

Goornong Primary School Newsletter

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Our school values—**teamwork**, **respect**, **honesty** and **care**.

Dates to Remember

Next Week

Thurs 22nd July Discovery Centre Incursion

Term 3

Tues 27th July Playgroup @ school, 10am—11.30am

Thurs 29th July Discovery Centre Incursion

Fri 30th July MARC Library

Fri 6th Aug MARC Library

Fri 13th Aug Cluster Science Day @ Elmore (P-6s)

Mon 16th Aug Cluster Athletic Sports @ Elmore (3-6s)

School Council Meeting

18th—20th Aug Grade 3-4 Echuca Camp

Fri 27th Aug MARC Library Book Week Dress Up Day

Tues 31st Aug Playgroup @ school, 10am—11.30am

Fri 10th Sept MARC Library

Mon 13th Sept School Council Meeting

Fri 17th Sept Last day of Term 2, 2.15pm dismissal

2021 Term Dates

Term One Thurs 28th Jan—Thurs 1st April

Term Two Mon 19th April—Fri 25th June

Term Three Mon 12th July—Fri 17th Sept

Term Four Mon 4th Oct—Fri 17th Dec

Weekly Awards

Awards are presented at assembly, which begins at 3pm each Friday afternoon.

Award	This Week	Last Week
P-2 Literacy 	Mary K	There were no awards presented on the last day of Term 2.
P-2 Maths 	Mason D	
P-2 Values 	Olivia M	
3-6 Literacy 	Jesse C	
3-6 Maths 	Daniel J	
3-6 Values 	Mayla P	
Principal Award 	Indi A	
P-2 Home Reading 	Mason, Patrick, Eddie, Emilie, Brock, Mary	
3-6 Home Reading 	Lucy, Audrey, Harry, Daniel, Indi	

Soft Drink Bottles Needed!

Ms Mac and Mrs Patton are collecting empty 1 and 2 litre soft drink bottles, with the lids, and asking if families could please bring them in ready for an activity next term. Thank you!





Goornong Playgroup

The next playgroup session for 2021 will be held on

Tuesday 27th July

at the school, from 10.00am—11.30am.

We invite all members of the Goornong community with young children to please come along and meet other people in the area who have young children; and also use some of your local school's facilities.

We would love to have lots of younger siblings of current students come along also.

Morning tea will be provided for both parents and children.

We hope to see you there!

Please contact the school on 5432 2236 if you require any further details.

2021 Playgroup Dates

*All sessions run from 10.00am-11.30am.

Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Tues 27th April	Tues 27th July	Tues 19th Oct.
Tues 25th May	Tues 24th Aug	Tues 16th Nov.
Tues 22nd June	Tues 31st Aug	

BOOK WEEK 2021

Our Book Week dress-up day is

Friday 27th August

On this day students are encouraged to dress up in a costume related to this year's theme—

Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds

MARC lessons on this day (and for most of Term 3) will be based on some of the short-listed books.

Families may wish to begin planning their child's costume for this day.



MARC NEWS!

The Terry Floyd Foundation presents the Annual Terry Floyd Fundraising Event
Wear A Ribbon For Terry Day
Monday June 28th
\$2 per ribbon



The main aims of the foundation are:
*to help with awareness of personal safety through encouraging children to speak out against bullying
*to support disadvantaged children to help them reach their full potential

The MARC Library has been incredibly lucky to be chosen by the Terry Floyd Foundation to receive \$2,000 worth of books. The foundation teams up with Dymocks Children's Charities who match every dollar that the foundation gives. The Terry Floyd Foundation work tirelessly to support children, especially in regional areas. I encourage you to look into their work via their website or Facebook page.

I will be posting updates regarding book arrivals!

To express our thanks I am leaving some fundraising ribbons at each school. These ribbons are \$2 each. All money raised goes directly to the foundation.

Learning, Laughing & Playing at School



Principal's Report

Welcome back to school for Term 3. I hope that everyone had a safe and enjoyable school holiday period and managed to keep warm during the cold weather that we seem to have had lately.

DISCOVERY CENTRE INCURSIONS

Over the next two weeks we have visitors from the Discovery Centre in Bendigo coming to our school. This is part of our school's STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) program. During these visits the Discovery Centre team will be working with our students on some exciting and interesting science-based activities and learning. The visits held back in Term 2 on robotics and coding were a real hit with the students so we are very much looking forward to this term's visits.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

At the School Council meeting held in the last week of Term 2, the following policies were reviewed and approved as part of the school's three-year policy review cycle.

- Medication Distribution Policy.
- Inclusion and Diversity Policy.
- Uniform Policy.
- Bullying and Harassment Policy.

A copy of all school policies is available under the 'documents' tab on our school website www.goornongps.vic.edu.au.

The next meeting of our School Council is on Monday 16th August—Finance Committee at 6.00pm, followed by the general meeting at 6.15pm.

PREP HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you to those Prep parents who have already returned the Prep Health Questionnaire. This was sent home at the end of Term 2. This is a questionnaire that is conducted annually with parents of Prep students prior to the school nurse conducting health checks. School Nurse will be visiting our school soon to conduct the health checks with the Prep students.

PRINCIPAL LONG-SERVICE LEAVE

Mr Cox has been away on Leave this week. Thank you to everyone who has helped to ensure things have ran as smoothly as possible this week. We look forward to welcoming Mr Cox on Monday.

CHINESE CLASSES

Chinese classes for 2021 began on Tuesday and will run for the duration of Semester 2. It was great to meet our new Chinese Teacher, Mrs Jenny Fu, and welcome her to the Goornong PS staff team.

It was a pleasure to welcome the students and staff back to school following the school holiday period. It was especially great to see the students return from holidays happy and ready to learn!



We have had a positive week regardless of the wet weather and the announcement of remote learning again.

On Tuesday we welcomed Miss Fu. The students enjoyed their first Chinese lesson for the year and I am proud to say that Miss Fu was very impressed with the respect, manners and readiness to learn that all the students demonstrated!

Unfortunately the Cluster Winter Sports was cancelled on Wednesday due to rain. I know the Grade 3-6 students were disappointed for that day to be cancelled again.

Fingers crossed we can return to our 'normal' program soon so we can enjoy the many amazing opportunities to be had in term three. such as the Cluster Science Day, Cluster Athletics, Echuca Camp for Grade 3-4, Discovery Centre Incursions, and Book Week!

I would like to thank the staff for their wonderful support during the week, we make a great team! I would also like to praise the students for demonstrating amazing resilience during such difficult times. Well done everyone!

Sheridan Patton

Acting Principal

FOTS NEWS



Winter Warmer Raffle



A big thank you to all in our school community (and beyond) who supported the raffle by selling/purchasing tickets and arranging donations of prizes. The raffle raised \$905 for the school—a super achievement!

<p>First Prize: Lauren Jorgensen BENFAB firepit, trailer load of firewood, LED beanie, \$50 Dymocks voucher and a toasting marshmallow pack.</p> <p>Second Prize: Mark Oberin \$200 Masons of Bendigo voucher and a bottle of Ellis wine.</p> <p>Third Prize: Emily Chapman \$50 All Seasons voucher and a Henney wine pack and produce.</p> <p>Fourth Prize: Kerry Read Winter's day hamper full of goodies.</p>	<p>Fifth Prize: Daniel J Weatherbeeta dog rug, throw rug and kids' building kit and book.</p> <p>Sixth prize: Max A Heated travel rug and LED beanie.</p> <p>Seventh Prize: Colton P Pie maker, recipe book and kids Barbie toy and book.</p> <p>Eighth Prize: Tom Ryan Scarf, bed socks and bath tea.</p> <p>Ninth Prize: Sonya Currington Chocolates, kids' book and dough-tastic set</p> <p>Tenth Prize: Olivia M Bottle of Ellis wine and kids' books.</p>
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2021 Drovers Arms Hotel Fundraising Raffle



Once again, the Drovers Arms Hotel in Goornong have been kind enough to allocate our school a spot in their Friday night community fundraising meat raffle. As the Drovers Arms donate the raffle prizes, all proceeds go directly to our school. We are now calling on parents to fill the roster. This is a great way to contribute to our school's fundraising efforts, whilst supporting a local business who supports our school!

Volunteers are asked to sell tickets from 6.30pm-7.30pm approx., with the raffle being drawn at approx. 7.45pm.

There is a roster located at the reception desk for parents to put their name down. Alternatively, feel free to give the school a call and we can add your name to the roster. Thanks heaps to those who have already added their name to the roster.

Date	Volunteer
Friday 5th March	Nadia Johns
Friday 2nd April	<i>Good Friday. Pub Closed.</i>
Friday 7th May	Alisha Robinson
Friday 4th June	Rachel Mill
Friday 2nd July	Alisha Robinson
Friday 6th August	
Friday 3rd September	Nadia Johns
Friday 1st October	
Friday 5th November	
Friday 3rd December	