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

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‘Creating, Nurturing & Expanding Learning Opportunities through Quality Education.’

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Reminders and Payments
P-2 Excursion to the Royal Botanic Gardens: $24:00 due by TOMORROW.
Scholastic Book Club orders due by TOMORROW.
3-4 Camp Arrabri Deposit: $50.00 due by Friday 29th April.

ANZAC DAY – 25TH APRIL

Next Monday there will be no school. It is a public holiday. People may go shopping, meet up with families, do the gardening or some may even go to the MCG to watch a game of footy.

We know the day is called ANZAC Day. The name ANZAC is an acronym for the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. A corps is a word to describe ‘an organised group of people’. It is from the Latin word ‘corpus’ meaning a body.

ANZAC was the name given to the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps soldiers who landed on the Gallipoli Peninsula in Turkey early on the morning of 25 April 1915 during the First World War (1914-1918).

Most cities and towns in Australia (including Sunbury) hold special marches and services on ANZAC Day to remember everyone who has been involved with the hardship of wars since that time.
The local Returned & Services League (RSL) will be conducting two services -

- A dawn service at the Cenotaph in Stawell St Sunbury commencing at 6.00am.

- A march from the Sunbury Post Office to the Monument at Memorial Hall in Barkly St Sunbury commencing at 10.00am. This will be followed by a Wreath Laying Ceremony at 10.30am.

- Our school will be represented at the 10am service by members of the Junior School Council and other interested students in the wreath laying activity.

Least we forget.

SHRINE OF REMEMBRANCE:
Have you ever taken your children to the Shrine of Remembrance in the city? The Melbourne ANZAC Day service will be held there. The Shrine is a unique structure surrounded by amazing gardens and the Eternal Flame.
It was built after the First World War to reflect the human qualities of Love, Peace, Courage, Integrity, Strength, Faith, Honour and Brotherhood.
The Shrine is a meaningful place for people of all ages. Have you ever gone? I encourage you to make it a special activity when you next take the family for a day in the city.

WHAT'S OLD IS NEW AGAIN!
18 months ago DET removed two portable classrooms from the school. These rooms had been at the school since the school opened 29 years ago. The enrolment in 2014 did not justify us having the rooms and other schools had greater needs. Schools are provided with one classroom for every 25 students.
Late last week I was informed that, due to our increasing enrolment, we will be getting two new portable classrooms! Traditionally portable buildings are usually allocated and moved over the Christmas break.
These new classrooms will be on site and set up this Term.
The immediate use of these rooms will be determined when they are fully established.
Next year they will definitely be available for classroom use.

PRINCIPAL FOR A DAY REPORTS:
On Monday this week another two Grade Six students were given the opportunity to be Principal For A Day. Here are their stories -

Hi I'm Hollee. I was selected to be the Principal For A Day with Jai on Monday 18th April. We spoke at Assembly in front of lots of people. It was very nerve-wracking. We had lots of fun helping make the decision of where to put the new portable classrooms. Jai and I visited some of the classrooms and the canteen. At recess we sat in the staffroom with all the teachers and they asked us lots of questions. After recess we surveyed all the 3 - 4 grades about their attitude towards school. At lunchtime Mr Fairweather took Jai and I across the road to have something to eat and we visited the kindergarten. It was a great experience to learn about being a Principal. It was so much fun. Hollee

Hollee and I were picked to be Principal For A Day. We started by talking at Assembly and then we followed Mr. Fairweather around the school. We got to eat morning tea in the Staffroom and for lunch we went to Betty’s shop. We did an OH&S check around the school and it was really interesting. After lunch we planned out where we could put the new portables! I had a fantastic day! Jai
JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL:
Over the next two weeks Junior School Council are encouraging students to make a poster about ‘What ANZAC Day means to you’. A selection of posters will be displayed in Mr Fairweather’s office. Please send all posters to the office, once they are completed. Thank you Junior School Council.

PICKING YOUR CHILDREN UP EARLY?
There are many occasions when parents need to collect their children from school before the 3.30pm dismissal time. Please report to the office to sign out your children. In an attempt to reduce the number of classroom interruptions throughout the day by announcements, you will be directed to their classroom to collect them.

HATS:
According to our School Uniform Policy, hats are required to be worn until the 1st May – the end of next week.

INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR 2017 PREPS:
Information sessions and tours of the school will be held on Tuesday 3rd May AND Thursday 5th May commencing at 9.30am and 7.00pm

As part of Education Week there will also be an Open Morning and Tours on Monday 16th May.

A list by current school students who believe they have a sibling attending Preps next year has been developed. Information sheets and an Enrolment Form will be sent home with these students. If you do have a child commencing school at Goonawarra next year, then please complete the forms and return to the office by the end of this Term. If you do not have a 2017 Prep can you notify the office so that your name can be removed from the list.

COMMUNITY FLYER:
A new flyer has been developed which –
- highlights some of the school’s achievements over recent years
- outlines directions for 2016
- provides details of the Transition Program for next year’s Preps.

Our intention is to distribute the flyer to all homes in the Goonawarra and Rolling Meadows areas. Hopefully this task will be undertaken by volunteers from within our school community.

If you are able to help by doing a few streets near your home, please contact the office.

The flyers will be available from the office tomorrow.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS UPDATE:
I visited the PSW shop yesterday and met Tika, the store manager. The Goonawarra uniform stock has been ordered and will be available shortly. The actual timeline cannot be confirmed at this stage.

Until we are notified that PSW is ‘ready to go’ there is no point parents visiting the shop.

The stock we still have at school will continue to be sold from school until it is all sold.

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MOTHER’S DAY STALL:
The annual Parents & Friends Mother’s Day Stall will be held on Thursday 5th May. There will be items from approximately $1 - $10. At this stage the P & F is looking for donations of items from individuals, groups and businesses which could be sold on the day. If you can assist, then please contact the office.

IT’S DISCO TIME:
Parents and Friends are organising a whole school disco, which will be held in the school gym on Friday 13th May. Please keep this evening free! More details will be provided at a later date.
CHAPLAINCY SUPPORT:
A bonus for you! Please see Sapore Nostra offer in the Goonawarra Classifieds for a great deal.

CHAPLAINCY CONSENT FORMS:
Attached to a previous newsletter was a letter from our School Chaplain Ben outlining his role within the school.
In order for Ben to spend meaningful time with students, a Department of Education Parental Consent Form is required. A copy of this form was also included along with a Frequently Asked Questions document.
Please complete the Consent Form and return it to school ASAP.

BOOK CLUB:
A reminder to all parents that Scholastic Book Club orders for Term 2 are due back by tomorrow. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Lavars.

If any families would like to order from Redgum Book Club, a catalogue can be collected at the school office. Redgum Book Club is online ordering only for this term. Please see Sue at the office if you have any questions.

CAN YOU ASSIST US?
The four backboards on the Grade 3 / 4 basketball courts need painting. Please see Alan if you could assist with this much needed task.

If you can assist with moving mulch around and on to the garden beds it would be greatly appreciated. Lucy (a Prep parent), is endeavouring to do as much as she can, but there are still more areas to go. Can you help her? Inform the office. A bob cat would be of enormous assistance with this task.

Alan Fairweather
Principal
fairweather.alan.e@edumail.vic.gov.au

Term Dates for 2016:
Term 2: 11th April to 24th June
Term 3: 11th July to 16th September
Term 4: 3rd October to 20th December

Please keep up with school events by reading the newsletter each week. It is also available in colour each Thursday afternoon on the school website at www.goonawarra.vic.edu.au

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Goonawarra Classifieds

Do you enjoy eating out?
Would you like to support Sunbury Chaplaincy?
Sapore Nostro Restaurant and Sunbury Chaplaincy are offering discount meal vouchers –
$9 from every voucher sold goes to Sunbury Chaplaincy!

Vouchers cost $18 (value $20) and are available from the school office (cash only) until Friday 13th May 2016

Vouchers are valid until 30th June 2016

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SUNBURY CHAPLAINCY!
ENJOY YOUR MEAL!

Sunbury ACCESS Ministries Chaplaincy and Wellbeing Support Group
Enquiries tef: chaplaincy@edumail.vic.gov.au