



# Goolgowi Public School

## To the Stars



### Newsletter Term 4, Week 10

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## Calendar

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

### Term 4, 2021

#### Week 10

Tues. 7 December	Swimming lessons
Thurs. 9 December	Swimming lessons

#### Week 11

Tues. 14 December	Mobile Library Swimming Lessons Year 6 Farewell Dinner
Wed. 15 December	Reports Home Virtual Assembly USB sent home
Thurs. 16 December	Pool Party Last day for students

### Term 1, 2022

#### Week 2

Friday 4 February	School Development Day
Monday 7 February	School Development Day
Tuesday 8 February	Yr 1-6 Students Return
Wed 9 February	Kindergarten students commence

## Notes coming home this week

Nil.

## Canteen

There will be **no canteen** for the rest of the year.



**Elizabeth Domjahn**

For being a keen learner who conscientiously applies herself to all tasks.

## Principal's Message

### *Resilience - Respect – Responsibility*

### First Lego League Competition

I had the privilege of watching our Goolgowi Legends present their ShipShop innovative project to the national judges on Saturday. This competition is for students and groups from 9 to 16 years old so the competition was stiff! The Goolgowi Legends, Mrs Liddicoat and Mr Bourne can be proud of their achievements in reaching the national finals in their first attempt at the competition.



## Swimming Lessons

Our annual swimming lessons continue today. There will be further lessons on Thursday 9 December and Tuesday 14 December. Students must ensure that they have all the necessary items to participate: swimmers, swim shirt, hat, towel, sunscreen

and goggles all in a suitable bag for carrying wet clothes. Please ensure that all items are clearly named. Thongs can be worn to and from the pool. School shoes must be worn at all other times. Participation is essential unless students have a medical note explaining why they can't participate.

The cost of the lessons is nil as it is covered by the school, Sporting Schools funding and the Premier's Sporting Challenge grant.

## Virtual Celebration

To recognise the efforts and achievements of students, the school is preparing a virtual celebration that parents will be able to access on Wednesday 15 December. Each family will receive a USB with the whole presentation on it so you can view it at your leisure.

This Thursday students and staff will walk to the hall to film the award ceremony, so it is important that students wear their full school uniform as many students will be on stage at some time during the presentation of awards. Year 6 students are NOT to wear their Year 6 black and green shirts as they are required to lead the assembly.

## Parent Satisfaction Survey

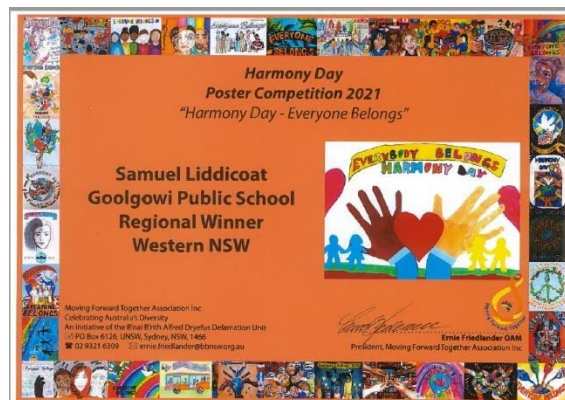
Thank you to the 10 parents who completed the survey. Teachers discussed the results at our last staff meeting and looked at ways we could improve our communications with parents in terms of student wellbeing support and other issues raised. This data is also valuable as the school is evaluating our Strategic Improvement Plan 2021-2024.

## Celebrating Student Achievements

Bronwyn received notification that her Operation Art entry has been chosen to join the main exhibition to tour galleries and hospitals and then given to the Children's Hospital at Westmead. Well done Bronwyn!



Sam was the regional winner in the Harmony Day poster competition and last week received a certificate and cheque from the Moving Forward Together Association. Well done Sam!



## Semester 2 Reports

The students' Semester 2 reports will go home on Wednesday 15 December. Please take the time to read them with your child as they will give you an indication of your child's social and academic strengths and the next steps for their success in 2022. I would like to thank the teachers for all their effort in writing these detailed reports.

## Pool Party

Next Thursday the school will celebrate the efforts of students with our annual pool party. Students have raised over \$135 through Return and Earn and the SRC have decided what treats they would like to buy for the pool party. Students need to bring swimmers, swim shirt, hat, towel, sunscreen and goggles all in a suitable bag for carrying wet clothes. Please ensure that all items are clearly named. Thongs can be worn to and from the pool. They can wear casual clothes but need to wear closed in shoes when they are at school.

## COVID-19 Guidelines

Updated Level 3 guidelines began on 8 November:

- All staff on school sites must be fully vaccinated.
- All parents and carers, volunteers and providers who are permitted to come onto school sites must be fully vaccinated.
- Masks are required indoors for all staff, visitors and students in Year 7 or above,

and strongly recommended indoors for primary students.

- All staff and visitors must check in when attending a school site or gathering.
- Schools must maintain attendance records of all gatherings.
- Maintain 1.5 metres physical distancing wherever practicable.
- Teaching and learning in indoor spaces will be well ventilated and as large as possible for the number of participants.
- Fully vaccinated parents and carers will be allowed on site to support curriculum delivery, vulnerable students or students with disability, student wellbeing activities and school operations (for example reading support, canteens and uniform shops). Parents and carers must check in using the school check-in, show proof of vaccination on entry to the school site and follow mask-wearing requirements.
- Parents and carers must follow their school's advice regarding student drop-off and pick-up, which will require parents to remain off school sites at these times. This includes staying in the car when dropping off and picking up children if it is safe to do so. Drop-off and pick-up will continue at the Penney St entrance.
- Parents and carers should follow the physical distancing advice for their local area and avoid gathering outside of school gates.
- Assemblies and presentations will be allowed outdoors on site. Cohorts will be separated with physical distancing in place where practicable. Fully vaccinated visitors (including parents and carers) are only allowed to attend if completing a specific role (such as presenting) and at the invitation of the school. All visitors must check in using the school check-in and show proof of vaccination.
- Excursions will be allowed outdoors and indoors. If the excursion is indoors, the cohort will need to have sole use of the venue.
- School photos are allowed outdoors on school sites. Providers supporting school photos must be fully vaccinated and sign in using the school check-in app. Only individual photos and sibling photos are

permitted (no class or team photos due to physical distancing requirements).

Anne-Maree Young  
Principal

## SRC Dress Up Day!

Dress up in your best **mismatched clothes** on Friday 10 December 2021. Please bring a gold coin donation to help raise money for the SRC.



what's happening

## in the classrooms?

### K/1/2 News

Last week students had their first session of swimming lessons! They had an awesome time!

This week in the classroom we will be practising our class performance and beginning to enjoy some Christmas activities.

We will begin to gather artworks and other student learning from the year to send home. Can each student bring in a Woolworths/reusable bag to take home their belongings? This will happen early next week.





Miss Gordon/Mrs Young

### 3/4 News

#### Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Recreation

During this term, the class read and studied the children's book, ***Charlie and the Chocolate Factory***. They investigated complications and resolutions, completed word studies on the vocabulary used in the text and emerged themselves in the rich visualisation that Roald Dahl creates in his stories.

To further develop and support their understanding of the text, the students were challenged to collaboratively recreate Wonka's Chocolate Factory in Minecraft. They worked together to create Charlie's house, the front entry way, the chocolate river and the different rooms including the Nut Room, TV Room and the Inventing Room.

They had a great time and created an amazing chocolate factory.



Mr Bourne

### 5/6 News

On Saturday, the Year 5/6 students participated in the First Lego League national finals. To say I'm proud of all the students is an understatement. All the



students showed great team spirit, dedication and resilience throughout the whole First Lego League competition. They confidently presented their Lego robot and innovative project 'The ShipShop' to a panel of expert judges. The judges asked our team some really tough questions about their project and they fought hard to answer them as best they could. The competition on the day was of an incredibly high standard and unfortunately, we missed out on receiving any major awards. Although we didn't bring home the silverware, the students had a blast and learnt valuable coding and teamwork skills that will last a lifetime.



Mrs Liddicoat

## Weekly Awards

Congratulations to our weekly award winners:

### Miss Gordon/Mrs Young

- **Enara** – for thoughtful insights into her reading to show her understanding.
- **Johnathan** – for developing and repeating number patterns.

### Mr Bourne

- **Austin** - for working independently to complete set tasks.
- **Dekota** - for demonstrating independence when completing literacy activities.

### Mrs Liddicoat

- **Year 5/6** – for great team spirit, dedication and resilience during the First Lego League.



## PBL Awards

### PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning)

**Values:** Respect, Responsibility, Resilience

**PBL focus for this week:** Responsibility

**Focus:** Safe games.

**Action:** Play fairly and by the rules of the game.

## Community News

**GUNBAR CHRISTMAS TREE**  
 Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2021  
 GUNBAR COMMUNITY HALL  
 6PM START

**SANTA CLAUS arrives at 7.30pm**

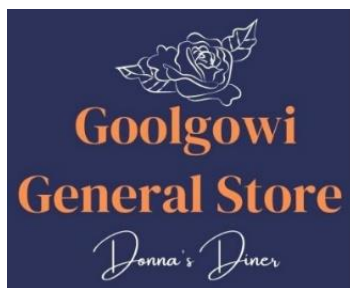
Major Raffle Prizes      100 Club Draw

BBQ FOOD & COLD DRINKS available – BYO CHAIR & ESKY

To add your children to Santa's List to receive a gift (\$15) please text  
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## Goolgowi Exies News

**The club is open!**

**Exies Opening Hours**

Monday to Wednesday ..... CLOSED

Thursday & Friday..... 4.30pm

Saturday .....4.00 pm

Sunday .....3.30pm

**Goolgowi Club Bistro**

Thursday & Friday full menu and weekly specials.

Don't forget if you can't come in, support the club and buy take away.

Thursday Nights are club nights again.

**Super draw** is back and it could be you winning **\$5,200**.

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.

**Meat Raffles** - from Hanwood Butchers

\$2 lucky wheel spin

**Saturday happy hour** 5.00pm-7.00pm

Cooked chook raffles

Lucky poker draw

Come down and support your club and have some fun!

**AGM - 11 December 7:00pm**

Come and support your club, become a committee member and help the club thrive.

**Grain Donation**

This harvest if you deliver to the Emerald Grain or GrainCorp sites would you please consider making a small grain donation to the Goolgowi Ex-Servicemen's Club?

We have Delivery Cards at both sites and your generous donation would be greatly appreciated.

Here's to a wonderfully productive, safe and happy harvest for everyone.

**Christmas at the Exies**

Two fabulous raffles, two fantastic nights

**Friday 10 December**

40 hams and vouchers to be won.

Buy your tickets now – only \$1.00 a ticket. You can purchase online or at the club.

**Account:** Goolgowi Ex Servicemen's Club

**BSB:** 633-000 **Acc:** Number: 161528633

Reference your name and which raffle, either hams or Christmas.

Send receipt to 0428 153 033.



## Saturday 18 December - Christmas Raffle

Three fabulous prizes.

1. Toys, toys, toys
2. Garden ware
3. Liquid Party Pack

Buy your tickets NOW - Only \$1.00 a ticket (PLEASE NOTE THIS IS SEPARATE TO THE HAMS RAFFLE) Tickets can be purchased at the club or by direct deposit to the bank account above with receipt text to Jackie.

Reference: CR (Your Name on 0458 000318.

Keep you club receipts and enter the buy local campaign and you could win \$500.





**Goolgowi Branch CWA**

**December Meeting and Christmas get together**

**Date:** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021

**Time:** Meeting 12 noon  
Lunch 1:00pm

**Venue:** CWA Rest Rooms Goolgowi

Lunch will be catered for. \$15 per person  
All welcome.

Members might like to bring a friend.  
RSVP to Jenny or Alice for catering purposes.



# CLEANERS WANTED

Applicants need to be available to work Monday to Friday between the hours 5:00am-7:00pm.

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