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

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**FOOTY DRESS UP DAY - TOMORROW**

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**PAYMENT REMINDER:**
Prep – 2 Activity Evening: $3.50 and consent form: due by Tuesday 30th August.
Grade 3-4 Camp Arrabri Lodge. **Camp Medical Form** and Final payment of $215.00: due by Friday 9th September.

**FOOTY DAY!**
Tomorrow is our annual Footy Day! For a gold coin donation students can wear their favourite football team colours – Aussie Rules, Soccer or Rugby – all are welcome!
Various activities will be held throughout the day.
During the morning all classes will identify their handball champion. At lunch time there will be a competition to find the handball champion for Preps – Gr 2, Grades 3 & 4 and Grades 5 & 6.
Winners of the ‘Design a football jumper’ competition will also be announced.
The Canteen will be serving lunch to all students who ordered their Footy Day Meal.
**There will be no other lunch orders tomorrow.**
LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK:
As part of the National Literacy and Numeracy Week celebrations, we will be holding a Whole School activity and Dress Up Day on **Monday the 29th of August**. Students are encouraged to dress up as their favorite book character.
We will hold a special Assembly that morning with each grade to feature in the parade.
Following that, students will be working in multi-age groups participating in fun, engaging Literacy and Numeracy activities throughout the day.
We extend an invitation to all families and friends to come to Assembly and join in the activities on the day.

FATHERS DAD STALL NEXT WEEK:
The Parents & Friends Group has been extremely busy in organising the annual Father’s Day Stall. This opportunity for students to purchase a gift for a special person in their lives will be on next Thursday.
**Parents are needed to help on the Father’s Day stall next Thursday between 9 – 11am. Please contact the office if you can assist.**
This year there will also be a hamper which is being raffled. It is full of Dad Friendly Items!
Some of these include –
- Car Service Valued at $200
- Recovery Kit from TJM valued at $125
- Wolf Blass Red Wine from Trev’s Bottleo valued at $45
- AutoBarn voucher for $50
- Plus and other great gifts from local businesses!
Raffle tickets were sent home last week. Please support this fund raising activity. Proceeds help all students across the school.
The **raffle will be drawn at the Dad’s Big Day Out Assembly on Monday 5th September.**

GIRLS T-BALL SIDE IS READY TO PLAY!
Last week our Girls T-Ball side played four games in a competition to determine the Regional winner. The Team played extremely well but unfortunately did not qualify to go on further.

WORDMANIA SUCCESS:
All students in Grades 1 – 6 have been participating in the Literacy Planet Word Mania competition. Word Mania is like the game Boggle but played on a computer or ipad.
Students received scores for their efforts and these added up with an individual, grade level and school progressive score.
We have been notified this week that Goonawarra is the highest placed school in Melbourne North and thereby wins the competition! Well done to everyone!

BOOK FAIR:
The recent Book Fair was a huge success! Many, many parents took advantage of the wonderful display of books that were available. A big thank you to Peta Hoiles, Jane Alexander and Petra Chambers for assisting with sales.
The school receives a small commission from these sales which is used to purchase new books for our library, which students may borrow and enjoy. Thank you for your support – enjoy your new books!

INTER SCHOOL SUMMER SPORT:
Last week our Grade 5/6 students participated in numerous sports against the other schools in Sunbury and Diggers Rest at Boardman Reserve. Unfortunately several of the games needed to be called off due to poor weather conditions. Those that were playing indoors went ahead.
The Basketball, Volleyball and European Handball teams thoroughly enjoyed themselves throughout the day and had a great day of competition.

DAD’S BIG DAY OUT – MONDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER!
In recent year’s we have celebrated Fathers’ Day by inviting all dads, grand-dads, uncles and special male role models to a special morning at school. The morning is designed for our visitors to join in with their children in their normal morning routine – to attend Assembly, to hear children read and to help out within the room or specialist subject.
It is usually a great day and we encourage all dads etc to attend between 9 – 11am. Dads are welcome to stay on at recess and have morning tea with their children.
We have chosen an RDO for the Building Trade to hopefully make it easier for more people to attend.

NAPLAN RESULTS:
Several months ago all students in Grades 3, 5, 7 & 9 participated in the National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy. The results of these assessments tasks have now been released to schools and parents. A copy of the individual student results has been sent home recently.
The data provided to the school includes a comparison between our school results and those of the State and all schools across Australia.
It is very encouraging to report that our data for Grades 3 and 5 indicate that we are equal to or higher than State results in all assessed areas – Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation and Numeracy.
Another very pleasing result is the matched cohort growth (the measurable growth of the same students from when they were in Grade 3 to their results in Grade 5) has greatly increased and is also above State results in all assessed areas.
National figures are currently not available, but they are usually very close to State results.

The NAPLAN data, for all schools, will be available on the ‘myschool’ website soon.
UNIFORMS:
Time is running out to get a bargain from the remaining uniform items at school. See the list below for the items available.

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NEW FURNITURE:
As previously mentioned many classes recently received new student tables and chairs. The old furniture has been available for families to take. There is currently no furniture available at present. The next group of classrooms will be upgraded early next Term.

SCHOOL MAKEOVER!
Over this weekend, the front entrance to the school will be getting a new look! Access to the office should still be possible during this time. What do you think so far? Tell the office.

ENROLMENTS:
Current indications suggest there may be around 385 students at the start of 2017. Planning for next year has already commenced. If our predictions are correct an additional grade will be created, making 18 in total.
To assist with our planning if you know that your children will not be attending Goonawarra next year please contact the office. Also if you know of any families looking for a school for their children, please get them to contact the office on 9744 7137 as soon as possible.

Alan Fairweather
Principal
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Term Dates for 2016:
Term 3: 11th July to 16th September
Term 4: 3rd October to 20th December

Term Dates for 2017
Term 1: 30th Jan (teachers start) 31st Jan (students start) to 31 March
Term 2: 18th April (Tuesday) to 30th June
Term 3: 17th July to 22nd September
Term 4: 9th October to 22nd 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

CANTEEN ROSTER

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Camp Australia- Goonawarra OSHC
BACK TO SCHOOL FUNDRAISER! Camp Australia Foundation (tCAF) is joining The Smith Family in fundraising. This program helps disadvantaged families all over Australia and helps children gain skills and behaviours needed to develop their potential. The Camp Australia Foundation (tCAF) is a non for profit organisation and its aim is to help 1 Million children by 2015. tCAF will assist our efforts and dollar match the amount we raise! Football colour key rings are for sale for a gold coin donation.
Congratulations to Logan for getting our Spoc-tacular award during week 6.
Congratulations to Lachlan for getting our Spoc-tacular award during week 7
Tuesday: After School Care: Library  Wednesday: Before School Care: Library
Country Spring Fair

Saturday 3rd September 2016
Anglican Parish Hall
Cnr Fisher & Brantome Streets
Gisborne

9.00am - 1.00pm
Rides, Animal Farm, Face Painting, Cakes, Fruit & Veg, Jams, Devonshire Tea, BBQ, Books, Craft, Plants.

Anglican Parish of Gisborne