

Goornong Primary School Newsletter

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

Dates to Remember

Term 2

Sun 7th May	Mother's Day
10th—13th May	NAPLAN Testing (Gr 3s & 5s)
Fri 13th May	Year 6—Year 7 Secondary School Placement Forms due
	MARC Library
Mon 16th May	Prep Health Questionnaires Due
	School Nurse Visit—Prep Health Checks
	School Council
Wed 25th May	2023 Prep Parent Info Session, 5.30pm
Thur 26th May	Special Person's Day
Fri 27th May	MARC Library
Fri 10th June	Student-Free Day
Mn 13th June	Public Holiday
Mon 20th June	School Council
Tues 21st June	Whole-School Excursion to Melbourne
Friday 24th June	MARC Library
	Last day of Term 2, 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 	Mason	Oliver
P-2 Maths 	Patrick	Patrick
P-2 Values 	Jackson Lola	Archie
3-6 Literacy 	Jaxson	Ruby
3-6 Maths 	Jesse	Harry
3-6 Values 	Amy	Ted C
Principal Award 	Amy	Patrick S

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PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

For the parents of prospective 2023 Foundation students. If you have a child beginning Prep in 2023, please join us at our Information Evening.

When: **Wednesday 25th May, 2022**

Time: **5.30pm-6.30pm**

Where: **Goornong Primary School**

Please feel free to contact the school to make an alternative appointment if you are unable to attend at this time.

Principal's Report

Welcome to Term Two of the 2022 school year. I trust that all students, parents and staff had a safe and enjoyable break over the Easter period—I hope the Easter Bunny was generous to you all!

STAFFING NEWS

I wish to make our school community aware of some staffing developments which took place over the school holidays.

Firstly, I wish to congratulate Tearnna Filbey, who has been successful in gaining a new role external to the Department of Education. As such, we say farewell to Tearnna as she begins this exciting new chapter. Leanne Holm, who completed some work at our school at the end of Term 1, is currently filling the vacant position created by Tearnna's departure.

Karren Jackman will be taking leave from next week for the majority of Term 2. The school is currently working through the selection process to find a suitable short-term replacement for Karren. I wish Karren a speedy recovery and look forward to having her back at school soon!

YEAR 6—YEAR 7 SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACEMENTS

For our Grade 6 families, we ask that you please find accompanying today's newsletter information regarding the application process for secondary school placements for 2023. The *Application for Year 7 Placement Form* is due back to Goornong PS by Friday 13th May. Please also note that the State Secondary School Information Evenings are scheduled for this coming Wednesday 4th May (Please see the flyer in the community section of today's newsletter). Feel free to contact me if you have any questions about this.

LEARNING JOURNALS—CLASS DOJO

We wish to make parents aware that this year we are transitioning to online digital learning journals for the students, rather than sending home hard copy learning journal folders at the end of each term. The advantage of digital journals is that the teachers can add work to the students' journals on an ongoing basis throughout the term and this is immediately accessible to parents.

Parents are able to access their child's learning journal at any time by clicking on the 'Portfolio' tab in Class DoJo. Please feel free to see your child's teacher if you need any support setting up your Class DoJo portal or accessing your child's learning journal.

NAPLAN ASSESSMENT—GRADES THREE AND FIVE

In the third week of this term our Grade 3s and 5s will complete the NAPLAN tests. These tests are completed by all Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students across Australia. There are four tests which the students complete—Reading,

Writing, Language Conventions and Numeracy. For the first time this year students from Goornong PS will complete the tests online and as such, over the first couple of weeks of this term the students will be completing some practice tests to familiarise themselves with the online platform.

Individual student results from the NAPLAN tests are provided to the school later in the year and are available to parents.

All tests are conducted in the morning on the following days:

Tuesday 10th May—Writing.

Wednesday 11th May—Reading.

Thursday 12th May—Language Conventions.

Friday 13th May—Numeracy

As a school we are often asked by parents what they can do to ensure their child does well on the NAPLAN tests. The tests are designed to assess Literacy and Numeracy skills that students have developed over the course of their entire education. They assess a student's overall understanding of concepts which are built on throughout a child's schooling, thus cramming or completing extra study for the tests is not recommended.

Some tips to help your child to achieve their best include:

- Encouraging your child to do the best they can.
- Reassuring your child that whilst it is important to do your best, the result of the tests will have no impact on their future opportunities.
- Ensuring your child gets a good night's sleep prior to the testing days.
- Ensuring your child eats a healthy dinner and breakfast prior to the testing days.
- Understanding that NAPLAN is not the be all and end all—performance on NAPLAN has no impact on a person's success in life.

If you would like further information please feel free to come and see me. We wish all our Grade 3s and 5s good luck when completing the tests!

STUDENT-FREE DAY

Please note that School Council has approved a student-free day for Friday 10th June. This will be a designated reporting-writing and professional development day for the staff. Students do not attend school on this day.

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PREP HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE

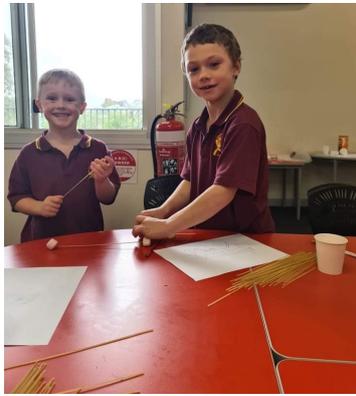
For our Prep parents, accompanying today's newsletter is the Prep Health Questionnaire. This is a questionnaire that is conducted annually with parents of Prep students prior to the school nurse conducting health checks. Further information about the health checks is attached with the questionnaire. We ask that the questionnaires please be returned to the school by Monday 16th May. The School Nurse will be visiting our school on this day to conduct the health checks with the Prep students. If you are the parent of a student in Prep and did not receive your health questionnaire or have any questions please see Miss Mac.

DISCOVERY CENTRE INCURSIONS

As part of our school's Science curriculum, we are excited to once again have the Discovery Centre visiting our school as part of the small schools program this year.

Later this term, a Discovery Centre Educator will be visiting on three separate occasions to run a science program for our students. The program will include activities around marble runs, wind tunnels and circuits & switches.

Jason Cox
Principal



FOTS News

"Friends of the School" (FOTS) is a fun, inclusive, welcoming group of parents that fund raise and help organise events for the Goornong Primary school. Many hands make light work, and as we have lost several of parents as their children have moved on to high school, we are looking for new members! It is a great way to get involved and meet new people (and it really is easy and not too demanding on anyone's time if we all pitch in just a little bit!) one day a year helps! If you're interested in being involved, please contact the school and we will add you to our correspondence so you can join us and stay in the loop.

Mother's Day

A big thank you to those families who have already sent \$5 to school for Mother's Day. A reminder that once again we will be organising a special gift for all the wonderful Mums for Mother's Day. We ask that each student please bring \$5 to school in a clearly named and labelled envelope to cover the cost of the materials for the special gift. The special gift will then be sent home with the students in the week leading up to Mother's Day.



The staff and students of Goornong Primary School would like to invite **parents and family members** to our

Special Person's Day

Thursday 26th May, 2022

9.00am—10.00am: Classrooms Open

Come into our learning spaces and participate in learning activities and games with your child.

10.00am—10.30am: Morning Tea

We kindly ask that each family please bring a plate to share—thank you!

We are asking that each student have **no more** than two guests attend please.

Please note there are no vaccination requirements for visitors attending this event.

We hope to see you there!

Lunch Order Roster Terms 2, 3 & 4

A big thank you to the parents that have volunteered to help out with the lunch orders.

What to do:

The school rings through the orders to the Oasis Café in the morning. Parents do not need to make 2 trips to Elmore!

- 1) Pick up lunch order envelopes from the school prior to heading to Elmore.
- 2) Head to Oasis Café, drop off lunch order envelopes and pick up the food. Aim to do this about 1.10pm.
- 3) Deliver the lunch orders to the school ready for lunch at 1.30pm.

If you are unable to fulfil your allocated day, please attempt to arrange a swap with another parent, or let the school know ASAP so a replacement can be found. Thank you!

Term 2	
Fri 29 th Apr	Ruth Stables
Fri 6 th May	Jess Nickson
Fri 13 th May	Merryn Newton
Fri 20 th May	Rachel Mill
Fri 27 th May	Nicole Anthony
Fri 3 rd June	Alisha Robinson
Fri 10 th June	Terri James
Fri 17 th June	Jess Nickson
Fri 24 th June	Nicole Anthony

Term 3	
Fri 15 th July	Ruth Stables
Fri 22 nd July	Alisha Robinson
Fri 29 th July	Rachel Mill
Fri 5 th Aug	Jess Nickson
Fri 12 th Aug	Merryn Newton
Fri 19 th Aug	Nicole Anthony
Fri 26 th Aug	Terri James
Fri 2 nd Sep	Jess Nickson
Fri 9 th Sep	Merryn Newton
Fri 16 th Sep	Rachel Mill

Term 4	
Fri 7 th Oct	Ruth Stables
Fri 14 th Oct	Terri James
Fri 21 st Oct	Rachel Mill
Fri 28 th Oct	Danni Robertson
Fri 4 th Nov	Merryn Newton
Fri 11 th Nov	Nicole Anthony
Fri 18 th Nov	Jess Nickson
Fri 25 th Nov	Danni Robertson
Fri 2 nd Dec	Terri James
Fri 9 th Dec	Alisha Robinson
Fri 16 th Dec	Nicole Anthony

Community News

A big thank you to Dean's Screens who have supported our school with the printing of the Grade 6 shirts this year.



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2022 Information Evenings

Wednesday 4th May 2022

2023 Year 7 Information Sessions and Tours at the following Colleges



6.30pm
Location: Performing Arts Centre
EAGLEHAWK 5446 8099
SECONDARY eaglehawksc.vic.edu.au



7.00pm
Location: College Gymnasium
WEEROONA 5443 2133
weeroona.vic.edu.au



Tours starting at the Ellis Street carpark 6.00pm
7.00pm
Location: BSE Stadium
Bendigo South East 5443 4522
COLLEGE bse.vic.edu.au



7:00pm
Location: College Gymnasium
CRUSOE 5447 7722
COLLEGE crusoecollege.vic.edu.au



GOORNONG AFTER SCHOOL CARE

OSH Club



GOORNONG PRIMARY SCHOOL - LUNCH ORDER

PRICE LIST

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Hot Food

Pie	\$4.80
Sausage Roll	\$2.50
Spicy Wings	\$2.00
Steamed / Fried Dim Sims	\$1.00
Mini Spring Rolls	\$2.00
Potato Cake	\$1.00
Hot Chips - Bucket	\$4.00 (Gravy + \$0.50)

Sandwiches & Rolls

Meat & Salad Sandwich	\$5.50
Meat and Salad Roll	\$6.50
Ham and Cheese	\$5.00
Ham, Cheese and Tomato	\$5.00
Egg	\$4.00
Egg and Lettuce	\$5.00
Silverside and Pickles	\$5.00
Chicken, Cheese and Mayo	\$5.00

Hamburgers

Cheeseburger – Burger, cheese and tomato sauce	\$6.00
Plain – burger, lettuce cheese and tomato in a toasted roll	\$6.50
Chicken Burger- Lettuce, Cheese Tomato, Bacon & your choice of sauce	\$8.50
Sweet Chilli Tenders Wrap- lettuce, tomato, cheese & sweet Chilli Sauce	\$7.50

Salad Plates - Your choice of meats and all the salads (Ham, Turkey, Roast Beef, Chicken, Silverside) \$10.00

Muffins - Blueberry, Choc Chip, Double Choc, Raspberry, White Chocolate \$4.50

Fruit Salad \$8.00

Drinks

Pressed Juice – Tropical, Apple, Orange, Green Supreme	\$4.90
Water	\$3.00
Nippys – Chocolate, Strawberry, Honeycomb	\$3.30
Small Bluey – Chocolate, Strawberry	\$3.00
Golden Circle – Apple, Blackcurrant	\$3.20
Noahs Juice - Apple, Peach, Kiwi, Mango & Lime	\$4.30
Orange, Apple, Guava, Banana, Pineapple & Paw Paw	\$4.30
Fresh Crushed Apple	\$4.30
Valencia Orange Juice	\$4.30

Friday is lunch order day. Please write your child's name and their order neatly on an envelope. Include the correct change for the order in the envelope and seal the envelope. Place your lunch order in the tub at school by 9.00am on Friday.