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 9

Monday, 23rd March  National Young Leaders Day Conference in Sydney
Thursday 26th March  2/3 Excursion to Altina
Friday, 27th March  Rugby League Trials

Week 10

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

Term 2 2015

Week 1

Monday, 20th April  School Development Day - No Students
Tuesday, 21st April  Students Return
Thursday, 23rd April  Cross Country Carnival

Week 2

Tuesday, 28th April  Trent Barrett Shield 3/4

Week 3

Tuesday, 5th May  P&C Meeting - 7.00pm

Notes Coming Home This Week

• Installing Office 2013 and Adobe CS6 for free on home computers

Canteen Roster

• Wednesday, 25th March - Sharon Power
• Wednesday, 1st April - Linda Taylor

Student of the Month

Tess Power
For being a responsible student and enthusiastic learner.

Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Guardians/Community members,

Today our three year six young leaders, Jisharn, Simon and Cameron are in Sydney attending the National Young Leaders Conference at the Sydney Entertainment Centre. They will be joining over 5,000 other young leaders from across the state of NSW and listening to key note speakers. I believe Bindi Irwin and the Honourable Mike Baird are two of this year’s guest speakers.

We look forward to hearing all about their adventure and learning experiences.

Congratulations to our two talented school community members Kapi and Tracey who did an excellent job sharing their culture with our students. As you can see by the photos the students were engaged, inspired and very interested in learning about other people and their experiences. It was fantastic and we want them back by popular demand!

We have many fantastic learning and inspired teaching programs happening at Goolgowi Public School.

Have a great week.
Lucia Vernon
In The Classrooms?

**Personal Development**

In this week’s Peer Support sessions the children will be exploring how to join groups and how to accept others into their friendship group. The activities will give the children a chance to practise these skills, as well as how to say no in a respectful way, cope with being told no and inviting others to join them.

Encourage your child to discuss with you the importance of saying no to people in a respectful way so that they don’t lose friends. Also discuss with your child various options they have at school if they should find themselves without anyone to play with during a play time.

**K/1 News**

PDHPE (Personal Development, Health and Physical Education) is one of the 6 KLAs (Key Learning Areas) that are taught in NSW schools.

As a part of PD Health this term the students are participating in the Peer Support Programme. The school is divided into small groups from each year. The groups are led by the year 5/6 students. The focus is on friendships and relationships.

Also as a part of PD/Health the class have been learning about school values and behaviour expectations.

In morning PE the K/1 class have been taking part in a Perceptual Motor Program (PMP). Students take part in a course that involves rolling, balance, crawling and motor skills.

For sport this term the students have been very fortunate to be able to take part in swimming and water confidence activities. It is great to take advantage of the swimming pool while the weather is suitable.

Mrs Robertson

**2/3 News**

This week in 2/3 the students have continued to enjoy our daily morning fitness activities. 2/3 students participate in the ‘fundamental movement’ program which focuses on a particular movement skill each week or so and then teaches students to utilise that skill in a variety of contexts such as games and athletic competition.

This week’s skill was the leap. Students practiced launching off one foot and landing on the other trying to lengthen their leap each time.

We finished this week’s skill focus with a game of ‘Fly’ which the students enjoyed greatly.
So far we have focused on skills such as sprinting, balancing and catching. Our program continues next week with the over arm throw.

This coming week also brings our excursion to Altina Wildlife Park. We are all looking forward to it and I remind students and parents that all notes and money are due in by Tuesday. It will be an exciting day of learning for all.

Jason Calwell

Harmony Day

Goolgowi PS turned orange in celebration of Harmony Day last Friday 20th March. Students and staff all wore a variety of orange attire on the day to acknowledge and celebrate our unique multicultural life in Australia. Some even went so far as to dye their hair.

Class teachers all featured fun lessons and activities about the importance and beauty of multiculturalism in Australia including sharing the story of Australian comedian Ahn Do, who was born in Vietnam and came to Australia as a refugee after the Vietnam War.

Our guests joined us as we sang 'It's a Small World' together at our usual Friday school assembly. Then they were invited to enjoy a ‘Taste of Harmony’ as staff offered samples of delicious, international delicacies from different cultures at lunch time.

Our thanks go to community members Kapi and Tracey for sharing their experience of growing up in other cultures and of the challenges and joys of becoming part of Australian society with classes during the morning. Both ladies spoke wonderfully and came prepared with many interesting Maori artefacts and an excellent PowerPoint display. Unfortunately our other expected guests were unable to make it but I thank them for offering to participate.
It was an interesting and informative day which was rounded out with games and craft activities which reinforced the message of Harmony Day that everyone belongs.

Thanks to staff, students, parents and community members for your support. It would not be possible to plan and coordinate a day like this without your cooperation and assistance.

Jason Calwell
Harmony Day Coordinator

**Reach For The Star Reward Winners**

K/1
Harry Furner, Joshua Jackson, Dayton Harrison, Annabell Liddicoat, Millie Power, Charlotte Star, Jewel Shaw, Jordon Williams.

2/3
Jack Furner, Brezn Harrison, Brooklyn Headrick, Rachel Jackson, Jarrod Langridge, Brianna Leidl, Bridget Leidl, Dylan Litchfield, Dustin McIntyre, Tevita Namoa, Jorja Srdoc, Eliza Wray.

4/5/6
Becky Jackson, Dakota McMillan, Zarli Srdoc, Tess Power.

**Weekly Class Learning Awards**

Mrs Robertson
- Shayla Williams - for trying hard in story writing.
- Declan Leidl - for joining in some class activities.
- Harry Furner - for great number ordering to 20.

Mr Calwell
- **Jack Furner** - for great narrative writing.
- **Jarrod Langridge** - for imaginative story writing.
- **Tyesh Clark-Ebsworth** - for creative narrative writing.

Ms Sheehan
- **Tess Power** - for fantastic letter writing in literacy.
- **Harrison Ryan** - for great work in Maths.
- **Lachlan Leidl** - for fantastic work in Harmony Day activities.

**Reading Awards**

25 Nights - Alexis Ball

**The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge**

The NSW Premiers reading Challenge (PRC) is an initiative of the NSW Stage government. It aims to encourage in students a love of reading for leisure and pleasure and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely. For more information, access the website via the link below.


Mrs Liddicoat

**Sports and PDHPE**

**Swimming Carnival Record Correction**

Due to a technical glitch some swimming records were not updated. Unfortunately this meant that Cody Headrick was credited with breaking a record in the Junior Boys 50m Butterfly in a time of 59.97. This record is currently held by Samuel Flood who swam the race in a time of 58.60.
Swimming

Tomorrow is the last day of swimming for sport. Please make sure you bring your swimmers, swim shirt, towel and money for the pool if you don’t have a season ticket.

P&C News

Our AGM was successfully held last Tuesday. I thank those parents and members of the community who have taken on the executive roles.

I was re-elected President.

Sharon Power continues as Vice President.

Christine Leidl is now Secretary.

Jackie Sloan is still Treasurer in what will be her last year in this role.

Ros Srdoc and Linda Taylor are canteen co-ordinators.

And finally, Max Campbell is continuing to muster drums.

Don’t forget the state election this coming weekend. We need helpers at the BBQ on and off for the whole day as well as donations of cakes for the year six cake stall. We only three year six students so a few extra cakes will be most appreciated.

Thank you.

Ian Langridge - 0427 508 775

Easter Activities

Easter is approaching and we are preparing for our annual activities.

On Wednesday we will start the competitions. The ‘guess the bunny’s name’ and how many Easter eggs in the jar.

Each guess or name will cost 50 cents a turn. Students will be able to do this at recess every day. SRC members will be doing this. The money raised will go towards the eggs for the Easter egg hunt.

On Thursday 2nd April there is a whole school assembly. The focus will be the Easter Hat parade. Hats will be made at school.

There will also be a section for young children who are not yet at school. They will have the opportunity to parade a hat that has been made at home.

Please put this date in your diaries.

Parent Tips

Safetytown website – A road safety education program

This innovative website reinforces the road safety messages that children are learning at school. It provides practical strategies to help families learn how to be safer pedestrians and road users. The seven key road safety messages cover pedestrian safety, car passenger safety, bus passenger safety and safety on wheels (bicycles, foot scooters, skateboards and rollerblades). For further details, visit https://www.safetytown.com.au

Back by popular demand

Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits, (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they’re not dangerous. Here’s everything you need to know to rid your kids of head lice and nits.


Community News

Year 6 Fundraiser

Year 6 will be holding a cake stall and Devonshire Tea at the school on State Election day, Saturday, 28th March.

As there are only three Year 6 boys any donations of cakes, slices, saleable goods etc. would be gratefully accepted and appreciated.

Any items can be left at the school on Friday or Saturday.

For further information, please contact Gillian Star on 6965 1455.

Thank you for your generosity.
Relay For Life - BJ’s Crew
On the 14th and 15th of March Brandon led his team BJ’s Crew in the Griffith Relay For Life. This was an amazing event for the Cancer Council and had over 900 people in attendance, raising $145,000.

Brandon was very honoured to cut the ribbon at the opening ceremony along with four other survivors. They grounds were decorated with artwork by the local schools; Goolgowi students did a great job! Brandon along with Kadon, Jordon and Tevita did a wonderful job completing laps well past their bedtime. We would like to thank the SRC, Goolgowi Public School and the Goolgowi community for their support. Thanks to you BJ’s Crew managed to raise over $3,000 for this great cause.

Catholic Mass
Hillston - Palm Sunday, 29th March 9:00am (Father Unwin)
Goolgowi - Saturday Vigil at 6.00pm
Easter Masses
- Holy Thursday Hillston 6:00pm

Relay For Life - BJ’s Crew
Good Friday - Veneration of the Cross Hillston 3:00pm
- Stations of the Cross 10:00am
- Saturday Easter Vigil Hillston 6:00pm
- Sunday Goolgowi 9:30am

Goolgowi Boot Camp
Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. 5pm Start. $15.00pp.
Contact Christine 0474 477 803
**Days aren’t set in stone but these days had the most availability for people.

Swim Club News
Swimming season is quickly coming to a close.
Friday, 27th March is Presentation Night.

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

Goolgowi Preschool ANZAC Day Cake Stall
Goolgowi Preschool will be holding its annual cake stall and fundraiser after the ANZAC Day Ceremony at Goolgowi Exies Club 25th April.
Community donations of cakes, slices, jams and pickles will be most welcome on the day.
Thanks, Goolgowi Preschool Committee

Goolgowi Golf Club News
Working bee to be held on Saturday, 28th March at 9:00am.
Membership $35.00, Junior $15.00, Green Fees $5.00.
Season Opening Day Saturday, 11th April
2 person Ambrose
Hit Off from 11:00am
Central West Sports Volunteer Award

Sport and Recreation are again holding the volunteer award to recognise the effort of volunteers in the sporting community.

The Youth category (25 years and under) is also open to recognise the efforts of young people volunteering in local sporting clubs.

In 150 words or less tell us about your outstanding volunteer. Examples might be the extensive time they dedicate to the club, the positive attitude they bring to the sporting arena, being a positive role model, etc.

Download nomination forms from the Sport and Recreation website [www.dsr.nsw.gov.au](http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au) or call 6362 6623.

Nominations close Friday 10th April 2015.

Goolgowi Ex-Servicemen’s Club News

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU ARB GRIFFITH 400

Anybody & everybody that helped, offered to help, donated products, donated time, lent their equipment, made sandwiches, or made suggestions, for the weekend - thank you!

No final figure yet, but a very successful fundraiser for the club.

THURSDAY NIGHT RIVERINA SMALL CLUBS JACKPOT DRAW WAS NOT CLAIMED SO THIS WEEK

$22,500

Draw is between 7 & 9pm, you must be a current financial member and on the premises at the time of the draw.

Goolgowi Golf Club News

In preparation for the new Golf Club season a Working Bee will be held on Saturday 28th March, 2015 at 9am.

Opening day will be a two person Ambrose commencing at 11am on 11th April 2015.

All Welcome

BINGO THIS WEEK!!!!!!

THIS FRIDAY 27TH EASTER RAFFLES

CHOCOLATES & SEAFOOD GALORE

THE CLUB KITCHEN IS OPEN!!!!!!!!!!!!!
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.