



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
Assembly in gym 3.00pm TOMORROW National School Clean Up Day TOMORROW					3 rd	4 th
5 th Preps start full time.	6 th Prep Grades Western Water Incursion 9am-12.30pm	7 th Student Support Group Meetings By appointment.	8 th	9 th Assembly in gym 3.00pm Student Support Group Meetings	10 th	11 th
12 th LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY	13 th	14 th Grades 1-2 Sandwich Making Day 12.30pm-1.30pm	15 th Sunbury District Athletics Boardman Reserve	16 th Prep Grades Grandparents & Special Friends Morning 9.15am-10.45pm National Day Against Bullying & Violence Assembly in gym 3.00pm	17 th	18 th
19 th	20 th	21 st Think U Know Presentation See notice attached.	22 nd Sunbury District Athletics Backup Day	23 rd Assembly in gym 3.00pm Casual Clothes Day	24 th	25 th
26 th School Council AGM 6.30pm	27 th	28 th Grades 3-4 Western Water Incursion	29 th LAST DAY OF TERM EARLY DISMISSAL Canteen Closed	30 th Good Friday	31 st	1 st April

Please keep informed by reading the Newsletter, noting dates of upcoming events and when forms and money are due.



**SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS
NOMINATIONS CLOSE TOMORROW**





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The School Council is the official governing body of the school.

Each year at this time, positions on School Council become available. Usually all positions on School Council are held for two years.

There are two meetings per Term – at 6.30pm on Monday nights.

All members are assigned to a sub-committee.

There are currently three 2 year and one 1 year parent positions available on School Council.

There are four other parent members who have one year to go.

There are three elected staff members on the School Council as well as the Principal.

If you would be interested in nominating for one of the four vacant positions, please collect a nomination form from the office. It must be returned by 4pm tomorrow. Speak to me if further clarification is required.

Alan Fairweather

SWIMMING SPORTS:

Congratulations to all our students who participated in the Sunbury Schools Swimming Sports last Thursday. All students competed at their highest level.

Several successful students have qualified to go on to the next level.

We wish them all the best!

ATHLETIC SPORTS:

Today most of the Grade 3 – 6 students participated in our School House Athletic Sports.

It was a great day for all. Thank you to the many parents and grandparents who came along to support our budding Olympians!

Successful students (depending on their time or distance) will go on to represent Goonawarra at the local schools Athletic Day on the Thursday 15th March at Boardman Reserve.

The Swimming and Athletic events provide all students with an opportunity to try new skills as well as experience success.

Success comes in many forms. It is not all about winning. For some students, completing the event is a success. Winning will come to a few, experience will come to everyone.

GRADE 3-4 TENNIS:

Students in the middle school are fortunate to participate in a yearly rotation of tennis lessons which focus on learning specific skills then incorporating these into mini doubles matches. Children in 3/4D have enjoyed their first set of lessons with tennis instructor Matt. Here is what some students had to say.

I have enjoyed doing forehand and backhand volleys because it's definitely improved my tennis ability. Jase

We have been practising serving which is a really tricky skill. Kaylee

I enjoyed putting my skills to the test in mini doubles matches. Royce

Matt's been teaching us how to hold the racket properly as well as all the different swings (forehand, backhand, serve and volley). Bailey

I enjoyed trying to keep the ball on the racket whilst spinning around. Gravity made this very challenging! Lilly

We always rotated around to different nets so we were able to play with different people. Sharleigh



PARENTS AND FRIENDS:

The P & F group has been busy planning events for the year. Funds raised from families and the community supporting these events will all go to improve the educational opportunities for all students as well as enhance the facilities around the school. Their first target for this year is to raise \$10,000 for the construction of a shade sail over a section of the Prep – Gr 2 synthetic grass playground between Rooms 2 and 3.

New members are always welcome. Contact the office for details.

Please support the following events as much as you can.

Silent Auction of a framed signed 2017 Western Bulldogs jumper: Details in next week's Newsletter.

Easter Raffle: Tickets to be sent home next week. Prizes drawn at Assembly on 29th March. Donations for raffle (Easter Eggs) will be gratefully accepted at the office.

Mother's Day Stall: Thursday 10th May

The Great Sunbury Gnome Hunt!: 30th June – 15th July

Father's Day Stall: Thursday 6th September

Goon A Warrior: Friday 9th November

State Election BBQ: Saturday 24th November

Whole School End of Year Concert: Friday 7th December

ONE DAY LEFT TO ORDER YOUR PAVER:

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).

The initial batch of pavers cost \$25.00 each and will be ordered next Monday. A sample paver is on display at the office.

See the paver sheet at the office or on the homepage for all the details. Return it and payment to the office.

Orders that are sent in after 4pm tomorrow will need to wait until another batch is ordered in July.

STUDENT ABSENCE & LATE PROCESSES:

Thank you to all families who have contacted the school on the days their children have not been at school.

If your child is absent from school, on the same day, you need to either:

- Phone the school on 9744 7137
- Use the absent function on the 'Updat-ed' school app. Download from the App Store.
- Email the school on www.goonawarra.vic.edu.au

If your child is late to school, they must report to the office to obtain a late pass before going to their classroom.

BOOK PACKS:

Thank you to everyone who has purchased the 2018 School Packs for students.

For those families who have requested to pay the \$170 by instalments, please continue to make contributions as organised with the office.

WHERE TO BUY SCHOOL UNIFORMS:

The school uniform is available from Primary School Wear.

The school uniform is available from Primary School Wear. Their shop in Sunbury is located across the carpark from Aldi and in the lower building. The address is Shop 6, 106-126 Gap Road, Sunbury. Phone: 9768 0384

Opening hours are: Wed to Fri: 10am - 4.00pm

Sat: 10am - 1pm

Extended hours are being offered until Saturday March 10th. Wed to Fri: 10am-5pm / Saturday: 10am-1pm

HELP REQUIRED:

There are several tasks around the school that need attention. If you are skilled in the required areas and are able to offer your assistance, please contact the office for more details.

- ❖ A bobcat is required to spread mulch piles.

GO FUND ME SUPPORT:

One of our school families is in need of support at the moment.

Marcelle (our school Zumba expert!) is suffering from a range of critical health issues.

Read her full story at the following link. If you are in a position to make a donation to assist her family, it would be greatly appreciated.

<https://www.gofundme.com/55gxp1k?member=2488>



Alan Fairweather

Principal

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Term Dates 2018

Term 1: 30th January to 29th March

Term 2: 16th April to 29th June

Term 3: 16th July to 21st September

Term 4: 8th October to 21st December

CANTEEN ROSTER	
Friday 2 nd March	Nicole Huybers, Erika Vonja, Regina Reid
Monday 5 th March	Nicole Huybers
Friday 9 th March	Nicole Huybers, Nicole Brown, Leonie Smits

Goonawarra Classifieds

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Enrollments are taken all year round.

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3rd March**
9am-4pm
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SUSTAINABILITYgroup

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Woodend Community Farmers' Market!

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO
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