



Goonawarra Newsletters

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Goonawarra is G.R.E.A.T!

At Goonawarra we all aim to be -

Generous


Responsible

Enthusiastic

Ambitious

Trustworthy

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| MON | TUES | WED | THUR | FRI | SAT | SUN |
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| 23 rd June | 24 th June | 25 th June STUDENTS DISMISSED at 1:30pm. Parent Teacher Interviews from 2- 8pm. CANTEEN CLOSED | 26 th June | 27 th June END OF TERM 2 - Early Dismissal at 2:30pm CANTEEN CLOSED. | 28 th June THE GREAT GNOME HUNT BEGINS!  | |
| 1 st Week of Holiday Gnome Hunting! | | | | | | |
| 2 nd Week of Holiday Gnome Hunting! | | | | | | |
| 14 th July Start of Term 3. | 15 th July | 16 th July | 17 th July Grade 6 Health & Human Development Rugby Clinics P - 4 | 18 th July | 19 th July | 20 th July |

'Creating Learning Opportunities through Quality Education.'

CELEBRATION OF A GREAT CAREER!

After nearly 28 years as the Business Manager of Goonawarra PS, Mrs Judy Toogood will be retiring at the end of this Term.

Judy commenced at the school when it began back in 1987. She has seen the school grow and develop in student population and physical surroundings (buildings and grounds) over this period of time. As students (about 1,200), families, staff (about 75) and Principals (3) have come and gone over this time, Judy has been the one constant - guiding, supporting and serving this community.

Judy has been extremely faithful and loyal to the school as well as being a wealth of knowledge to the whole school community.

Throughout my short time here, Judy has always been very helpful and insightful in regard to DEECD processes and policies, staffing and financial issues as well as providing me with all the local knowledge I have required. I wish to publicly acknowledge and thank Judy for the outstanding role she has played within the life of the school.

There have only been two other Principals at Goonawarra since it commenced. Bruce Bouch was here from 1986 until 1998 and Jenny Kleine from 1998 to 2011. They both worked closely with Judy.

Bruce wrote the following in regards to Judy's retirement -

'Congratulations to Judy on her upcoming retirement. Her contribution to Goonawarra Primary has been immeasurable.

Judy commenced in January 1987 at our first location at Sunbury Primary. From day one Judy was the ultimate professional who went far beyond the call of duty in all aspects of her role. Totally competent and always cheerful, her input during those early days ensured the establishment of first class office routines.

Outside her main role Judy was the driving force and organiser of our then annual fete. Her fantastic catering skills were evident at staff and parent functions, Principals' meetings and even barbecue lunches at the monthly working bees held on Sundays.

It was my pleasure to work with Judy and I wish her a long and happy retirement.'

Unfortunately we have not been able to contact Jenny for her thoughts. She is usually overseas on the ski slopes at this time of year.

Judy's final day at school will be Friday next week - the end of this Term.

I am sure you will all join with me in saying '**A job well done!**' to Judy and thank her for assisting in making **GOONAWARRA GREAT** for everyone!

PARENT & TEACHER DISCUSSIONS:

On **Wednesday, 25th June** (next week) between 2- 8pm parents will have an opportunity to discuss the learning progress and social wellbeing of their child with their teachers. There may be information in the Student Report that you would like to discuss. These reports will be sent home tomorrow. I encourage all families to make it a priority to attend these worthwhile discussions.

Parents can book a suitable interview time by logging on to www.schoolinterviews.com.au, putting in the appropriate code (**4DU5T**) and following the instructions. (2nd last symbol is a 5 not an S). Over **180** interviews have already been organised.

- **PLEASE NOTE: STUDENTS WILL BE DISMISSED AT 1.30PM ON THIS DAY.**
- **EXTEND will be offering After School Care as from 1.30pm.**
- **THERE WILL BE NO CANTEEN ORDERS ON THIS DAY.**

A GREAT GARDENING SUCCESS:

A huge thank you to the parents and grandparents who assisted nearly all students in the school to plant out over 300 new plants around the school grounds on Monday.

A special thank you to Jane Alexander and Kayleen & Jim Grover for the preparation work last weekend. It certainly made the task a lot easier and more enjoyable for everyone.

LOOK AT THIS!!!!

Scan the following barcode with a QR Reader or equivalent app on your phone or ipad and go straight to the School Website. You will be able to see the newsletter in colour as well as accessing forms and other relevant information!



2015 PREPS:

Tours for 2015 Preps can still be arranged. Contact the office to make an appointment. It would be appreciated if all enrolment forms for next year be returned by **NEXT FRIDAY (27th June)**.

THE GNOMES ARE ON THE MOVE!!!
Hi Ho it's off to the shops we go.....!

Hi Ho,

ONE WEEK TO GO!!!

At the start of the school holidays you will have the rare opportunity to participate in the **1st ever GREAT GOONAWARRA GNOME HUNT!**



An Information Sheet with an Order Form was distributed last week for families to purchase an entry sheet (Passport) for \$10 through the office. You are encouraged to try and get as many friends and families to sign up as well. The student who sells the most Passports will receive a prize!
Many students at school are very excited about participating in the Gnome Hunt! It will be a great holiday fun activity!

On the Passport there will be twenty (20) local shops and businesses listed.

Your task will be to visit these locations and find a Goonawarra Gnome and write down its name!

When you discover each gnome you will receive a stamp on your sheet from the business. When you have found all the gnomes and your sheet is full of stamps, you will bring it back to school to go in a raffle for prizes from all the shops and businesses.

Each shop or business will be offering some great bargains – 2 for 1 deals, 10 – 20% discounts, extra games, \$'s off etc. See Information Sheet for more details.

Please note: to receive a stamp you do not have to purchase anything from the shop or business.

Participating Businesses (all discounts & special offers listed on the passport)–

Sunbury Square S/Centre, Evans Street Sunbury.

Prouds *

Tender Fresh Meats

The Baggage Boutique*

Donut King*

News Xpress*

Spot On Shoe Repairs

Target Complex, Evans Street Sunbury.

Elusive Style

QBox

Pumpkin Patch*

Goonawarra Shopping Complex.

Goonawarra General Store

The Chook Pen

Around Sunbury

Just Planet - 37 O'Shanassy Street Sunbury

Vic's - 69 O'Shanassy Street Sunbury.

Flight Centre* - 95 O'Shanassy Street Sunbury.

The Nail Lounge - Shop 3 Link Arcade Sunbury.

Trickstar & co. - Shop 8 Link Arcade Sunbury.

Foodworks* - 80 Evans Street Sunbury.

Bunnings* - McDougall Road Sunbury.

DJ's Mini Golf - 790 Sunbury Road, Sunbury.

HUME DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY:

Last week **Cody B** represented the school and the Sunbury area in the Hume District 3 km Cross Country Event. He finished 3rd in this event and yesterday he competed in the Regional Championship and finished 25th out of 60. **Congratulations Cody on your great achievements.**

CONGRATULATIONS AVI:

Last week Avi J received a free computer and a one year's subscription to the internet from the Hume City Council. The award was part of the **Connecting Hume PC Awards.** Each school in the area was able to nominate one Grade 4 student. **Congratulations Avi!**



WINTER LIGHTNING PREMIERSHIP:

Last Friday the school participated in the Winter Lightning Premiership amongst other schools in Sunbury. The sports played were Football, Soccer, Netball and Tee Ball. All the students represented the school extremely well in the areas of sportsmanship, attitude and behaviour. Congratulations to everyone. Many thanks to the numerous staff members who organised, trained, umpired and supervised the students.

The successful teams were –

Football – Premiers of their Division.

Tee Ball – Premiers of their Division.

PRINCIPAL FOR A DAY:

On Monday this week Paris L and Cody B (both Grade 6 students) had the opportunity to be 'Principal for a Day'. I was very impressed with their willingness to try lots of new things. Their accounts of the day are written below "On Monday, 16th June we were principal for a day. We were randomly selected out of a container. One container for the girls and one for the boys. Our schedule for the day was:

1. A briefing with Mr Fairweather at 8:30am.
2. Meeting parents at the front of the school before 9am.
3. Leading assembly.
4. Going around to the junior area asking which winter uniform would be best.

We did loads more! For lunch we went to Betty's shop. We had a nice chicken roll. After lunch we had an ice cream and went to have a look at the new renovated kindergarten. When we got back to school we did some planting there was about 350 plants to plant. We had a great day. Thank you to Mr Fairweather for organizing the day."

OUT OF UNIFORM DAY:

The last day of Term (**FRIDAY, 27th JUNE**) will be an Out of Uniform Day. It will be on a Sports Theme. Students are encouraged to wear sporting tops and colours (footy jumpers, rugby, basketball, soccer tops etc. The purpose of the day is to raise funds to support Tui (Grade 6 student) who has been selected to represent Victoria in the Primary School State Rugby Team in Wollongong NSW in August.

Representing the State is a huge honour but it will cost over \$2,000 for Tui and a parent (compulsory) to attend this event.

In order to offset some of this expenditure a 'generous' gold coin donation is requested next Friday. A donation from everyone will greatly assist Tui's family.

Tui will also have raffle tickets available soon with some great prizes to be won.



NEW DRESS / SKIRT:

Following discussions with parents and students, a new winter dress has been added to the Uniform List. It is a royal and navy blue check and can be worn with either a blue polo shirt or blue skivvy with blue tights. The supplier is Primary School Wear (PSW).

The top of the dress is detachable from the skirt.



We are hoping the dress will be available from the school Uniform Shop as from next Tuesday. (Limited numbers to begin with). Full supply available next term.

Thank you to those parents who raised the dress alternatives with me. An agreed upon solution has been found.

CANTEEN NEWS:
THERE WILL BE NO CANTEEN AT ALL NEXT WEEK.

PLANNING WEEK:

During the week of 23rd – 27th June (last week of Term) each area of the school will be given planning time to develop the content of the learning opportunities that will be available during next Term.

Mon 23rd – Grs 5 / 6

Tues 24th – Grs Prep – 2

Thurs 26th – Grs 3 / 4

This will require some changes in the timetable for the week. If you are a helper in the classrooms you may wish to check with the teacher in regard to the timetable for the day.

HELP NEEDED:

- Several sections of roof guttering need cleaning from a build up of leaves. Safe ladders are available.
- The white lines in the carpark need repainting. Does anyone have access to a line marker, especially over the school holidays?

If you can assist with any of these tasks, please contact the office.

PLAY GROUPS:

Play Groups for 0 – 5 year olds and their parents operate in Room 12 (next to the gym) every **Tuesday** between 10am – 12pm and **Thursday** between 10am – 12pm and 1 – 4pm. Contact the school for more information – **9744 7137**

Alan Fairweather

Principal

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TERM DATES FOR 2014:

Term 2: Tues 22nd April to 27th June

Term 3: 14 July to 19 September

Term 4: 6th October to 19th December.

| CANTEEN ROSTER | |
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| Friday, 13th June: | Nicole Huybers, Lisa Anderson & Hanna Arafa. |
| Wednesday, 18th June: | Nicole Huybers and Nicole Kosinski. |
| Friday, 20th June: | Nicole Huybers, Anna Iellamo and Alison Crozier. |

Extend OSHC at Goonawarra Primary School

Last week the children and I made vanilla and sprinkles cupcakes, they smelt amazing while cooking in the staff room. One morning the younger students and I made whirly birds and covered them in lovely patterns. On Wednesday we welcomed Sarah, a new assistant who will be permanently on Wednesdays from now on. Please note that we will be running ASC for early release for both Wednesday, 25th and the last day of school.

Our Extend Superstar for the week is : Shaneela B.

For: Helping Xavier and I make the shoe rack.

Monday, 23rd: Cooking- Strawberry cup cakes

Tuesday, 24th: Science- layered liquids

Wednesday, 25th: ICT lab & craft in our room

Thursday, 26th: Circus Skills

Friday, 27th: Scavenger Hunt

ONLINE BOOKINGS:

extend.com.au

CALL OUR OFFICE: 1300 366 437



Goonawarra Classifieds



\$100 FOR EXISTING PLAYERS
(players who hold a Netball Victoria Card and play at another association, must produce the card upon registration)

ANYONE WISHING TO PURCHASE
UNIFORM:

POLO TOP \$25 (compulsory)

For further information please contact:

Lisa Crotty

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HOOP Smart Basketball School Holiday
Camp

Thursday, 3rd & Friday, 4th July 9:30am –
3:00pm.

Registrations close: 1st July, 2014. Register at
hoopsmart.com.au

For more information call 0406 488 313 or

Myths & Legends

Winter School Holiday Activities

Story Time For the little ones

Thurs 3rd & Thurs 10th July

10.30 - 11.30am

1 Hour Story Time with an Enchanted Fairy

In the Magical Forest & Secret Garden!

3 Hour Workshops for School Aged Children

Thurs 3rd & Thurs 10th July 1pm-4pm

Creative Art & Craft, Games & Stories with

Afternoon Tea provided in the Magical Forest &
Secret Garden!

(Outside Games.....Weather Permitting)

So book now as there are only limited spaces
available.

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SUNBURY
NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC
Eric Boardman Stadium
Wilsons Lane, Sunbury

FINAL JUNIOR WINTER SEASON
REGISTRATION MORNING
SATURDAY 14TH JUNE FROM 9:30 TO
12PM
COST