



Goolgowi Public School

To the Stars



Newsletter Term 2, Week 9

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Calendar

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

Term 2, 2025

Week 9

Tue. 24 June	Mobile Library
Wed. 25 June	School Photos
Fri. 27 June	Red Nose Day

Week 10

Thu. 3 July	Small Schools Athletics Carnival
Fri. 4 July	Assembly & BBQ Lunch 2:00pm Crazy Hair & Pyjama Day Last day Term 2 Student Reports

Term 3, 2025

Week 1

Mon. 21 July	School Development Day
Tue 22 July	Students Return Mobile Library

Week 3 – Education Week

Tue. 5 August	100 Days of Kindergarten
Thu. 7 August	KROP
Fri. 8 August	KROP

Week 4

Fri. 15 August	Griffith Zone PSSA Athletics Carnival
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Student of the Month



Addyson

For demonstrating dedication, a strong work ethic, and a positive attitude both in and out of the classroom.

Principal's Message

As the term rolls to a close. I wish everyone a safe and relaxing break from school. I am sure everyone is looking forward to the school holidays.

KROP – Kids Rapt on Performing

We are very excited to share the news that Goolgowi students will be performing at KROP. The students in Years 1-6 have been busy practicing and refining their dance and the audition video was sent a few weeks ago. There is still a lot of practice, and costumes to be sourced. Further information about KROP will be sent home soon.

Reports

School reports will be sent home electronically on Friday 4 July. If you would like a printed copy, please ask for one through the school office. If you would like to discuss your child's learning with the teacher or principal, please make an appointment with the teacher directly or also through the school office. Making an appointment ensures the teacher is prepared and can plan for the meeting.

Teach Learn Grow

During Week 10, we are lucky to have six volunteers from Teach Learn Grow (TLG). They will be working in the classrooms with students to help build literacy and numeracy skills and build positive connections with our students.

Teach Learn Grow provides free one-on-one tutoring and mentoring to children in rural and remote Australian communities. With the support of their partners, sponsors, donors and volunteers they ignite a movement to influence change through education.

A media consent form will be sent home electronically and is included below.

<https://form.jotform.com/251620502784857>

Further information can be found at the following website.

<https://teachlearnrow.org.au/>

Help Requested

The TLG volunteers will need to be dropped off at Griffith station on Saturday 5 July for a 9:36am train departure time. If any parents can help, please contact the school office.

Jacqui's Bus

Jacqui wanted me to commend the following students who consistently display the values we expect in our Goolgowi students:

- Amia
- Aleigha
- Charlie B
- Hugo B

On the bus, they consistently demonstrate respect, responsibility and leadership through being kind, helpful, polite, and friendly. They speak to the younger students with care and consideration and show them what behaviour is expected in the bus. They continue to help Jacqui, the bus driver, to ensure the younger students are wearing seatbelts and are behaving appropriately on the bus. It is always lovely to hear community members speaking so positively about our students. Well Done!

Riverina Cross Country

Charlie and Max represented our school at the Riverina Primary Cross Country at Gundagai on Thursday 12 June. The course at Gundagai is very different to the course here at school and at the zone carnival. They ran well with Max finishing 11th and Charlie finishing 22nd in their age groups.



Photo Day

A reminder that Wednesday is PHOTO DAY! All the students look great in their school uniforms but today is the day to look a little sharper. Photos will be sent home early next term. Our Year 6 Fun Photo is always a hit with the Year 6 students. Year 6 get ready for your funniest pose!

100 Days of Kindergarten – Tuesday 5 August

Can you believe that kindergarten will soon be celebrating 100 days of Kindergarten! This milestone will be celebrated on Tuesday 5 August – Term 3 Week 3. We will be having a small party with party food and a celebration cake. We are looking forward to the Celebration!





Kindergarten First Day



Now!

Word Work

It is always lovely to work in the 3-6 classroom and with the 3-6 students. They are always so engaged and happy to learn. They are learning to improve their vocabulary and it was fun to share some interesting words. Let's see if we can hear these words in our general conversations with the students.

- ✓ Ludicrous - with the synonyms of absurd and preposterous.....also great words!
- ✓ Appalled.

Athletics Carnival

What a great day we all had at the Athletics Carnival last Friday. Beautiful sunny (but cold) weather and very excited students. A huge thank you to all the parents who attended. It was lovely to see so many family members come and support our students and the school.

A huge thank you to the hard-working, P&C for the canteen. Always outstanding! And a

big thank you to all the parent helpers on the day. We actually need parents to ensure the smooth running of the carnival.

Congratulations to all our students for their active participation and support of each other in the competitions. We now prepare for the Small School Athletics Carnival in Week 10 Thursday 3 July.

Let's all have fun and race and run!

Congratulations to our Athletics Carnival Champions

Age Champions

Senior Boy	Charlie Bunn
Senior Girl	Reagan Liddicoat
Junior Boy	Max Bunn
Junior Girl	Amia Collier
Sub-Junior Boy	Lenny Cahill
Sub-Junior Girl	Evelyn McLauchlan



House Champion

1 st	Goannas	290.56
2 nd	Rabbitohs	290.53



Grandma Roberts Marching Trophy

1st Goannas

2nd Rabbitohs



War Cries

1st Rabbitohs

2nd Goannas



Angela Dayhew
Principal

Accessing Schools as a parent

Helping out at school is a great way to get involved in your child's education and get to know the local school community. The department always welcomes volunteers. Research shows that children benefit when their parents or carers are actively involved in their education and school life.

As a parent, carer or close relative of a student, you likely enter schools regularly. Depending on the reason for your visit, you may need to check-in and be screened by school staff.

Please read the information below to

understand what you need to do and when you need to do it.

Difference between 'visiting' and 'volunteering'

Ensuring the safety and well-being of our students is our utmost priority. Knowing who is on school grounds and checking to make sure there are no reasons why they can't be on school grounds is an essential part of the department's child protection strategy. In an emergency, it's also important to know who is physically at the school, so staff can ensure everyone is safe and accounted for.

As a parent or carer, you might need to check in at the front office, or complete a screening declaration as a visitor or volunteer, depending on the reason for your visit:

Public visitors are not required to check-in or be screened.

Includes:

- pick up/drop off
- attending parent teacher nights
- attending school fetes or activities open to the public
- spectator at school sport activities
- watching presentations and performances.

Parent and carer volunteers

Parent and carer volunteers **need a declaration (no WWCC) and are required to check-in.**

Includes:

- ordinary parent or carer volunteer activities involving your child's group or class (e.g. reading groups)
- volunteering to assist on sports days, or school fetes
- helping to supervise excursions
- joining school committees.

Special Volunteers (including parents and carers) **need a declaration, WWCC and are required to check-in.**

Includes:

- transporting students other than their children to school-sanctioned events
- attending overnight excursions

- mentoring individual students
- volunteering with students with disabilities.

Volunteering at a school

As part of the screening process, members of the community working or volunteering in our schools must complete a declaration form that provides their basic name and contact details. They must also consent to the department's privacy policy and declare that there is no relevant reason (such as a serious criminal conviction) why they should not be granted access to the school grounds during school hours.



If you would like to volunteer for activities involving your child or family member, you usually will not need a Working With Children Check (WWCC).

When you **don't need a WWCC**

- Listening to children read in the classroom.
- Volunteering on sports days.
- Helping supervise excursions.
- Getting involved in fundraising activities.
- Joining school committees.
- Helping with canteen duty.
- Participating in the school's P&C.

When you **do need a WWCC**

- Providing personal care services to children with disabilities.
- Transporting students other than your children or family member to excursions, school sport competitions and other school-sanctioned events.
- Providing mentoring services, including as part of a formal mentoring program, such as the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme or special religious or ethical education programs.
- Attending an overnight excursion.

Digital Declaration

To comply with the Department of Education's screening requirements, all parents and carers will be sent an email in the next week with a link to complete a Digital declaration.

Is the link safe? The email will reference the school, and what the screening is for (e.g. parent, carer or close relative volunteer, child related volunteer or contractor, etc). If you are unsure if the email you received is legitimate or from the department, the school's details have been included in the email – you can always give them a call to confirm.

As part of the digital declaration for parents, carers and close relatives, you will need to:

- provide basic personal details and contact information
- complete a legal declaration and consent to the department's privacy statement.

If you have a NSW WWCC number, you are encouraged to provide this, even when you might not need one to volunteer as a parent, carer or close relative. Providing details of a WWCC allows you to volunteer between schools without needing to submit a second declaration form (for example, if you have children at multiple schools), and increases the types of activities you can assist with.

It would be appreciated if all parents and carers could complete the digital declaration.

what's happening

in the classrooms?



CWA Country of Study: South Korea

This year, the CWA Country of Study is South Korea, and students in Years 3–6 have been busy exploring all aspects of Korean culture, geography, and history as part of their HSIE lessons. Each class is currently putting the finishing touches on a PowerPoint

presentation for the upcoming CWA competition - an exciting opportunity to showcase their learning.

We were very fortunate to have Ms Dayhew visit and speak with the students about her experiences on a study tour to South Korea last year. She brought the topic to life by sharing fascinating insights and even treated the students to a tasting of spicy chicken and kimchi - a highlight for many!

A quick reminder: Please continue to encourage your child to read regularly and take part in the Premier's Reading Challenge, which closes in September.

Weekly Awards

Congratulations to our weekly award winners.

Week 8

Ms Dayhew

- **Braithen** – for following school expectations.

Mrs Liddicoat

- **Evelyn** – for working hard to write a variety of sentences.
- **Elizabeth F** – for writing interesting stories that entertain.
- **Vinny** – for a massive improvement in constructing quality sentences.

Mrs Fox

- **Aleigha** – for consistently displaying PBL qualities in all areas of school.
- **Ted** – for displaying resilience and resourcefulness while being incapacitated.



Week 9

Ms Dayhew

- **Yazrah** – for being an enthusiastic learner.

Mrs Liddicoat

- **Nela** – for improvement in constructing interesting sentences.
- **Halen** – for displaying growth and improvement in writing activities.
- **Hannah** – for terrific efforts in always writing entertaining stories.

Mrs Fox

- **Charlie B** – for being a positive and encouraging role model to younger students at the Athletics Carnival.
- **Lizzie D** – for being a positive and encouraging role model to younger students at the Athletics Carnival.



Positive Behaviour for Learning

Values: Respect, Responsibility, Resilience

PBL Awards

Weekly Prize – Vinny & Elizabeth

Respect

Take care of yourself and others

FOCUS

We speak appropriately for where we are.

ACTION

- ✓ We use an inside voice when speaking in the classrooms.
- ✓ We use words to express our feelings.
- ✓ We speak kindly to ourselves, our peers and adults.

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.

Meat raffles from Hanwood Butchers.

100-wheel spin.



Goolgowi Branch CWA

Monthly Meeting

Thursday 17th July 2025

1:00 pm

At CWA rest rooms

New members and visitors welcome

Come along and have a chat.

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Our newsletter is published fortnightly on a Tuesday.

GOOLGOWI PUBLIC SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

What an incredible day of sportsmanship, teamwork, and school spirit at the Goolgowi Public School Athletics Carnival! Our students gave it their all, and the energy on the field was electric from start to finish.

The competition between our house teams, the Goannas and the Rabbitohs, was fierce and fun – and it couldn't have been closer! In a nail-biting finish, the Goannas claimed victory by just 0.03 of a point!



 **Age Champions** 

Senior: Charlie B & Reagan

Junior: Max & Amia

Sub-Junior: Lenny & Evelyn



A huge congratulations to all our Age Champions and every student who participated. Your effort, determination, and great attitudes made the day a huge success. Special thanks to our teachers, the P&C, volunteers, and families for helping make the carnival run smoothly.





ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

