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

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**Happy Father’s Day!**

5th
School Council
6.30pm
Dad’s Big Day Out
9am-11am

6th
2017 Prep Transition Art Session

7th
8th
State School Spectacular Rehearsal

9th
State School Spectacular Rehearsal

10th
11th

12th
13th
14th
Rugby Gala Day

15th
Gr 5/6 Western Water Incursion 9:00-1:30
Gr 5-6 Personal Project Presentation

16th
END OF TERM 2:30PM DISMISSAL

17th
18th

3rd October
TERM 4 BEGINS

4th
5th
6th
Clubs – Week 1

7th
8th
9th

10th
11th
3-4 Camp Arrabri

12th
13th
14th
3-4 Camp Arrabri
Clubs – Week 2

PAYMENT REMINDER:
Grade 5-6 Rugby Gala Day: $5.00 due by Friday 9th September.
Grade 3-4 Camp Arrabri Lodge. **Camp Medical Form** and Final payment of $215.00: due by Friday 9th September.
State School Spectacular Choir: $29.00 due by Wednesday 7th September

**FOOTY DAY!**
What a great day of activities and fun was had last week at the Footy Day celebrations!
The winners of the Grade Level Handball Target Competition were -
Preps to Grade 2- Jack M (2HR)
Grades 3 & 4 – Braydon R (3/4C)
Grades 5 & 6 – Avi J (5/6R)
The Winners of the ‘Design a Football Jumper’ competition will be announced at assembly on Monday.
Interesting fact – More staff support Geelong than any other team! It was part of the selection process!
LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK:
On Monday we participated in the National Literacy and Numeracy Week celebrations by holding a Whole School Activity and Book Week Dress Up Day.
Nearly all students and staff dressed up as their favourite book character. Where’s Wally was there along with Darth Vader, Ned Kelly, pirates, princesses, Lego characters, Dorothy and, along with many others, Elsa! There were over 100 parents at Assembly and many stayed throughout the day as students participated in a variety of themed Literacy and Numeracy activities.
A great day was had by all!
To complete this week’s activities today I read one of the short listed books called ‘The Cow Tripped Over the Moon’ to all students over the PA system. Students viewed the book on the Interactive Whiteboard in their classroom.

FATHERS DAY STALL TODAY:
The Annual Father’s Day Stall was conducted today. The Parents & Friends Group has been extremely busy in organising this event. Many students took this opportunity to purchase gifts. Thankyou to all parents involved.
This year there has been a hamper developed 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 other great gifts from local businesses!
Raffle tickets were sent home recently. Please support this fundraising 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.

PREP – GRADE 2 ACTIVITY NIGHT:
Tomorrow night between 5 – 7.30pm all students in Preps – Gr 2 will have the opportunity to participate in a night of food, fun and games!
Students will go home from school at 3.30pm and return at 5pm. Parents can then return at 7.30pm to pick them up and put them straight to bed!

INTER SCHOOL SUMMER SPORT:
Due to the inclement weather last Friday several of our Summer Sport games against other Sunbury schools could not be completed.
The postponed games of Cricket and Softball will be played tomorrow at Boardman Reserve commencing at 10am. Parents are most welcome to attend.

DAD’S BIG DAY OUT! – NEXT MONDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER!
In recent years 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 next Monday. 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.

GOODBYE FURNITURE – HELLO GENEROSITY:
Recently many classrooms acquired new student tables and chairs. The excess furniture that was replaced was offered to families. After a week there was still a lot available. It was at this point that one of our Prep parents, Lucy approached me with a proposal. Lucy is a member of our School Council and is very active with the Parents & Friends Group.
Lucy has strong family connections with several remote schools in Papua New Guinea – southeast of Port Moresby.
From the pictures you can see that they have limited resources.
Lucy, with the help of family, friends and service groups has been able to raise $5,000 which will pay for a shipping container to be sent from Melbourne to Port Moresby.
Lucy is collecting as much ‘school resources’ as she can to fill the container. Every item that is sent will go directly to the remote schools where I am sure they will be gratefully received.
So all the excess furniture we still had has been taken by Lucy to go in the container!
Lucy is now hopeful of collecting as much student resources as she can to add to the load. The school is supporting Lucy in this very worthwhile project of assisting others.

If you feel that, as a family, you could assist in some way, here are some suggestions –
- This week when you are shopping, buy an exercise book, set of pencils, textas, ruler, erasers, scissors, pencil sharpeners, reading books, colouring books etc any item which you think would help a child in a classroom. There is a collection box at the front office for all these items.
- Send money to school in an envelope marked ‘New Guinea School’ and this will be used to purchase additional items.

Lucy will pass on photos from the school when the container has arrived.

NEW BLINDS!
Last week all classrooms in the main building had new block out blinds installed. The installation serves two purposes - to improve the effectiveness and visibility of the interactive whiteboard screens and to modernise the classroom environment.

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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PREP 2107 TRANSITION DAY No. 2:
Next Tuesday, 6th September, our 50+ 2017 Preps will spend time at school for their second Transition Day. Their first day was in the gym and their second will be in Art Room. The Transition Days provide a great opportunity for the children to spend time together in a different environment. They are especially helpful for children who are not coming from our main feeder preschools. They meet staff members and become familiar with various parts of the school buildings.
There will be five Transition Days before the end of the year.

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
fairweather.alan.e@edumail.vic.gov.au

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

**ART ROOM:**
Thank you to all parents who have worked on PomPoms for the Street Life competition. Could you please return all the pompoms (cut or uncut) by tomorrow. Thanks Sonja.

One of our Prep students Eloise is participating in the **MS readathon** this year. If you would like to make a donation to support Eloise please follow the link below.  

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**Camp Australia- Goonawarra OSHC**

Our fundraising efforts raised $61.10. Thank you everyone who bought a key ring. The Camp Australia Foundation (tCAF) is a non profit organisation and its aim is to help 1 Million children by 2017. **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 **Freddy** for getting our Spoc-tacular award during week 8.

**Important news for Friday ASC families:** Due to the P-2 Activity Night, we will be in the Library from 4:45pm to 6pm.

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