

# Goolmangar Public School Newsletter



**Engaging Minds**

**Empowering Success**

*Jingi Walla to Term 4, December Edition 2/12/21*



## **2021 in brief...**

This has been another amazing yet difficult year for many of our families, staff, and community due to COVID-19. Even though it has been challenging at times we have managed to make the most of our days at Goolmangar PS. There have been some memorable moments from the lantern parade, virtual book week to bike riding or making beeswax wraps. There was never a dull moment at Goolmangar PS throughout 2021.

We sadly farewell Mrs Louise Tate at the end of this term, who has been a brilliant teacher for our students and dedicated relieving principal. In 2022, I will be returning to Goolmangar PS full time with many new ideas for us to explore.

Farewell to Maria and Hayden who are off to year seven at The Rivers Secondary College, Richmond River Campus. I know both these students have bright futures ahead and will be very much missed at GPS.

I would like to sincerely thank all our staff for their commitment to enhancing the learning experiences of all our students. Many thanks to our parents and community members who have supported our school in so many ways. You are all part of what makes GPS a very special place to learn.

Over the break, I wish you all a safe and relaxing time.  
See you on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022.

Boogulbeh,

Mrs Bertuzzi

## WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT GPS...

### Staff Changes- Welcome to Hunter Carter, Leah Ferris, Therese West and Brian Walker

This term we have had some changes in staffing. In our classroom, we are fortunate to have the extra casual support of Hunter and Leah to work with our students and teachers in improving learning outcomes. Therese West is the School Administrator Manager on Tuesdays and Thursdays. If you have any questions regarding finances, please feel free to contact the office on those days. Brian comes to us with dual roles of supporting classroom teachers with assisting in the classroom when needed although his regular position with us will be General Assistant.

### Aquaponics Project

Our aquaponics project is finally growing plants sustainably. We will be putting more fish in the tank to increase the nutrients to the plants in 2022.



### Where's the Wattle Seeds in Space Program

Students have been busy monitoring the growth of the wattle seeds in science. In creative arts, our students have outdone themselves in creating wonderful felt art pictures of native plants, specifically featuring the Wattle tree.

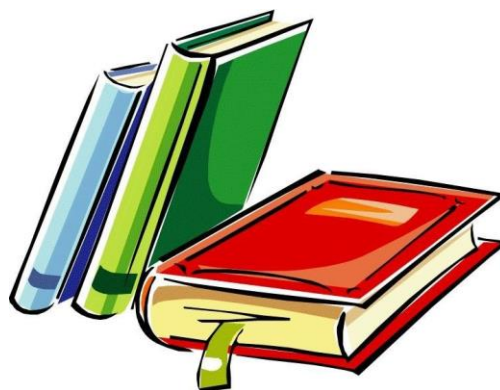


### School Library

Students with library books at home will need to return them before the end of term.

### Kindergarten Orientation

Thursday 9 December 9am-3pm. Looking forward to seeing Jarvis and Indra. If you know of any families moving into our area, please encourage them to enrol to assist with organisation for 2022.



### Pie Day Friday

Last Friday staff and students enjoyed Christine's yummy pies and sausage rolls that were freshly baked on the day. We look forward to monthly Pie Day Fridays in 2022.

## Our Learning Projects

Students have been working in groups with a focus on developing our school learning dispositions and integrating some of the habits of mind to design a project of interest. These learning projects are due on 9 December (week 10) for presentation.

The projects the groups have chosen are:

Mexican Cooking- Melody and Ruby

Designing a Minecraft world to teach others about bees. Amelia and Isla

Making a product out of wood- bee hotel. Maria, Hayden, and Ava

Minecraft World-Ari, Fin, Maye

## UPGRADES TO OUR SCHOOL

Our library remains in a state of chaos however the carpet has been chosen and will be laid on the 6 Dec. New blinds in the library and hub 2 have really freshened up our school learning areas. The COLA has been painted and with new lines. Towards the end of the holidays the connecting walkway project between the two buildings should go ahead and be completed by the time school resumes.

## **GOTCHA GURUS for:**

**Week 5 Maye**

**Week 6 Ruby**

**Week 7 Maye**

**Week 8 Hayden**

**Week 9 Ava**



## OTHER NOTIFICATIONS



### **End of Year Excursion-**

**Next Wednesday 8th November 2021.  
Permission note due today.**

### **Virtual Celebration Assembly**

**This year due to COVID restrictions, staff and students will be presenting an end of year presentation via a zoom link on the 10 December from 11:00-12:00. Invites are attached.**

**Please enter the assembly before 11am in case of technical difficulties.**

## SCHOOL Phone Survey

During next week, Mrs Rose or Hunter, will be **ringing each family to gain feedback** on the following themes:

- School Communication
- Connecting learning at home and at school
- Building community and identity
- Consultation on decision making
- Collaboration beyond the school
- Participation
- Wellbeing



Your views are valued and support future directions for 2022 school planning. The phone survey is really a conversation about how you think the school is going and seeking ideas on what we can do better to enrich the lives of our students.

## SCHOOL UNIFORMS- NEW LOOK FOR 2022

Staff have been working hard listening to parents over the last couple of years in relation to what they would like the school uniform to look like. One point being a darker colour for the main part of the shirt so the stains don't show up as easily. The staff wanted to add orange as a contrasting colour. This is what the new uniform looks like.



We are intending on buying three shirts for each child enrolling and attending GPS in 2022, to make things easier for our families especially at Christmas time. If you would like to give us feedback, please contact the school office tomorrow as a bulk order will be made soon.

## COMMUNICATION- SEESAW, SKOOL LOOP & FACEBOOK

These social media platforms are regularly updated to inform and showcase what our wonderful students are doing. To stay up to date with what is happening please utilise these platforms.

## Earn and Learn Recycling of Bottles. SAVE those bottles over CHRISTMAS!!!!

The P&C are collecting recyclable bottles to raise funds for school functions. We have a large bin for bottles to be recycled in. Please save your bottles for our school. Thank you.

## Boogulbeh, Mrs Bertuzzi

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**Please make sure you have access to the Skool loop App for any updates.**



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# GOOLMANGAR PUBLIC SCHOOL - Coming Events

Dates & Times May Change

## School library borrowing every Friday

<b>Term 4</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>Week 9 Nov/Dec</b>	29	30	1	2 PIP- presentation	3 Celebration Night at GPS TBC
<b>Week 10 December</b>	6 Cricket Coaching	7 Cricket Coaching	8 Excursion to Flat Rock.	9 Cricket Coaching	10 End of Year Virtual Assembly & Cricket Coaching
<b>Week 11 December</b>	13	14	15	16 Students' last day.	17 Staff Development Day

School resumes on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021