SCHOOL TERM
DATE 2015

**TERM 2**
Monday 21st April - Friday 26th June 2015.

**TERM 3**
Tuesday 14th July - Friday 18th Sept 2015.

**TERM 4**
Tuesday 6th October - Wednesday 17th December 2015.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY
JUNE LONG WEEKEND
QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY
8TH JUNE 2015
Yaama,

I hope you have all have had a great fortnight. Below is some important information I hope you have a chance to read.

**NBSA**
Northern Borders Senior Access (NBSA) is a group of schools which include Goodooga, Collarenebri, Mungindi and Boggabilla. The access group aims to provide a broader curriculum for our students in Years 11 and 12. As I write this I’m in Sydney for a meeting of all the access groups across the state. It reminded me of the importance of this program and it is my hope that all our current students (including those in Kindergarten) get to access the program when they reach the later years of their education. I would like to highlight our two current Year 11 students Adrian Brown and Kayden Hooper. These two boys have excellent attendance and are wonderful role models for our younger students. Both students have been especially successful in Aboriginal Studies where they regularly receive the top marks across the group of schools.

**SRC**
Recently our secondary Student Representative Council (SRC) students (Adrian, Priscilla and Tamika) attended a SRC regional meeting in Cobar. Miss Inglis was the accompanying teacher and reported that the three students represented the school proudly and brought back some great knowledge to share with the other SRC members. Our SRC meets fortnightly and are doing a great job presenting the views of the students to the staff.

**Community Meeting**
This week, notes went home to advertise a community meeting. The meetings main aim will be to elect a community member and an AECG member to the selection panel for the upcoming Assistant Principal and Head Teacher positions. It would be great to see a good turnout of people. The meeting is on Tuesday 9th June at 10:00 AM in the library.

**River Day**
It was great to see the rain on the day of River Day however we had to postpone the event. River Day will now be held on Friday 12th June.

Yaluu,
Nathan Forbes
K -1 News

K -1 has a new student.... Sonny! Please say a big HELLO to him.

This week the children have had some great experiences learning about Science with Questacon at Lightning Ridge and The Warrumbungle’s Environmental Centre came to our school to teach the children about Sustainability. Here are a few photos of their experiences....
SECONDARY UPDATE

DRUG/PEER EDUCATION WORKSHOP

Schools are designed to be safe places where teens can focus on learning more about reading, writing and arithmetic. While most schools do offer these lessons, they might also offer teens lessons in an entirely separate subject. By reporting the presence of drugs or alcohol at school, these teens can ensure that school truly is a safe place.

THE number of students using or possessing drugs in NSW schools is at record levels.

On average 20 students are suspended each week after being busted with illicit drugs, with some principals calling it a “crisis”.

Schools handed out 790 long suspensions for drug offences in 2013 — the highest number in almost a decade and more than double the number of suspensions in 2009.

For the two years 2012 and 2013, schools imposed 1539 long suspensions on students for offences involving suspected illicit substances, data collated by the NSW Department of Education and Communities shows. While much of the drug and alcohol use occurs outside school, some students have become seriously ill in class or in the playground and have had to be taken to hospital.

With the above in mind the secondary and 5/6 students have been visited by Walgett Medical Service and School liaison officers from the NSW Police force.

The students received the latest information on drugs and how to make the right choices. All the feedback from the students was very positive and hopefully educated the students to be individuals and not follow the pack.

Malcolm Banks

DATES TO REMEMBER!

- Thursday 11th June - Netball challenge Cup at Coonamble
- Thursday 11th June & Friday 12th June - Regional Cross Country at Coolah
- Monday 15th - Friday 19th June - Year 11 Work Placement
- Wednesday 24th June - Career Expo at Lightning Ridge
Year 11/12 NBSA Get Together

19/05/2015

Yesterday Mr Banks, Mr Crook, Adrian and I left Goodooga at 7:30 to travel to Mungindi for the NBSA get together with Colly, Bogga, and Mungindi & Goodooga. We arrived in Mungindi at 10am. When we arrived at Mungindi we met Miss Riddell and then we had toasted sandwiches, after that we met the rest of the students that attended and then went into the hall and we got split into different classes. In our first class Liam, Hayden, Adrian & I had maths with Mr Hodges. After maths we had a break and played some kind of game that involves a mixture of footy, AFL and Netball. We got put into teams when we went to the basketball court and in team 1 was Mr Hodges, Hayden, Shaq and I and we played team 4, not to sure who was in team 4 but my team smashed them. The halves were 6 minutes halves. After team 1 and team 4 played, team 2 and team 3 play ed. I'm not too sure who won out of that game but after we finished playing that we had to go back to the hall for English studies with Mr Crook. In English studies we had to write about what we liked in English in this term and what we didn't like. I said that I didn't like the Matrix because it was a boring movie and I quiet didn't understand it. By Kayden Hooper

Yesterday 19-5-2015 Kayden, Mr Banks, Mr Crook and I travelled to Mungindi for a day for the NBSA and to review what we have done during the term and to also meet our class. We left at about 7:30 and arrived in Mungindi at about 10:00.When we got there we all had a feed of toasted sandwiches then met every one that went up there, we got there first and then colly and then Boggabilla we all went into the hall and then we got split into our classes. First class we had maths with Mr Hogers following maths we had to play a game and everyone was playing. First we had to vs group four and then group one and group two was playing. I'm not sure who won though. After that we had prelim English with Mr Crook going over stuff and we reviewed what we have done. We have done stuff like the Matrix, travel blogs, itinerary and the short story that we wrote, then we had lunch and played another game group four played group two and then we (group three) played group one after that we had Aboriginal Studies and Barnie McGrady was talking about Aboriginal artefacts, after that we played another game group one played group four and then group three played group two, then we went to the hall for cake and for a talk, I had the UFO cake and it was yuk and we said good bye then left.

By Adrian Brown
Secondary / Primary News

On Tuesday the Warrumbungle’s Environmental Centre visited Goodooga Central School and the students went to different activities to learn about sustainability. The children participated in activities where they learnt about solar energy, using everyday things for garden and planting, identifying animals / bug catching, reduce / recycle / reuse and identifying different seeds that can be eaten by people.

Goodooga Youth Centre!!

The Goodooga Youth Centre will be operating on Thursday 4th June 2015 until further notice

The Youth Centre will open at 3pm to 6pm each day

Parents/carers will need to drop off and pick up their children each day due to NO transport

If you have questions please see Liz Smith, Kevin Hooper & Karen Wood
On Wednesday, May 20th Mrs. Curtis and Kevin Hooper took the upper primary and year four boys to Bourke to compete in the 2015 Outback Challenge. After an early morning start we arrived in Bourke just before 9am. The boy’s were in pool A and had a draw of six games to play. Bourke Public School provided three boys for the day in order to make up the numbers for the Goodooga team.

Our first game kicked off at 9am, which saw Goodooga playing against Brewarrina. It was a tough first game with Goodooga starting out a bit shaky. Very soon their teamwork kicked in and with the ball passing through many hands the tries began. The first game against Brewarrina ended in a 12 all draw. After a short break Goodooga was back on the field for their second game. They were up against the Small Schools team. The boy’s played brilliantly from the outset. Goodooga defense was all over the other team with Lincoln Wood, Shelton Brown, Braidon Lamb and Damo Brown stopping the Small School team in their tracks. Great runs were made by, Shelton Brown, Trevor Boney and Tyron Cochrane. The final whistle saw the Goodooga team running away with a 20 - 8 victory.

During the next break the boys found Brenton Laurence and Josh Starling (Manly). After chatting with Brenton and Josh the boys were up against St Joseph’s Nyngan. This was a challenging game for Goodooga with both teams scoring try for try. On the final whistle Goodooga going down to Nyngan by a try, the final score being 20-24.

Shaking off their loss to Nyngan the Goodooga boys were ready for their fourth game against St Ignatius Bourke.

Once again the boys displayed great sportsmanship and teamwork throughout the entire game. Goodooga playing with quick hands and great defense saw the ball passed along the line and the team scoring six tries to two. Goodooga running away with the points when the final whistle blew for a 24-8 win. The fifth game saw Goodooga playing Bourke PS. This was a low scoring game with Goodooga once again keeping out the Bourke side for most of the game. Unfortunately just before the last whistle Bourke went over for a try, which saw them defeat Goodooga by 8-4.

Our last game of the day was against St Joseph’s Walgett. Once again Damo, Braidon, Lincoln, Shelton, Trevor and Tyron put in a huge team effort in defense, passing and running the ball up. Their excellent display of teamwork and respect lead them to keep the Walgett team scoreless. With their tactics winning them the game 20-0.

The behavior and sportsmanship of the Goodooga team was often acknowledged throughout the day by, the visiting NRL players and officials.

Congratulations boys on a great day and for being fabulous ambassadors for our school!
Back To The River Day

Where: Picnic area between Bokhara bridge and weir.

ALL COMMUNITY WELCOME!!!

Boomerang Painting
Johnny cakes & camp oven stews
And so much more...

Bring along your fishing gear and have some fun.

Friday 12th June 2015
Starting 10.00am
Be there to have fun with your children.

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Please see Health Service Staff for Appointments!!

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SCHOOL BELL TIMES.

PRIMARY
8.40am - 2.40 pm - School Hours
11.00am - 11.40am - Lunch
1.40pm - 2.00pm - Recess

SECONDARY
8.35am - 3.10 pm - School Hours
11.00am - 11.40am - Lunch
1.40pm - 2.00pm - Recess

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS/CARERS
If your child/children are absent from school could you please contact the school on (02) 682 96257 or send a note with your child to explain absence. This would be appreciated.

Parents, Caregivers & Community Members
If you have the need to enter the school grounds for any reason including delivering lunch money etc, could you please sign in at the front office as part of our workplace safety.
Thank you!!

A Reminder:
All students are required to wear a hat at school. All students have received hats at school and are encouraged to leave at least one of these hats at school for school use. If students are not wearing a hat they are expected to stay in the undercover sheltered areas in the playground.

We are also encouraging students to drink lots of water at school. Packing sandwiches and fruit for their lunch and recess is highly encouraged to provide students with healthy energy for tackling daily school work.