

Goolmangar Public School Newsletter

Engaging Minds

Empowering Success

June Edition 2021



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT GPS...

Author Workshop

In the last month we have had the Storyboard van visit with Hakea Hustler, a children's author presenting a most engaging writing workshop for K-6. It was inspiring and everyone wrote a varied collection of fictional ideas. Staff and students came away from this writing workshop full of enthusiasm and bubbling with creative energy!



Everyone wrote a sentence on a slither of paper and we joined our sentences into one long story. This is the result:

I'm in a magical school.
Animals pass by in the grass.
There is a tree of life,
With a fiddly door
And bees nest way up high.
A mosquito family too.
A hollow in the tree is home to a snake.
Down below is a magic rabbit hole.
We have a beautiful vegetable garden.
Fairies fly with butterflies
And cherry tomatoes explode into glitter when it rains.

Get Hooked Visit

On Wednesday 27 March our students workshopped how to go fishing using sustainable strategies. It was a most engaging learning experience presented by Fisheries NSW. The students learnt how to identify fish, tie a hook on a line and cast using a fishing rod. The lesson also involved understanding the limit of a specific type of fish that is caught, length and fish in possession needs to be observed when fishing. We look forward to our fishing trip to Ballina later in the year.

ENGAGEMENT IN LEARNING- ATTENDANCE TARGETS FOR 2021

Our school has set a combined **attendance rate target of 90% for each student** and the Department of Education NSW are carefully monitoring attendance levels in each school. Staff would appreciate all our families supporting us in reaching this target so each child can access the learning opportunities provided.

This target is realistic in understanding that children may be sick, natural weather conditions (floods) or other serious family commitments need to be taken into consideration (surgery, funerals). If your child is unwell usually for three or more days, we would expect a medical certificate or if your child is unwell often a medical certificate will be requested on any sick days. The teachers have set up a "Go Goolmangar" attendance incentive project with student chosen rewards along the way. If you can think of other projects or ideas to increase student engagement, please contact the teachers.

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Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



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Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	they miss weeks per year	and years over their school life
1 day per fortnight 	4 weeks 	Over 1 year missed
1 day per week 	8 weeks 	Over 2.5 years missed

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GOTCHA GURUS for MAY were:

Week 3 Amelia

Week 4 Tye

Week 5 Ava

Week 6 Isla



UPCOMING EVENTS

P&C Meeting Wednesday 9 June at 3:45pm. All are welcome.

Festival of the Famous Expo Wednesday 16 June 1:45-3:15pm

Parents are invited to our school to watch students in years three to six present their speeches on a person who has made significant contributions in their field from anywhere in the world. Kinder to year two students will present their Australian projects. Two students from the year three to six group will be selected to attend The Channon PS for a combined Festival of the Famous speech event in week 10. Students will also be sharing from the K-2 Passion Project initiative this term and our Green Innovations submission. Invitations are attached to this newsletter. Includes afternoon tea and lucky door prizes!

Lantern Parade- Saturday 19 June

Each student (who is making a lantern leaf on Friday) and their accompanying adult each receives a FREE wristband entry PLUS TWO discounted entries for family members @ \$5 each. The wrist bands entitle participants to ENTRY into the Festival and into the Lanterneer's Viewing area. Organisers have asked if the extra family members did not actually walk in the parade and watched the parade from outside the arena. If your family wants to sit in the grandstands, they should purchase a ticket from the website for \$25 adult and \$15 child. It has been suggested that if you have *Dine and Discover* tickets still, they can be cashed in at *Music Bizarre* or *Curious Kookaburra in town*.

Please note EVERYONE entering the Festival must do the COVID-19 QR check and there will be lots of sanitiser around the site.

Our students will be participating in the Fiery Finale. Students will need to bring their lanterns with them and meet 'backstage' inside Lismore Showground at 4:30pm. The parade sets off at 5:30pm. Mrs Lewis needs to know the number of extra discounted tickets @ \$5 each that your family would like the school to order on your behalf by next **Thursday the 10 June**. The school will then make one bulk order for the tickets. The wristbands are then delivered to the school. There will be no late orders made. Please complete the attached form and return to school by Thursday 10 June.

NAIDOC Celebrations- Healing Country Thursday 24 June and Friday 25 June (last two days of term 2). Our school combined with Jiggi PS and Coffee Camp PS will have two combined celebration days. On Thursday both Coffee Camp PS and Jiggi PS will be visiting our school as the host school for two days of celebrations.

Itinerary

Thursday 24 June

9:45am

Welcome to Country & Smoking Ceremony- Elder & Housekeeping

10:00am 4 Group Rotations-

Deadly Bunarhms Dance group, Storytelling/Cultural

Boundaries/Bundjalung Map & Dialects, Language, Art.

Dancers and Language Performance.

Catering-

Morning tea- Students are to bring their own healthy food snacks and water bottle.

Lunch to be provided- Sausage Sizzle (optional vegan), cup of juice, quelch ice block. Or students may want to bring their own lunch.



**HEAL
COUNTRY!**
4-11 JULY 2021

All students will need to wear their school logo shirt and have a school hat.

Friday 25 June On Country Excursion to Angels Beach, Ballina

We will be leaving school at 9am.

10:30 am meet Uncle Glen Rhodes at Angels Beach.

Welcome to Country- Uncle Glen Rhodes

10:40-11:30 Walk, talk and learn.

11:30 Board Buses and drive to Lake Ainsworth for a picnic by the lake.

1:30 Take the bus back to school.

2:30 Arrive back at school.

Transport will be by bus and the cost per student is \$10

All students will need to:

- Bring their own food and water bottle.
- Wear the school uniform.

Permission note attached.

Next term:

K-6 Camp

There will be a two night camp at Dorroughby Environmental Education Centre with Tuntable Creek Public School students from the 1-3 September (week 8 term 3). The cost for this camp is \$99. INFORMATION ATTACHED.

Yr4/5/6 students trip to Brisbane for one night with Clunes PS and Rosebank PS on the 16/9-17/9 (the last two days of term 3).

OTHER NOTIFICATIONS

Indoor Shoes

Students are invited to leave their slippers or indoor shoes at school during terms two and three. This is particularly important when the playground is wet during playtime as the students are able to take their damp shoes off and leave them in the sun to dry and wear comfortable shoes in class.

Earn and Learn Recycling of Bottles.

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.



Visitors Signing In

Visitors signing in should sign in the visitor sign on book and should self-serve using the COVID-19 safe check in QR Code as displayed on the counter at the entrance to our library.

Community Steel Pan Drum Band every Thursday at 4:45pm. It's a great to meet people and do something different. You don't have to be an expert. are all learning as we go.

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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.

Term 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 7 June	31	1	2 SCU Yr3-6 Innovations Excursion	3 Emotional Resilience Program K-2	4 Lantern Making Workshop
	7	8	9 P&C MEETING 3:45PM	10 Bookbus Emotional Resilience Program K-2	11
Week 9 June	14 Queen's Birthday Long weekend	15	16 FESTIVAL OF THE FAMOUS EXPO 1:45- 3:15	17 Emotional Resilience Program K-2	18 19 Lantern Parade
Week 10 June	21 Student Reports to go home this week.	22	23	24 NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS	25 NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS
Term 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 July	12 Staff Developmen t day	13 Students return to school. Life Education Van Visit	14	15	16 Basketball coaching
Week 2 July	19	20	21	22	23 Basketball coaching
Week 3 July	26	27	28	29	30 Basketball coaching
Week 4 August	2	3	4	5	6 Basketball coaching
Week 5 August	9	10	11	12	13