



Goonawarra Primary School Newsletter

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

At Goonawarra we all aim to be -

Generous

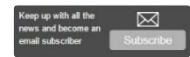
Responsible

Enthusiastic


Ambitious

Trustworthy

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

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
STUDENT REPORTS GO HOME TOMORROW					23 rd	24 th
25 th Canteen Sausage Sizzle/Hamburger Day. No lunch orders on this day.	26 th	27 th	28 th Grade 6 Health & Human Relations Incursion PARENT & TEACHER DISCUSSIONS 1.30PM DISMISSAL	29 th LAST DAY OF TERM 2.30PM DISMISSAL CASUAL CLOTHES DAY FOR THE SALVATION ARMY	Start Gnome Hunt! 	
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS						
16 th July TERM 3 COMMENCES	17 th	18 th	19 th	20 th	21 st	22 nd
23 rd	24 th	25 th Grades 1-6 CommBank Financial Literacy Incursion	26 th Grades 1-6 CommBank Financial Literacy Incursion	27 th Grades 1-6 CommBank Financial Literacy Incursion	28 th	29 th
30 th School Council 6.30pm	31 st Grades 1-6 CommBank Financial Literacy Incursion	1 st August	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th 2019 Preps PMP Sessions 9.15am-10am 10.15am-11am	10	11 th	12 th

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

Payments & Reminders:

School Choir: State School Spectacular: \$52 due by Tuesday 26th June.

CSEF Applications close Thursday 28th June.

Grade 3-4 Camp Arrabri: \$217.00 due by Friday 7th September.

BOOK PACKS: A reminder for those families who have requested to pay the \$170 by instalments, please, finalise payments by the end of **Term 2 - Thursday 28th June.**

EVENTS:

- **Student Reports go home – Friday 22nd June.**
- **Canteen Sausage Sizzle/Hamburger Day – Monday 25th June.**
- **Parent & Teacher Discussions – Thursday 28th June (1.30pm Dismissal).**
- **End of Term Friday 29th June (2.30pm Dismissal).**

PARENT AND TEACHER DISCUSSIONS:

An opportunity for parents to meet with staff and discuss the progress of students will be available on Thursday 28th June.

Meeting times of 10 minute duration will be provided between 2.00pm and 7.30pm.

Students will be dismissed at 1.30pm on this day.

All parents are encouraged to make the most of this opportunity.

Please Note: Bookings need to be made before 11.00am on the day of the Discussions. After 11.00am all enquiries will be provided to the relevant staff member to contact the parent and make a suitable time.

So far 250 parents have booked discussions.

After School Care will be operating from 1.30pm to 6.00pm on this day.

To secure a discussion time:

- Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au
- **Enter the log in code – 6ka9p**
- Enter the required information
- Follow the links to select a staff member
- Choose a free time which suits your schedule
- An email confirming the selected time will be sent to you.

If a longer discussion time is required, please contact the relevant staff member to make an alternative time.

STUDENT MID YEAR REPORTS:

Student Reports will be sent home tomorrow.

Although the report format will look very similar to those of the past, the interpretation of student data and achievements has varied slightly due to a change in assessment techniques, particularly in the area of reading. In some instances it may appear on your child's report as though they have made minimal gains in their reading growth. This is however not necessarily the case, rather that we are looking for students to demonstrate a deep level of comprehension before moving students to more challenging texts. Comprehension occurs when the reader knows what skills and strategies are necessary and appropriate for the type of text and understands how to apply them to accomplish the reading process and reach a high degree of comprehension and retention.

A major focus for staff professional development this year has been assessment in reading and using the evidence to inform teaching and learning. Our focus, therefore with students, is to further develop readers with a deeper comprehension of texts.

The student reports consist of:

- **A list of areas within the Victorian Curriculum covered by your child.**
- **A shaded sections (yellow) highlighting the expected level of achievement of your child.**
- **A white dot to indicate your child's level last year within the Victorian Curriculum.**
- **A black dot to indicate your child's current level within the Victorian Curriculum.**
- **A figure indicating how much time your child has been at school. 93% - 100% attendance is within the expected range. Lower the 93% is below average and can have a negative effect on a child's learning.**
- **Your child's work habits are given a rating for their Effort and Behaviour.**
- **The classroom teacher has written comments under the headings of 'What your child has achieved' (in English, Mathematics and Integrated Studies) and 'Areas for improvement.'**
- **Mr Fitzclarence has summed up your child's participation and achievements in Physical Education.**
- **Mrs Procek has summed up your child's participation and achievements in Visual Arts.**
- **For Grades 1 - 4, Mrs Hornby has summed up your child's participation and achievements in Italian (LOTE).**

The purpose of distributing the reports now is that parents will hopefully read them thoroughly and bring any questions or seek clarifications on any aspects of the report to the Parent and Teacher Discussions next Thursday.

THE GNOMES ARE COMING!:

Order forms for the Gnome Passport have been sent home.

More forms are available from the office.

There is only **ONE WEEK** until The Great Sunbury Gnome Hunt commences! All schools in Sunbury have been invited to participate.

Participating families will take the Passport during the school holidays and try and locate 25 Gnomes in 25 shops / locations within Sunbury.

Everyone who finds all the Gnomes will go in the draw for many great prizes!



PERSONAL PROJECT PRESENTATIONS:

On Tuesday night the Grade 5/6 students presented their Personal Projects to their family and friends.

The projects focussed on topics chosen by students based on their personal interests eg. judo, sharks, gymnastics, cooking, science, world events, games, history, places etc.

Hundreds of family and friends attended. It was a special night to celebrate learning opportunities in the Grade 5/6 Area.



2019 PREP TOURS & ENROLMENT FORMS:

Enrolment forms were sent home recently to current school families who, according to students, have a child commencing Preps next year. If you receive one of these forms and our information is correct, **please complete it and return to school before the end of this Term.** If you do not have a child commencing Preps, please contact the school to correct our information.

If you know of families who are exploring school options for their children (at any grade level), personal tours are always available. Contact the office on 9744 7137 to arrange a suitable time.

SAFETY AROUND THE SCHOOL:

A reminder to parents to drive safely in the streets around the school, especially at the drop off and pick up times.

Alan Fairweather
Principal
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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
Term 1 2019: 30th January to 5th April

CANTEEN ROSTER	
Friday 22 nd June	Nicole Huybers, Judy Cawthan, Kayleen Lockwood
Monday 25 th June	Nicole Huybers, Vanessa Radclyffe. SAUSAGE SIZZLE/ HAMBURGER DAY NO LUNCH ORDERS ON THIS DAY.
Friday 29 nd June	CANTEEN CLOSED - LAST DAY OF TERM.

ART ROOM:
THANK YOU FOR THE CLEAR PLASTIC BOTTLES. ALIENS ARE BEING MADE THIS WEEK.
NO MORE DONATIONS ARE NEEDED. THANK YOU.

Goonawarra Classifieds



Keyboard lessons
On School Campus!



Small Group & Private Lessons

- Please **ENROL TODAY** – via PMI's website OR enrolment forms available at your school front office
- Lessons are held once per week on school campus – typically during the school day
- Only \$15.95 per child per small group lesson (2-5 students for 30 minutes)
- Our small group lessons provide a fun and affordable opportunity to learn instrumental music
- Private lessons also available (\$32.95 per child for 30 minutes)
- Learning plan for all students via "PMI Stars" program – structured objectives with progress visibility
- PMI teachers supply keyboards and textbooks for keyboard lessons
- Ten minutes per day of practice at home is all that is required to see improvement!
- Instrumental music can improve your child's school results – including for reading, maths, coordination
- Limited spaces available – so please enrol ASAP

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\$7 ENTRY | PRIMARY AGE

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