



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
27 th CASUAL CLOTHES DAY TOMORROW - Proceeds to go to the Story Dog Program.					28 th	29 th
30 th Ubuntu Whole School Workshop School Council 6.30pm	1 st May Ubuntu Classroom Visits Ubuntu Concert 7pm	2 nd	3 rd CLUBS - WEEK 3 2019 Prep Information Session 9.30am-11.00am 7pm-8.30pm	4 th Goonawarra PS Cross Country	5 th	6 th
7 th 2019 Prep Information Session 9.30am-11.00am 7pm-8.30pm	8 th Grade 6 Hands on Science Incursion	9 th	10 th CLUBS - WEEK 4 Mother's Day Stall	11 th Preps - Mum's Pampering Session 9am-10am	12 th	13 th Mother's Day
14 th Grades 1/2 Billy Cart Incursion	15 th NAPLAN	16 th NAPLAN Preps Excursion to Diggers Rest Animal Farm	17 th NAPLAN	18 th Sunbury Schools Cross Country	19 th	20 th
21 st Education Week Open Morning 9.30am-11.00am Including 2019 Prep Tours	22 nd Italian Incursion	23 rd	24 th	25 th	26 th	27 th

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



ANZAC DAY



Yesterday was ANZAC Day.

It was very pleasing that over 35 of our students, four staff members and many families participated in the Sunbury RSL ANZAC Day March and Service.

A wreath was laid on behalf of the Goonawarra School community by our students.

I am sure other families would have attended the service at the Shrine or in other locations. Some may have also participated in the march through the city.

I hope parents were able to explain the meaning and significance of the day to their children. Families may even have connections with current or ex-servicemen or women. There may be stories that can be passed on to children as part of their family heritage. You may want to do some research and see what you can discover.

You may like to explore <http://www.naa.gov.au/collection/explore/defence/service-records/index.aspx>

In the 'Explore' box, type in the name of a family member you may like to find out about.

I would be interested in hearing what you discover.

The Australian War Memorial (<https://www.awm.gov.au>) or other sites may also provide you with valuable information.

LONE PINE:

The school has been presented with a Lone Pine seedling by The Australian War Memorial and the National Trust. The plant was shown to all students at Assembly last week.

Over the coming weeks, a special picket fenced garden will be constructed beside our flagpoles. The Lone Pine seedling will be planted in this enclosure. Poppies will be grown in this area as well.

UBUNTU AFRICAN CHOIR VISIT:

Next Monday and Tuesday the school will be hosting a choir from Uganda and Kenya in Africa. This will be the second time in recent years that this has occurred.

The choir members will conduct a workshop with all grades on Monday, plus spend time in various classes.

Parents are welcome to attend the Monday workshops:

- 10am - 11am - Grades Prep - 2
- 11.30am - 12.30pm - Grades 3 - 6.

There will also be a concert open to the public on Tuesday night at the Sunbury Baptist Church commencing at 7.00pm.

Tickets are still available through www.kwaya.org or go to <https://www.trybooking.com/TQCX>. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

- Pupil Free Day - No school - Tuesday 29th May
- Queen's Birthday - Public holiday - Monday 11th June
- Parent & Teacher Discussions - Thursday 28th June

SCHOOL COUNCIL - 'Helping shape and guide the future of Goonawarra.'

The next meeting of the School Council is scheduled for next Monday 30th April commencing at 6.30pm in the staff room. All members of the school community are very welcome to attend.

THANK YOU BEN!

Tomorrow is Ben's last day as our School Chaplain. Ben has been in this role for the last five years supporting many students, families and staff. You may like to attend Assembly at 3.00pm tomorrow and say farewell to Ben in person or write a note of appreciation using the school email address.

Ben is taking on a full time role at a school closer to his home.

A decision will be made soon as to whether we advertise for another Chaplain / Welfare position.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS:

The P & F Group are currently working towards their next two events - the Mother's Day Stall and the Great Sunbury Gnome Hunt.

The Mother's Day Stall will be held on Thursday 10th May and the Gnome Hunt during the next school holidays.

Tickets have been sent home today for the Mother's Day Raffle - there are some great prizes to be won!

Currently there is only a small group of willing parents organising P & F activities. Please offer your assistance in any way you can. It will be greatly appreciated.

2019 PREP TOURS AND INFORMATION SESSIONS:

If you know of families who are exploring school options for their children (at any grade level), please pass on the following Information Sessions and School Tours dates to them.

Thursday 3rd May at 9.30am - 11.00am and 7.00pm - 8.30pm.

Monday 7th May at 9.30am - 11.00am and 7.00pm - 8.30pm.

Monday 21st May at 9.30am - 11.00am as part of an Open Morning for Education Week.

Personal tours are always available. Contact the office on 9744 7137 to arrange a suitable time.

LOCKED GATES:

With the addition of the new fences, the playground area for the students has been increased. Students can now play up to the fence line.

As an added security, several gates will be locked between 9.30am and 3.00pm. The gates involved are the one near the Pre School carpark and the one that leads on to Tulsa Drive (near the Grade 3 / 4 Basket Ball courts).

Other external gates will remain open during the day.

NEW BASKETBALL TOWERS:

As part of the continuing upgrading of facilities around the school, the four basketball towers in the Grade 5/6 playground area will be replaced in the next few weeks.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE:

The school provides a service for families by offering Before School Care from 7.00am to 8.45am and After School Care which operates from 3.30pm until 6.00pm.

This service is out sourced to Camp Australia. Fees are based on Centrelink rebates.

Contact Camp Australia directly for bookings or more information.

KEYBOARD LESSONS AT SCHOOL:

The school offers keyboard lessons (individual or group) to all students. This program is conducted by PMI (Primary Music Institute). Lessons are conducted every Tuesday during school hours.

Contact PMI directly on **1300 362 824** to discuss their service and fees.

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:

For those families who have requested to pay the \$170 by instalments, please, where possible, finalise payments as soon as possible.

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

Payments & Reminders:

Grade 3-4 Camp Arrabri Lodge Deposit: \$50 due TOMORROW.

Whole School Workshop - Ubuntu: \$5.00 due by Monday 30th April.

Grade 6: Hands on Science: \$15.00 due by Wednesday 2nd May.

Prep Grades : Excursion to Animal Land: \$35 due by Monday 14th May.

Grades 1-4: Italian Incursion: \$6.00 due by Tuesday 15th May

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Term Dates 2018

Term 2: 16th April to 29th June

Term 3: 16th July to 21st September

Term 4: 8th October to 21st December

CANTEEN ROSTER	
Friday 27 th April	Alison Rae, Regina Reid & Megan Kerr
Monday 30 th April	Nicole Huybers
Friday 4 th May	Nicole Huybers, Tricia Smillie & Janine Fisher

Goonawarra Classifieds

UBUNTU AFRICA

VENUE:

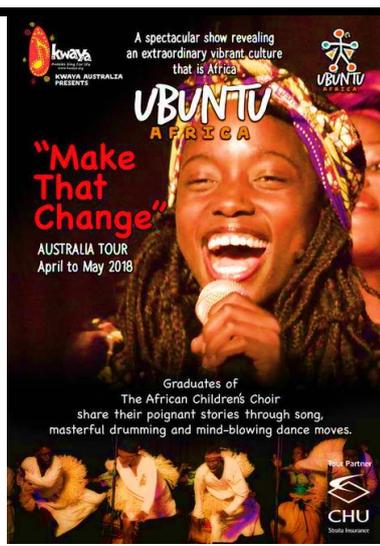
Sunbury Baptist Church
205 Gap Road, SUNBURY
Tuesday 1st May, 2019
7pm

Tickets:

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

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

TICKETS CAN ALSO BE PURCHASED AT THE DOOR.



Limited time host rewards:

Free 2nd bowl valued at \$395!

Contact Michelle Noonan on 0438116206 or join

“look who’s mixing“ on facebook

Thermomix repayments as low as \$23 a week with 24 months interest free on now!

NEW! EAT WELL COOKING CLASS

Featuring signature recipes from our *Eat Well* cookbook, this demonstration-style Thermomix® class presents easy, flavour-packed and wholesome recipes to nourish you from morning until night.

Get tips to maximise nutrients available in your food and find out how to make smarter dietary choices every day.

The delicious, gluten-free menu includes:

- Seeded tahini crackers
- Hunters' stew
- Quinoa with mixed greens and yoghurt dressing
- White bean dip with chimichurri
- Smoky Mexican bean soup
- Mango muesli
- Turmeric, lemon and ginger tea
- Carrot cake bliss balls
- Plain yoghurt
- Ricotta and pistachio cheesecake

Springside Children's and Community Centre 22-50 Becca Way, Caroline Springs, VIC. \$50.00 / Person BOOK AT:
www.thermomix.com.au



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We are celebrating Neighbourhood House Week with a range of Free Activities between 30th April and 6th May

Come and try for FREE the following activities:

PHONE TO BOOK ON 9740 6627 - RSVP by 27th April 2018

Children - FREE CHILDCARE

Monday 30th April - Busy Bees Activity Group for 3-4 year olds - 9-12am or 12.45-3.45pm (Limited places and booking essential)

Tuesday 1st May - Occasional Childcare 0 - 6 years - 9-12am (Limited places and booking essential)

Wednesday 2nd May - Occasional Childcare 0 - 6 years - 9-12am (Limited places and booking essential)

Friday 4th May - Occasional Childcare 0 - 6 years - 9-12am (Limited places and booking essential)

Children - FREE DANCE

Tuesday 1st May - Movement to Music for 2 to 4 year olds 2pm (Limited places and booking essential)

Wednesday 2nd May - Ballet for 4 to 9 year olds 4pm and Hip Hop for 4 to 9 year olds 4.30pm (Limited places and booking essential)

Adults - FREE FITNESS

Tuesday 1st May - Gentle Exercise 3pm (Limited places and booking essential)

Friday 4th May - Gentle Exercise 2pm (Limited places and booking essential)

MORNING TEA - FREE ALL WELCOME!

Wednesday 2nd May 9am to 12noon

HIGH TEA - FREE

Friday 4th May 9am to 12noon - New Parents & Grandparent - free childcare (Limited places and booking essential)

Featuring the The Goonawarra Shares the Love film screening

*** Childcare, dancing and exercise classes are free for new comers only. *** All current house users are invited to the Free Morning Tea and High Tea