Newsletter
Thursday 27th August 2015

Principal
Nathan Forbes
Assistant Principal
Hayley O’Connor
Head Teacher
Secondary Studies
Malcolm Banks

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

TERM 4
Tuesday 6th Oct - Wednesday 17th Dec 2015.

Indigenous Games Day 2015
Shirts for sale $20.00 Each
If you would like to purchase one of this year’s Indigenous Games Day shirts please see the school Front office.
Limited in Stock so hurry in and get a great Shirt!

Primary

Betty-Ann Smith
Week 7

Secondary

Kia Coffey
Week 7

Ella Nagy
Week 6

Kesha Loughrey
Week 6

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
Yaama,

Thank you to all the community members who attended the “Yarn Up” last week. We had around 12 community members attend the meeting. We discussed our progress on the School Plan, suspension policy and The Language Nest. The next community meeting will be an official AECG meeting. More information will be provided about this ASAP.

I would like to wish Priscilla Barker good luck next week when she travels to Sydney to represent the school at State Athletics for discuss. I’m sure she will put in her best effort.

In other sporting news, I would like to congratulate Adrian Brown and Kayden Hooper for their efforts in the Ronnie Gibbs Shield this week. The boys represented the school proudly. Well done!

**Book Week**

This week we have been celebrating book week at the school. The aim of the week was to ignite a passion for reading in our students. We know that children who love books, love learning. Hopefully the week has sparked an interest in books that will last a lifetime. I would like to say a big thank you to Mrs O’Connor for organising the week.

**Social Media**

Social Media sites such as Facebook, Twitter and Instagram are becoming a large part of everyone's life. They can be a valuable tool for keeping in touch with people and from a schools perspective, an avenue to promote the positive things the school is doing. Because of this, the school will, over the coming weeks be launching ourselves onto social media. More information will be coming soon. Watch this space!

**Attendance**

I would like to just put a general reminder out there that it is vitally important to inform the school of the reason your child is absent any time your child is away. Please phone or visit the school to let us know ASAP.

I hope you have a great fortnight and I hope to see you around the school.

Kind regards,

Nathan Forbes
Principal
K/1 NEWS UPDATE

K/1 What a pleasure it has been to work with these students. Children all grow at their own pace. As interests develop and skills are practised we can celebrate the learning of each child. Whether it be literacy or numeracy; social, sporting or artistic abilities, we have many reasons to celebrate.

In HSIE we have been looking at “My Place”. The students have enjoyed talking about our local area, and creating maps and tracking their walks.

In Visual Arts, the children have examined the lines in Fireworks and experimented with creating their own representations.

What a way to celebrate.

We continue to use music and dance to help us learn our rules, count and sing. It is also a great way to use up energy, get fit and help us be ready for other learning. We sure have some cool dancers in our class.

Thank you,
Sharyn McKay
CYBERBULLYING: Information for Parents.

The Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner (the Office) was established on 1 July 2015. The Office allows children suffering from serious cyberbullying to submit complaints about such content to have it removed if social media companies do not remove the offending content after it has been reported to them. How are complaints made? The Office receives complaints through an online form. The form may be completed by the child making a cyberbullying complaint with the help of a trusted adult. Upon receipt of a complaint, the Office may Contact the social media platform or the alleged poster of the content to secure removal. Refer the incident to the child’s school for resolution. Refer the matter to the police if it warrants attention from a law enforcement agency. What to do if you are being cyberbullied: Avoid retaliating or responding. Collect the evidence – keep mobile phone messages and print emails or social networking conversations. Block the bully and change your privacy settings. Report the abuse to the social media service. If the bullying involves other students from Trinity, inform the School. If you continue to be cyberbullied and you believe it is having a seriously threatening, intimidating, harassing or humiliating effect, make a complaint on the Commissioner's website. Consider informing the police.

More information on the role of the Office, how to deal with cyberbullying and how to lodge a complaint is available on the website. The Kids Helpline also provides a private and confidential, telephone and online counselling service for young people. Encourage your child to speak to them if they are in need of extra counselling support. The Kids Helpline also manage Parentline, a confidential telephone counselling service providing counselling and support for parents and care-givers. For further information on the Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner go to: https://www.esafety.gov.au/.

STUDENTS ARRIVING TO SCHOOL LATE

Lateness to school is never acceptable. I have noticed an increase in the number of students arriving late to school. When a student arrives late to school there are several problems that are created: They create a disturbance to the learning of the class when they arrive. They miss out on vital information at the beginning of the lesson. Teachers will often have to repeat information for students arriving late which once again takes away from the learning time of the other punctual students in the class. Lateness is recorded on the student’s attendance database. It is expected that all students arrive at school by 8.35am every day. Students who are habitually late to school will be dealt with in accordance with the school attendance policy. We seek the help of all parents/caregivers to make sure that students are arriving on time every day.

Mr Banks
Ronnie Gibbs 7’s side Football Carnival

Yesterday Adrian & Kayden went to Bourke for the Ronnie Gibbs 7’s. We left school at 7am and travelled down to Bourke on the bus with Kevin Hooper. It was a pretty good day. The boys combined with Warren & Menindee.

In the First game we played Gilgandra, at half time Gil was beating us 3-0. In the Second half we scored 3 tries and 2 of those tries were set up by Adrian and scored by Kayden and at the end of the game it was 3-3.

In the Second game we played the second Bourke team. They were leading us 3-0 in the first half in the Second half we struck back with 3 tries, by the end of that game it was 3-3.

In the Third game the combined team played the undefeated Nyngan team. There were 2 quick tries scored by Nyngan within 3 minutes but the boys finally got 2 tries to level it up. At half time it was 4-2. In the second half Nyngan scored a couple of tries but of the tap Adrian chipped for Kayden and he scored a magnificent try. At the end of the game the scores were 4-7.

Everyone had a great day & We would like to thank Kevin Hooper for the support on the day. By Kayden Hooper & Adrian Brown

DOCTORS!!

Coming to Goodooga Health Service:

- Thursday 10th September & Friday 11th September - Dr Kath Keenan
- Friday 18th September - Podiatrist
- Wednesday 9th September - Optometrist

*Please see Health Service staff for Appointments!!*
Congratulations to Hayley O’Connor who is now our new Assistant Principal & Malcolm Banks who is our New Head Teacher for Secondary.

Cultural Workshop

On Wednesday the 25th August the stage 2 & 3 primary students travelled to Lightning Ridge to participate in an Aboriginal Dance Workshop. Enthusiasm was high as the day began with the children participating in some fun warm up activities. Throughout the day all students were fully engaged in learning some awesome new dance moves. After lunch the students moved into learning a contemporary dance about The Dreamtime, “The Earth Owns Us!” To conclude the day the group presented the dance they had learned.

Congratulations to all those who participated. You all danced, FANTASTICLY!

Mrs Curtis.
**School/Community News**

**Dhiiyan Guumali - Play Group**

**Mondays @**
**Dhiiyan Guumali Room**
**at the school**

**Time: 10am – 12pm**

*Come along for a great day of fun activities!!*

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**Education Services Forum**

**supporting Murdi Paaki**

**Regional Enterprise Agreement**

As part of the Murdi Paaki Regional Enterprise Agreement educational services personnel from the Department of Education invite members of the community to participate in a forum about the Wellbeing Framework.

The forum will give the community an opportunity to hear about the Education Department’s approach to wellbeing and provide an understanding of the behaviour code for students, Suspension and Expulsion of School Students policy and attendance requirements.

The forum will run from 1:00PM to 2:00PM (1 hour) at Goodooga Central School on Wednesday 9th September.

*We look forward to seeing you there.*

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**AECG Meeting Dates**

- Tuesday 1st Sept
- Tuesday 13th Oct
- Tuesday 25th Nov

Starting time is at **11am** for all dates.

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**Are your details up to date?**

Have you moved or changed phone numbers? Please inform the front office with any change in your living situation so we contact you if the need arises.

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**thank you**

**Priscilla Lane & Jamie Hooper would like to say**

*a Big thank you to the Goodooga Community for all their support.*

All funds raised will go towards helping Clinton Lane with his Treatment in Sydney.

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**SCHOLASTIC**

**BOOKCLUB**

Please have your orders placed for this months book club by Thursday, 3rd September 2015.

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**Lunch Orders**

Please ensure your child/children have money in their lunch bag when placing an order and lunch orders must be in by **9.30am. Thank You!!**
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COMING EVENTS 2015

Friday 18th September  End of Term 3
Tuesday 6th October  School Resumes for Term 4
Monday 7th - Friday 11th Sept  Prelim Final Exams
Monday 14th Sept  Birrie Reward Assembly - All Welcome
Friday 18th Sept  Birrie Reward Day
Tuesday 6th October  School Resumes - Everyone Returns
Monday 19th - Friday 23rd Oct  5/6 Canberra Excursion
Monday 2nd - Friday 6th Nov  Yr 7 -10 in class exams
Tuesday 24th November  Swimming Carnival
Wednesday 16th December  End Of School Year

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– 2.00 pm - 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 work place 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.