Trivia Night	Parent House Dinners
International Day support	Girton's Got Heart
Art Show support	Teachers' appreciation lunch
Parent morning tea	Movie day sausage sizzle
Father's Day Stall	Committee member lunch in November
Grandparents & Special Friends Day morning tea	Teachers thank you gifts



## Expressions of Interest

Scan the QR code to leave an expression of interest to join the GPF or if you would like to occasionally volunteer at an event & the GPF will be in contact with you shortly. .



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## Welcome to the Girton Grammar School Parents' and Friends' Association.

As a parent or guardian of a student at Girton Grammar School, you are invited and encouraged to become involved in this community group. In doing so, you will help enrich your child's experience while he or she is at School, strengthen your ties to the School and enjoy time spent with other School families.

The Girton Parents and Friends' Association (GPF) has two goals – to raise funds for special projects and to host events that help to build and strengthen the sense of community among families at our School.

Every parent and guardian is encouraged to join us as we work towards these goals. For families new to the school or the region, the GPF offers a supportive community network.

The GPF works closely with the Principal, Deputy Principal, staff and other parents who actively contribute to make Girton Grammar School the best school that it can be for all of our children.

Throughout the year, the GPF raises money to help support special purchases. We work with the Principal to determine funding priorities that ensure we are supporting the school in the most effective way possible.

Past purchases have included two baby grand pianos for student use and large printed shade marquees for outdoor

sporting carnivals. In 2020, the GPF made a significant contribution that enabled new playground equipment to be installed in the Junior School and high definition, wide throw projectors for the Black Box Theatre and Junior School Hall.

### Thank you to our executive for 2025

- **President**  
Holly Andrews
- **Vice-President**  
Julia Henery
- **Secretary**  
Kristi Mitchell
- **Treasurer**  
Nathan Morsillo

### Sub-Committees:

- **Friends of Junior School**  
Alicia Stroud
- **Second Hand Uniform Shop**  
Alicia Stroud
- **Friends of the Arts**  
Kylie McDonald

## SUBSIDIARY GROUPS

The Girton Grammar School Parents and Friends' Association is the umbrella parent group for the School. A few subsidiary groups also run various events on the School calendar. There are many opportunities to become involved through any of these groups.

### FRIENDS OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

With its own President and committee of class representatives, the Friends of Junior School aim to connect our Junior School families and in doing so, reinforce the fabric of community beneath our students. FoJS host many events, including Grandparents and Special Friends' Day, Movie Night and Girton's Got Heart. This growing sense of community in the early school years stays with our families throughout their school journey.

The Friends of Junior School group meets monthly in the Junior School staff room with the assistance of Mrs Jess Potter and Mrs Viv Bath.

### FRIENDS OF THE ARTS

With two thirds of our students participating in either music, dance, drama or art, we are seeking parents to volunteer with assisting the School's extensive Performing Arts program. This group includes parents and grandparents of students from all year levels. If your child is in any way involved in the performing arts, you are encouraged to support this dedicated group as you will directly benefit from their efforts. Volunteers for the

Friends of the Arts will assist the Head of Music and the Head of Drama and they manage 'front of house' arrangements for the productions, ensembles and recitals staged across all year levels in any given calendar year.

### MONTHLY GPF MEETINGS

The GPF committee meets once a term, after hours, in the Morey Building and, on occasion, in a social setting. The Principal delivers a report to keep lines of communication flowing.

Executive committee members – the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer – are responsible for the governance and management of the GPF and its subsidiary groups.

The GPF hosts the Welcome to Girton Evening, a Trivia Night and Parent House Dinners.

The GPF Executive is elected at the Annual General Meeting in March to serve for one year. All parents and guardians are encouraged to consider taking part, either as a committee member, an occasional volunteer or as a meeting attendee. We hope you will become involved and help us to enrich our school.

For further information, or to register your interest in joining the GPF or to register your interest in volunteering at some of our events, please register via the QR Code on the back page, or by contacting Girton's Alumni and Community Relations Manager, Ms Kristi Mitchell via [kristimitchell@girton.vic.edu.au](mailto:kristimitchell@girton.vic.edu.au)

## GPF in 2025

Our focus has been, and continues to be:

- providing a forum for parents to share ideas
- encouraging parent engagement with the school via volunteering opportunities
- providing parent feedback to the Principal
- supporting our sub-committees
- providing social opportunities for parents, to meet our "friend-raising" objectives
- supporting school events (e.g. Welcome to Girton evening)



Girton's Got Heart



Friends of Performing Arts



Movie Night



Trivia Night