

# Newsletter

Friday 3rd July 2020



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SCHOOL TERM DATE 2020

TERM 3
Monday
20th July Friday
25th Sept

TERM 4
Monday 12th Oct
- Friday 16th Dec

G.C.S would like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable break!!



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Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community,

During this term students have been asked to demonstrate skills to deal with significant challenges, setbacks and changes to normal routine. The staff are so proud of the way they have exhibited the resilience to successfully navigate these times of uncertainty.

Furthermore, the support we receive from the community has been vital because it supports the prospect that parents and teachers believe in each other's motives and actions. We accomplish more as a team, to help our students grow and perform at their best, regardless of the challenges that may confront them. Your support is crucial and I thank you for your partnership.

Interviews have taken place for the position of Head Teacher Secondary Studies and a decision will be made shortly. It must be noted that the candidates were all highly experienced and eager to work at Goodooga Central School.

The school will also have the assistance one day a week of a Business Manager to streamline the school's financial position.

Over the next couple of months the school will be undergoing a facelift with new murals to be painted by John Murray, new electronic sign out the front of the Administration block and artificial turf to be laid around the school.

I would personally like to thank all the staff for their efforts and continued dedication to provide a first class education to the students.

Staff will be involved in professional development on Monday  $20^{th}$  July and all students will return to school on  $21^{st}$  July at 8.30 am.

To all staff, community and students please enjoy the break and stay safe.

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# <u>K/1/2 NEWS</u>

# Learning in K12

I am so proud of all of the work that K12 students have been producing over the last 5 weeks. They have all been working very hard and developing some lifelong skills.







Our Science unit this term is all about the weather. We have been learning about all of the different types of weather. We were learning about the wind and looking at the effects of the wind. We made rafts and then placed them on the water to observe what the wind did.

In Writing time, we had to make a playdough character and then describe it in our books. They looked awesome and we wrote some fantastic descriptions!









This task involved us thinking of cold weather and designing an arctic environment. We used glitter playdough and it was really fun!









In writing we have been learning how to write an information report. We have been reading lots of books about tigers and then writing about what we have learnt. Our reports have information about what tigers look like, what family they belong to, what tigers eat and how mother tigers look after their babies. It has been a lot of fun learning and writing about tigers!







In Art we made a collage tiger to match our tiger writing. When we finish publishing our reports about tigers we will attach them to our tiger artworks and hang them in our classroom. They look beautiful!





























To show how much we have learnt in Science this term we had to design and make something that could protect us from a type of weather. There were some fantastic designs, umbrellas to protect us from the rain, beanies and scarves to protect us from cold weather and even a helicopter to protect us from floods!

# 3/4/5/6 NEWS

# Science

Students in 3456 have been learning about 'Dash' and writing algorithms to tell him how to move and to say different sayings.





# Art

Decoupage has been a big hit with Stage 2 and 3. They have learnt how to apply the undercoat and top coat of paint to wood, apply pictures and seal them onto the wood.



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# Stage 4 Agriculture

On Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup> of June we went out to Kubali Station to collect Quandong seeds. Stage 4 are going to try to cultivate these seeds for our Bush Tucker garden. We have researched how to grow them and are going to give it a go. Paul Flipho, who owns Kubali Station, met us out there for a yarn and gave us a few tips on companion plants for the quandong tree. Many thanks to Paul and accompanying staff for making this trip a successful one.













# Stage 4 Science and Geography

After collecting the seeds we went to the Culgoa Weir where Stage 4 started their Science and Geography work. Aunty Nick and Aunty Karen talked to the students about Aboriginal land management. We discussed how we value the land; students thought about what they value and staff shared what they value and why. Lastly Aunty Nick and Aunty Karen talked about Aboriginal views of land and how they valued the land.

# Technology Mandatory 2020

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After producing a design folio on computer for a "Rubber Band Powered Car" using the Word program, it was time for the students to manufacture their car design. Here are some photographs of the students working. Shaquel, Ava and Kiyesha are operating the metal lathe under supervision. Kallum was sanding his wheels, Kyanne was shaping the groove for the rubber band to fit in. Ruby, Jazmine, Tyreese, Ruby and Rory are also in this class and also made the car design but not present when the photographs were taken. The students cut their wheels using the pedestal drill. An excellent effort by all the students.

I would also like to thank Karen, Bob, George and Basil for their help throughout the semester.

# "Who Do You Know?"

Here are some pics from the 60's sent by an ex teacher. "Who do you know?". If anyone has any objections to old pics being in the newsletter, as there will be some of our deceased in them, please let us know. If we have no objections we will continue to share in our newsletter and our Facebook page.







# **School Holidays**

Last Day of Term 2
Friday 3rd July

First Day of Term 3
Tuesday 21st July 2020
(All students return)

### Goodooga Health Service



Phone number - **02 68 295 600** 

### Reminder!!

Mobile phones are not allowed in class.

Students must hand them in to the front office at the start of each session.

\*If the student refuses to make the right choice the school will be contacting parent/ carer and asking for the phone to stay at home.

#### 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. This would be appreciated.

Thank you!!

# Parents/Caregivers

We ask that you please stay in your car when dropping off and picking up your kids. Please do not come into the school grounds unless necessary.

Thank you!

# Parents, Caregivers & Community Members

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

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.



### <u>Visiting Services</u> Goodooga Health Service

- Dr Young & Dr Keenan
- Podiatrist
- Optometrist
- Dentist
- Children Dentist

  Please call <u>02 68 295 600</u> if

  needing appointment!!

Marrabinya forms need to be in by 2 weeks prior to all specialist appointments!!



RN Clinic Hours Monday-Friday 9am-3pm

#### Dhiiyan Guumali - Play Group

Play group is every Monday from 10 am-12 pm in the blue room down the back of the school. Due to school holidays play group will resume on Monday 20th July 2020

Lunch is provided



**ALL WELCOME!!** 



# Read, sing, play with your kids!



The most important gift that you can give to your children is your love.



### **SCHOOL BELL TIMES.**

# **PRIMARY**

8.40am - 2.40 pm - School Hours

11.00am - 11.40am - Lunch

1.40pm - 2.00pm - Recess

# **SECONDARY**

8.35am-3.10 pm - School Hours

11.00am -11.40am - Lunch

1.40pm-2.00 pm - Recess

### 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.



#### **EVERY DAY COUNTS....**

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

| When your child misses just | that equals       | which is          | and therefore, from Kindy to<br>Year 12, that is | This means that the<br>best your child can<br>achieve is |
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| 1 day each fortnight        | 20 days per year  | 4 weeks per year  | Nearly 1 ½ years of school                       | Equal to finishing<br>Year 11                            |
| 1 day a week                | 40 days per year  | 8 weeks per year  | Over 2 ½ years of school                         | Equal to finishing<br>Year 10                            |
| 2 days a week               | 80 days per year  | 16 weeks per year | Over 5 years of learning                         | Equal to finishing<br>Year 7                             |
| 3 days a week               | 120 days per year | 24 weeks per year | Nearly 8 years of learning                       | Equal to finishing                                       |

Give your child every chance to succeed...

**Every day counts!** 



#### **Attendance Notice**

High school students are expected to attend every day. The DEC stipulates that all students in N.S.W should have an attendance no less than 85% to meet educational requirements. Attendance is link to Abstudy and Youth Allowance. If attendance drops below 85% then Centrelink can moderate payments. If a student does not attend a day or part of a day of school, as the school has a Duty of Care. If students have more than 15% unexplained absences, the Home School Liaison Officer HSLO will contact the students parent/carer.