



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
21 st	22 nd Grade 5 Excursion to 'Show Off'	23 rd	24 th	25 th School Concert Food & drink from 5pm Concert 6.00pm	26 th	27 th
28 th School Council 6:30pm	29 th Keyboard Concert 10am-1:30pm in Senior Building	30 th	1 st December	2 nd Grades 5/6 Excursion Sunbury Aquatic Centre	3 rd	4 th
5 th 2017 Prep Parents Information Session 7pm	6 th Orientation Day All children move to 2017 Grades	7 th	8 th Parents & Friends Christmas Stall	9 th	10 th	11 th
12 th	13 th	14 th Grade 6 Graduation	15 th Grades 3/4 Excursion to Maddingley Park	16 th School Choir Sunbury Community Performance	17 th	18 th
19 th	20 th END OF TERM 1.30PM DISMISSAL	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS COMMENCE!				

Payments & Reminders:

Goon-a-warrior sponsorship money: Due NOW!

Grade 5 Excursion to 'Show Off' Sunbury S.C - Permission form due **tomorrow**.

Grade 6 Graduation: \$25.00 and form due by Monday 28th November.

2017 Grade 6 Jackets: \$55.00 - Due by Friday 2nd December

Grades 5/6 Excursion to Sunbury Aquatic Centre: \$6.50 due by Tuesday 29th November.

Grades 3/4 Picnic Day at Maddingley Park, Bacchus Marsh: \$9.00 due by Friday 2nd December.

The Goon-A-Warrior!

Now that this great activity is over, it is time to return the sponsorship forms and money collected before tomorrow if possible. As this is the major fundraiser event of the year for the Parents & Friends Group, all donations will be used to support student activities within the school.

If every student can raise \$20, the total for the school will be over \$7,500!

There are prizes for students who can raise over \$50.

Please return sponsorship forms and the money collected by tomorrow.

Our goal is to raise \$10,000. Can you help?
So far \$4200 has been raised!

Staffing for 2017:

It is my pleasure to announce the grade structure and teaching staff for next year.

Staff Member	Grade	Anticipated number of students per class
PREPS		
Sue Conn	Prep	20
Tahlia Dwyer	Prep	20
Stephanie Ireland	Prep	20
GRADE ONES		
Rhiannon LoBosco	One	20
Breanna Thomas	One	20
Sandi Cassinides (3 days) & Lauren Milligan (2 days)	One	20
GRADE TWOS		
Kellie Trevaskis	Two	21
Simone Casey	Two	21
Stephanie Coakley	Two	21
GRADE THREES & FOURS		
Joanne Sullivan	Three / Four	21
Gerald Bronchinetti	Three / Four	21
Ewen Hildebrand *	Three / Four	21
Jess Dunn	Three / Four	21
Amber Parmley *	Three / Four	21
GRADE FIVES		
Marita Ryan	Five	25
Kathleen Kelly	Five	25
GRADE SIXES		
Amy Hughes (4 days) & Michael Fitzclarence (1 day)	Six	25
Jessica Fry	Six	25
SPECIALISTS		
Visual & Performing Arts	Lori Nichols	
Physical Education	Michael Fitzclarence	
LOTE (Italian) - Grades Prep - 3	Liz Hornby	
Rainbow Reading & Support	Pirjo Hargrave	
Classroom Support	Kerrie Romer & Lorraine Howard	

Summary of 2017 Information:

- The enrolment of the school will be approximately 388 at the start of the year. This is an increase of 27 since the beginning of 2016.
- There will be 18 classes - one more than this year - an extra Grade 2.
- The average class size across the school will be 21.5 students.
- Grades Five & Six will be straight grades - not composite.
- Mrs Danielle Carey will commence Family Leave.
- Two new classroom teachers will join us. *
- Sonja is taking leave for a year and is being replaced by Ms Lori Nichols in the Art Room.
- LOTE (Italian) will be extended to include Grade 3 students.
- Mrs Carla Cropley will commence as our Assistant Principal.
- Michele Pinti will be the full time Welfare Coordinator.
- Ben Smith will continue as our School Chaplain.
- There will be approximately 260 families involved with the school.

BOOK PACKS FOR 2017:

The individual Book Packs for all students will be available for purchase on -

- Tuesday 6th December - Families with a Prep child commencing.
- Wednesday 7th December - all grades
- Wednesday 14th December - all grades
- Monday 30th January - all grades

The cost of the Book Packs will be approved by School Council at their next meeting. Families will be advised in time before the above dates.

ORIENTATION DAY:

On Tuesday 6th December all students will spend time with their 2017 teacher in their new class. Our new Preps will also attend on this day along with more new students in other grade levels. It would be great if all students could be at school on this day. Most grade six students will be attending their Secondary schools on this day.

REMEMBRANCE DAY:

Last week four senior students attended the Remembrance Day Service in Sunbury conducted by the RSL. They laid a wreath on behalf of the Goonawarra School community.



WHOLE SCHOOL OUTDOOR CONCERT:

Everything is gearing up for The Whole School Concert on Friday 25th November - next Friday.

It is planned that families will begin arriving at 5pm and set up on the synthetic grass area. The concert is a free event, so everyone is welcome to come - no tickets to worry about.

There will be plenty of food and drink available to purchase for dinner - coffee, BBQ, donuts etc.

The Concert will commence at 6.00pm.

All grades will perform an item based around a movie theme. The school choir will also perform.

It is anticipated that the concert will conclude close to 8.00pm.

The Parents & Friends Group will be conducting a raffle throughout the event.

If you are going to buy your dinner from one of the local shops - pizza, chicken or fish & chips, you may want to pre-order so that you do not need to wait.

ENROLMENTS AND DEPARTURES:

The staff are currently placing students into classes for next year. Many variables are taken into account when undertaking this task. Unfortunately no more parent requests can be accepted.

If you are aware of any families considering commencing here, please ask them to arrange a discussion with me as soon as possible.

FRIENDSHIP BENCHES:

One of the Connecting to our Community projects the grade 5 / 6 students have been completing over the last 6 months is arranging for 3 Buddy Benches to be built and placed in the playground. A group of students met and planned what they wanted the benches to look like, the Sunbury Men's Shed were asked to make the benches and Bunnings were asked to provide the materials to make the benches. On Wednesday the benches were installed by three members from the Men's shed. All the materials were donated by Bunnings. Next week the students in the group will paint the benches. They have gone to each classroom to explain how the Buddy Benches will assist students to find someone to play with in the playground. They will meet over the next weeks to plan implementation for 2017. We are very pleased with how great the benches look. A huge thankyou to Bunnings and The Men's Shed.



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Term Dates for 2016:

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

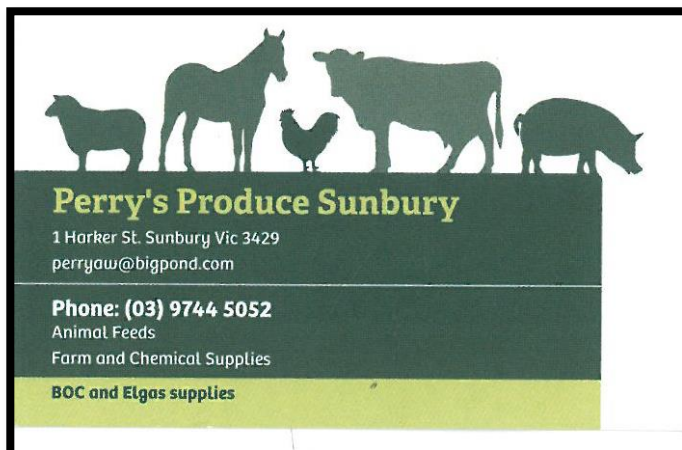
CANTEEN ROSTER	
Friday 18 th November	Nicole Huybers, Janine Fisher, Tricia Smilie
Monday 21 st November	Nicole Huybers, Emma Newton

Camp Australia- Goonawarra OSHC

Next we are going to be making gifts for children in Bangladesh as a part of The Camp Australia Fund. Leading up to this we have addressed issues of hygiene and the importance of washing our hands and clean drinking water and the consequences of not following these healthy living practices.

Congratulations to Trinity for getting our award in week 6!

Goonawarra Classifieds



Perry's Produce Sunbury
1 Harker St. Sunbury Vic 3429
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Phone: (03) 9744 5052
Animal Feeds
Farm and Chemical Supplies
BOC and Elgas supplies



COME AND TRY NIGHT

Sunbury Football Netball Club
Est. 1879

WOMEN'S, U18'S, U15'S and U12'S FOOTBALL

With the new Women's AFL competition set to start up in 2017 we are providing an opportunity for girls and women of all ages and ability to come along and have a go at AFL Football. Whether you are a season pro or have never picked up a football **WE WANT YOU.**

When: Tuesday 22 November
Time: 6.30pm (6.45pm start)
Where: Eric Boardman Memorial Reserve
Mitchells Lane
Sunbury

BYO Water bottle and runners

For further information contact Krystie on 0408 557 159 or kdudley19@hotmail.com

Seen a Thermomix?

Independent Thermomix Consultant

Michelle Noonan-0438116206

Book a demonstration to see more (A min of 3 people required).

Great host rewards available and offers. Perfect for those who are time poor, those who suffer with allergies or intolerances. If you Dislike cooking or love cooking, this will assist you! It's a lifestyle change. In a fraction of the time, you can provide preservative free and healthy snacks and meals for you and your family.

Facebook Page: "Look who's mixing?"

**Sunbury Uniting Church's 13th Annual
Giant Car Boot Sale
& Craft Market**



Saturday 26th 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
Christmas gifts porcelain dolls
... 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 !*



*The Leprosy Mission
The '4 Winds Cambodia Project' (inside)*

This is a great Christmas shopping opportunity!

Enquiries to Helen on 0407 506 507