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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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Grades 5-6 Winter sports at Boardman Reserve and Stadium TOMORROW

30th PUPIL FREE DAY
31st Clubs
1st June
2nd
3rd OUT OF UNIFORM DAY

6th Principal For A Day School Council 6.30pm
7th Clubs
8th
9th
10th
11th 12th

13th QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY
14th Clubs
15th
16th
17th Student Reports Go Home.
18th 19th

20th Grades 5-6 Personal Projects 5-6pm
21st
22nd
23rd Parent/Teacher Interviews Early Dismissal 1.30PM
24th END OF TERM Early Dismissal 2:30PM
25th-26th The Gnome Hunt Begins

11th July TERM 3 BEGINS
12th
13th
14th
15th
16th 17th

There will be no Casual Clothes Day tomorrow (Friday 27th May).
Due to most of the senior students attending the Interschool Sport, Casual Clothes Day will now be held on Friday, 3rd June. We will be supporting The Alannah and Madeleine Foundation Better Buddies Program. More information about this program will be in next week’s Newsletter. The Better Buddies program is associated with the colour purple and we encourage all children to wear some purple on the day. This might be just a ribbon or another small item.

PUPIL FREE DAY:
Next Monday 30th May is a Pupil Free Day. Staff will be exploring the second part of the Seven Steps to Writing Success professional development which commenced earlier in the year. Ask your children about ‘Sizzling Starts’ and ‘Banning the Boring.’
Due to insufficient numbers, Camp Australia will not be conducting a program on this day.
The final Pupil Free Day will be held in Term 3 with a date to be set.
A PLANTING EXTRAVAGANZA!
Thank you to everyone who participated in planting over 200 new plants around the school. The recent rain will greatly assist the plants settle in. We are obtaining another 100 plants to add to the gardens soon.

INTERSCHOOL WINTER SPORT COMPETITION:
Tomorrow most of the Grade 5/6 students will be participating in a range of winter sports against all the other primary schools in Sunbury and Diggers Rest. We will have teams competing in football, soccer, T Ball and netball.
All games will be held at Boardman Stadium (corner of Mitchells & Wilson Lanes, Sunbury).
All parents are welcome to attend and cheer on our teams. Due to the current wet weather the grounds will be inspected at 8:30am tomorrow morning and a decision will be made whether the competition will go ahead.

STUDENT MID YEAR REPORTS:
Mid-year reports for students are currently being written. Staff are spending a lot of time testing and evaluating the progress of all students. Reports will be distributed via students on Friday 17th June. Parent and Teacher Discussions will be held in the following week. Please make sure you have read the report before the discussion is held.

PARENT & TEACHER DISCUSSIONS:
Discussions between staff and parents will be held in the last week of this Term.
Miss Stephanie Ireland’s Prep discussions with parents will be held on Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st June between 4pm and 6pm.
All other discussions will be held on Thursday 23rd June between 2pm – 7pm.
To book a ten minute discussion, please go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and type in the code 8zvw4. Select the staff members you would like to have a discussion with and select a time from those available. You will need to include an email address so that a note confirming your booking can be sent to you.
Bookings can be made through the office if you do not have internet access.

PARENTS – OUR VALUABLE ASSET AND PARTNER:
Parents are always welcome at school! Your help and support is always valued.
There are many ways that parents currently assist at school throughout each day. Some are by –
- Working with small groups of students in the classroom
- Hearing students read, then changing books for them
- Organising resources
- Assisting in the canteen
- Being a member of the Parents & Friends Group
- Assisting at Parents & Friends activities
- Being on School Council
- Assisting around the gardens and grounds
- Assisting in Specialist subjects
- Attending excursions and camps
- Providing morning teas for various functions
- Plus many other ways.
If you are available to assist in any way, please see a staff member and offer your services. Thankyou.

LIFECYCLE INCURSION:
Hands-On-Science visited our school last week as part of the Grade 3-4 unit on ‘Life Cycles’. Students learned about the life cycles of plants, insects, reptiles, mammals, birds and amphibians. The highlight was watching, touching and holding a variety of wildlife including turtles, blue-tongue lizards, bearded dragons, frogs, possums and a giant snake. The students thought the experience was interesting, exciting and awesome.

NEW PORTABLE CLASSROOM BUILDING:
Due to expected growth in the area, the Education Department (DET) has approved the supply of two new classrooms. On Monday this week, the new portable classrooms arrived!
The next step is for electricians, plumbers, concreters and builders to make the rooms fully operational. All this work may take a few weeks.
How the rooms are used in the short term will be decided when they are ready. Next year they will be used for classrooms.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS UPDATE:
The Primary School Wear shop in Sunbury is now selling our school uniform.
They have all of our uniform except the summer dresses.
The shop is located near Aldi in Gap Road. It is across the carpark from Aldi and in the lower shops underneath Chemist Warehouse. Enter from the lower carpark.
The shop is open on Wednesdays – Fridays between 10am – 4pm and Saturdays between 10am-1pm.
There are still uniform items of various sizes available from the school based uniform shop. See the list below for items still at school. Our school based Uniform Shop will close down at the end of this Term.

Items still available at school include:

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2017 PREPS:
Individual tours are available for any families looking for a school for their children. These can be arranged at a suitable time by contacting the office on 9744 7137.

If you have received an enrolment form for a sibling starting school next year please endeavour to return it to the office during this Term.

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.

With all the new plants being planted, more mulch needs to be spread around them. Can you assist? This is an activity that can be undertaken on the weekends as well as school days.

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

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

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**Canteen Roster**

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**THE GREAT GNOME HUNT IS COMING SOON.**
Forms will be available at a later date!
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 your school office (cash only)

Vouchers are valid until 31st July 2016
Only one voucher per booking

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SUNBURY CHAPLAINCY!
ENJOY YOUR MEAL!

Sunbury ACCESS Ministries Chaplaincy and Wellbeing Support Group
Enquiries to: sunburychaplaincy@hotmail.com