Dear Parents, Teachers & Students

CHILDREN’S WEEK:
To celebrate Children’s Week this week, the Preps – Grade 2 had a great time at their ‘Beach Party’ yesterday. They all had fun in the sand, singing songs and creating new sun hats! Many parents were present to enjoy this special activity.

Grades 3 & 4 went on a local excursion to the Nook. They enjoyed games and other fun activities.

Grades 5 & 6 have been exploring the rights of children in other countries. They have also created a poster about how great it is to be a child living in Australia.

WORLD TEACHERS’ DAY:
‘World Teachers’ Day, held annually in October since 1994 - when it was created by UNESCO - celebrates teachers worldwide. Its aim is to mobilise support for teachers and to ensure that the needs of future generations will continue to be met by teachers.’

www.unesco.org

At Goonawarra we have a wonderful, supportive and caring staff that have as their main focus, to provide a rich learning environment for all students. They are dedicated to their career calling and are a credit to their profession.

From the mouths of children here are some thoughts on their teachers –

‘I like Mrs Conn because she teaches me a lot of stuff and she is small like me.’ Annelise M - Prep C.

‘Ms Dinsdale is a lovely teacher because she laughs a lot and calls me cheeky sometimes.’ Monique M – Prep D.

‘Ms Brown is a nice teacher because she teaches me a lot about maths.’ Thomas B – Grade 1B.

‘I like being with Mrs Gill and Mrs Hughes because we do lots of stuff on the interactive whiteboard.’ Rachel G – Grade 1/2 GW.

‘It is fun in Mrs Sullivan’s grade because sometimes we get free time and we do a lot of reading.’ Daniel O – Grade 2S.

‘I like Mrs Romer and Mrs Macey because they help me with my maths...’

FUTURE EVENTS and DATES to REMEMBER:

Our CANTENE is open Wednesdays and Fridays for lunch orders and counter sales.

- Friday, 26th October: Prep 2013 Transition sessions 9:00-10:00am and 10:00 – 11:00am.
- Saturday, 8th December: Goonawarra’s 25th Birthday celebrations FETE.
- Thursday, 13th December: P & F Christmas Stall.
- Friday, 14th December: P & F Disco (more information to follow).
- Friday, 21st December: End of Term 4 – early dismissal at 1:30pm.

and influence learning. They help students think critically, process information from several sources, work cooperatively, tackle problems and make informed choices.’

www.wikipedia.org

At Goonawarra we all aim to be -
Generous    Responsible    Enthusiastic    Ambitious    Trustworthy

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and we do lots of fun things in the grade.’ Olivia G - Grade 2MR.

‘I like Mrs McEwen because she is a maths genius and she helps me become smart.’ Eloise B - Grade 3M.

‘I like being in Mrs Hornby’s and Mrs Hargrave’s class because it is fun. I like it when we play maths games and do science experiments.’ Hayley S. - Grade 3/4 HH.

‘I enjoy Ms Haysom’s class activities because we do heaps of cool things like making skittle graphs and reading The 13 Storey Tree House. We did cool experiments like making whiz-fizz and ice cream. We had a great camp and we get to go to the zoo soon.’ Michelle G - Grade 4K.

‘Mrs Howard is a good teacher because she teaches us maths and a lot of fun stuff. Mrs Howard is really funny and we have a great time in the classroom.’ Deakin D - Grade 4/5L.

‘I really enjoy being in 5B because Mr Bronchimetti makes learning fun and enjoyable. He does fun activities like making crosswords and puzzles. He is nice and a really good teacher to be with.’ Jemma R - Grade 5B.

‘Mrs Pinti is the best teacher in the whole wide world because she is very intelligent, funny, lovely and awesome. Most of all she is a good friend to everybody.’ Jerry - Grade 6P.

‘Ms Ryan is an awesome teacher. She is not just a teacher, she is a close friend to all of us. She is funny, lovely, has a pretty smile and she gets involved in activities. We love you dearly Ms Ryan.’ Tasma N - Grade 6R.

‘Mrs Smith is a nice teacher and very sporty. She teaches me about sports. She is fun and that’s why!’ Preps.

‘We like Mrs Draper, because she teaches us special skills, tactics and about being a good sport. She also taught us how to play netball, volleyball and much more.’ Dakota & Danick.

We like Ms Willan because she is really nice and she teaches us different skills in every lesson and she comes up with really fun and creative things.

We love Ms Willan, she is awesome. Jordyn & Hayley.

**PREP 2013 TRANSITION DAY:**
Tomorrow - Friday, 26th October, our 2013 Preps will be attending school for their third Transition Day. This time they will be spending a session in the Visual Arts room creating wonderful masterpiece.

Enrolments are still being accepted at all grade levels for next year. Please pass this information on to your friends or neighbours who may be looking for a suitable school for their children.

**PARENT OPINION SURVEY DATA:**
The annual Parent Opinion Survey data has been returned to the school from DEECD. A full copy of the report is now available on the school website. I would encourage parents to look it up and read through the document. Please feel free to contact me and discuss any thoughts you may have in response to the data.

[www.goonawarra.vic.edu.au](http://www.goonawarra.vic.edu.au)

**BIKES AT SCHOOL:**
The BIKES are coming! Students are encouraged (along with their parents) to ride to school. Bikes and scooters, with a safety chain, can be secured along the fence in the Prep – 2 playground area. Parents please remind your children about the safety of riding on the footpath and road, using school crossings, wearing helmets and being sensible at all times.

**A DATE FOR THE DIARY:**
Goonawarra PS is turning 25!!!
Keep Saturday, 8th December free to join in the celebrations! The Parents & Friends Group has opened a Face Book page to advertise and inform the community about the 25th Celebrations events. Check it out! Look up ‘Goonawarra parents and friends’

**HATS TERM 4:**
A reminder to all students that hats are required to be worn during the warmer months starting from the commencement of Term 4.
excited and really appreciate this donation.
We would also like to welcome back Will C. to OSHC, he has been missed by all in our room and we are happy to see his smiley face back. Do you have any spare dress up clothing? We would love to add our collection!” - Amber

STAR of the week… Xavier B. for tidying up after himself and helping around the room.

What’s on next week…
Monday, 29th October: Frankenstein: Colour in & Did you know fact sheet.

Tuesday, 30th October: Design & decorate your own paper Jack-O-Lantern.
Wednesday, 31st October: Halloween: Making edible red back spiders and hairy caterpillars.
Thursday, 1st November: Halloween: Scavenger Hunt & Dressing up fun.
Friday, 2nd November: Finishing off Friday: Complete all our Halloween activities from the week.
Storybook activity fun with Gilbert! We’re very excited to announce that next week Gilbert the Gecko will be visiting

After School Care!
When: Thursday, 1st November
Time: 4:00pm
Gilbert is very excited to share his new storybook activity with everyone and will be giving out prizes too! Come along and hang out with Gilbert! Hope to see you there!

enrolment hotline
Phone our friendly customer service staff on: 1300 366 437
www.extend.com.au

CANTEEN - ROSTER:
Friday, 26th October: Pat Oliver, Lynn Paton and Andrew/Vanessa Ouston.
Wednesday, 31st October: Pat Oliver, Lynn Paton and Hanaa Arafa.
Friday, 2nd November: Pat Oliver, Lynn Paton and Peta Hoiles.

PLEASE NOTE:
A NEW Price List takes effect this term and was sent out with last weeks’ newsletter.

Goonzawarra Classifieds

CALL US ON 8746 9921 TO BOOK YOUR KIDS SPOT!
*Bookings are essential.

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Rupertswood Cricket Club Inc
“Birthplace of The Ashes”
Milo In2Cricket Program
REGISTRATION DAY
Friday, 26th October, 2012
6pm – 7pm
Rupertswood Clubrooms
Or Online via Website
http://rupertswood.vic.cricket.com.au

Contact: rupoccmilo@yahoo.com.au
0414 369 042 or 0421 991 519

COME ALONG AND TRY RADKIDZ @ CONTOURS SUNBURY
SUNDAY’S AT 1.30PM
2/33-35 Macedon Street (Near the Police Station) $5 PER CHILD

A Giant Car Boot Sale with craft stalls will be held by Sunbury Uniting Church on the Village Green and in the church hall, on Saturday 17th November from 8.30am.
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