

# Goolmangar Public School Newsletter

*Engaging Minds*

*Empowering Success*



*Jingi Walla to Term 3 August Edition 5/8/21*

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

### ATHLETICS

Well done to our students- in particular Ari, Isla, Ruby and Millie! Our 'famous four' students participated with such a positive attitude through each event and had a great day playing and competing. What super champions! A big thank you to Ms McEwen, Mrs Rose and our parents for supporting this special day.

### BEE PROJECT

Our native stingless bee hive has been weighed again. It is now 8.380 kilograms, a little heavier than six months ago when it was 8.245 kilograms. Apparently, the hive is full and ready for honey collecting in Spring. Many thanks to Storm for helping us learn about keeping bees.

### STAGE ONE STEM ENRICHMENT DAY

Last week we hosted a stage one enrichment day based on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics or STEM. The students had a great time working with peers from other schools in solving coding problems and creating a Lego city.

### SCIENCE WEEK- FOOD BY DESIGN

Students in years 3-6 are designing two videos to showcase aquaponics and honey production for science day on Thursday 19 August. Staff or parents will be driving our eight participants to Nimbin Central School to enjoy a day of viewing other local schools' science ideas and participating in hands-on science experiments and demonstrations. Please complete the attached permission note and return it to school by next Thursday.

### LOVE YOUR LUNCH PROGRAM

Today our students tackled the challenge of making their own sushi lunch and beeswax wrappers to wrap them in. The program aims to reduce food and packaging waste. I know our students will be wanting to share what they have done to be more sustainable.



**LOVE**  
-Your-  
**LUNCH**

**GOTCHA GURUS were:**

**Week 2 Ruby**  
**Week 3 Mahalo**  
**Week 4 Hayden**

**Congratulations!**



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **OTHER NOTIFICATIONS**

#### **K-6 CAMP**

The K-6 camp will not go ahead as planned due to COVID restrictions at level 2, there is to be no overnight excursions or trips. We are looking into postponing the camp until term four or making other arrangements.

#### **4/5/6 TRIP TO BRISBANE**

This trip has been postponed to the 11 & 12 November due to COVID restrictions at present.

#### **TEAMS DAY**

K-6 students will be participating in a combined school sporting day playing modified soccer for 3-6 and Danish rounders for K-2. This day is held at Coronation Oval, The Channon on Friday 17 September (last day of term three). If your child does not intend to attend please contact the school ASAP as teams are being formed and I can arrange a casual teacher for them to attend school for learning as this is not a flexi day but a school day. All students have indicated to me that they would prefer to be involved in teams' day. Students will need private transport to this event or staff/other parents will be available to transport students, please indicate on the consent form that will be sent out closer to this date.

#### **UNIFORM UPDATE**

Currently our school uniform is the logo shirt (or plain light blue polo if not attending a specific school event) and navy or black shorts or long pants/jacket. The school has some jackets available in bigger sizes at \$5, left over from a previous camp. If you would like your child to get a new school shirt please contact the office. Families can request financial support in regards to supporting your child in wearing the uniform.

Mrs Lewis has been busy sourcing new polo shirts to revamp our school uniform. If you would like to be part of this process please contact Mrs Lewis. We hope to have new school shirts by Christmas.

#### **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.

#### **BOOK WEEK- DRESS UP DAY 24 AUGUST**

The theme for book week this year is "Old worlds, new worlds, other worlds". It is time to start working on a book character dress up costume. My challenge for you all is to get creative and think of using recycled options.

#### **PERSONALISED LEARNING SUPPORT MEETINGS**

PLSP meetings will be held when our school enters level one COVID-19 guidelines.

#### **MINECRAFT CLUB**

Students are invited to join our Minecraft Club from 8:30 to 8:55am before school starts. This is to cater for students who have requested more time to use this program.

#### **"GUMNUT GANG" KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION PROGRAM**

Families and kindergarten students of 2022 are invited to attend an information session on Thursday 19 August starting at 3:45pm at Goolmangar Public School. This meeting will highlight the "Gumnut Gang" Kindergarten Orientation Program including visit days and school related activities. All visitors will need to use a QR check in tracing system, sign in and wear a mask. If you know of any families with children ready for Kindergarten, please invite them along to our information session.



## UPGRADES TO OUR SCHOOL

The school grounds will be undergoing some building upgrades in between now and the end of the year. The biggest changes will be covered walkways between the two main buildings and up to the bus bay. We are also upgrading our library with new carpet, furniture and shelving. This will be a most inviting and modern library for our students. The cement under the covered basketball court will be painted to match its surroundings.

## COVID-19 UPDATE

We are to remain at level 2 until the end of August. A huge thank you to all our wonderful families for following the processes we have put in place.

## LET'S GET READING THIS TERM

Students are completing the Premier's Reading Challenge. The younger students are soaring ahead in this challenge. Years 3-6 students will need to be reading a lot more before the 25 August to complete the challenge.

A good start is to return any library books you may have tomorrow and borrow for the following week. Reading every night is part of our homework program.



## EARN AND LEARN RECYCLING OF BOTTLES

A big thank you to Ruby and her family for donating the proceeds of their recycling collection from home to our P&C.

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.

## COMMUNITY STEEL PAN DRUM BAND EVERY THURSDAY AT 4:00PM

It's a great way to meet people and do something different. You don't have to be an expert. We are all learning as we go.

Don't forget to check out our Facebook page to see what our students are doing.

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# GOOLMANGAR PUBLIC SCHOOL - Coming Events

Dates & Times May Change

## School library borrowing every Friday

Term 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednes day	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 4</b>	2	3	4	5 Love your Lunch Program	6 Basketball coaching
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Basketball Coaching
<b>Week 6</b>	16	17	18	19	20
<b>Week 7</b>	<b>23</b>	24 <b>Book Week-</b> Old worlds, new worlds, other worlds. <b>Dress up day!</b>	<b>25</b> P&C Meeting	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Week 8 Aug/Sep</b>	30	31	1	2	3
<b>Week 9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Week 10 September</b>	13	14	15	16	17 <b>Teams Day</b>

Goolmangar School has entered to Win a \$20 000 Play-based Learning Village.

A successful win could see the Village installed during the Christmas Holiday break ready for the start of the 2022 school year.

Yah! Good Luck GPS.

**We're registered  
to WIN a \$20,000**

**Play-Based Learning Village  
for our School!**



**And if we WIN, so could YOU!**

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