

Goornong Primary School Newsletter

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

Dates to Remember

Next Week

Tues 23rd Nov Gr 6 Transition Excursion to Weeroona
Little Learners Program, 2.00-3.15pm

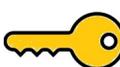
Term 4

Mon 29th Nov Student-Free Day
Tues 30th Nov Little Learners Program, 2.00-3.15pm
Tues 7th Dec Orientation (Step Up) Day
Little Learners Program, 2.00-3.15pm
Grade 6 Graduation Dinner
Wed 8th Dec Swimming Program Session 1
Fri 10th Dec Swimming Program Session 2
Mon 13th Dec Swimming Program Session 3
Tues 14th Dec Swimming Program Session 4
Wed 15th Dec Swimming Program Session 5
Thur 16th Dec Fun Day at the Goornong Pool
Fri 17th Dec Last day of Term 4, 2.15pm dismissal

2022 Term Dates

Term One Mon 31st Jan—Fri 8th Apr
Term Two Tues 26th Apr—Fri 24th June
Term Three Mon 11th July—Fri 16th Sept
Term Four Mon 3rd Oct—Tues 20th Dec

Weekly Awards

Award	This Week	Last Week
P-2 Literacy 	Max M	Mary K
P-2 Maths 	Emilie J	Mack S
P-2 Values 	Olivia M	Hunter R
3-6 Literacy 	Jesse C	Marli O
3-6 Maths 	Indi A	Kahlia R
3-6 Values 	Mayla P	Lucy O
Principal Award 	Mayla P	Jaxson R
P-2 Home Reading 	Mack, Brock, Olivia, Mary, Hunter, Max,	Mason, Lola, Mary
3-6 Home Reading 	—	Harry, Daniel

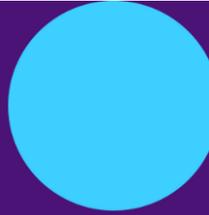
Fortnightly Video Wrap

This week's video is available at the following link: <https://youtu.be/HnV1KEBfm60>



Yesterday we had a visit from Daryl Floyd from the Terry Floyd Foundation. Daryl presented our School Captains, Daniel and Indi, with a cheque for \$500, which will be put towards the purchase of new reading resources for the students.

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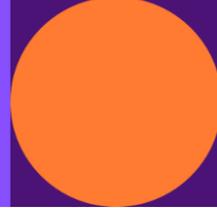
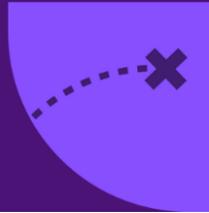
After School Care is coming to Goornong in 2022!



At Goornong Primary School
Starting 31st January 2022!



Stay tuned for
more details!



Employment vacancy

Bendigo OSHC

Come have fun with us!

<https://junioradventuresgroup.avature.net/careers/SearchJobs/>



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Learning, Laughing, Playing at School



Principal's Report

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Earlier this year our school submitted an application for an *Outside School Hours Care Establishment Grant*.

These were available as part of the Victorian Government's Covid Recovery Budget.

I am excited to share with our school community that last week we received notification that our application has been successful.

As such, beginning in 2022, our school will be offering an after school care service for our students and families.

This is obviously terrific news for our school community and will be a great support for working parents.

The school is currently in the process of establishing an agreement with OSHClub to run our service from 3.15pm—6.00pm each afternoon, beginning at the start of the 2022 school year. More details to come!

GRADE 6 TRANSITION EXCURSION

Our Grade 6 students will be heading to Weeroona College on the afternoon of Tuesday 23rd November for a transition excursion. Further details accompany today's newsletter.

GRADE SIX GRADUATION

For parents of Grade Six students, please find attached to today's newsletter details of this year's Graduation Dinner to be held on the evening of Tuesday 7th December at the Drovers' Arms Hotel.

We are also asking our Grade 6 families to provide us with any kindergarten photos and school photos from the junior years. We wish to scan these and add them into the Grade 6 Graduation Movie which will be shown at the Graduation Dinner. Thanks in advance.

LITTLE LEARNERS PROGRAM

This week we welcomed two new additions to our Little Learners Program as Harper and Oliver joined Ted, Jackson, Archie and Riley. It was great to see our current Grade Preps, Ones and Twos demonstrating terrific kindness and helping the new students in the playground and classroom—we really do have super kids at our school!

STUDENT-FREE DAY

A reminder that Monday 29th November has been designated as a Student-Free Day by School Council. The teachers will be using this day to begin writing the students end-of-year reports.

END-OF-YEAR PERFORMANCE VIDEO

Over the past few weeks the students have been working hard during Performing Arts rehearsing for the End-of-Year Performance Video. The students are excited about presenting their plays and musical items in video form and sharing these with their families at the end of the year.

As the students and Mrs Kemp have focussed on creating and producing items suitable for video form; and in acknowledgement of the challenges that were faced rehearsing the items due to remote learning, we have decided to continue down the path of producing an End-of-Year Performance Video, rather than attempting to switch at the last minute to the traditional Christmas Concert at the local Hall.

Jason Cox

Principal



Following significant allocations in our annual budget, we have been excited by the arrival of new Maths and Reading resources over the past few weeks. This year, the school has spend over \$10,000 updating these resources to support the students learning.

Classroom News

GRADE PREP/ONE/TWO

This fortnight students were dramatically delayed at the airport in Mexico after a volcano eruption. Students investigated airports and wrote a creative piece of writing about being stuck at the airport. It was so cool to share our work and hear about all the wacky things everyone did while stuck at the airport.

We then landed in Egypt and have transformed our room into modern Egypt and Ancient Egypt. It has been great to see the students engaged on learning hieroglyphics and building an Ancient Egypt classroom cave.

Let's not forget our annual P/1/2 Party/Sleepover. Mr Cox again delivered some exciting and interesting games which I am sure you will all hear about. We also had teams of chefs and waiters that helped prepare, serve and clean up for all our meals. We had the most awesome time with lots of 'Best Sleepover Ever!' comments being heard.



GRADE THREE/FOUR/FIVE/SIX

Grade 3-6 have had another busy fortnight! The students have begun to learn about South America. We have explored the Atlas and discussed what we notice and wonder about South America. We have read information about different aspects of South America and formed questions based on that information. This week we watched an interesting BTN clip titled Street Circus. The students really enjoyed this report. They wrote summaries, recorded facts and jotted down excellent vocabulary used. Next, we will be exploring Africa!

This week in writing, the students created characters to use in a cartoon. They have done a superb job, writing and illustrating interesting and funny cartoons. The completed cartoons will appear in the students learning journals. The students continue to enjoy going outside each day for fruit break. We read our class novel and enjoy the sunshine. With the weather picking up, we hope to get outside more often to learn without wearing our masks!

The students finished the Bike Ed program this week. I am so proud of how the students have listened, demonstrated the skills learnt and pushed themselves. They have shown great persistence even though their legs were sore! Thank you Mr D for your wonderful patience and teaching.

