



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	SA T	SUN
Sunbury Schools Summer Lightning Premiership Boardman Stadium - TOMORROW					2 nd	3 rd Father's Day Parent Opinion Survey Closes
4 th Dad's Big Day Out Literacy & Numeracy Week	5 th	6 th National Health & P.E Day	7 th Family Board Games Session 2.30pm-3.30pm	8 th Sunbury Schools Summer Lightning Premiership Backup Day	9 th	10 th
11 th	12 th 2018 Prep Art Sessions 9.15am-10am 10.15-11am	13 th Grades 5/6 Camp Wilkin	14 th Grades 5/6 Camp Wilkin	15 th Grades 5/6 Camp Wilkin	16 th	17 th
18 th	19 th	20 th	21 st	22 nd END OF TERM 2.30PM DISMISSAL	23 rd	24 th
9 th October TERM 4 COMMENCES	10 th	11 th	12 th	13 th	14 th	15 th

SUNBURY SCHOOLS SUMMER LIGHTNING PREMIERSHIP:

The Winter Lightning Premiership for Grade 5/6 students across Sunbury schools will take place TOMORROW at Boardman Stadium. The sports on the day include: Basketball, Volleyball, Kanga-Cricket, Softball and European Handball. Good luck to all the students participating!

PRINCIPALS FOR THE DAY:

On Monday the 28th of August Jordan and I were Principals for the day. Jordan and I ran Assembly, we handed out awards, and talked about the week. We also went around the school to collect data about how many people got to school that day. In the last hour we helped run a tour with a grade 1 family. We took them around the school showing them all the classrooms. We had a great day on Monday at it was a great learning experience.- Alexa and Jordan



THANK YOU!!!

A BIG THANK YOU to **Miss Rhiannon Lobosco**.

Rhiannon is one of our fantastic grade one class teachers who provides opportunities for our grade one students to learn and grow on a daily basis.

In addition to being a classroom teacher, Rhiannon is the Grade 1/2 Professional Learning Team Admin Leader. Part of this role is to organise incursions and excursions for our students.

On Tuesday, all of our Prep, Grade One and Grade Two students had a fun and interesting excursion to Scienceworks. Among some of the activities the children took part in, the children had the opportunity to witness a lightning storm in the Lightning Room and build and run a city at Nitty Gritty Super City.

Excursions are always positive experiences for students that help to enhance the social, personal and emotional development of all learners and motivate and enthuse them in regard to their learning. Excursions provide students with unique opportunities to learn 'by doing' and encourage students to engage with people and places in new ways.

All of these wonderful opportunities would not have been possible for our students without Rhiannon's organisation of this amazing excursion.

Thank you Rhiannon for all of your hard work. You're a star!!!

GRADE 3-4 SIZZLING STARTS AND HANDS ON SCIENCE:

3/4S were silent as they listened intently to the amazing facts about simple machines. Georgia 3/4S.

"Come on, hurry up, mix faster!" roared the teachers. We started by making butter, it took a lot of energy and a lot of team work. Tahlia 3/4S.

It was silent except for the interesting spinning cogwheels in the hub. Kiara-Rose 3/4S.

Whisk! Whisk! Whisk! Mix! Mix! Mix! It was a race to see who could make butter first for the lucky 3/4S students. Jack 3/4S.

3/4P participated in a Hands On Science incursion in the hub to learn about simple machines and how they make our lives easier. Jaxson 3/4P

In groups we used different tools to find out which one would turn cream into butter the fastest. We used a spring whisk to beat the cream. Summer 3/4P

We experimented with cogs and gears and discovered that if you spin a big cog the little one will spin a lot faster. Cody 3/4P

Did you know Egyptian people used logs to move the blocks to build the pyramids? This is exactly what we did to move the heavy jar using sticks. Mana 3/4P

On the 23rd of August in the hub at Goonawarra Primary School Jacqui and 3/4D did experiments involving simple machines because their topic this term is science. Sophie W 3/4D

I was put into a group of three with Lachlan and Travis. We had ten seconds for each person to try and turn the cream into butter as quickly as we could. There was a group that won and it was the group with the eggbeater. Isabella 3/4D

Later in the day students used two different types of pulley systems to see what's easier. Everyone chose the second pulley system. It used two pulleys to make it easier so you could lift heavier weights. Lachlan P 3/4D

Some other things they did were learning about the eggbeater, pulleys and gears. The students used a system with a gear and wires sticking from it. They used a battery to power the system. Travis 3/4D

Mixing, mixing and mixing, everyone rushing around like crazy, shaking, stirring and beating. Ben H 3/4H.

Cream and simple machines can make butter, which is amazing. So amazing in fact that some people think that it can't be done. Liliana B 3/4H.

Eggbeater, spoons, forks, shaker and whisks are all the tools you need to make butter! Alexander R 3/4H.

Go, go! Cream splashed everywhere. We were exhausted! Everyone had awesome machines while all we had was a fork! How were we going to make butter? Alex 3/4B

"Yipee!" explained Sharlett, as she went up higher and higher in the air. She was pushed up by the lever, and Anthony was only using one hand! Isla 3/4B

"Darn! I wish I had the eggbeater," I said to myself. "But oh well, I have another idea anyway. I really want to turn this cream into butter," thought Millar. Millar 3/4B

"Welcome to Hands on Science," said Jacqui. I told her that I'm excited. First we learned about gears and then we learned how to make butter. We got a whisk. There was shakers, eggbeaters, spoons and forks. Which team would win? Peter 3/4B

GRADE 5 and 6 PERSONAL PROJECT PRESENTATIONS:

Hi I'm Monique R and I'm talking about the Personal Projects. It was really fun on Tuesday night when we had to present our projects to the parents. It was such a great experience, especially for the grade 5s because it was only their second time of doing it. Everyone did a fantastic job and it was G.R.E.A.T!

Hi my name is Darcy from 5R and I selected lava lamps as my Personal Project. On the Monday we presented our projects to our classes. On the Tuesday we all set up our tables and projects. In the evening between 5:00-6:00pm the Grade 5 and 6s presented to the parents. I feel like it was good because we had only 5 weeks to complete the task. It made it more challenging. 5s and 6s did a G.R.E.A.T job.

On Tuesday night all grade 5/6 students had their personal project presentations. We had to choose a topic and learn about it. I did slime. The night was amazing because there were so many people there and we got to present to all of the 5/6s and their families. I had so much fun! Mackenzie 6HF





I chose my topic because I wanted to learn about the different sizes of stars, planets, galaxies and much more. I searched a lot of different galaxies but I only chose the four main galaxies which are the Milkyway, Andromelea, M81 and lastly IC-1101. It was a very difficult topic but at least I managed to research on half of our Universe. Many people were interested in my project. **Amna 6HF**
*The 5/6 Personal Project night was amazing. There were so many people at the night. I thought it was going to overflow. Loads of people were interested in the free lollies and drinks. What projects I think stood out the most were Jacob's on Heavy Metal Bands and Georgia's on John Dillinger and Tyrell's on New Zealand Culture. **Jet 6HF***

PREP 2018 TRANSITION SESSION 2:

On Tuesday 12th September we will be conducting our second Prep 2018 transition session which will have an Art focus. There are still places available if you have not yet booked in. Please see the office to book in for the session. These sessions are important in assisting students transition to formal schooling.

DADS BIG DAY OUT- Monday 4th September:


Our traditional Dad's Big Day Out for Dads, Grandpas, Pas, Pops, uncles and other significant male is on Monday. Join us from 8:00-9:00am for coffee, tea and a chat at the CommuniTEA van which will be on site serving our visitors (near the staff car park). Visitors will then be invited to attend Assembly and are welcome to join students in their classroom up until recess at 11:00am.

LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK:


Next week we celebrate Literacy and Numeracy Week. National Literacy and Numeracy Week helps to raise awareness of the importance of literacy and numeracy at school and beyond. As part of Literacy and Numeracy Week we invite students to bring a board game to school to share and enjoy with their families. Families are invited to participate in the session on Thursday 7th September from 2:30-3:30pm.



National Health & PE Day!




PRIZES




Football Colours Dress Up
Art & Skills Competitions

Ride or Walk to School
Healthy Play Lunch



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6/9/2017
September 6th

Activity	About	Donations
Football Dress Up	Dress up in football colours - Any football code	Gold Coin
ART Competitions	P - 2 Lower School - Colouring in (Pictures at Office)	FREE
	3 - 4 Middle School - A4 drawing of anything healthy	
	5 - 6 Upper School - A4 drawing of your favourite Athlete	
Lunch Time Skills Competition	Middle & Upper School - Handball Competition	FREE

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PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE:

There are less than two weeks to go in the 2017 Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge (PRC)! The PRC will close on 8 September 2017, so make sure you enter all your data. Thanks for your encouragement, hard work and expertise in supporting children's reading through this year's PRC. Students who complete the PRC will receive a special certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former premiers. These will be sent to schools in Term 4.

SCHOOL SAFETY:

Before and after school are very busy times of day at school. We remind families to ensure they are entering and exiting the school grounds through the appropriate gates and not using the staff car park. While we understand the staff carpark gate is at times convenient, it presents as a serious safety concern and potentially very dangerous situation with staff and delivery vehicles travelling through there regularly. Thank you for your understanding.

Alan Fairweather

Principal

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Term Dates for 2017

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

GOONAWARRA PRIMARY SCHOOL 30 YEAR FETE:

Lucky Dip Jars

As part of the Goonawarra PS fete, Grade 5 are running a lucky dip jars stall. We are asking for donations of jars containing novelty items to be donated to the school.

Some ideas of items that you could put into the jars are - small bouncy balls, hair accessories, novelty erasers, gel pens, small toys, small yoyos, lollypops just to name a few!

Please ensure that the labels are removed from the jars and the contents are clearly visible. If placing food items in the jar, perhaps send to school closer to fete.

Grade 5 students and teachers.



CANTEEN ROSTER	
Friday 1 st September	Nicole Huybers, Tricia Smillie, Janine Fisher
Monday 4 th September	Nicole Huybers

FOR SALE

Sunbury College girl's second-hand uniform items!

2 girls short sleeved shirts - size 14- \$20.00 EACH.

1 girls sports top - xs \$10.00

Please see Janine at Goonawarra P.S



Is your child eligible for the Child Dental Benefit Scheme?

We have appointments available now for the school holidays Ph. 97405044 or book online at www.smileinstyle.com.au

The Federal Government is offering \$1000 of free dental treatment over a 2 year period to eligible children aged 2-17 (orthodontic dentistry not included). If your family receives the Family Tax Benefit Part A, your child may be eligible.

The Smile In Style Dental Practice is located at 9 Dornoch Drive Sunbury. We have a team of highly experienced dentists and support staff that are happy to care for your children in a friendly and supportive environment. **We bulk bill for the Child Dental Benefit Scheme, so there are no out of pocket expenses.**

