Term 2 2015

Calendar
*Please note dates from week to week as there are

Week 1
Monday, 20th April  
School Development Day - No Students

Tuesday, 21st April  
Students Return

Thursday, 23rd April  
Cross Country Carnival

Saturday, 25th April  
ANZAC DAY -2:45pm

Week 2
Tuesday, 28th April  
Trent Barrett Shield (3/4)

Wednesday, 29th April  
School Photos

Week 3
Tuesday, 5th May  
P&C Meeting - 7.00pm

Thursday, 7th May  
Mobile Library

Week 4
Tuesday, 12th May  
NAPLAN - Language Conventions & Writing (Yr 3 & 5)

Wednesday, 13th May  
NAPLAN - Literacy & Reading (Yr 3 & 5)

Thursday, 14th May  
NAPLAN - Numeracy (Yr 3 & 5)

Principal’s Message

Welcome back to school for Term 2.

I hope everyone has had a great break and recharged your batteries.

Yesterday at our staff Development day we completed our first module related to the Higher Order Ways To Learn training that is being implemented by our school in 2015.

Last Term I attended three days of professional learning in Narrandera to complete the first module of the HOW2Learn trainer’s training. The HOW2Learn initiative focuses on building students’ capacity to learn. This training was well attended by many representatives from the Griffith Community of Schools and is being implemented in many schools across the state.

Parents, Teachers and students expect to grow in their learning. Many factors contribute to the success of learning, but the one thing we all know is that the classroom teacher has a very big impact on every student’s growth in learning.

“Teaching at its core is a moral profession. Scratch a good teacher and you will find a moral purpose”. With the very best intentions we venture into our classrooms each day determined to make a difference”. Michael Fullan

Have a great week!
Lucia Vernon

Notes Coming Home This Week
- Cross Country Program
- Uniform Order Form
- Mortimer Shield (Years 5/6)
- Trent Barrett Shield Note (Years 3/4)
- KROP Reminder Note

Canteen Roster
- Wednesday, 22nd April - Cheryl Wray

Student of the Month

Harry Furner
For being a caring and considerate student who is always cooperative.

In The Classrooms?
Higher Order Ways To Learn HOW2Learn
Our teaching and learning programs will be under pinned by the following Guiding Tenets (principles) of the HOW2Learn Strategies.
Real life learning – education is about enabling young people to take their place in the world confidently, actively and successfully.

Success at school – students can utilise powerful learning skills in order to embrace the specific content demands in various subject areas.

Literacy and Numeracy - all students can utilise powerful learning skills in order to embrace the specific content demands in various subject areas.

Mental wellbeing - all students can become more resourceful and resilient when faced with adversity.

Expandable intelligence - all learners can behave more intelligently through developing a repertoire of learning dispositions and habits.

Complex but vital - it will take a consistent focus and collective will over time to develop a growth culture but it is a path we need to travel.

As a trainer of this program I will be implementing it as part of our professional learning plan for 2015.

We look forward to sharing our commitment to this program as we continue to maintain student learning as our priority.

“LEARNING IS EXPERIENCE EVERYTHING ELSE IS JUST INFORMATION”. Albert Einstein.

Tuesday Interest Groups

This term our school will commence Tuesday afternoon interest groups, from 2pm to 3pm.

Our students will be given the opportunity to participate in the following learning activities; Robotics, Cooking and Gardening, Learning another language- Italian, Creative Crafts and Playing the Guitar.

If you would like to help with any of these learning activities please contact the school.

April Is Autism Awareness Month

At Goolgowi Public School will be showing our support for Autism month on Thursday with a fundraiser by selling puzzle cookies. This fundraiser will support the Griffith Autism Group who make a difference in the lives of people with Autism by providing early intervention programs, education, resources, therapy and support programs for children and adults with Autism.

Cookies will be $5 per bag

Easter Hat Parade Winners

We held a very successful end of term and Easter Hat Parade on the last day of last term. Congratulations to all our award winners and thank you everyone who helped on the day.

Kinder: Jewel Shaw
Year 1: Alexis Ball
Year 2: Tevita Namoa
Year 3: Brianna Leidl
Year 4: Jasvir Singh-Clark
Year 5: Dakota McMillan
Year 6: Simon Star & Cameron Langridge
End of Term Awards

Mrs Robertson

- **Alexis Ball (Year 1)** - for consistent effort, application and progress in English.

Mr Calwell

- **Brianna Leidl (Year 3)** - for consistent application in all areas of learning.

Ms Sheehan

- **Simon Star (Year 6)** - for showing consistent engagement in all learning areas.

Mrs Liddicoat

- **Tess Power** - for completing all set learning tasks in both Technology and HSIE to a high standard and making excellent contributions to class discussions.
- **Kadon Williams** - for displaying excellent skills using the computer program 'Microsoft Word'.
- **Jordan Williams** - for great enthusiasm and eagerness to learn new skills in Technology lessons.

Anzac Day Saturday, 25th April

Anzac Day is this Saturday. Traditionally our students have always taken part in this ceremony and we have had excellent attendance. As in the past the students assemble at the Community Hall, dressed in their full winter school uniform. Please arrive prior to 2:45pm as the march will commence at 2:45pm. Mrs Robertson, Miss Sheehan and Mrs Vernon will be there to meet the children.

Senior students who are available on the day will be representing our school, presenting speeches and laying the wreath.

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

The NSW Premier’s 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
Uniforms

Sent today with the newsletter was an order form for uniforms. Order forms, together with payment in full, is due back at school by Tuesday, 28th April.

If you require any information regarding uniforms please do not hesitate to contact me at the office.

Jane Brown

P&C News

Hopefully everyone had a good break over the last couple of weeks.

We have a busy start to the term with the cross country carnival on this Thursday.

Cakes and slices would be much appreciated to serve with the tea and coffee and we will need people to help cook and serve at the BBQ. (I know this is a big ask for a lot of our farming families because the recent rain means most will be starting to sow crops.)

Our Easter egg raffle for Arlo Woods raised $313 and was drawn by Emma Robertson at the end of term assembly. The winners were Lom and Barb McIntyre. Big thanks to Christine Leidl who sold tickets for hours on Election Day.

It was with profound sadness that we learned of the passing of Steve Condon, in the first week of holidays, after an extraordinarily long battle with cancer. Steve and Jan were both heavily involved in the school and the P&C while their children were attending. On behalf of the P&C I would like to, belatedly, offer my sincere condolences to the Condon family on their loss.

Ian Langridge - 0427 508 775

Canteen News

Toasted sandwiches are now available for lunch only.

Fillings include: chicken, ham, cheese or tomato.

Cost:
1 x filling - $1.50 (e.g. cheese)
2 x filling - $2.00 (e.g. cheese and ham)
3 x filling - $2.50 (e.g. chicken, cheese and tomato)

Sports News

Goolgowi Cross Country

Our Cross Country Carnival will be held this Thursday, 23rd April at the Goolgowi Golf Course. We will again be joined by Rankin’s Springs Public School, Carrathool Public School and St Joseph’s Primary School from Hillston.

We would appreciate some parent help on the day to set up, assist on check points and help with Infants tabloid sports. The P&C will be conducting a canteen on the day.

Students are to come to school as usual and then we will walk to the Golf Club in house teams.

Students are to wear their sports uniform and bring sunscreen, hat and a water bottle. If your child is asthmatic, please make sure they have their medication with them.

Sent home with today’s newsletter is a program of events as well as the canteen menu.

Trent Barrett Shield

Trent Barrett Shield will be held in Griffith at Jubilee Oval next Tuesday, 28th April. This activity is for students in Years 3/4. Goolgowi Public School has entered a boys and girls team. The boys team will be joined by four students from Carrathool Public School.

Sent home today is a permission note with further information for students who would like to participate. It is a seven a side competition with the boys playing modified league and the girls playing league tag. This note needs to be returned by Friday, 24th April.

Parents will need to provide transport for students to the venue. Students will need to be at Jubilee Oval by 9:00am.

Parent Tips

School calendar

What’s on when? Stay on top of school holiday, term and state examination dates across NSW.

Find out more:
http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/calendar/?do=setViewPeriod&categoryid=2&viewType=yearView
Community News

ANZAC DAY SERVICE

Saturday
25th April, 2015
commencing at
2.45 pm
at the
CENOTAPH
Goolgowi

Ex-Servicemen and School children will march from the Hall to the Cenotaph

Fall in at Hall 2.45 pm

Guest Speaker: Mr Ian (Jock) Munro
Bandiana Army Cadet Unit 37

Afternoon tea will be served in the Goolgowi Ex-Servicemen’s Club the completion of the service - plates gratefully accepted

A cake stall will be conducted on the day

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Goolgowi Ex-Servicemen’s Club Colouring In Competition

Winners

Kinder: Dayton Harrison
Year 1: Jordan Williams
Year 2: Dylan Litchfield
Year 3: Jack Furner
Year 4: Tom Taylor
Year 5: Kaycee Krause
Year 6: Simon Star

Bootcamp and Zumba night with Fiona and Ar’e

Come along dressed in your best fluro! 5pm this Friday, 24th April at Goolgowi Public School. Cost is $20 pp.

Bootcamp Tuesday and Wednesday each week at the school. $15 pp

All fitness levels welcome.

For more information contact Christine 0474 477 803.

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 Exies News

CLUB WILL BE CLOSED SATURDAY WHILE THE ANZAC SERVICE IS CONDUCTED. IT WILL CLOSE AT 2.30PM AND WILL RE-OPEN WHEN THE ANZAC SERVICE IS CONCLUDED

THANK YOU to everyone for everything on Saturday night the evening was overwhelming and extremely successful.

DUE TO ANZAC CELEBRATIONS NO SATURDAY HAPPY HOUR THIS WEEK

CORO WAS THE SELECTED CLUB LAST WEEK BUT THE MONEY WAS NOT CLAIMED, SO THE RIVERINA CLUB’S SUPER-DRAW THIS WEEK WILL BE $8,700 VERY HANDY

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

THERE WILL BE A MEAL AVAILABLE ON SATURDAY EVENING.

ATTENTION MEMBERS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
7TH MAY 2015 AT 7PM

COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED

2 very important matters to discuss

- LICENSING HOURS & COST
- FINANCIAL MATTER (BANK LOAN)
**MOVIE NIGHT**

IN SUPPORT OF KENAN MOBILE PRESCHOOL

**MOVIE:** PITCH PERFECT 2
**DATE:** THURSDAY 7TH MAY 2015
**TIME:** 6:30PM
**COST:** $20 MOVIE TICKET INCLUDING LUCKY DOOR PRIZE TICKET
  - Massage voucher donated by ECLIPSE THE ESSENTIAL SPA

RAFFLE TICKETS $1 EACH AVAILABLE NOW OR ON THE NIGHT - 10 ASSORTED RAFFLE PRIZES

**CALL CATE TO ORGANISE TICKETS ON 26444443 ----THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

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**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.
LIBRARY AND TECHNOLOGY

Library lessons will take place on Wednesdays. On this day each student needs to bring along a library bag. Our school’s Human Society and its Environment (HSIE) lessons are also incorporated into library lessons.

K/1 are studying the unit of work ‘MEETING NEEDS’.

The unit provides opportunities for students to explore their and other living things’ immediate needs - food, shelter, clothing and love. The unit focuses on how these needs are met by people and resources, as well as students’ responsibilities in meeting these needs.

2/3 are studying the unit of work ‘ANZAC Stories’.

This unit provides opportunities for students to learn about the importance of ANZAC Day in Australia’s History. Anzac Day is one of Australia’s most important national commemorative occasions. It marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War.

4/5/6 are studying a unit of work on the CWA country of study for 2015 ‘Italy’.

In TECHNOLOGY on Tuesdays all classes will be learning to effectively use the word processing program ‘Microsoft PowerPoint’.

As part of 2/3’s unit of work on ‘Shelters’ from Term 1, we would like to finish making our milk bottle igloo. Although, we will need the help of the whole school and Goolgowi community, as one igloo uses around four hundred 2 litre milk bottles. So we would love it if you could save up all your 2 litre milk bottles and send them into the school each