



Goolgowi Public School

To the Stars



Newsletter Term 2, Week 3

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Calendar

*Please note dates from week to week as there are occasionally some changes.

Term 2, 2025

Week 3

Wed. 14 May	Dress like a Pirate Day Library Day
Thur. 15 May	Walk Safely to School Day
Fri. 16 May	Cross Country Carnival

Week 4

Wed. 21 May	Library Day
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Week 5

Mon. 26 May	Zone Cross Country
Tues. 27 May	Mobile Library
Wed. 28 May	Library Day
Fri. 30 May	Assembly 2pm

Ball pit. Students in Year 4 and Year 5 learnt how to play Ga Ga Ball at last year's Sport and Recreation Camp. The students are really enjoying playing Ga Ga ball. The game is fast-paced and encourages speed, agility, teamwork, hand eye coordination and social skills. A huge thank you goes to Mr Ricky Gray (Colt's dad) for putting the pit together. We are looking forward to a busy week where the students will be engaged in a range of activities and learning.



Student of the Month



Charlie

For striving for excellence in all endeavours with great success.

Cross Country

Friday is our annual Cross Country Carnival starting at 10:45am. We welcome Rankins Springs students, staff and parents and are looking forward to a great day. The P&C are running a canteen, and the menu was sent home yesterday to all parents via email and also attached at the end of this newsletter. The students have been working hard most mornings practicing their running strides and perfecting their paces for the day. The P&C are also requesting donations of slices, cakes and biscuits which can be dropped into the canteen in the morning.

Principal's Message

Welcome to Week 3. All the students were excited to see the construction of the Ga Ga



Mother's Day Brunch

A HUGE THANKYOU to Danielle from TheirCare and the P&C helpers for putting on a delightful and delicious breakfast for our mums and grandmothers. It was a wonderful way to celebrate and show appreciation for the incredible mums, grandmothers, carers and relatives in our lives. We loved seeing so many smiling faces and sharing a beautiful start to the day together.





AFL Gala Day

Last week, the Stage 3 boys attended the AFL Gala day in Griffith. They had a great day playing AFL with students from other small schools and once again the boys consistently demonstrated teamwork, sportsmanship, camaraderie and fair play. They won some and lost some, but it was a great opportunity to demonstrate their skills.



GRIP Leadership Conference

The Year 6 students attended the GRIP Leadership Conference in Wagga Wagga with students from Lake Wyangan and Yenda Public Schools. The conference aims to equip Year 6 students with leadership skills with the core values of generosity, responsibility and integrity. The students had a great time and we are hoping this will

be an annual event to support our Year 6 students in enhancing their leadership skills.



Attendance

Our attendance data continues to be positive and is higher than the state average and the Griffith network. Our attendance data is 93.6%. We understand that with the

colder weather this also brings colds and flu. We encourage students to stay at home and recover if sick so that the sickness does not spread to other students and staff.

Our positive school culture, high expectations, family connections and proactive school wellbeing practices ensure high levels of student engagement and attendance. We thank all families, students and staff for our positive attendance data.

Work Experience Student

Next week, we welcome Charlotte Star a work experience student from St Francis Leeton. She previously attended Goolgowi Public School as a student and was school captain. She will be working with all the students in all the classes and with teachers and support staff to provide experience in working in a school setting.

Day for Dolly

Our students looked bright and beautiful in blue last Friday where we actively participated in the Day for Dolly to stamp out bullying and promote kindness and inclusion. All the students across the school wrote an action that they will commit to in preventing bullying and promoting a culture of acceptance and kindness. Some of the affirmations and call to action include:

I will say nice words and include every when I am playing games.

I will be an upstander not a bystander!

Be kind to each other.

Say No to Bullying! Any day and every day!



Uniform – Black Shoes

It is lovely to see all the students in the correct school uniform. Part of the school uniform is black school shoes. Black shoes are an important component of the school uniform for several reasons:

Uniformity and Equality: Wearing black shoes helps to create a sense of uniformity among students, promoting equality and reducing peer pressure related to footwear choices.

Professional Appearance: Black shoes contribute to a neat and professional appearance, which is important in a school setting. This can foster a sense of pride and responsibility among students.

Durability and Practicality: There are many black sports shoes that are suitable for activities at school.

Overall, black shoes play a significant role in maintaining the integrity of the school uniform and supporting the school's values and culture.

Lost Property – Grab Another Jumper

We have a vast amount of lost property, all without names. If your child has lost their jumper or jacket, please ask them to look in the lost property. Also, if you require or want another jumper for your child, please come and take one from the lost property box. It will be sitting on the office verandah. A reminder to label jumpers and jackets and hats to ensure a quick return if misplaced.

100 Years Celebration – Goolgowi Public School Centenary

Although Goolgowi Public School does not turn 100 until 2027, we are keen to start organising the event to ensure that it is a worthy celebration for the school and community. Anyone interested in finding out more information, willing to help or share ideas is more than welcome to come along. We will be having regular meetings in the lead up to the event. Our next meeting is in Week 7 of Term 2.

When: Friday 13 June

Where: Goolgowi Ex-Servicemen's Club

Time: 6:30 pm

Dress like a Pirate Day

Ahoy me hearties! Wednesday 14 May – Week 3 is Dress like a Pirate Day!

"Dress Like a Pirate Day" is an annual charity event, often referred to as Pirate Day, that is held each year during Brain Cancer Awareness Month in May. It's a day to dress up as a pirate and participate in a fundraising event, often benefiting organizations supporting childhood cancer research.

Avast, ye, for a treasure trove of events on the day. Don't be a bilge rat and miss out! And Aye and Shiver Me Timbers! It's going to be a smarty time!"

We are looking forward to seeing all the students in their finest Pirate Attire for the day.



Walk Safely To School – Promoting Road Safety in our Students

On Thursday we will be Walking Safely to School. Students can meet Ms Dayhew at the oval at 8:40am to walk safely to school. Parents are more than welcome to join us. Walk Safely to School Day is a great opportunity for families and students to walk to school together and have conversations about being a safe road user. Remember to ALWAYS hold your child's hand until they are at least 10 years old and closely supervise them around the roads.

ALWAYS hold your child's hand:

- when on the footpath
- when crossing the road or
- when in a car park

Teach your child about being a safe pedestrian! This includes watching out for

driveways, walking facing traffic when there are no footpaths and always Stop, Look, Listen, Think, every time you cross the road.

Avoid distractions and set a good example by putting your phone away. Focus on your surroundings. If you need to use your phone, stop in a safe place.

Angela Dayhew

Principal

what's happening
in the classrooms?

3-6 News

We have been enjoying the beautiful autumn weather as we've been practising for our cross country. The students are pumped and many keep beating their personal best times. The Stage 2 and 3 students are to be commended for their efforts and encouragement to the younger students. We certainly have a school with many fit and determined runners.

I hope you all had a wonderful Mother's Day and felt treasured and appreciated by your children. The students enjoyed their first attempts at sewing and made a great effort to produce their bookmarks. For many it was the first time they have threaded a needle. Hopefully now if they lose a button, they will know how to sew one back on.

Last Tuesday, the Year 6 students attended a one-day leadership conference in Wagga. The day was practical and interactive, providing students with valuable tools to support their leadership roles at Goolgowi Public School. Key takeaways included the importance of being positive role models, stepping up to meet the school's needs, understanding that leadership is about people not privileges and making meaningful contributions to the school community.

Students also explored relationship-building strategies, such as the power of conversations over directives. They learned how involving others in decision-making can

help create a shared sense of ownership and drive positive change. The conference encouraged them to reflect on setting realistic goals and prioritising ideas that make a real impact. We're confident they will continue to reflect on these insights and consider how to apply them as thoughtful and inspiring leaders in our wonderful school.

Warm Regards,
Pauline Fox

Weekly Awards

Congratulations to our weekly award winners.

Week 2

Ms Dayhew

- **Braithen** – for learning in the classroom.
- **Yazrah** – for listening in the classroom.

Mrs Liddicoat

- **Nathaniel** – for great effort in math lessons.
- **Halen** – for great effort in writing tasks and showing resilience.

Mrs Fox

- **Reagan** – for displaying our PBL focus of being a kind and thoughtful person.
- **Charlie. M** – for sharing creative ideas and a willingness to support others.



Week 3

Ms Dayhew

- **Hugh** – for trying hard with his handwriting.

Mrs Liddicoat

- **Freddie** – for great improvements in Cross Country practice.
- **Harry** – for great improvements in Cross Country practice.

Mrs Fox

- **Enara** – for demonstrating our PBL focus and showing initiative in all areas of schooling.
- **Lilly** – for continued effort and progress. Keep it up!



Positive Behaviour for Learning

Values: Respect, Responsibility, Resilience

PBL Awards

Weekly Prize – Braithen and Sonny

Respect

Take care of yourself and others

FOCUS

We use kind words.

ACTION

- ✓ We express our thoughts in kind ways.
- ✓ We speak kindly to ourselves, our peers, school staff and our family and friends.

Community News

Goolgowi Exies News

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Exies Opening Hours

Monday to Wednesday Closed
 Thursday & Friday 4:30pm
 Saturday 4:00pm
 Sunday 3:30pm

Goolgowi Club Bistro

Meals are available Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Thursday Night Draw

The draw takes place anytime between 7:00pm and 9:00pm. You must be a **current** member and on the premises at the time of the draw.

This Thursday night the draw is:

\$11,000

Meat raffles from Hanwood Butchers.

100-wheel spin.



Goolgowi Branch CWA

Monthly Meeting

Thursday 15th May 2025

**This will take place after the
 Biggest Morning Tea.
 Approximately 12:30**

At CWA rest rooms

**New members and visitors
 welcome**



Host: Goolgowi Branch CWA

Where: In front of Goolgowi General Store - Donna's Diner

Date: Thursday 15th May 2025

Time: 9:30am

Grab a plate of goodies for your workplace morning tea.

If you would like to order a plate of goodies contact Alice: 0428004655



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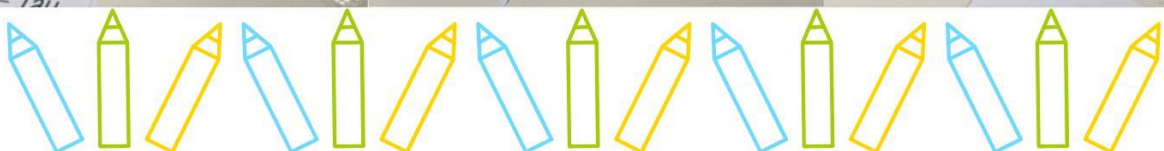
Thank you to all our community businesses who support our school newsletter. We really appreciate your support.

If you have any community announcements or wish to advertise through our school/community newsletter please contact Janaya by phone or email by Monday afternoon.

Our newsletter is published fortnightly on a Tuesday.



Our Kindergarten students have been busy learning, exploring and having fun in the classroom. From building early literacy and numeracy skills to engaging in hands-on activities, its been a wonderful time of discovery and growth! We are so proud of how they are thriving each day!



HAPPY Mother's Day



My Mum is the best at giving hugs. My mum is good at looking after me.
Halen



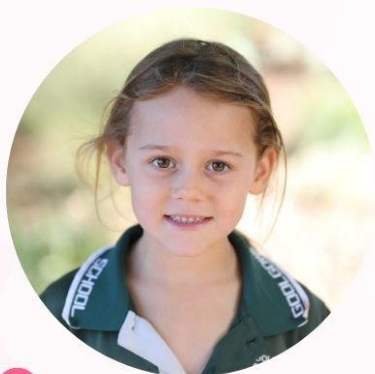
The best thing about my mum is that she cooks the best dinners. My mum is good at helping me with my schoolwork.
Nela



The best thing about my mum is that she is caring, she always cooks, and she is funny. My mum is good at golf.
Addyson



The best thing about my mum is that she gives us healthy food and gets me lots of chapter books because I am not a sweet tooth and I love to read. My mum is good at crocheting and is making me a blanket. The square is green with white petals and a yellow middle.
Hannah



happy
*Mother's
Day*



The best thing about my mum is that she is kind and caring because she helps me when I fall over. My mum is good at tennis, and she plays tennis in Griffith.

Evelyn



The best thing about my mum is she always piggybacks me because she is nice. My mum is good at doing puzzles because she has been doing them for ages.

Freddie



The best thing about my mum is that she is the best at drawing. My mum helps me with my drawing and is also good at helping me with maths.

Nathaniel



The best thing about my mum is that she is the best mum because she loves me and buys me ice creams. My mum is good at driving slowly on the road.

Dallas





The best thing about my mum is that she always loves and cares for me. When I get hurt, she runs in and helps me. My mum is good at gem art because she is talented.

Elizabeth



The best thing about my mum is that she is lovable and nice. My mum is good at teaching KROP and making dance moves.

Lenny



The best thing about my mum is that she is very beautiful to me because she helps me with things that are hard. My mum is good at driving the car to faraway places.

Harry



The best thing about my mum is that she is very good at giving hugs.

Vinny

