Term 2 2015

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

**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) Mobile Library
- Friday, 15ᵗʰ May: PSSA Rugby Union Trials - Wagga Wagga

**Week 5**
- Tuesday, 19ᵗʰ May: Mortimer Shield (5/6)
- Thursday, 21ˢᵗ May: Zone Cross Country
- Wednesday, 20ᵗʰ May: Kids Club 3.00-4.30pm
- Friday, 22ⁿᵈ May: Assembly - 12.00pm

**Week 6**
- Friday, 29ⁿᵈ May: KROP Audition

**Week 7**
- Tuesday, 2ⁿᵈ June: P&C Meeting - 7.00pm
- Thursday, 4ᵗʰ June: Mobile Library

Notes Coming Home This Week
Nil

Canteen Roster
- Wednesday, 13ᵗʰ May - Sandy Taylor
- Wednesday, 20ᵗʰ May - Gillian Star

Student of the Month

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

Principal’s Message
This week we wish all our students in Year 3 and 5 the very best in their National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests. These tests will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9, and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of these tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child’s level of achievement. Each student’s level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Have a great week everyone.

Lucia Vernon

In The Classrooms?

**Higher Order Ways To Learn Awards**
Our awards have taken on a Higher Order Way to Learn focus. Our students are aiming to apply powerful higher order ways to think strategies to their learning.
This week’s award winners are:

**Mrs Robertson**
- **Charlotte Star** - for persisting with her learning.

**Mr Calwell**
- **Brianna Leidl** - for ignoring distractions and continuing to learn.

**Ms Sheehan**
- **Lily Taylor** - for using strategies to draw on main ideas for Storybird program.

**Reading Awards**
- **25 Nights** - Shayla Williams, Jarod Harris
- **50 Nights** - Jewel Shaw, Alexis Ball

**The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge**
The NSW Premier’s reading Challenge (PRC) is an initiative of the NSW State 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.

https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html

Mrs Liddicoat

**Personal Development Peer Support Lesson**
This week we are reviewing how to be a good winner. It is important to be friendly when we win at games. At times it is disappointing to lose. We need to learn how to cope with this in a positive way to maintain friendships.

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<td>Boast about how easily you won</td>
<td>Show others you enjoyed playing against them</td>
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<td>Point out how badly others played</td>
<td>Invite others to play again soon</td>
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<td>Laugh when others make a mistake</td>
<td>Show others you are pleased you won and thank them for a good game</td>
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<td>Brag to others about your win</td>
<td>Keep trying hard even if you are winning, the other person would want you to</td>
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<td>Call the others by name</td>
<td>Always shake hands at the end of the game</td>
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**After School Kids Club**

After School Kids Club will continuing this term at the school from 3:00pm to 4:30pm on the following dates.

**WEDNESDAY 20th May**
**WEDNESDAY 17th June**

After School Kids Club is hosted by the LifeSource Church. Activities will include craft, games, story time and songs. Fruit and drinks will be provided. There is no cost involved but any donation would be gratefully accepted.

Rodney Bortolin
Senior Minister, LifeSource Church

**Operation Art**
Congratulations to all our students who entered the Operation Art Competition. We had an excellent selection of art works from students K-6 and it was very difficult for the judges to choose.

Our school finalists were; Cameron Langridge, Tess Power, Harry Furner, Dylan Litchfield, Harrison Ryan and Tom Taylor.

The three finalists were Tom Taylor, Harrison Ryan and Dylan Litchfield. Their amazing art works have been sent off to Sydney for the final judging. We wish them well and thank the Goolgowi Public School P&C for sponsoring this competition. This year we also received a subsidy from the Rural and Remote funding for the framing of one of the art works.
Sports News

Goolgowi PS students were involved in two representative sports competitions last week and are enthusiastically preparing to represent the school at the Zone Cross Country championships. Goolgowi Public School has also commenced weekly tennis training for Friday sport at the local tennis courts for interested students.

Mortimer Shield

A group of senior students were training and trialing for Mortimer Shield competition last week with excellent results.

Danvir, Simon, Harrison and Jisharn all were selected for the boy’s team to play next week and Tess, Dakota, Kaycee and Qyarah were selected for one of two girls teams formed because of the overwhelming interest.

All Goolgowi students are to be congratulated on their efforts and thanks go to parents and coaches for their time and effort in transporting, preparing and supporting the students to achieve their best. We wish them all well in next week’s competition.

Jason Calwell
Sports Coordinator

Tennis Competition

Last Wednesday Tom and I went to play tennis for Griffith Small Schools. There were also two girls in our team. We all had one singles match and one mixed doubles.

First we played against Griffith North and I lost my singles match six-nil and Tom lost six-two. Then we had our doubles match and Tom and I were partners and we lost 6-1. After that we played our mixed doubles with the girls and my pair won 6-4 and the girls both won their singles matches and doubles matches. Griffith Small Schools won against Griffith North overall.

After that we played against Lake Wyangan and we all won our singles, doubles and mixed doubles.

I had fun and so did Tom. For the third round of the competition we play Hay PS.

Harrison Ryan

Rugby Union Gala Day

On Tuesday, 5th May - Lachlan Leidl, Jasvir Singh-Clark, Simon Star, Danvir Singh-Clark, Tom Taylor, Jisharn Harrison, Cody Headrick, Harrison Ryan and Cameron Langridge travelled to Griffith to play in a Rugby Union Gala Day. Lachlan Robertson from Thargbogang and Hugh Argent-Smith from Rankin’s Springs joined the boys to form a very enthusiastic team.

When the boys arrived, the team coaches Konrad and Eden gave them a training session to get warmed up. The Goolgowi team played St Pats in their first game. This was a very even match with very good defence and attack from Goolgowi. Tom Taylor, Simon Star and Harrison Ryan all scored a try each. St Pats won the game 4-3 with a Goolgowi try disallowed on the whistle. Unfortunately Harrison was hurt in the second half and was out for the rest of the day.

The second game was against Griffith Public No. 1. Griffith Public No. 1 fielded a very solid team and were outstanding in their attack, defeating Goolgowi by a large margin. Despite this loss the Goolgowi boys, Jisharn, Simon, Danvir, Tom, Jasvir, Lachlan R and Hugh, showed a huge amount of courage, determination and sportsmanship by not giving up.

A special congratulations to Cameron, Lachlan L and Cody who showed a huge amount of skill and sportsmanship as newcomers to Rugby.

A big thanks to the mums, dads and family for supporting your boys on the day. Also thanks to Seth Stoltenberg from the Brumbies and Griffith Rugby Club for your help.

Gillian Star, Team Manager
Parent Tips

Frightened? Worried? Upset? Anxious?

When the brain feels one of these emotions your amygdala is on alert! It regulates and blocks information from going to your prefontal cortex (PFC) where thinking and reasoning can occur.

Students learn best when they are operating in a calm relaxed and non-threatening environment.

A Quick Bite ...

Screen Free Quiet Time

Some families have a daily quiet time where everyone takes a break. Do your children watch movies during their quiet time? Why not try some of these activities instead to reduce the amount of screen time they are exposed to during the day.

- Create a quiet time box with reading books, colouring books, pencils, puzzles and quiet games like card games
- Do some sensory play eg, make some sensory balls, have a box filled with items of different textures
- Threading items—macaroni on a string, French knitting, lacing cards
- Listen to some quiet music
- Spot the word – while reading a book; look for a particular letter, word, or shape
- Can you think of any others?

For more information visit mhd.health.nsw.gov.au/keepinghealthy

Community News

Goolgowi Golf News

On Saturday the men played a Stroke Event.

Winner of the Day  Geoff Elliot
Runner Up Ray Christoff
NTP Ray Christoff

It was good to see Floyd Sutcliffe back on the course. He saved his best ‘shot’ for the 18th ‘firing a birdie’.

Goolgowi Fire Brigade

Our local brigade has become a bit short on numbers over the past 12 months and are looking for any new members. If you are interested in becoming part of a great team in a worthy volunteer organization contact Geoff on 0434 292 710 or see Lawrence at the garage. A half day induction course will be held in coming weeks.

The annual smoke alarm battery replacement for pensioners will be done this Saturday and Sunday from 10am. If you will not be home please let Geoff or Lawrence know and they will see it is done during the week. This is a free program that sees all alarms inspected and
batteries replaced for all local pensioners on a yearly basis. Smoke alarms save lives!

Annual subscriptions and raffle tickets for a load of firewood will be posted out this week. Draw date for this will be 13th June. The subs and raffle is what keeps our brigade going financially as this provides a small income for much needed items that the Rural Fire Service does not supply. Your contribution is greatly appreciated.

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