Term 3 2015

Calendar

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

Week 2

Friday, 24th July  School Athletics Carnival

Week 3 - Education Week

Tuesday, 28th July  Education Week Performance Griffith Central - 12:00 pm

Thursday, 30th July  KROP

Friday, 31st July  KROP

Week 4

Tuesday, 4th August  P&C Meeting

Thursday, 6th August  Mobile Library

Friday, 7th August  K/1 26 Storey Tree House

Notes Coming Home This Week

- Athletics Carnival Program
- Athletics Records
- 4/5/6 Excursion Permission Note
- Canteen Menu & Roster

Canteen Roster

- Wednesday, 22nd July - Gillian Star

Student of the Month

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<td>For a cheerful and responsible student who is always eager to learn.</td>
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Principal’s Message

We have had a very busy and exciting start to this term. Last week we had a very successful KROP rehearsal at the Griffith Regional Theatre. We are very proud of our KROP team and hope many parents and Goolgowi community members have bought tickets to come along and support Goolgowi Public School at their performances next week on Thursday 30th July and Friday 31st July.

Our school choir will also be performing at Griffith Central on Tuesday 28th July at 12:30 pm. Please come along and support us.

School Athletics Carnival

We had planned to have our school athletics carnival this Wednesday, but the weather...
Term 3, Week 2

Monday, 20th July 2015

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. Our teachers have been training in the HOW2Learn strategies. We have been teaching our students about certain dispositions and habits that will improve their all-round learning fitness.

Learning is hard work. We learn from our mistakes and if our brains are not being challenged then we aren’t learning. Our brain is a muscle and needs to be exercised. If learning is easy then we are not challenging our brain. Skills need to be practised over and over again for them to become habitual.

The HOW2Learn strategy empowers learners by developing 5 dispositions and 22 habits that improve all round learning fitness.

Using a vast body of research we have developed a regional strategy in the Riverina that is underpinned by the explicit teaching of five dispositions and twenty two habits which improve all-round learning fitness. These dispositions are:

- Reciprocity
  - Imagination
  - Collaboration
  - Empathy and Listening
  - Interdependence
  - Social
  - Learners are ready, willing and able to learn alone or share in learning with others.

- Resilience
  - Managing Distractions
  - Noticing
  - Perseverance
  - Acceptance
  - Emotional
  - Learners are ready, willing and able to work through difficulties when the pressure mounts.

- Resourcefulness
  - Making Links
  - Questioning
  - Resisting
  - Captivating
  - Imagining
  - Thinking/Cognitive
  - Learners are ready, willing and able to choose and use resources wisely to know what to do when you don’t know what to do.

- Reflectiveness
  - Planning
  - Reflecting
  - Dazzling
  - Ruminating
  - Meta-learning
  - Strategic
  - Learners are ready, willing and able to be critically self-aware and responsive to feedback.

- Responsibility
  - Accountability
  - Critical Thinking
  - Open-mindedness
  - Being Connected
  - Community
  - Learners are ready, willing and able to be accountable for their individual and community actions towards themselves, others and the environment.

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In The Classrooms?

What's Happening In The Classrooms?

Kindergarten 2016

If you know of any students or families who will be enrolling kindergarten students at our school for 2016, can you please ask them to contact the school for an enrolment form.

Have a great week,
Lucia Vernon

Sport

Mr Calwell was very busy last week on Wednesday at the Soccer Gala Day. Thanks to all our students and parents who braved the very cold conditions to play soccer for the small schools team.

The forecast is not sounding very promising. We have decided to postpone it to this Friday. We will be holding our school athletics carnival here at the school grounds instead of the Goolgowi Sports Oval.

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Congratulations to our weekly award winners who have been demonstrating these empowering learning habits and strategies in their classrooms.

Mrs Robertson
- Dayton Harrison - for managing distractions and being ready to learn.

Mr Calwell
- Jarrod Langridge - for using teamwork skills to improve the learning of his whole group.

Ms Sheehan
- Jasvir Singh-Clark - for using things he has learnt before to help with a question.

**Reading Awards**

50 Nights - Laurie Beasley, Dayton Harrison, Harry Furner.

75 Nights - Alexis Ball, Jewel Shaw.

**Woolworths Earn & Learn Program**

The Earn & Learn Program is back starting on Wednesday, 15th July. Anyone from our school community who shops at Woolworths can collect stickers to place on their sticker cards. You will receive one sticker for every $10 spent. Once the sticker card is complete you can place them in the collection box at School or at Woolworths.

The program closes on Tuesday, 8th September.

**Sports News**

Goolgowi PS students are looking forward to this week’s Athletics Carnival, to be held this Friday 24th July at our school grounds beginning at 9:00 am. Students are asked to wear full sports uniform or house colours on the day. Parents are asked to assist if possible by either offering time as officials or with assistance setting up and packing away. All assistance will be appreciated, please contact the school for further information or to volunteer.

**School Athletics Carnival**

Our school athletics carnival is scheduled for this Friday and this year it will take place on our school grounds. Students have been preparing for competition since last term by learning and practicing the appropriate skills for each event and will be preparing for the march-past and war cries over the next couple of days.

Prior to carnival day the high jump competition has been completed and winners will be announced on carnival day.

**Soccer Gala Day**

Last week Goolgowi PS students competed with students from Tharbogang and Yoogali schools in the soccer gala day on held on Wednesday 15/7 at Ted Scobie Oval.

After a week of heavy rain the teams assembled on a cold morning at the fields ready to play. The
boys played first and gave a good account of themselves against a determined and experienced Yenda team. Unfortunately the boys were defeated and did not progress further.

Next, the girls from small schools team faced last year’s champions, Griffith East. This was a tough way to begin the day but the girls adapted quickly to slow their opponent’s scoring and, in the end, give a creditable performance.

Following these two games the small schools teams were able to participate in ‘friendly’ matches with other schools who had also been eliminated from the main competition. The boys played two games against Lake Wyangan and the girls played Hanwood and then the girls from Lake Wyangan.

As the weather and the fields deteriorated both teams finished their ‘friendlies’ and thanked teachers and players for their efforts. All play was in excellent spirit considering the conditions and I am proud to have been involved with such an excellent group of students.

My thanks go to parents, staff and officials for making the day possible especially to all who assisted in setting up, organising and transporting the small schools team and their gear on the day, I could not have done it without you.

Handball

Goolgowi PS has some enthusiastic handball players and during last week and the final week of last term many have participated in a hard-fought competition for the Goolgowi PS Handball Championship trophy in the infant boy, infant girl, primary boy and primary girl categories.

Competitions were held at lunch times and students played one-on-one, elimination matches until a champion was decided in each category. The competition was played in a positive spirit with good participation in each category.

Our eventual champions were:

Infants Girl - Charlotte Star (Goannas)
Infants Boy - Dustin McIntyre (Rabbitohs)
Senior Girl - Kaycee Krause (Rabbitohs)
Senior Boy - Jisharn Harrison (Rabbitohs)

Congratulations to all our winners and to all who took part.

Well done everyone.
Good luck everyone.

Jason Calwell
Sports Coordinator

P&C News

There will be a Parents & Citizens Association of NSW Community Form held at Griffith High School, Coolah Street, Griffith on Monday 10th August 2015.

Registration will be from 5:30pm with the Forum running from 6:00 - 9:30pm. Light refreshments and food will be provided.

To register
for the Forum please visit the P&C website http://pandc.org.au/
Or call the P&C Federation office on 1300 885 982 for assistance.

What are these forums all about?
The forums are all about you and your P&C Association. We want to know how P&C Federation can best support your P&C Association. These forums are a great opportunity to network, share ideas, discuss what fundraising opportunities your P&C Association has as well as raise concerns. All the information we can gather which will assist us to deliver a better service to you and your association.

Gonski

Gonski Funding will ensure that every school has the right resources to meet the needs of every child. But only a fraction of the funding has been committed to and delivered so far.

You can read more about this initiative at: http://igiveagonski.com.au/

Insurance

Insurance is an area where most associations can’t get enough information, as a result we have arranged during online registration for you to ask your insurance question/s. Questions will then be passed on to our insurance broker to respond to. We will collate this information and provide the responses to all questions asked in the information folder handed out at the Forum.

You can also visit our website via the link below for insurance information.

http://pandc.org.au/index/php/insurance/information

Guest Speaker - Dr John Irvine
Local Councillor - Christine Cameron

The Athlete’s Foot Griffith

$5 from every pair of shoes purchased is donated back to our school.

With a shoe expertly fitted by one of the Athlete’s Foot Fit Technicians, your child will have the right support for all of the school activities and sports they take part in every day.

The Athlete’s Foot stock a range of Ascent and Clarks school shoes to ensure there are options for everyone.

Even better, $5 from every shoe purchase is donated back to our school. This applies to your whole family.

For more information about the program please call Glennis on 6964 2231.

Thank you to the Athlete’s Foot for supporting our school with this donation.

Community News

Sport & Recreation's Swim & Survive Program 2016

Are there any parents interested in enrolling their child aged 18 months – 12 years in a 9 day swim lesson program in January 2016 at the Goolgowi...
Pool? Classes offered are ‘Wonder’ 18 months-3 years & ‘Courage’ 3-5 years (last year these cost $48 per child) and various School Age Classes 4.5-12 year olds (last year these cost $67 for the first child then $48 per sibling enrolled). If you are interested please call Leigh Jackson on 0488 021 813 to note down numbers. We need about 10 children willing to enrol in October to get the program to return to the Goolgowi Pool.

### 2015-16 COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME

Is your community group seeking funding for a project?

The Scheme is Council’s annual funding program that enables community groups to undertake a project to meet identified needs in the community.

The purpose of the Scheme is to support the well-being and enhance the development of strong local communities.

The funding program provides up to $1,500 for not-for-profit community groups to complete a project within the Goolgowi Shire that benefits the community.

GRANTS OF UP TO $1,500

Funds are allocated on a competitive basis to projects which meet the criteria set by the Grants Scheme.

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN


Find out more on our website. Contact Community Development Officer on 02 6965 1100.

The closing date for applications is 12 noon, Monday 10 August 2015. No late applications accepted.

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Our newsletter is published on Monday.