



# Goonawarra Primary School Newsletter

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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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### 'Creating, Nurturing & Expanding Learning Opportunities through Quality Education.'

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
11 <sup>th</sup> Grades 1-2 Activity TOMORROW NIGHT! 5pm-7.30pm					12 <sup>th</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup>
14 <sup>th</sup> First Aid in Schools	15 <sup>th</sup> First Aid in Schools	16 <sup>th</sup> Book Fair Preview	17 <sup>th</sup> Book Fair 8.30am-9am	18 <sup>th</sup> Book Fair 8.30am-9am	19 <sup>th</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>
21 <sup>st</sup> Bookweek Dress Up Day	22 <sup>nd</sup>	23 <sup>rd</sup> Grades 3-4 Science Incursion	24 <sup>th</sup> Grades 3-4 Science Incursion	25 <sup>th</sup>	26 <sup>th</sup>	27 <sup>th</sup>
28 <sup>th</sup>	29 <sup>th</sup> P-2 Science Works Excursion	30 <sup>th</sup>	31 <sup>st</sup> Father's Day Stall	1 <sup>st</sup> September Sunbury Schools Summer Lightning Premiership	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
4 <sup>th</sup> Dad's Big Day Out	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup> National Health & P.E Day	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup> Sunbury Schools Summer Lightning Premiership Backup Day	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>



The Scholastic Book Fair is being held in the library on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> and

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> of August between 8:30am - 9:00am.

All parents have the opportunity to purchase books on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> August from 9am through to 2pm. These will be backorder sales only, as we need to keep the shelves stocked for the sales on Thursday and Friday for the students.

Students will preview the books on sale on Wednesday with their grades. The Book Fair will be available to the Kindergarten on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August between 9:30am and 2pm.

#### PARENT OPINION SURVEY 2017:

The parent opinion survey is now open for those parents who have been randomly selected from the schools data base. If you have received information stating you have been selected, the survey will be open from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August and Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August and should only take around 15min. The information gained is anonymous and will be used to help shape the future direction of our school. We greatly appreciate your time and feedback.

### GRADE 1 and 2 ACTIVITY NIGHT:

The Grade 1/2 Activity session will take place this Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August from 5pm- 7:30pm. Students will play party games and then enjoy a sausage sizzle dinner. After dinner, students will be watching a movie and enjoying some yummy treats. It is a pyjama party themed night, so all students are encouraged to come in their pjs! Students will need to bring along their drink bottle filled with water.

If there are any parents who would like to help cook the BBQ on the night please see Miss LoBosco **ASAP**. A working with children's check is required. Sign in sheets will be on tables in the gym when students arrive. Parents need to ensure they sign their children in before they leave please. Could all students please bring their drink bottles.

### PREP ACTIVITY NIGHT:

The Preps had a very exciting week at school last week. On Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July, they celebrated 100 Days of School with a special song at assembly. This was followed by parents and friends joining the students in their classrooms for some special '100 Day' themed activities.



On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August, the Prep students were invited back to school for an activity night that went from 5pm until 7pm. Students came in their favourite pyjamas, participated in some fun activities, had a sausage sizzle for dinner and finished the evening with a movie.



An enjoyable week was had by all and it was great to see so many students participate in the activities.

### THANK YOU!!!

A BIG THANK YOU to the Prep team - **Mrs Sue Conn, Miss Steph Ireland & Miss Tahlia Dwyer**.

Sue, Steph & Tahlia do an amazing job as our Prep class teachers, not only teaching our Preps the foundations of their learning, but also setting our Prep students up for the remainder of their education.

The past couple of weeks have been a very busy time for our Preps, as well as Mrs. Conn, Miss Ireland & Miss Dwyer.

The Preps celebrated 100 days of Prep last week. The day included special celebratory activities where parents, grandparents and special friends could join in. Then, last Friday night, the Preps enjoyed a fantastic activity night, which included dressing in their pyjamas and doing many fun activities, as well as sharing a BBQ dinner.

Both these events provide great opportunities for the Prep students to celebrate their time at school with their friends, their family and their teachers. In addition to this, the Prep students are able to cement friendships that have begun to be established, as well as create new ones.

Of course, events such as the 100 days of Prep and Prep activity nights don't just happen by themselves.

Thank you Sue, Steph & Tahlia for all your hard work behind the scenes in creating these wonderful opportunities for our Prep students and their families that they will remember for years to come! You're the best!!!

### BOOK WEEK 19<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> AUGUST:

Book Week is fast approaching for another year. There are many ways we will be celebrating literature throughout the school.

Such as:

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August** Book Week Dress Up Day (Parade at Assembly)

Multi Age Literacy Activities

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August** Bring your favourite book to school

- shortlisted and popular storybooks read out over loud speaker by senior students for all to enjoy
- Buddy Reading session



### CURRICULUM DAY Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August:

We hope that our students enjoyed their short break yesterday. Staff had a very productive and valuable day. All staff completing their Level 2 First Aid training and had a chance to work collaboratively on curriculum development.



### FIRST AID IN SCHOOLS:

Next week all students at Goonawarra Primary School will be involved in the St John Ambulance First Aid in Schools program. St John's has trained over 100,000 Victorian Primary School Students so far in 2017.

Students will learn how to keep themselves safe in a situation as well as be able to assist family, friends and community if they are in danger.



### UNIFORM REMINDER:

All students attending Goonawarra Primary School will be required to wear the prescribed school uniform.

The dress code serves many purposes, some of which include to:

- promote:
  - a sense of identity and pride
  - cohesion and good order in the school
- strengthen the spirit of community within the school
- ensure all students are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities

**Important Points to remember**

- Navy blue tights are part of the girls' uniform in cooler weather. Leggings are NOT to be worn.
- Make up of any type, including nail polish, is NOT part of the school uniform and MUST NOT be worn by students. False nails can be a safety hazard and MUST NOT be worn at school.
- Necklaces, bracelets and earrings can be hazardous during sporting activities and outside games. Necklaces are NOT to be worn to school and earrings, if worn, are to be studs or sleepers ONLY. Watches may be worn on the wrist.
- For health reasons all students with long hair MUST have their hair tied up. Ornamental hair decorations are NOT to be worn to school. Royal blue ribbon, blue elastics and blue scrunchies are to be used to secure hair. Scrunchies in school colours are available from our uniform provider PSW.
- Students who do not wear the school uniform on any given day will require a note from a parent or guardian.



**NEW COMMUNICATION APP!  
DOWNLOAD IT TODAY!**

When you are entering your child/ren details please do not write their name – just put which year level they are in eg (You will need to add the name of your oldest school child on the next line).

Prep is 0                      Grade One is 1                      Grade Two is 2                      Grade Three is 3

Grade Four is 4                      Grade Five is 5                      Grade Six is 6

**If both parents want to receive messages, they will both need to register with their own mobile number.**

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**Term Dates for 2017**

**Term 3:** 17<sup>th</sup> July to 22<sup>nd</sup> September

**Term 4:** 9<sup>th</sup> October to 22<sup>nd</sup> 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)**

**Payments & Reminders:**

Grades 5-6: Camp Wilkin Payments: Final balance \$225.00 due by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August.

Grades 3-4: Hands On Science: \$14.00 due by Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August

Prep - 2: Scienceworks Excursion: \$16.00 due by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August.

CANTEEN ROSTER	
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> August	Nicole Huybers, Sue Taylor, Meg Kerr
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> August	Nicole Huybers, Erika Vonja

**FOR SALE**  
**Sunbury College girl's second-hand uniform items!**  
 2 girls short sleeved shirts - size 14  
 1 girls sports top - xs  
 1 girls woollen jumper - size 12  
 Please see Janine at Goonawarra P.S

You're invited to our Scholastic  
**BOOK FAIR!**



All purchases  
earn books and  
learning resources  
for our school!

**WHERE: LIBRARY**  
**DATE: THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> & FRIDAY 18<sup>th</sup> AUGUST**  
**TIME: 8.30AM – 9.00AM**

**Find these books and hundreds more at the Fair!**