



# Goolgowi Public School

## To the Stars



### Newsletter Term 1, Week 9

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## Calendar

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

### Term 1, 2025

#### Week 9

Mon. 24 March	Young Leaders
Tues. 25 March	Young Leaders
<b>Thu. 27 March</b>	<b>Mobile Library</b>
Fri. 28 March	Student Induction Assembly 9.15am

#### Week 10

Mon. 31 Mar – Fri. 4 April	Parent Interviews
Mon. 31 March	Small Schools' Cricket

#### Week 11

Wed. 9 April	Easter Hat Parade & Assembly & P&C BBQ
Thurs. 10 April	Mortimer Shield
Fri. 11 April	ANZAC Assembly Last Day Term 1

### Term 2, 2025

#### Week 1

Mon. 28 April	School Development Day
Tue. 29 April	School Development Day
Wed. 30 April	Students Return
Thu. 1 May	Mobile Library

#### Week 3

Fri. 16 May	Cross Country Carnival
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## Student of the Month



**Enara**

For an impressive start to the year, demonstrating initiative, determination and application to all areas of learning.

## Principal's Message

### Student Leaders Induction Assembly

This Friday at 9:15am in the library we will be having the school leadership induction assembly. All students in stage 3 (year 5 and Year 6) are part of the student leadership team. All parents are invited to attend and an extra warm welcome to Stage 3 parents. At this assembly students will make their leadership pledge and be presented with their school badges.

**School Captains:** Charlie B and Lizzie D

**Goannas House Captains:** Reagan and Aleigha

**Rabbitohs House Captains:** Enara and Hugo

**Student Representative Counsellor:** Ted

### Mortimer Shield

Students in Year 5/6 will travel to Griffith for the Mortimer Shield Rugby League and Rugby League Tag Gala Day on Friday 10 April. This is a great opportunity to play in a team with students from the small schools' network against other schools in the district. Further information will come home this week.

### Little Champions

All the students enjoyed the little Champions program with Ben who provides a lot of laughs and fun for the students.





### Harmony Day

Harmony Day was celebrated at Goolgowi Public School last Tuesday. The students looked bright and beautiful in orange and enjoyed a Multi-Cultural Food Feast. We thank all the staff and parents for contributing to the success of the Feast! There was sushi, pizza, party pies and sausage rolls, roti bread, butter chicken, pasta, dahl, a selection of delicious desserts and of course the Australian favourite of vegemite sandwiches.

### Operation Art

Nathaniel travelled to Sydney last week for the opening of the Operation Art exhibition at the Art Gallery of NSW. Nathaniel's artwork was selected to be displayed permanently at the Children's Hospital in Westmead. Nathaniel was extremely proud of his artwork and displays creativity, curiosity and passion when creating art works. He was also inspired by all the other children's artwork on display.







### Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent interviews will be held next week – Week 10. A School Bytes invitation was sent out to all families. For students in Years 3-6, this is a three-way interview with the teacher, parent/s and student. For students in K-2 the interview is with the parent and teacher. We look forward to working together, discovering new information about your child and setting some learning goals for Term 2. If the interview times are not suitable, please discuss an alternate time with your child's teacher.

### Share our Space

The school is open in the school holidays for use under the Share our Space initiative. We are lucky to have such beautiful grounds for the community to share. Please ensure that you supervise your children and keep our grounds clean and tidy.



### Easter Hat Parade

Our annual Easter Hat Parade or Hat Parade is coming up on Wednesday in Week 11. We are excited to invite the preschool and see what magical hats they also have. Students are encouraged to create their hats at home

and bring them on the day. Prizes for participation will be given and there may be a visit from the Easter Bunny with chocolate eggs for all. We are combining the Hat Parade with our whole school assembly, followed by a BBQ lunch prepared by our P&C. We look forward to seeing everyone at the last assembly for the term and the Easter Hat Parade.

Angela Dayhew

### Principal



### in the classrooms?

### 3-6 News

The term has been a busy one with so many sports events and extra curricular events, such as Harmony Day and NAPLAN.

We celebrated Harmony Day on Tuesday. The Stage 2 and 3 students enjoyed naming flags from around the world, explored different ways of saying hello in various languages, completed a cultural quiz and researched four Australians from a multicultural background who have made significant contributions to Australian society and promotes inclusivity and a sense of belonging through their work. They included, Adam Goodes, Anh Do, Cathy Freeman and Turia Pitt. Ask your students about these amazing individuals and how they have tried to make our world a better place.







The Stage 3 students also enjoyed the visit from 'Free, Fresh and Fit' who represent Griffith Aboriginal Medical Service. The team creatively shared an outstanding presentation using videos, games and props, about the dangers of smoking and vaping. The students were encouraged to think through the importance of caring for the health of their bodies.



We were fortunate to have Little Champions join us again on Thursday and Friday. All the students enjoyed participating in a fun and engaging program where they were taught circus and gymnastics skills. I'm sure they were bubbling with excitement as they shared some of the new skills they were taught.







will show so much love. They will make you laugh like your head is about to fall off.

Secondly, protection is a big thing in life so I'm going to recommend a list of dogs to protect your house. Dogs like Rottweilers, Great Danes, German Shepherds, Beagles and Greyhounds. Those are some dogs I would recommend. Some dogs can kill snakes and other animals.

Finally, dogs provide a great service and are made to help people with disabilities like blind people or people with diabetes to tell them when their blood sugar is low. They can also be used for the police as sniffer dogs.

In conclusion that's why you should most definitely get a dog because it loves you, it protects and provide services to the community.

**By Ted Young**

Country is better than city.

Firstly, there's no smoke or traffic. You can get more pets and more room. It's quieter than the city and has more nature.

Secondly, you can't hear cars planes and trucks. There's less construction in the country. Who likes hearing trucks all night long?

Finally, the country is better than the city because there's fresh air and more farms and crops.

Furthermore, there's more kids, schools and nice teachers.

**By Cordell Murray**

I strongly believe that the country is better than the city for the following reasons. In the country there is fresh air. Imagine you're walking outside and taking a big golf of air and watching the beautiful sunrise every morning. Well, that's what happens out here in the country.

Firstly, it is almost impossible get to sleep in the city. In the morning you go outside to get fresh air but no you can't because the city is polluted. In the country you are never late for work. Try doing that in the city. No, you're in a traffic jam, late for work again!

I look forward to meeting up with you at the planned teacher parent interviews in Week 10.

As promised, I will share some more persuasive texts.

Dogs make the best pets.

I strongly believe that everyone should have a dog.

Firstly, I'm pretty sure everyone wants a little love, that's why you should get a dog. They

Secondly, In the country you see wildlife here and there and there's foxes bunnies, birds and heaps more. In the city you have to go to the zoo to see animals.

Finally, in the country you can have a massive backyard to play tag, rugby cricket and AFL. In the city you need to go to an oval or park.

That's why I believe the country is better than the city.

### By Hugo Bunn

Mobile phones

Get a phone! I strongly believe we all need phones because when we're lost we can call 000, use Google Maps, use them for communication, information, entertainment and you also feel a sense of safety when you have a mobile phone.

Firstly, mobile phones provide a form of excellent communication. You can call your mum and dad, grandparents, aunties, uncles and most importantly your friends. You can FaceTime family and friends, text people and speak with them.

Secondly, mobile phones are an excellent information source. You can always use Google or use the phone as a calculator for maths but I think you should always work it out by yourself.

Thirdly, mobile phones can provide entertainment. You can always watch movies or shows on your phone. You can play fun games and use education apps and listen to music of all types like country, city, jazz pop and rock.

Finally mobile phones are excellent as they help provide safety. If there's an emergency call 000 also if there's a car crash, fire, robbery is near or someone has a heart attack. Mobile phones are essential. It's always important to be safe for you and everyone else.

In conclusion, I believe I've convinced you that you should always have a phone.

### By Aleigha Power

Why AFL is the best sport?

I strongly believe that AFL is the best sport because it is fun, competitive and skilful.

Firstly, AFL is by far the best sport not only in Australia but in the whole world. It is fast and it's never a dull moment in the great game. Everyone knows great Australian football players like the great Gary Ablett SNR and Lance Franklin but no one will forget Adam Goodes. It's great for hand coordination and it's a skilful and precise game.

Secondly, AFL is the best sport because it's highly competitive and you make so many great friends. It's full of clutch moments and great times. Last year was the closest season yet and that's not my opinion. That's a fact. It's a rough game so that if someone is being really annoying you can tackle. Unlike other games you can only use your words to tell the opposition how you feel.

Finally, AFL is the best sport because it's so exciting. You are always on the edge of your seat because in one click of a finger the whole game could change. Lastly but definitely not least, it's a fun and enjoyable game.

In conclusion, I really do hope you will come and play the amazing game. So, if you want to have some fun, go join a club today.

### By Charlie Bunn

Mrs Fox

## Weekly Awards

Congratulations to our weekly award winners.

### Week 8

#### Ms Dayhew

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

#### Mrs Liddicoat

- **Evelyn** – for being an enthusiastic learner.
- **Harry** – for working hard and always trying his best.

#### Mrs Fox

- **Ted** – for a positive attitude and application to all areas of school.

- **Wade** – for consistent home reading and demonstrates a positive attitude towards literacy.



**Week 9**

**Ms Dayhew**

- **Braithen** - for trying hard during Friday swimming lessons.

**Mrs Liddicoat**

- **Freddie** – for excellent word choices in his stories.
- **Dallas** – for magnificent story writing and great gymnastics skills

**Mrs Fox**

- **Enara** – for a focused approach to all learning tasks and producing beautiful bookwork.
- **Cordell** – for working hard to understand 24 hour time with pleasing results.



**Positive Behaviour for Learning**

**Values: Respect, Responsibility, Resilience**

**Resilience** – Challenge yourself

**Focus:**

We have a go and try to do our best.

**Action**

- ✓ We complete all learning tasks to the best of our ability.
- ✓ We are not afraid to make mistakes and understand that mistakes are part of learning.
- ✓ We encourage and help others to do their best.

**PBL Awards**

**Weekly Prize** –. Colt and Halen

**Community News**

**Goolgowi Exies News**

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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:

**\$6600**

Meat raffles from Hanwood Butchers.

100-wheel spin.



**GOOLGOWI PUBLIC SCHOOL**

# EASTER RAFFLE

**\$2 EACH OR 3 FOR \$5**

Drawn: Easter Hat Parade  
9th April 2025

# EASTER RAFFLE

**GOOLGOWI EX-SERVICEMEN'S CLUB**

**11th April 2025**

**\$1.00 each**

Purchase your tickets online or at the Club!

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**27th March 2025**  
**9am-12pm**

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

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K12 absolutely loved their two days of learning gymnastics and circus skills with Ben from Little Champions Wagga, who came to our school. It truly has become a highlight of our school calendar. During these sessions, the kids had the opportunity to practice foundational gymnastics shapes and movements, while also learning a wide range of exciting circus skills. Ben's enthusiasm and teaching style made the experience even more enjoyable, and the kids had a blast every step of the way. The smiles on their faces throughout the activities were a testament to how much they enjoyed the sessions.



# Kindergarten News!

This week in Kindergarten, we've been busy learning new letter sounds and exploring numbers in fun and engaging ways! Our little learners are also practicing writing their names with care and pride. It's exciting to see their progress and growing confidence each day!

