

Goornong Primary School Newsletter

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

Dates to Remember

Next Week

Tues 9th Nov **Bike Ed (Gr 3-6s)**
Little Learners Program, 2.00-3.15pm

Wed 10th Nov **Gingerbread House Orders Due**
Bike Ed (Gr 3-6s)

Fri 12th Nov **School Photos**

Term 4

Thurs 11th Nov **Bike Ed (Gr 3-6s)**

Tues 16th Nov **Bike Ed (Gr 3-6s)**
Little Learners Program, 2.00-3.15pm

Wed 17th Nov **Bike Ed (Gr 3-6s)**

Thurs 18th Nov **Bike Ed (Gr 3-6s)**

Thurs 18th Nov **Grade P/1/2 Sleepover at School**

Tues 23rd Nov **Little Learners Program, 2.00-3.15pm**

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**

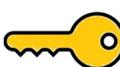
Term Four **Mon 3rd Oct—Tues 20th Dec**

Fortnightly Video Wrap

This week's video is available at the following link: <https://youtu.be/yQVqidQL3-Q>



Weekly Awards

Award	This Week	Last Week
P-2 Literacy 	Mary K	Lola A
P-2 Maths 	Mack S	Patrick S
P-2 Values 	Hunter R	Amy O
3-6 Literacy 	Marli O	Audrey A
3-6 Maths 	Kahlia R	Marli O
3-6 Values 	Lucy O	Max A
Principal Award 	Jaxson R	Ted C
P-2 Home Reading 	Mason, Lola, Mary	—
3-6 Home Reading 	Harry, Daniel	—

MARC LIBRARY BORROWING

So that I can gather all the books up for their annual summer holiday we will need to finish borrowing at the end of November. The fortnight from 15th – 26th November will be our final borrowing sessions. Hopefully you remember what books you have out, but if not I will be sending lists out to all schools as a reminder. Don't forget, there are some prizes waiting for students who return all books!



Learning, Laughing, Playing at School



Principal's Report

WORLD TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY

Last Friday was a special day at Goornong PS as we celebrated World Teacher Appreciation Day. We are very fortunate to have a team of skilled, passionate and committed teachers who work at our school and teach our students. Whether they be our full-time classroom teachers or our part-time specialist teachers, they all care deeply about the students and are dedicated to helping them achieve their full academic potential. I sincerely thank our team of teachers for the enthusiasm and expertise that they bring to our school on each and every school day!

GRADE SIX GRADUATION

I am excited to confirm with our Grade 6 families that this year's Grade 6 Graduation Dinner will be held on the evening of Tuesday 7th December at the Drivers' Arms Hotel. Further details will be provided in the next edition of the newsletter. However, families may wish to add this date to their diaries.

In readiness for the night, we are asking our Grade 6 families to provide us with any kindergarten photos and school photos from the junior years of their graduating child. 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

The school was abuzz on Tuesday as we welcomed Riley, Archie, Ted and Jackson for their first Little Learner's session. The Little Learners will be participating in classroom activities once a week over the next four weeks, preparing them for their first year of school next year.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

A reminder that our school photo day is Friday 12th November. Thank you to those families who have already returned their order forms. If you are wishing to order photos, order forms need to be returned to the school prior to next Friday.

School photo day is always a very special day in our calendar, with the photos taken on the day providing families with memories that can be passed on to future generations. In the past, our families have been very good at ensuring that students attend school in correct school uniform on photo day. Again, we ask for the support of parents with this to ensure that our photos are of the highest quality. In particular, I draw parents attention to the following points in our uniform policy:

- ◆ Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- ◆ Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school.
- ◆ The wearing of visible under-garments such as colourful long-sleeve shirts under a short-sleeve shirt or leggings/tights under shorts, skirts or dresses is not permitted, with the exception of those in the colours navy blue or maroon.
- ◆ Extreme hair colours (eg: green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles are not permitted.
- ◆ Shoulder length hair or longer needs to be tied back.

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.

GRADE PREP-TWO SLEEPOVER

We are excited to announce that later this year we will be running a Grade Prep-Two Sleepover at school. This will be held on the evening of Thursday 18th November. On this evening Grade One-Two students will be invited to sleepover at school, while Grade Prep students would head home after participating in some activities at school. We ask that our Grade P/1/2 families please find accompanying today's newsletter further details and permission forms.

Thursday 18th November

Attend school as per normal during the day and go home at 3.15pm.

5.00pm Grade P/1/2 students come back to school.

Games and activities at school.

6.00pm Dinner at school.

6.30pm More games and activities at school.

8.00pm Grade Prep students go home.

Grade 1/2s watch a movie at school

9.00pm Grade 1/2s bedtime.

Friday 19th November

7.00am Wake up, breakfast and more activities at school.

9.00am School day begins.

All students welcome to attend school on the Friday. However, parents may wish to collect their child in the morning and take them home.

Classroom News

GRADE PREP/ONE/TWO

Hola Amigos! This fortnight the prep/1/2s have left China and landed in Mexico. The students have been super excited to immerse themselves in Mexican culture. We have learnt the hat dance, played elastics (traditional Mexican game) and made some sugar skulls for the Dia De Los Muertos festival. We have also learnt some Spanish language including counting to 10. The students have been busy working in groups to research things such as culture, schools, clothes, food and landmarks. Once finished we will share our findings and then create a massive poster to take home. We have also done lots of shopping, as we have been learning all about money. Let me tell you we have some savvy shoppers and some over charging shop keepers in our class lol.



GRADE THREE/FOUR/FIVE/SIX

Grade 3-6 have had a busy fortnight! They have been busy investigating a particular Australian state, then presenting their information to the class. The grade 3/4s put together awesome Power Point presentations on their assigned state and confidently shared these with the class! Next week, we look forward to the grade 5/6s sharing their research in the form of a Kahoot!

The students have enjoyed going outside each day for fruit break to enjoy our class novel in the sunshine. We have also appreciated the sunshine we have had to take our learning outside, the fresh air and no masks outside has been a delightful break for us all!

Yesterday was the first Bike Ed session, unfortunately the rain interrupted our normal start on Wednesday. It was great to see Mr D return to Goornong to instruct the students about bike and road safety. I know the students will thoroughly enjoy the remaining sessions out on the road.

Finally, it is wonderful to celebrate Book Week today! The students always look amazing and have a great day!





Gingerbread House Christmas fundraiser

Get your family together to create your own masterpiece, or give as a gift.

Dellcious and premium quality Gingerbread House Kits from Gingerbread Folk Include: gingerbread parts, baseboard, piping bag, quick drying royal icing (in powdered form to use at your leisure), instructions - presented in one neat carry box. Plus don't forget the lollies.

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- Dairy, nut and egg free
- Australian made
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Orders returned to school by 10th November
Kits will be ready for collection 10th December

\$39.99
per kit

