STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Primary

Tylera Cochrane
Week 9

Secondary

Kenneth Skuthorpe
Week 9

Khynen Gibbs
Week 8

Priscilla Barker
Week 8

Indigenous Games Day 2015

Shirts for sale $20.00 Each
If you would like to purchase one of this years Indigenous Games Day shirts please see the school Front office.

Limited in Stock so hurry in and get a great shirt!
Principal News

Yaama,
This will be the last newsletter for Term 3. I thought I would use it to recap some of the highlights from the term.

Cultural Awareness Training: During our staff development day this term, our staff were involved in a cultural awareness workshop. We were privileged to have Aunty Beth Wright lead the training. Aunty Beth told us some amazing stories about Goodooga’s history and Aboriginal culture. She also took us out to show us some bush tucker and significant sites in the local area. All the staff loved the day and are investigating ways to incorporate Goodooga’s rich history and culture into their lessons.

Cultural Dance Workshops: This term, Years 2-6 were involved in Aboriginal Cultural Dance Workshops in Lightning Ridge. The students learnt a range of different dances and have been able to come back and use their learning in class. All the students and staff reported that it was a great day and are keen to take up similar opportunities in the future.

Indigenous Games Day: I was very sad to miss out on Indigenous Games Day this year. From all reports it was the best ever. Reasons given for this positive response were the excellent organisation of the day, the great sportsmanship shown by the students and the wonderful participation from the community. I am really looking forward to next year’s games.

Student Achievements: Our students continue to do great things. Congratulations to Naioka, Lincoln and Betty-Anne who have all represented the school at the Moorambilla Choir regional workshops. These three students were chosen from a combined group of Lightning Ridge and Goodooga students based on their excellent performance at the auditions. They will be putting on performance in Dubbo on Saturday 19\textsuperscript{th} September. We wish them the best of luck.

Priscilla Barker has also put in an amazing effort representing the school. She recently threw a personal best throw in discuss at the State Athletic Championships. Well done Priscilla, we are all proud of you.

I’ll just put in a small reminder about our new Facebook page. Please like and share the page so we can show off all our great achievements and keep everyone informed about what is happening at the school. Here is the link to the page: https://www.facebook.com/goodoogacentralschool

Thanks for another great term. Please remember to have your child ready to return to school on Day 1 of Term 4 which is Tuesday 6\textsuperscript{th} October. Stay safe and have fun during the holidays!

Yaluuuu,
Nathan Forbes
Primary News

2/3/4 would like to share some of the fantastic work that they have been producing in Term 3. We are all proud of what we have achieved.

We have learning intentions each week that we focus on for literacy and numeracy.

We made a mobile for Book Week. It shows our favourite characters for the book, "Scary Night".

We have a family and community wall in our classroom with posters about our local heroes.

We made dragonflies out of foil and cellophane. They fly around our room on fishing line.

We have learning nests that our learning intentions get stuck onto. We have all achieved a lot this term.
Secondary News

Self-confidence and Secondary students

Self-confidence is an attitude which allows individuals to have positive yet realistic views of themselves and their situations. Self-confident people trust their own abilities, have a general sense of control in their lives, and believe that, within reason, they will be able to do what they wish, plan, and expect. Having self-confidence does not mean that individuals will be able to do everything. Self-confident people have expectations that are realistic. Even when some of their expectations are not met, they continue to be positive and to accept themselves.

People who are not self-confident depend excessively on the approval of others in order to feel good about themselves. They tend to avoid taking risks because they fear failure. They generally do not expect to be successful. They often put themselves down and tend to discount or ignore compliments paid to them. By contrast, self-confident people are willing to risk the disapproval of others because they generally trust their own abilities. They tend to accept themselves; they don’t feel they have to conform in order to be accepted.

Self-confidence is not necessarily a general characteristic which pervades all aspects of a person’s life. Typically, individuals will have some areas of their lives where they feel quite confident, e.g., academics, athletics, while at the same time they do not feel at all confident in other areas, e.g., personal appearance, social relationships.

With the above in mind it has been very pleasing to see our secondary students further develop their self-confidence this term. All of the students have been involved in the organisation and running the assembly on Thursday. Also the mentoring of the primary students this term through the reading program on Friday morning.

Stage 6 Exams

This week our stage 6 students will sit their final exams for Preliminary subjects. Both students have been working well in all subjects and completing assessments. Good luck to both of them.
Reading Pairs

Goooodoga Central School is passionate about reading and teaching our students about the joys of books as well as building a strong confident group of young leaders. During Book Week we launched a new pairs reading program, where a younger student reads to an older student. This program runs on Friday mornings during roll call. Students from Year 3 to 11 have been paired up with a student younger than them. The younger student’s read to the older student who listens carefully and reads along, assisting when required. The pairs stay as close to the same as possible each week allowing the students to develop a relationship of trust with each other.

So far these reading pairs have been a great success with younger students savouring the opportunity to read to an older student. The older students are also enjoying the responsibility of guiding the younger students as they read and become more confident, fluent readers.

This program aims to improve our student’s self-confidence and allows them to take responsibility for their learning and that of another student.

PBL Rewards

Next week students will be participating in reward days to celebrate their achievements in reaching their Bokhara and Birrie awards.

Thursday 17th September - Bokhara Award -
Sports activities from 11:40 then a movie from 1:00 until 2:40.

Friday 18th September - Birrie Award - Lunch at Hebel leaving at 10:30.
NSW CHS Athletics Championships.

On Saturday the 6th September 2015 Priscilla Barker competed at these Athletics Championships against the best athletes in the CHS. Priscilla represented the school and North West region with pride and gave her best in all her throws in the discuss. Final results have not been published yet but they will be included in the next newsletter.

Well Done Priscilla.
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!!

Have fun with your kids!

Doctors!!

Coming to Goodooga Health Service:

Monday 21st & Tuesday 22nd September - Dr Mark Young

Friday 18th Sept - Podiatrist

Wednesday 23rd & Thursday 24th Sept - Dr Singlemann (Mans Health Checks)

Tuesday 6th October - Children Dentist

Wednesday 7th October - Dentist

Please see Health Service staff for Appointments!!

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.

School Holiday

Friday 19th September 2015

School Resumes

Tuesday 6th October 2015

AECG Meeting Dates

- Tuesday 13th Oct
- Tuesday 25th Nov

Starting time is at 11am for all dates.

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!!
### COMING EVENTS 2015

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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– 2.00 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. Thank you!!

### 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.