



Goonawarra Primary School Newsletter

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

At Goonawarra we all aim to be -

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Ambitious

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

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
Grade 5-6 Milo Cricket. TOMORROW Assembly in Gym at 3pm TOMORROW CANTEEN CLOSED MONDAY 6TH NOVEMBER					4 th	5 th
6 th	7 th CUP DAY HOLIDAY	8 th	9 th Grade 5-6 Dancesport	10 th	11 th	12 th
13 th Grades P-2 Teddy Bears Picnic	14 th	15 th Prep 2018 Classroom Session 9.15am-10.45am	16 th Grade 5-6 Dancesport	17 th GOON-A-WARRIOR  	18 th	19 th
20 th Grade 3-4 MILO T20 Blast School Cup	21 st	22 nd	23 rd Grade 5-6 Dancesport	24 th Whole school Concert 6pm-8pm	25 th	26 th
27 th School Council 6.30pm	28 th	29 th	30 th Grade 5-6 Dancesport	1 st December	2 nd	3 rd
4 th 2018 Prep Parents Information Night 7pm	5 th Grade 5 Show Off Production	6 th Grade 5-6 End of year celebration at Sunbury Aquatic Centre	7 th Grade 6 Dancesport	8 th CURRICULUM DAY PUPIL FREE DAY	9 th	10 th
11 th	12 th Orientation/ Transition Day	13 th	14 th Christmas Stall Grade 6 Dancesport	15 th P-2 Fairy Tale Rotation	16 th	17 th
18 th	19 th Grade 3-4 Maddingley Park end of year excursion	20 th Grade 6 Graduation	21 st Grades P-2 Christmas Concert	22 nd LAST DAY OF TERM EARLY DISMISSAL 1.30pm	23 rd	24 th

ASSEMBLIES:

Our whole school Assemblies have now been moved to Friday afternoons at 3pm in the gym for a trial period. All families are most welcome to attend. Some students will be dismissed from the gym after the Assembly while others will return to their classroom to collect their bags etc.

NEXT MONDAY:

With the Cup Day public holiday on next Tuesday, many families take advantage of the opportunity to enjoy a four day holiday - (Sat, Sun, Mon & Tues).

For your information, school will be open on Monday. All those students who attend school on this day will be catered for.

REQUEST FORM:

Each year at this time, parents are invited to share with the staff information and their thoughts on the preferred placement of their child for next year. The forms are available at the office and on the school website.

If you intend to use the form, please read all the information on it and return it to school by Monday 13th November.

Please note that many things are taken into account when classes are being constructed for the following year. The information you provide is one of these considerations. Submitting a form does not guarantee your suggestions will be implemented.

GOON A WARRIOR:

The famous Goon A Warrior physical challenge event will be held on Friday 17th November. The event incorporates many activities of climbing, crawling, running, jumping etc. It is a great fun activity!



The event is also one of the major fundraising events of the Parents & Friends.

Students are encouraged to get sponsorship from family and friends for each lap of the circuit that they complete. Our target is \$25.00 per student which will raise \$10,000.

Funds raised will be used to purchase and install new aluminium bench seats around the school play grounds as well as some additional synthetic grass areas around the sides of the gym.

Funds raised at the previous Goon A Warrior have assisted with the development of the school vegetable garden.

The Goon A Warrior sponsorship forms were sent home last week. They are also available at the office and on the school website.

WHOLE SCHOOL CONCERT

On Friday 24th November our Whole School Outdoor Concert will be held. This will be our third concert. The other two have proven to be highly successful.

This year the theme is based on songs from the last 30 years, in keeping with the school's 30th Anniversary.

All grades will perform a No. 1 Hit Song from the last 30 years.

It promises to be a fantastic event.

It will be held on the Prep - Gr 2 synthetic grass area. Bring your picnic rug and enjoy the atmosphere!

It is a free event, which will commence at 6pm and should be finished by 8pm.

We are endeavouring to have food and drink stalls available.

There will be a raffle on the night with some great prizes to be won!

Mark the date in your diary!



PUPIL FREE DAY:

The final Pupil Free Day for the year will be held on Friday 8th December. No students are required at school on this day.

The staff will be engaged with various professional development activities.

A NEW PAVED PATH TO MEMORY LANE!

To celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the school and to create memories for years to come, a new paved pathway will be constructed.

Families and individuals have the opportunity to purchase a brick paver with their name etched into it. The pavers will be laid on both sides of the main gate entrance at the front of the school (between the large rocks).

Each year, for years to come, families will have an opportunity to purchase pavers and add to the path.

The form to order the pavers was attached to last week's Newsletter. It is also available at the office and on the school's website.

Families leaving the school (last child in Grade 6), new families beginning, families or staff who attended the school in the past, will all have the opportunity to purchase a paver. A family could purchase one 'family' paver (Smith Family) or you could purchase one for each child (Bill Smith, Mary Smith, Harry Smith).

The first order of pavers will be made at the start of next year and they will be laid in February.

Each year in the future, two orders will be placed - one mid-year and the other at the end of the year.

The initial batch of pavers will cost \$25.00 each.

See the paver sheet for all the details.

THE WORKS CONTINUES!

- During this week the student toilets had further work carried out on them.
- The new synthetic grass surface covering 400 sq metres was installed at the back of the library where the amphitheatre was.

- The base for the resurfacing of the Grade 5/6 basketball court with synthetic grass and appropriate line marking has been laid. The grass surface will be laid next week. It will include lines for basketball, netball, cricket, four square and softball.
- Other works that are being undertaken include the replacement of rotting timber on the exterior of the school buildings, painting sections of the exterior timber, the grinding of concrete paths to eliminate trip hazards, installation of a new heating unit for the administration and library section of the school plus (hopefully) new carpet in the library.

We look forward to the results of all these improvements which are due to be completed by late February next year, if not sooner.

NEW PORTABLE CLASSROOMS:

The new double classroom portable building is almost ready for handover to the school. To complete the work, the concrete path just needs to be laid.

These rooms will be used for classes next year.

VEGETABLE GARDEN DEVELOPMENT:

Students have commenced planting vegetables in our new raised garden beds.

Various classes and selective students are working with staff to develop the gardens and plant out the first crop of vegetables.

The funding for the development of this garden was made available by money raised from the last Goon-A-Warrior event.

It will be great to see their enthusiasm develop as the plants grow and produce a crop.

We would love to hear from any parents or grandparents who would be willing to assist with this engaging project.



CLUBS:

For the last four weeks everyone has been doing clubs at school. We were in Ms Kelly's card making club. We made heaps of stuff and we had so much fun. Some of the other clubs were photography, calm colouring, cooking and many more. Everyone enjoyed the clubs on Monday afternoons and we are looking forward to them again next year.

Tara & Isabella 5K

I went to golf club. It was amazingly fun because I was taught how to hit big shots and use the correct technique. Every week we had a new challenge for golf and each one of them was fun. The golf instructor made sure we had a lot of hitting time and we could also talk to our mates as we played. I really enjoyed it, it was so much fun.

Matthew 5R

THANK YOU!!!

A BIG THANK YOU to **Mrs Michele Pinti**

Michele is the Student Welfare Coordinator at Goonawarra Primary School. Every day she is looking out for the needs of others at school, including students, staff and families, to assist them with issues that they are facing, particularly if they could be affecting a student's academic or social development. These issues cover a wide range of difficulties including school attendance, bullying, family problems, grief and loss and mental health.

Michele organises numerous programs to assist students with their social and emotional development and also works with Ben, our school Chaplain and other welfare professionals and agencies to help address student needs and support families.

As part of the student welfare role, Michele organises the out of school uniform days each month to support local organisations that provide services to those in need.

Another part of Michele's role is to organise the Clubs program that all the staff and students across the whole school enjoy a couple of times each year.

Last week was the last of the four weeks of this term's Clubs program. It is a program that all our students look forward to and gives them an opportunity to engage with an extracurricular activity with students of all ages. This helps students to develop socially, builds a bond between students and gives them an opportunity to learn new skills.

It is a massive job to coordinate such a large program. Michele, we appreciate all the effort and organisation that you put into the Clubs program each year, as well as all you do in looking out for those of us who are part of the Goonawarra Primary School community. You're a gem!!!

GO FOR IT KALEA!

One of our Grade 2 students, Kalea is going to compete in the **Pink & Fun Run Triathlon!**

She has set herself two goals.

- One is to finish the event!
- The other is to raise at least \$500 in fundraising for the National Breast Cancer Foundation!

If you would like to support Kalea in her wonderful endeavours, please logon to www.everydayhero.com and in the search box type 'Kalea.'

Look for the Kalea with the tag - 'kalea gives it her best tri.'

Thank you for your anticipated support.

Kalea has so far raised \$133 towards her goal of raising \$500 for the National Breast Cancer Foundation.

CAN YOU ASSIST THE LIBRARY?

The library currently needs volunteers to assist with the annual stocktake of all of its resources. This involves scanning books on the shelves and shelf reading. If you are able to help, please contact Sue at the school office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Alan Fairweather
Principal
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Term Dates for 2017

Term 4: 9th October to 22nd December

Term Dates 2018

Term 1: 30th January to 31st March

Term 2: 16th April to 29th June

Term 3: 16th July to 21st September

Term 4: 8th October to 21st December

Payments & Reminders:

Goon-a-warrior Sausage Sizzle: Money & order due by Friday 20th Nov.

Goon-a-warrior sponsor forms - continue to collect sponsors.

CANTEEN ROSTER	
Friday, 3 rd November	Nicole Huybers, Meg Kerr & Katrina Scicluna
Monday, 6 th November	CANTEEN CLOSED
Friday 10 th November	Nicole Huybers, Rozeta Dhono & Lisa Anderson

Goonawarra Classifieds

FREE Autism Assessment Clinic Open Day



Free fun activities and food for all

Saturday 11th November 2017
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

You will:

- learn about the Autism Assessment Clinic and all it can offer
- have the opportunity to meet our expert staff
- find out how your child may be assessed
- find out what services we offer

Location:
Dianella Health GP Super Clinic
42-48 Coleraine Street, Broadmeadows



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**Sunbury Uniting Church's 14th Annual
Giant Car Boot Sale
& Craft Market**



Saturday 18th November
from 8.30am
Uniting Church Hall & Village Green
Cnr Brook & O'Shanassy Streets

Stalls selling:
jewellery candles wall art confectionery
suncatchers hand-painted glass jams
Christmas gifts cakes
... lots more !

Fun and food for kids!
jumping castle
Thomas ride for littlies
sausage sizzle lucky dips
face painting balloon twisting



Live music!

also - our Devonshire Tea/Coffee café inside
and don't miss - our huge second-hand book stall !

This is a great Christmas shopping opportunity!

Enquiries to Helen on 0407 506 507

FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2017
CLARKE OVAL FOOTBALL CLUB

FASHION SHOW

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS NIGHT

If you would prefer to pay cash for your ticket, Andrea is happy to deliver to your door. Just RSVP to Andrea on 0439 691 006
Walk-ups on the night are also welcome!

6:30pm—Midnight

DRINK ON ARRIVAL, FINGER FOOD, SILENT AUCTION & MORE

TICKET \$60 pp

TICKETS ON SALE THROUGH TRYBOOKING.COM

Search for Andrea's Breast Cancer Fundraiser 2017

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