

# Gerogery Public School Newsletter

Term 1 Week 8 20th March 2025

### Principal's Message

Dear staff, parents, community members, and students, It is hard to believe we are only three weeks away from the end of Term One.

During the next three our students will compete in the Walbundrie Small Schools Cross Country Trails, Teaching Staff will work collaborative with Burrumbuttock staff to program for all our small schools in the key learning areas, our infants will visit the Lavington Library and all our students will participate in our DOJO's end of term reward to the pictures.



Julie Twitt Principal





## **Calendar Events**

Date	Activity	Notes
Every Friday	Sport at school	Unless advised otherwise
Every Tuesday	Staff Meeting	At school 3:30-4:30
Wednesday March 26	Program writing	Ms. Curnow and Ms. Zuber @ GPS
Tuesday April 1	Green Room Visit to Lavington Library	9:40-10:40am
Friday April 11	DOJO's Reward	Noah's Ark Movie Bandiana
Friday April 11	Last Day Term One	
Sunday April 6	Daylight Saving Ends Turn your clocks back one hour	3am
Wednesday April 30	Students return to school for Term 2	

## **DOJO Awards:**



Term 1 Week 4 & 5 100%



**Top Points**Hilton and Macky



**Top Points**Finn and Lachie

## **Merit Awards:**



#### **Green Room:**

**Macky** - for settling in very well to school and trying your best in everything given to you. Well done!

**Lachie Walsh** - for beginning the school year with an excellent attitude to learning.

#### **Gold Room:**

**Hilton -** His outstanding efforts and achievement in winning Age Champion at the Swimming Carnival.

Congratulations Hilton!

**Finn Walsh -** His fantastic start to the 2025 school year and strong results for his pre-tests on Essential Assessment Keep up the great work Finn!

#### Green Room - Ms Zuber

We have had a very busy first few weeks with settling in, getting to know school and classroom expectations and routines and swimming.

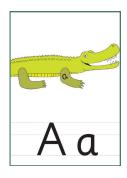
Over the next two weeks we will be getting into some great learning in all areas.

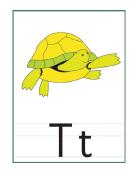
Kinders have learnt the below sounds already and have been working hard to remember them. These will begin to come home in homework folders to practise.

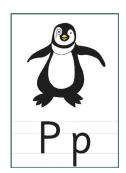
Please don't forget every WEDNESDAY to bring back homework folders so I can add in new books and pop a sticker on our classroom chart for remembering their folder.

Ms Zuber.









#### Gold Room - Ms Curnow

We have had a busy start to Term 1, with a big focus on our swimming skills and back to school expectations. Congratulations to our students who competed at the Walbundrie Small School's Swimming Carnival and did an excellent job representing our school. Also, to completing our intensive swimming lessons at GOULD Swimming- all in the same week!

We have started our new Literacy Unit - Narrative Writing and begun reading our new texts; "Just Tricking" and "Once Upon a Slime: 45 Fun Ways to Get Writing ... Fast!" written by Andy Griffiths. We are focussing on sentence structure and improving our use of adjectives in our writing. In Maths, our learning focus is on 'Infinitely Small and Large Numbers' used in our number system. Students have also been working hard at completing Essential Assessment pre tests in both Literacy and Numeracy.

Please don't forget every FRIDAY to bring back homework folders.

Ms Curnow.





Term 1 Week 5



#### **Intensive Swimming**

Congratulations to all our students for their efforts during swimming lessons at GOULD Swimming Academy throughout Week 4. It is amazing to see the improvements and swimming skills confidence grow in just one week!









#### **WSS Swimming Carnival**

Our students have created history by winning the Walbundrie Small Schools 2025 Swimming Carnival. It is the first time Gerogery PS has ever won this carnival. What a huge achievement by our 2025 senior students! Congratulations champions!



#### **P&C Meeting**

Our first P&C Meeting for 2025 was held on Wednesday February 19. Thank you to those who attended. Our 2025 P&C AGM will be held on Monday March 17 commencing at 7pm, all are welcome to attend. This will be followed by a general meeting.

### **Curriculum and Policy Monitoring (CPM)**

Alisha and I attended Professional Learning on Monday as our school has been selected to complete the preparation, submission and review meeting this year. Maddie will complete her CPM training soon. Curriculum and policy monitoring (CPM) meetings are an internal assurance process for the Department, regarding the implementation of policy and curriculum in a sample of schools. CPM looks at compliance within a school, improvement context and provides opportunities for professional dialogue and sharing amongst schools.

#### **Hume Principals Network Meeting Day 2**

I will be attending the second Principals Meeting on Thursday February 27. Ms Curnow will teach K-6 on this day.



### Southern Riverina (SR) PSSA Swimming Carnival

Finn, Jayden and Hilton will attend this carnival on Friday February 28.
Good luck boys!

### **Clean Up Australia Day for Schools**

This Friday February 28 is Clean-up Australia Day for schools. We will clean the school and surrounds from 9:30 - 10:30am. You are most welcome to join us.

A permission note was sent home yesterday. Please return by Friday 28.

Students may wear casual clothes on this day. Closed in shoes must be worn.

No singlet tops or dresses that don't cover shoulders please.



#### **NAPLAN Testing**

NAPLAN testing will held on Wednesday 12 & Thursday 13 March for students in Year 3 and Year 5. If a student is away on these days, we are able to have them sit for the test on another day, up until March 24. Ms. Curnow is supporting students in the classroom with some practice NAPLAN testing until Week 7.

### **Light Horse Society of Australia**

Light Horse Society of Australia will visit our school on Wednesday March 12 at 2pm. Members will show off their horses and answer question students may have about light horse.

Some high school students from Walla will be joining us.





#### **SR ALF Trials**

On Tuesday March 4 Finn, Jayden and Hilton will attend the SR AFL Trials in Culcairn. Good Luck boys!



Students will participate in another bird survey on Thursday March 6. Casual clothing that is suitable for a bushwalk may be worn for this event.



Term 4, 2024 Nature Walk:



# HOW DO YOU BECOME A FOSTER CARER

Support Young Aboriginal Children

Thursday 6th March 2025

6pm-7pm

Woomera Aboriginal Corporation

684 Daniel Street, GLENROY NSW 2640

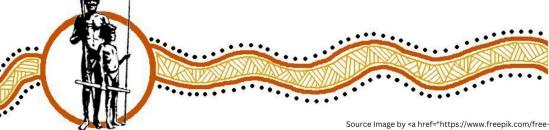
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Become part of Woomera Aboriginal Corporations Permanency Support Programs and become a Foster Carer.

Come join us onsite to meet with likeminded people considering supporting young aboriginal children within our community.

Talk to our team and a current carer for their insight



**Woomera Aboriginal Corporation** 

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