



Newsletter

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



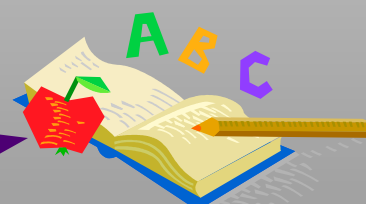
Secondary

Priscilla Barker

Week 4

GREAT EFFORT

TOP JOB



KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2014

TERM 2- Tuesday
29th April- Friday
27th June

TERM 3- Tuesday
15th July - Friday 19th
Sept

TERM 4- Tuesday
7th Oct - Wednesday
17th Dec

Congratulations to all students who participated in all school events this Term.

Principal's News

Firstly, I would like to express my condolences to our local community members who have experienced sad losses in the past week. The Goodooga School community supports you at this time.

The last fortnight seems to have passed us in a blur with so much happening. I have made lots of visits to the classrooms and seen great work from our students. Reading skills are improving all the time and students are consistently making progress. I have been impressed by the involvement of so many of our parents and carer's in their children's learning. It is essential that we have the support of home to reinforce what is being learnt in the classroom.

Principal's Meeting

The principals of all the schools in our area met in Dubbo last week to receive updates on changes to education. In the past years, schools were supported by many consultants however structures in the education system have led to changes in how things are done and support is now more school based. Mr Greg Prior - Deputy Secretary of the DEC was guest speaker on Friday. He outlined many of the reforms to education and their impact on our schools. Please contact me if you would like more information on any of the changes that are happening.

One aspect of working in a central school that I love is the wonderful opportunity for students and staff from kindergarten to senior students to work together. This has been very evident the past few weeks as the school comes together for a number of events. Thank you to those parents and friends of our school who have volunteered their time to help out.

Last week we welcomed Mr Andrew Newman to Ms Nott's Year 5/6 class. Andrew is completing a three week prac teaching experience with us. He is currently studying at ACU by distance while living & working in Lightning Ridge.

Barwon Cross Country

A great day was organised by Mr Currie and his team to host this carnival. Students from Goodooga, Lightning Ridge, Collarenebri and Walgett participated in this event hoping to move to the Regional event in Coolah in a few weeks time. Well done to all the students who did their best. Our new course appears to be a winner.

Secondary Exams

These are on next week for our secondary students. They will complete exams and other in class assessments in the next few weeks and class teachers will be preparing reports for distribution at the end of term.

Sorry Day

Yesterday our school attended our Sorry Day commemoration. It was a very moving experience with students extremely respectful and attentive. Our school leaders Leslie Stanton and Shakira Cochrane were fantastic. This year as an acknowledgement to the Stole Generation, Ursula and Kia Coffey planted a hibiscus plant in The Remembrance Garden. The Native Hibiscus is the symbol of Sorry Day.

River Day

Wow - what a great day at the Bokhara River. The students, family & community members who were present all enjoyed the opportunity to move our learning to a special place in our community. The Books for Birralii and Reading Tent, bead making and boomerang painting were great activities. Lunch shared with everyone was lovely and the Johnny cakes barely hit the table. The afternoon was spent fishing and enjoying the opportunity to share stories from the past with our Elders and make stories to share in the future. Thank you to everyone who helped with some aspect of the day. This day was supported by the Department of Prime Minister & Cabinet with funding through our PaCE program.

Mid Term Break

This weekend is our mid-term break. There will be no school on Friday or Monday. Next week I will be asking for some details about the benefits of the mid term break for the students of this school.

As always please contact me if you wish to discuss any aspect of your child's schooling. Best wishes for the next fortnight.

Kath

K -1- 2 News

Kindergarten and Stage 1 students for the past few weeks have been learning about narratives in Reading-to-Learn. Here is their class joint re-write so far.....

The Handsome Prince

One hundred years ago, in a castle far away, lived a handsome prince no shorter than a duckling.

He spent his days cooking and eating with the fabulous kitchen princess. Until one day, his kitchen was set on fire by ten freaky witches. The prince shouted and shouted.

The princess told him that if he ate a magic apple and hoped for the kitchen to come back to the way it was, his wish would come true.

I wonder what will happen....

Last Thursday, the students created their own "My Class Kitchen Rules" and made scones individually, whilst Kaylarni counted down the time until the 'kitchen was closed' and scones had to be placed on the table.



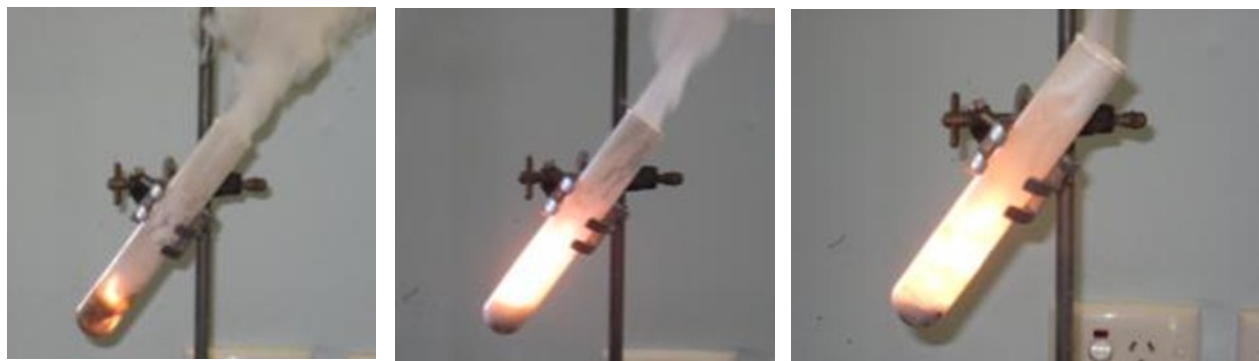
In HSIE the students complete the 'Wet/Dry Environments' unit and in collaborative pairs they created dioramas and what an amazing effort they put into them demonstrating their understanding of wet and dry environments.

Last week in Science the students learnt about 'gravity' and it is a force. They pushed and pulled different balls in and out of water and watched things float that were heavy to lift by hand. The students drew a force-arrow diagram to explain the force of gravity and the push of water on objects .



Secondary Science Year 9 check out sugar - a world of WOW

Ever wondered how much energy is in a 'gummy bear' ? This burnt for 30 seconds!!!



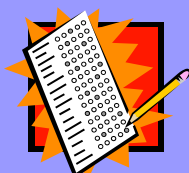
What about the ingredients in Coke? A little sugar and little acid...the creature from the black lagoon!! A true nightmare.



Duane measuring out the 'Elephants toothpaste' Photographer Tamika Wood



REMINDER TO STUDENTS/PARENTS



Year 7-10 Exams - Tues 3rd - Fri 6th June
Prelim Exams - Tues 3rd & Thurs 5th June

SORRY DAY & RIVER DAY 2014

A great day! Thanks to all who supported our day. As usual Uncle Les impressed all with his artistic talents. Our visitors enjoyed chatting and watching all the kids. These days are very important to us. Our aim is maintaining good attendance records through community based activities. Even our HSLO and ASLO attended the day and enjoyed a Johnny cake or two.

Once again thank you to all who helped make this day possible from start to finish.



Barwon Cross Country 2014

On Friday 23rd May, Goodooga Central School hosted the Barwon Cross Country. About 100 students from Lightning Ridge, Walgett Community, Collarenebri and Bourke Walgett School of Distance Education participated on the day. It was a very enjoyable day and we had some pleasing results. Three of our students qualified to attend the Regional Cross Country in Coolah on Friday 13th June; they are Tyron Cochrane, Shelton Brown and Leah Lamb. Tyron had a close finish against Lincoln Wood to finish 6th in the 10 Year Boys, Shelton finished a remarkable 1st with a sprint to the finish line in the 11 Year Boys and Leah finished 4th in the 12 Year Girls.

I would like to give a big thank you to staff members who got up early and assisted on the day. A special thank you goes to Lindy Trapman and Janelle Lamb who helped in the canteen and all community members who came and supported the students.

Mr Jakeb Currie.



CONGRATULATIONS

Parents, Caregivers & Community Members

If you have the need to enter the school grounds for any reason including delivering lunch money etc, could you all please sign in at the front office as part of our work place safety.

Thank you!!

Mid Term Break

Friday 30th May
&
Monday 2nd June
2014

*School Resumes
Tuesday 3rd June 2014*

Thank you

Dhiyan Guumali - Play Group

Mondays
 10.00 am to 12 noon
 Lunch & early
 learning
 activities provided!



Where :
Dhiyan Guumali
 (blue room) at the school



Have fun with your kids!

Parenting Rule Number 1:
 What do good parents all have in common? They love their kids!
 Too often we don't show our love enough—our families need reminding every day!"
How do we show love?
Cuddle, laugh together, play together, read together, walk together, watch TV together! Listen to each other...
Sing: "I love you in the morning and in the afternoon. I love you in the evening and underneath the moon!"
 The key is to be
TOGETHER!



REMINDERS

- * Children need to feel loved and lovable just for themselves, not only when they do things well.
- * Children need to feel they have some control in their lives.
- * Children need to feel that they can be successful at something.
 - Children need a sense of belonging.
- * Children are helped by having people apart from their parents who care about them and support them.
 - Uncles, Aunties and Grandparents can be a special support for children and teenagers.

ROCK THORWING & USE OF SLING SHOTS.

There have been numerous incidents over the past few weeks in relation to rock throwing and the use of sling shots in Goodooga. This is not appropriate behaviour and is very dangerous, as the rock could damage property, smash windows and badly injure people. The law now states sling shots are a prohibited weapon and the ownership and use of them carry a maximum penalty of 14 years in gaol. Police will be closely monitoring the issue of rock throwing and the use of sling shots in Goodooga and zero tolerance will be used.

Senior Constable Graham Bennett
 Constable Hannah Gale
 Goodooga Police station

Lunch Orders

Please ensure your Child/Children have money in their lunch bag when placing an order and lunch orders must be in by 9.30am.

Thank You!!

A Reminder:



All students are required to wear a hat at school. All students have received hats at school and are encouraged to leave at least one of these hats at school for school use. If students are not wearing a hat they are expected to stay in the undercover sheltered areas in the playground.

We are also encouraging students to drink lots of water at school. Packing sandwiches and fruit for their lunch and recess is highly encouraged to provide students with healthy energy for tackling daily school work.



DOCTORS!!

Coming to Goodooga Health Service:

Tuesday 3rd June - **Children's Dentist**

Wednesday 4th June - **Dentist**

Thursday 5th & Friday 6th June -
Dr Mark Young

Thursday 19th & Friday 20th June
- **Dr Kath Keenan**

Friday 13th June - **PODIATRIST**



Please see Health Service for Appointments!!

Lost & Found

If your child is missing any clothing please come to the front office, as we have a lot that is unclaimed.

HOMEWORK CENTRE

It is hoped Homework Centre will reopen in Term 2. Stay tuned for more information.

Thank you

Book Club

Due on Monday 16th June

2014

COMING EVENTS 2014

School / Community News

Friday 30th May - Monday 2nd June	MID TERM BREAK
Monday 9th June	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY
Friday 13th June	Regional Cross Country
Wednesday 18th June	Zone Athletics - Coonamble
Monday 23rd - Friday 27th June	NAIDOC WEEK—ALL WELCOME!!
Thursday 26th June	Culgoa Day—All Welcome!!
Friday 27th June	End of term Assembly - All Welcome!!
Tuesday 15 July	First Day of Term 3 for students
Monday 28th - Friday 1st August	Education Week
Thursday 7th August	Indigenous Games Day
Wednesday 18th December	End of School Year

Are your details up to date?
 Have you moved or changed phone numbers? Please inform the front office with any change in your living situation so we contact you if the need arises. **Thank you!!**

PUBLIC HOLIDAY
JUNE LONG WEEKEND
QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY
 9TH JUNE 2014

SCHOOL BELL TIMES.

PRIMARY

8.40am - 2.40 pm - School Hours
 11.00am - 11.40am - Lunch
 1.40pm - 2.00pm - Recess

GOODOOGA CENTRAL SCHOOL

NAIDOC WEEK

Where: Goodooga Central School
 When: **MONDAY 23rd to FRIDAY 27th June 2014**

Please come along and help us celebrate NAIDOC.

SECONDARY

8.35am– 3.10 pm - School Hours
 11.00am -11.40am - Lunch
 1.40pm– 2.00 pm - Recess

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS/ CARERS

If your child/children are absent from school could you please contact the school on **(02) 682 96257** or send a note with your child to explain absence.

Community Events

Monday 2nd June 2014

Monday 2nd June	Dhiiyan Guumali -Play Group @ School - 10.00am, MID TERM BREAK - NO students to attend school
Tuesday 3rd	School Resumes for all staff & students Children's Dentist @ Health Service Goodooga Healthy Communities Fitness 5pm @ Oval
Wednesday 4th	Dentist @ Health Service
Thursday 5th	Dr Mark Young @ Health Service Goodooga Healthy Communities Fitness 5pm @ Oval & School Kitchen
Friday 6th	Dr Mark Young @ Health Service

Commencing Monday 9th June 2014

Monday 9th	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Tuesday 10th	Goodooga Healthy Communities Fitness 5pm @ Oval
Wednesday 11th	
Thursday 12th	Goodooga Healthy Communities Fitness 5pm @ Oval & School Kitchen
Friday 13th	

