Term 3 2015
Calendar
* Please note dates from week to week as there are occasionally some changes.

Week 8
Monday, 31st August
Riverina Athletics

Tuesday, 1st September
Police Visit

Wed., 3rd September
P&C Meeting 7pm

Thursday, 4th September
Mobile Library

Friday, 4th September
SRC Footy Colour Day

Week 9
Wed., 9th September
Trent Barrett Shield Boys in Wagga

Week 10
Wed., 16th September
Kids Club - 3:00-4.30pm

Thurs., 17th September
Little Gecko Club in the School Library

Fri., 18th September
Whole School Assembly - 12:00pm

Last Day Term 3

Term 4 2015
Week 1
Monday, 5th October
Labour Day Holiday

Tuesday, 6th October
Students & Staff Return

Thursday, 8th October
Mobile Library

Notes Coming Home This Week
- Nil

Canteen Roster
- Wednesday, 2nd September - Wendy Clark
- Wednesday, 9th September - Linda Taylor

Student of the Month

Cody Headrick
For a student whose words and actions consistently reflect our school values.

Principal’s Message
Welcome to week 8 of Term.

SAS Staff Recognition Week 2015
This week the Public Service Association of New South Wales (PSA) is celebrating SAS Week.

Every year the PSA organises Recognition Week to acknowledge the vital role that SAS staff play in schools across NSW. It’s that time of the year again.

As modern schools step up to the challenges of educating students in this century and the demands of an ever-changing world, SAS Staff are the backbone of the great work being done.

At Goolgowi Public School we are aware of the valuable work SAS staff does every day of our school year. Our SAS staff supports our students and teachers in many ways. They help care for students who need support, they help teachers with their teaching and learning programs. They support our principal and teachers by ensuring that all our students are being well looked after at school and they support our school in the wider community. Our SAS staff is:

- Mrs Jane Brown SAM - School Admin Manager
- Mrs Julie Muirhead and Mrs Ros Srdoc SLSO: School Learning Support Officers
- Mrs Bev Furner SAO School Admin Officer in the library.
- Mr Neville Ziebarth GA General Assistant

This week is an opportunity for our school community, to show our appreciation to these dedicated staff members who play such an important part in ensuring the smooth running of our school. This year’s theme is: “School Administrative &Support Staff.

“Our jobs, Your children, Their future”

Have a great week,
Lucia Vernon
**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.

**In The Classrooms?**

Our Building Learning Power Disposition we are focusing on this week is:

- **Imagining**

When you use this learning muscle, you …..

- Picture how things might look, feel, sound, be
- Let your mind explore and play with possibilities and ideas
- Build up stories around objects, facts, theories or other stimuli
- Rehearse things in your mind before doing them for real.

**Congratulations to our Weekly Award recipients.**

Mrs Robertson

- **Millie Power** - for making links between known sounds and new words.

Mr Calwell

- **Brianna Leidl** - for following instructions at all times.

Ms Sheehan

- **Zarli Srdoc** - for connecting ideas through own experiences in literacy.

**Reading Awards**

50 Nights - Jarod Harris
125 Nights - Charlotte Star
150 Nights - Charlotte Star

**K/1 News**

Students are enjoying listening to books by Sue Hendra at the moment. These are a bit of fun and capture the student’s interest, imagination and sense of humour. You may have heard your child talk about *Norman the Slug with a Silly Shell* or *Harry the Fish with Fingers*.

We have also read books that explore the concept of Belonging. These books are *Koala Lou, Possum Magic* and *Miss Lily’s Fabulous Pink Feather Boa*. This week we are reading *Wombat Goes Walkabout*. The students are writing wonderful pieces based on these books.

Every day students use the computers as a part of English activities. I have bought headphones to minimise the noise level. However several of these are broken and I have not been able to find cheap replacements. I would appreciate it if you could send in headphones/earphones for your child to use. These would only be used by your child. I will label them and put them aside for the owner.

The class have definitely become weather watchers. They are fascinated with the clouds and discuss the amount of cloud cover and what the clouds look like.

Please listen to your child read every night! This is the most important Home Learning task.

Mrs Robertson

**P&C News**

Reminder that there is a P&C Meeting tomorrow, Tuesday, 1st September starting at 7:00pm.
After School Kids Club

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

- Wednesday, 16th September

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. Please make sure you have signed a permission note.

Rodney Bortolin
Senior Minister, LifeSource Church

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Kindergarten Orientation

Kindergarten Orientation for 2016 will take place next term on Mondays. It will begin with children attending for the morning session from 9:00 – 11:30am. Then children will attend for a morning and middle session (9:00 – 1:45) and building up to a full day.

There will also be a Parent information session.

Dates, times and more information will be communicated to parents in the near future.

Goolgowi Public School - ‘Little Gecko’s Playgroup’

Here at Goolgowi Public school we are always looking for ways to strengthen our ties to our broader community. Starting in September we are going to hold a monthly ‘Little Gecko’s Playgroup’ at our school library for all families in the Goolgowi area to attend. This will be a great opportunity for families who plan to enrol their children at our school in future years to meet our teachers and support staff and experience the Goolgowi Public School ethos. Playgroup is also a great way for parents to catch-up, network and share parenting experiences. Our ‘Little Gecko’s Playgroup’ will incorporate singing and movement activities, story time, craft and play.

Age: babies, toddlers, pre-schoolers (everyone is welcome)

Where: Goolgowi Public School Library
When: 9.30am Thursday 17th September 2015
Cost: Gold coin donation for tea and coffee.

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Preschool visits

All preschool children will be visiting our school on Wednesday, 9th September and Tuesday, 15th September.

These are informal visits to allow children to have a look around the school.

Children will be brought to school by their preschool teachers. The teachers will stay with the children. They will come at 10:00 am and spend an hour in the K/1 classroom. They will have recess at school and a walk around the school. They will then return to preschool around 11:20am.

The preschool will be putting out a note to parents.

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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.

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Sports News

Cody at Riverina Athletics

Our best wishes are with Cody Headrick today as he represents Griffith Zone and Goolgowi PS in the high jump at the Riverina Primary Schools Athletics Championships in Albury.
Cody has been training hard and is looking forward to taking on the region’s best after his excellent performance at the Zone Athletics Carnival.

Good luck Cody.

**Trent Barrett Finals**

Last week Goolgowi PS received some surprising and exciting news. NRL development officer Andrew Herbert contacted us to invite the Goolgowi PS Boys’ Trent Barrett Shield team to fill a vacated position in the Trent Barrett Shield finals in Wagga Wagga on 9th September.

As reported last term Goolgowi PS boys had finished one point out of a finals place at the Griffith Gala Day and so with a team withdrawing after the rescheduling of the Wagga finals Goolgowi has accepted the offered place and is preparing for the tough competition we will face.

To increase our team’s depth we have been allowed to enlist our enthusiastic year 2 boys and may also be joined by one or two keen players from local small schools as we were at the Griffith Gala.

The boys will be training with me as often as possible at school over the next week and a half for their three games next Wednesday.

Good luck to all of our representatives.

Jason Calwell
Sports Coordinator

**Parent Tips**

**Community News**

**Brumbies Development Officer Visit - Goolgowi**

Seth, the Brumbies Development Officer will be coming to visit the kids in Goolgowi on Wednesday, 2nd September.

A training run will be held at the footy oval in Goolgowi from 4.30pm till 6.30pm with a BBQ included. He is going to bring some gear out for the kids as well.

**RCAV Mobile Preschool Enrolments**

We have now opened the waiting lists for enrolment with the RCAV Mobile Preschool for the year 2016.

- Rankins Springs – Tuesday
- Goolgowi – Tuesday and Wednesday
- Barellan Wednesday and Thursday
- Darlington Point - Thursday and Friday

For further information, please contact Cate Schoots - 0428644661.

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