Proud Reach for the Stars Award Winners

Term 1 2015

Calendar

*Please note dates from week to week as there are occasionally some changes.

Week 7

Monday, 9th March  
Riverina Swimming Carnival

Thurs., 12th March  
Selective High School Test

Week 8

Tuesday, 17th March  
P&C AGM - 7.00pm

Friday, 20th March  
Harmony Day

Week 9

Monday, 23rd March  
Young Leaders Conference

Friday, 27th March  
Rugby League Trials

Week 10

Thursday, 2nd April  
Whole School Assembly  
Easter Hat Parade  
Mobile Library  
Last Day Term 1

Student of the Month

Tess Power  
For being a responsible student and enthusiastic learner.

Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Guardians/Community members,

Welcome to week 7 of term one. Our students have been working very hard in their classrooms to improve their literacy and numeracy skills. Our classroom teaching programs are very closely linked to the numeracy and literacy continuums. Each student is assessed and personalised learning plans are put in place for each student or groups of students so that they can move along the continuum of stage based learning outcomes.

Mrs Robertson will be meeting with all our Kindergarten parents to share the results from our Best Start assessments. Each child is plotted on the learning continuum and learning activities are implemented to move each child along.

If you would like to know where your child is at on these numeracy and literacy continuums please book a time to meet with your child’s classroom teacher. It is expected that each student will make at least 12 months growth in a year of schooling.

Find out what you can do at home to support your child. Reading to and with your child is the first and most important skill; however there are many other great ideas. Please come and see us and learn as much as you can about how we...

Notes Coming Home This Week

Nil.

Canteen Roster

- Wednesday, 11th March - Billy-Jo Clark
- Wednesday, 18th March - Gillian Star
can all help your child improve, succeed and power ahead with their learning outcomes.

Have a great week.

Lucia Vernon

**In The Classrooms?**

**Peer Support**

**Personal Health and Development**

During peer support we are learning about the importance of support networks and the role that friends play in each other’s lives. Encourage your child to identify friends they have who can provide support to them if the need arises.

We are also looking at how to play in a friendly way in order to maintain friends and build positive relationships. Through various activities children will discover the importance of taking turns and having consistent rules throughout games.

This week help your child practise these skills by encouraging them to play games with siblings, family and friends.

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**2/3 News**

This week in 2/3 the students have continued their investigation and exploration of the art of Andy Warhol. The children have viewed and discussed the style and subject matter of various works by Warhol particularly those depicting animals. Students have enjoyed learning the artist’s techniques and have been inspired to produce original works of their own in the Warhol style. Here are some examples of the student’s efforts.

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**K/1 News**

In Science we have been learning about how our senses are used in different situations. Our senses help keep us safe and make us aware of things around us.

The pet project is a part of the Science unit. If your child has finished the project it can be brought in and shared with the class.

Mrs Robertson
I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that parent and student login codes and instructions have been sent home with students for a variety of online learning programs including Mathletics and Studyladder which can be accessed on PC and tablet using appropriate browsers. Class Dojo is accessible on PC, tablet and smartphone for both parents and students and I urge those families who are able to log on and make use of the features available including the message function with which parents can communicate with me directly and which I use to broadcast messages directly about important classroom happenings.

Mr Calwell

4/5/6 News

This week we have been looking at Patterns and Algebra in maths. Students have been learning to recognise, continue and describe number patterns resulting from performing multiplication or division.

Ms Sheehan

Accelerated Reader Awards

Becky Jackson, Zarli Srdoc, Lily Taylor, Kaycee Krause, Lochlan Wilson, Simon Star

Reach For The Star Reward Winners

K/1

Dayton Harrison, Annabell Liddicoat, Millie Power, Jewel Shaw, Joshua Jackson, Mikaere Murphy, Charlotte Star, Harry Furner, Jordon Williams.

2/3

Eliza Wray, Tevita Namoa, Dylan Litchfield, Brianna Leidl, Rachel Jackson, Brooklyn Headrick, Brezn Harrison, Jack Furner.

4/5/6

Rachel Dakota McMillan, Tess Power, Hayden Litchfield, Cody Headrick, Brandon Williams, Becky Jackson, Zarli Srdoc.

Weekly Class Learning Awards

Mrs Robertson

- Jewel Shaw - for crisp finger pointing when reading.
- Jarod Harris - for fantastic mental additions.
- Harrison Ryan - for being a kind and caring student.

Mr Calwell

- Rachel Jackson - for consistently excellent writing in class.

Ms Sheehan

- Hayden Litchfield - for fantastic work on literacy projects.
- Dakota McMillan - for excellent work in maths.
- Kaycee Krause - for thinking about others and being responsible.
SRC Fundraiser

Congratulations to our SRC for hosting a very successful fund raising day last Friday for Brandon’s Relay for Life Team. They raised $87.00 through the sale of ice blocks and the gold coin donation.

Sports News

Tom Taylor represented the Zone at a regional tennis tournament on Friday. He was playing students older than himself and was unfortunately beaten in each of his matches. He was pleased with his performance and in making it as far as he did. Tom is looking forward to doing even better next year.

Four students from Goolgowi PS are travelling to Griffith tomorrow as part of the Small Schools Cricket team. Cameron, Danvir, Jisharn and Simon will be taking part in the local cricket knockout competition.

Swimming continues this week and parents and students are reminded to come equipped with swimming gear tomorrow.

Swimming

Please note that our school is having sport on Tuesday afternoon this term, from 1:30 to 3pm. We will be doing swimming for sport and would appreciate any parent helpers who would like to help with our swimming program. Students are to wear sport uniform on Tuesday.

For those students who don’t have a season ticket, please send in $1.50 each week otherwise they will not be allowed to swim.

Harmony Day

This year at Goolgowi PS our plans for Harmony Day are as follows.

Students and staff are all asked to wear Orange on the day to express their support for people of all cultural backgrounds. The school will be decorated with material sent by the Harmony Day organisers.

During the week class teachers will be making use of recommended ‘Harmony Day’ and ‘Bullying No Way’ resources in their classrooms before Friday’s celebrations. In classes and music lessons students have been practicing Disney’s ‘It’s a Small World’ which will be sung as a community song at the usual Friday school assembly.

Several community members will be invited to share their experience of other cultures with the students of Goolgowi PS during the course of the day and a multicultural lunch will be on offer for those who wish to sample the taste of a
different culture or two. Food will be provided by members of the Goolgowi PS staff and community members.

To complete the day’s celebrations our Peer Group leaders will be leading students in some fun and informative activities using anti-bullying and Harmony day resources.

We are looking forward to a fun day of multicultural learning.

Jason Calwell
Harmony Day Coordinator

**Head Lice**

There have been a number of cases of head lice reported to the school.

Anyone can get head lice and it is common for school children to get head lice at some time. Head lice can spread when children's hair comes into contact with one another. Although itchy and annoying head lice do not harm your child.

**To prevent getting head lice**

- Tell your child not to share hats or clothes
- Check your child’s hair regularly

**If your child has head lice**

- Continue to send your child to school
- Inform the school so they can inform others to check their children’s hair, your child does not have to be identified.
- Do not use household chemicals (such as kerosene or methylated spirits) to treat head lice.

**Comb and conditioner method**

Head lice breathe through small openings along their abdomens called spiracles. Coating hair in something thick and slimy like a white hair conditioner makes these openings close over, shutting down the louse’s breathing for about 20 minutes. Although the louse will not die with this method, it does slow it down so that you can comb them out.

**You can do the following**

- Sit your child in a low position in front of you and put on a DVD for your child to watch while you work.
- Wrap a towel or kitchen paper around your child’s shoulders to catch conditioner spill.

- Apply lots of conditioner to the scalp and massage it through all hair shafts. Lice live close to the scalp, so make sure that you cover the hair shaft close to the scalp. Combing will spread the conditioner onto the rest of the length of hair. Every hair has to be coated to ensure it reaches the lice.
- When the hair is detangle and manageable, use a fine lice comb to comb out each section several times.
- After each comb out, wipe the conditioner on the paper towel. If the child has head lice, you will see them on the towel.

**Found**

Left at school after swimming on Tuesday, size 6 School Zone grey shorts. If these belong to your child please pick them up from the office.

**P&C News**

We didn’t end up with enough people last Tuesday for a formal meeting.

I have rescheduled the AGM to **Tuesday 17th March**. Starting at 7pm.

Thank you.

Ian Langridge - 0427 508 775

**Parent Tips**

**Public speaking**

Does your child suffer glossophobia? Fear of public speaking is common. Try creating opportunities for your child to present speeches to the family, without putting pressure on them to perform. Here are some tried and true tips to make your child’s next speech a success.


**Science starters**

Did humans live with dinosaurs? Does the moon disappear in the day? Kids love to know the answers to life’s mysteries but there are a few facts they often get wrong in the name of science.

Community News

Goolgowi Public Hall AGM

The AGM for the Goolgowi Public Hall will be held at the Club on Thursday, 12th March at 7:30pm. Please come along and become involved in this community organisation.

Goolgowi Golf Club AGM

The AGM of the Goolgowi Club will be held at the Golf Club on Wednesday, 11th March (please note change of date) commencing at 7:00pm.

Swim Club News

Swimming season is quickly coming to a close.

Friday 13 March is our last Point Score night for the season, Friday 20 March is Championship Night and Friday 27 March is Presentation Night.

Can everyone who has perpetual trophies please bring them back in to Swim Club or drop them at the school by Friday 13 March.

End of Season Sale

Swim Club T-Shirts $10 (till stocks last).

Male Swimmers $20 reduced from $30.

Female Swimmers $30 reduced from $40.

Swimmers are Red & Green with Goolgowi across the bottom.

Swimmers can be worn if your child is representing Goolgowi Public at any swimming event.

Contact: Cheryl on 0401 031 147 or email: Cheryl.k.wray@gmail.com

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The Club has been lucky enough to have been given the opportunity to Cater for the above event, on the 20th, 21st and 22nd March, but we require many helpers, if you could help out for approx. 4 hours on any of these days, please contact one of the committee members or leave your details at the Club.
Thank you to all our community businesses who support our school newsletter. We really appreciate your support.

If you have any community announcements or wish to advertise through our school/community newsletter please contact Jane by phone or email by Friday afternoon.

Our newsletter is published on Monday.
Goolgowi 6 -A- Side

Cricket - Leagues - Beach Volleyball

Goolgowi Rec. Ground

Sat. 14th March (9:30 start)

In order to raise funds for repairs on amenities!

- Team registration & draw Finalized Friday Night (13th) at Goolgowi Exies
  (You cannot register on the day!)

- 9:30 start Saturday

- Prizes for best team on the day & best uniform/costume

- Player Fees: $10 Adults $5 Students

- BBQ/Canteen all day

- Tennis Competition (numbers permitting)

- Afterwards at Royal Mail Hotel

- Team Registrations can be made now by calling 0434 292 710

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