

Goornong Primary School Newsletter

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

Dates to Remember

Next Week

Mon 12th Dec	Swimming Program
Tues 13th Dec	Orientation (Step Up) Day Little Learners 9.00am—12.30pm
Wed 14th Dec	Swimming Program
Thurs 15th Dec	Christmas Concert
Fri 16th Dec	Swimming Program 2.45pm: Special visitor at school

Term 4

Mon 19th Dec	Excursion to Goornong Pool—Fun Day!
Tues 20th Dec	Last day of Term 4, 2.15pm dismissal

2023 School Year

Mon 30th Jan	Collect supplies and pay fees (10am-2pm)
Tues 31st Jan	First day of school for all students

2023 Term Dates

Term One	31st Jan—6th Apr
Term Two	24th Apr—23rd June
Term Three	10th July—15th Sept
Term Four	2nd Oct—20th Dec

Weekly Awards

Award	This Week	Last Week
P-2 Literacy 	Patrick S	There were no awards presented last week due to the Student-Free Day on Friday.
P-2 Maths 	Jackson L	
P-2 Values 	Mason D-F	
3-6 Literacy 	Brock K	
3-6 Maths 	Mayla P	
3-6 Values 	Amy O	
Principal Award 	Amy O	

With next week being the last full week of school before the summer holidays, there will be a brief edition of the newsletter next Friday.

FOTS News

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE

We will be holding a second-hand uniform sale at the front gate at pick-up time on Friday 16th December. Many items including polo shirts and polar fleece jumpers for sale (all items \$5 except for polar fleece jumpers which are \$10).



Any donations of unwanted second-hand items for the sale is welcome. Please drop items off at the reception desk prior to Friday 16th December.

LOLLY JAR 'FUN' RAISER

Correctly guess the number of lollies in the jar to win!

Gold coin donation to have a guess. The jar is currently at the reception desk if you wish to have a guess. It will also be at The Hall on Concert night.



To enrol your child go to:

<https://www.oshclub.com.au/vic/goornong-primary-school/> and click on the *Join OSHClub* button.

Term 4	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 11	Celebrating sporting super stars certificates and awards <i>LCM Santa treats</i>	Celebrating sporting super stars certificates and awards <i>LCM Santa treats</i>	Celebrating sporting super stars certificates and awards <i>LCM Santa treats</i>	Celebrating sporting super stars certificates and awards <i>LCM Santa treats</i>	Celebrating sporting super stars certificates and awards <i>LCM Santa treats</i>

This week will celebrate all the sports we have covered during the term and each of the children will receive a certificate and awards will be given out

Christmas activities are repeated to ensure all children get to make the fun delicious Christmas treats.



High Five



A big high five and congratulations to our wonderful OSHClub coordinator, Trudy, who was recently presented with an Annual Excellence Award in recognition of her work setting up and running our after school care service this year. Goornong OSHClub has been specifically acknowledged for its outstanding culture and connection to the community and this is credit to Trudy and the work she has put in. Thank you so much Trudy for all you have done in 2022!



Principal's Report

Goodness gracious! In the blink of an eye there is just 7 days of school remaining in 2022—how quickly the time goes!

ORIENTATION DAY

Orientation Day will be held this coming Tuesday 13th December. This is an important day in the school calendar as it provides a valuable opportunity for students to get used to new schools, new classrooms, new teachers and new peers.

On this day, all students will 'step up' to their 2023 Grade level. Our Little Learner's will become Preps and our Grade Sixes will go to their secondary school. This year's Grade 2s will 'step up' to Grade 3 and spend the day in the 3/4/5/6 classroom.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

This year's school photos have been sent home with the students today. We hope this year's photos provide families with a valuable keepsake which can be shared with family and friends for years to come. Thanks again to Mrs Johnson for being our photographer this year.

2023 SCHOOL YEAR

The first day of school in 2023 for all students is Tuesday 31st January.

COLLECTION OF SUPPLIES & PAYMENT OF FEES 2023

As has been the case in previous years, we ask that parents collect their child's supplies and pay the Curriculum Contributions and Educational Items portion of the fees (\$185) on Monday 30th January (10am-2pm).

EFTPOS MACHINE

I am pleased to let parents know that from 2023 an Eftpos machine will be available at the reception desk for parents to make payments for items such as fees and camps. The Eftpos machine will be up and running on Monday 30th January so parents are able to pay the Curriculum Contributions and Educational Items portion of the fees (\$185).

Jason Cox

Principal

Wade's Jokes of the Week

Why did the toddler toss butter out the window?
So they could see a butter-fly.

What is cheese that doesn't belong to you called?
Nacho cheese!

What candy do bumblebees love the most?
Bumble gum.

Breakfast Club



It's been terrific to have lots of students attending Breakfast Club. Last week there was 16 students in attendance—that's over half the school! A massive thank you to Karren and Tearnna for running the program each Wednesday morning.

SPLASHING AROUND



Grade 6 Graduates!

Congratulations to the Class of 2022 who this year graduate from Goornong Primary School. We wish the boys all the best as they head off to secondary school next year. A big thank you to all parents, family members and guests who attended the Graduation Dinner this week!



Goornong Primary School Christmas PARTY DAY!

Monday 19th December



To celebrate an amazing year of learning, fun and laughter, we would like to spend **Monday 19th of December** in party mode! We would love students to come to school dressed in any Christmas T-shirts/ headbands/ socks/ shorts/ anything Christmassy as part of our celebration.

Plan for our day:

During the morning sessions students will be involved in a mix of indoor and outdoor games. If you have any family games that you are happy to share please bring them in to for the students to play.

From 11.30—1.30 We take the party over to the pool where we will be swimming, playing games and enjoying (hopefully) some warm weather!

From 2.15—3.15 It's party food time! Some food will be supplied by us but we would appreciate if you could bring a plate to share. A note will go home on Thursday 15th December with a request of what to bring—selected by our students (just so we don't have 15 cakes!).

We are so looking forward to celebrating what has been a fabulous year with our amazing students at Goornong Primary School,

The Goornong Staff

Lunch Order Roster Term 4

A reminder that our lunch order day in Term 4 is Monday!

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

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 4	
Mon 28th Nov	Terri James
Mon 5th Dec	Nicole Anthony
Mon 12th Dec	Nicole Anthony
Mon 19th Dec	Danni Robertson

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Christmas Concert

This year's Concert will be held on Thursday 15th December, beginning at 6.15pm at the Goornong Memorial Hall. Students are required to arrive at 6.00pm.

We invite all families and members of the Goornong community to attend.

Entry is free. We encourage families to bring some cash for the BBQ following the Concert.

A reminder that the Concert is an alcohol-free event.

CONCERT COSTUMES FOR STUDENTS

We ask that students please wear the following items on the night of the Concert:

- ◆ Shoes (no thongs! Black footwear is preferred).
- ◆ A plain or Christmas themed red, white or green shirt.
- ◆ Navy blue or black shorts or pants.

BBQ FOLLOWING THIS YEAR'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Following this year's Christmas Concert we invite all parents, students and members of our school community to the back lawn area of the Drover's Arms Hotel for a BBQ and gathering to celebrate the end of the school year. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. The School Council asks that families please respect our wish for this area to be alcohol-free during our gathering; and that all children are accompanied and supervised by their parent. A big thank you to Brian and the team from the Drovers Arms Hotel for supporting our school community with this event!



CONCERT BBQ RSVP

To assist with catering for the BBQ following the Concert, we are asking families to please RSVP to give us an indication of expected numbers. Thank you to those families who have already RSVP'd!

Family name: _____

- Yes, my family will be attending the BBQ on the back lawn at the Drovers Arms Hotel following the Concert.
- We have _____ people in our group/family that will be attending.
- No, my family will not be attending the BBQ following the Concert.

Please return this form to the school by Wednesday 7th December. Thank you.

Community News

Goornong and District Action Group

invites you and the family to the:

*Goornong Community
Christmas Party
At the Recreation Reserve
5-7pm
Sunday December 18*

Location: near Cricket Pavilion

Free Sausage Sizzle,

Fun for the kids and a visit from Santa (about 6:30pm)

Please BYO Chairs

Come and meet other community members

Note Pool Access Not Included

PLEASE RSVP:

Wed. 14 Dec. 2022
to Drivers Arms of
Facebook Post

