



Goonawarra Primary School Newsletter

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

At Goonawarra we all aim to be -

Generous

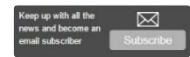
Responsible

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 Student Support Group Meetings - TOMORROW					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 Grades 5/6 Sunbury Downs S.C visit 9.15am	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 2.30PM Canteen Closed	30 th Good Friday SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	31 st	1 st April
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS						
16 th April TERM 2 COMMENCES Grade 6 - Think U Know Presentation 11.30am	17 th Grades 5/6 Sunbury S.C visit 9am	18 th	19 th	20 th	21 st	22 nd

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

BOOK CLUB:

A reminder to all parents that *Scholastic Book Club* orders for Term 1 are due back by **tomorrow**. LOOP orders (online) will close on Tuesday 13th March. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Lavars.



SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS
NOMINATIONS CLOSE NEXT FRIDAY, 16TH MARCH
There are still positions available!



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 next Friday. Speak to me if further clarification is required.

Alan Fairweather



GO THE DOGGIES!!!!



The school has obtained a Western Bulldogs jumper signed by their 2017 players which has been framed. It is on display in the foyer near the office. It is up for auction with the highest bidder being announced at the final Assembly of this Term - at 2pm on Thursday 29th March.

To enter a bid, please contact the school office on 9744 7137.

The starting bid is \$250.00.



SWIMMING SPORTS:

Congratulations to all our students who participated in the Regional Schools Swimming Sports last Thursday.

Our representatives were:

Girls Relay Team: Cate H, Darcy C, Trinity S and Monique C (3rd place)

Individual Event: Laura B (2nd place)

These students will now go to the Metropolitan Regional Swimming Sports. Congratulations!

ATHLETIC SPORTS:

Successful students (depending on their time or distance) from our school Athletic Sports will go on to represent Goonawarra at the local Sunbury Schools Athletic Day on the Thursday 15th March at Boardman Reserve.

NATIONAL DAY AGAINST BULLYING AND VIOLENCE:

On Friday the 16th March our school will be involved in the National Day Against Bullying and Violence. Each class will do an activity related to the theme of standing together against bullying. Each student and teacher will also be given a wristband to wear to demonstrate their involvement in the day. The following webpage has a lot of information which you might like to look at with your child. It also gives information for parents which is very useful. www.bullyingnoway.gov.au

NEW SECURE FENCING:

New additional fencing is currently being installed around the Prep - Gr 2 playground. This will clearly define the playground space, it will increase the play area and it will provide a more secure environment for students - providing peace of mind to parents and staff.

Additional work will commence shortly on increasing the height of the perimeter fencing.

The new pathway and pedestrian gate at the back of the portable buildings, opening on to Carnoustie Drive is proving to be very popular and is working well.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS:

The next meeting of the P & F will be held next Tuesday at 9am in the staffroom. Planning of the Easter Raffle, Mother's Day Stall and the Great Sunbury Gnome Hunt will all be on the agenda. New members are always welcome.

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.

Please support these events as much as you can. Contact the office for details.

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

Easter Raffle: Tickets to be sent home this 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

It is that time of year ALREADY with only weeks til the end of term, our POPULAR Easter Raffle tickets are being sent out today. They are only \$1 a ticket and each family will receive a pack of 10 tickets.

*Always as a part of our Easter raffle we ask for **donations from families for our prizes** (Eggs, Bunnies, Baskets, & toys), which is always greatly appreciated. Last year with all the donations we had over 20 prizes to hand out which is a GREAT result. All donations can be handed in at the office to Sue and Janine over the next few 2 weeks.*



COLES 'SPORT FOR SCHOOLS' VOUCHERS:

Goonawarra Primary School is participating in the 'Coles Sports for Schools Program.. For every \$10 spent at Coles, customers will receive one Sports for Schools voucher. Families can then bring vouchers to the school and place them in the box located at the front office or alternatively in the Goonawarra Primary School collection box at Coles (Sunbury Square). At the completion of the program, the school can order new sports equipment for our students use.

PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL:

A special reminder to all of our families to observe the parking signs around the school boundaries. The police and parking officers regularly patrol the area at drop off and pick up times and issue infringement notices to all vehicles illegally parked. In the interests of student safety, **please note that the car park at the school is for staff use & deliveries ONLY and cannot be used as a drop off or pickup point for children.** Please refrain from walking through this area with your children on your way to and from school.

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. 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

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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	
Monday 12 th March	PUBLIC HOLIDAY - CANTEEN CLOSED
Friday 16 th March	Nicole Huybers, Megan Kerr, Alison Rae
Monday 19 th March	Nicole Huybers, Meaghan Hindmarsh

Goonawarra Classifieds

UBUNTA AFRICA

VENUE:

Sunbury Baptist Church
205 Gap Road, SUNBURY
Tuesday 1st May, 2019
7pm

Tickets:

Adults - \$15
Child/Concession - \$10
Family (4) \$45

You can book online at: www.kwaya.org or go to
<https://www.trybooking.com/TQCX>
and follow the prompts.

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7th Annual **Kruze 4 Kids**
CAR SHOW

Good Friday 30th March 2018
Langama Park, 109 Mitchells Lane, Sunbury Vic

Gates Open- 10am to Public Gold Coin Donation / 8am to Entrants \$10 per Vehicle

All Vehicles Welcome

Trophy Categories
King Of Show
Best Paint Work
Best Club Display, Best Bike
Best Aussie Ford, Best Aussie Holden
Best American, Best Japanese
Best Euro & Kids Pick

Family Fun
Share the Passion
Live Entertainment
Bar/Bistro & Food Vans
Auction, Raffles, Give Aways
Market/Trade Stalls
Amusements, Jumping Castle
Animal Farm & Pony Rides
Roaming Characters
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www.kruze4kids.com

For More Information on this event inc Sponsorship, donations, stall holders & General Enquires please contact Brad on 0419 327 500 or email kruze4kids@bigpond.com

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