

Goornong Primary School Newsletter

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

Dates to Remember








Next Week

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| Mon 16th Oct | School Council Meeting |
| Tues 17th Oct | Bike Ed (Gr 3/4/5/6s) |
| Wed 18th Oct | Bike Ed (Gr 3/4/5/6s) |

Term 4

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| Tues 24th Oct | Playgroup (10.00am—11.30am) |
| | Bike Ed (Gr 3/4/5/6s) |
| Wed 25th Oct | Bike Ed (Gr 3/4/5/6s) |
| Fri 27th Oct | MARC Library |
| | World Teacher Appreciation Day |
| Tues 31st Oct | Bike Ed Bike Ride (Gr 3/4/5/6s) |
| Wed 1st Nov | Bendigo Cup Public Holiday |
| Tues 7th Nov | Little Learners Program, 2.00pm-3.15pm |
| Thurs 9th Nov | P/1/2 Sleepover at School |
| Fri 10th Nov | MARC Library |
| Tues 14th Nov | Little Learners Program, 2.00pm-3.15pm |
| 20th—24th Nov | Grade 5-6 Canberra Camp |
| Tues 21st Nov | Little Learners Program, 2.00pm-3.15pm |
| Fri 24th Nov | MARC Library |
| Tues 28th Nov | Playgroup (10.00am—11.30am) |
| | Little Learners Program, 2.00pm-3.15pm |
| Fri 1st Dec | Student-Free Day |
| Mon 4th Dec | School Council Meeting |
| Tues 5th Dec | Little Learners Program, 2.00pm-3.15pm |
| Wed 6th Dec | Summer Sports Carnival (Gr 3/4/5/6s) |
| Fri 8th Dec | MARC Library |
| | Swimming Program begins |
| Mon 11th Dec | Swimming Program |
| Tues 12th Dec | Orientation Day |
| | Little Learners Program, 9.00am-12.30pm |
| Wed 13th Dec | Swimming Program |
| Fri 15th Dec | Swimming Program |
| Mon 18th Dec | Swimming Program |
| Wed 20th Dec | Last day of Term 4, 2.15pm dismissal |

Weekly Awards

| Award | This Week | Last Week |
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| P-2 Literacy  | Chase R | Jackson L |
| P-2 Maths  | Patrick S | Poppy S |
| P-2 Values  | Amity L | Lavina G |
| 3-6 Literacy  | Olivia M | Lucy O |
| 3-6 Maths  | Milla H | Milla P |
| 3-6 Values  | Milla P | Mayla P |
| Principal's Award  | Lavina G | Darcie F |



Goornong Playgroup

The next session will be held on

Tuesday 24th October

at Goornong Primary 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.

Morning tea will be provided for both parents and children.

We hope to see you there!

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

Term 4 Dates are:

Tuesday 24th October & Tuesday 28th November.

STAY and PLAY

Enrol Now for After School Fun this Term!



3-4 CAMP



Principal's Report

Welcome to Term 4 of the 2023 school year! I hope that all families enjoyed a safe school holiday period and that everyone is looking forward to a positive end to the school year.

After being away last term, it's been terrific to reconnect with students, staff and parents over the past couple of weeks. A big thank you to Mr Lehane and the entire staff team for doing a terrific job throughout Term 3.

Term 4 is always a busy one and as can be seen in the 'Dates to Remember' we already have some fantastic programs locked in for the students, including Bike Ed for our Gr 3/4/5/6s, the Little Learners Program for our 2024 Preps, the Gr 5/6 Canberra Camp, P/1/2 Sleepover at School and the Swimming Program. We're also finalising arrangements for the Grade 6 Graduation and the End-of-Year Concert and will be able to confirm details for these in the coming weeks.

As always, please feel free to come and see me if you have any questions or concerns about your child's experience at school.

2024 SCHOOL YEAR

It is at this time of year where we begin planning for the coming school year. As I'm sure you can appreciate, there is a great deal of work behind the scenes to ensure the best structure in relation to classrooms, teachers and support staff. The number of students attending the school has a significant impact on our planning as school funding is directly linked to the number of enrolments. As such, I ask that those parents intending to enrol new students at Goornong PS in 2024 (including Preps) please now return their enrolment form. Enrolment forms are available from the school should you require one. I also ask any current families whose child/children will not be attending Goornong PS next year to please let me know. I thank families for their support with this.

HATS AT SCHOOL

I commend our students and families for being well organised with school hats for the start of Term 4. A reminder that as per our school's SunSmart Policy, hats need to be worn outside during Terms One and Four. Students who do not have a suitable hat are asked to play in the shade of the Outdoor Learning Space during playtime and lunchtime.

OUTDOOR LEARNING SPACE

Over the recent school holiday period repairs were carried out on the new decking at the Outdoor Learning Space. This involved replacing the faulty decking boards

and re-painting. I am pleased to report that these works have been successful and that the students and staff have enjoyed using the Outdoor Learning Space over the first couple of weeks of Term.

BIKE EDUCATION

This week our Grade 3/4/5/6 students began Bike Education and have been learning a range of bicycle and road safety skills. These have included how to effectively use brakes, where to position the bike for safe riding on the road and signalling when turning or stopping.

Bike Ed continues for the coming two weeks and will culminate with the tradition Bike Ride to English's Bridge on Tuesday 31st October. Attached to today's newsletter are further details and a permission form.

We would love to have some parents ride with our group or drive support vehicles for The Bike Ride (a valid WWCC is required). Thanks to those who have already offered to help! If you are able to assist please let me know.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The next meeting of our school council is this coming Monday evening at the school. Finance Committee will begin at 6.00pm, followed by the normal council meeting at 6.15pm. Packs have been sent home with the children of councillors today.

Quote of the Week

People learn something every day, and a lot of times it's that what they learned the day before was wrong.—Bill Vaughan

Jason Cox

Principal

HIGH FIVES

ELMORE FIELD DAYS THANK YOU!

A big thank you to the volunteers from our school who filled one or more of the 18 shifts (totalling 118 hours) on our Elmore Field Days roster—we really appreciate your support!

We also offer our sincere gratitude to David Mill for his efforts as our school's Roster Coordinator and Catering Committee Representative; and thank Rachel Mill for her work supporting the coordination of the roster. Both David and Rachel did a power of work behind the scenes and filled multiple spots on our school's roster—thanks heaps Rachel and David!



Lunch Order Roster Term 4

A big thank you to the parents that have volunteered to help out with the lunch orders—we really appreciate it! Below is the roster for Terms 4. Please feel free to contact the school if you have any questions.

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 | |
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| Ruth S | Mon 2 nd Oct |
| Alisha R | Mon 9 th Oct |
| Dot B | Mon 16 th Oct |
| Terri J | Mon 23 rd Oct |
| Merryn N | Mon 23 rd Oct |
| Alisha R | Mon 30 th Oct |
| Jess P | Mon 6 th Nov |
| Merryn N | Mon 13 th Nov |
| Alisha R | Mon 20 th Nov |
| Dot B | Mon 27 th Nov |
| Jess P | Mon 4 th Dec |
| Jess P | Mon 11 th Dec |
| Terri J | Mon 18 th Dec |

Community News



5-6 S.T.E.M AND COOKING

