



Westnews

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear parents/carers,

LEST WE FORGET – REMEMBRANCE DAY



On November 11, our school paused to pay tribute to the men and women who served and are still serving in our defence forces. We remember those who have died or suffered in conflicts, war and peacekeeping operations. I would like to thank Mr Robinson and the school leaders who made a video to share with all the students.

3/4H made a wreath to display in the school foyer

NAIDOC WEEK

Always Was, Always Will Be, is the 2020 theme. It recognises that First Nations people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65,000 years. Miss Greenlees, Mrs Lyons and the school leaders organised 2 special assemblies for our school which took place in front our flag poles.



2021 STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Last week our nominated Year 5 students worked with Miss Livesey and I to plan and write their leadership speech. Throughout this process it was great to see the encouragement they gave one another and the effort they went to in preparation for the speech day.

In front of Years 2 to 6, each student talked about their achievements and the qualities they have to be a great leader for Goulburn West Public School. The staff and students were impressed by the way the students showed confidence and fought through the nerves to talk about themselves, which is a hard task.

Being new to the school it was great to see the calibre of the nominees for our 2021 school leaders.

PRINCIPAL'S MORNING TEA

Congratulations to the following students for reaching the Diamond Principal's Morning Tea. They will each receive a canteen voucher and have recess with Mr Osborne.

Harriet E	Georgia H	Shalom H	Cooper James N-G
Kye R	Caleb T (3/4H)	Layne T	Caleb T (3/4M)
Indi W	Hamish P	Jessica J	Camryn M
Oliver W	Evie O		

YEAR 6 FAREWELL

This year our Year 6 Farewell will be different to previous years. Due to current COVID-19 restrictions the night will only involve the Year 6 students and staff from Goulburn West Public School. Mr Paranthoene will keep families up to date with further information.

END OF YEAR PRESENTATION

Our 2020 Presentation Day will be done at school during school hours. The school is working on a number of options of how this may operate. Unfortunately, we will not be able to cater for all families to attend this day. Once the school has a COVID safe plan we will communicate with the community on how this day will proceed.

SUPERVISION BEFORE 8.50am

Our school staff are only on duty from 8:50am and therefore students are not to come to school before then. Recently we have found students coming to school and waiting in the playgrounds by themselves in the morning. **Please ensure you drop your child off to school between 8:50am and 9:20am.** The school is monitoring and reviewing considerations for children who catch buses to school.

KINDY ORIENTATION

On Thursday we started our Kindy Orientation. It was great to see them eager to come to big school. I must say when visiting the rooms and the playground the 2021 Kindy cohort were very confident and were happy to come and say hello. I was impressed with how quick the children were able to settle once the mums and dads left.

The teachers and the SLSOs had lots of activities for the children to do and the children responded well to instruction.

Thank you to all the families for the way you conducted the pick up and drop off part of the orientation. The same system will happen this Thursday with the paper work and the allocated times.

OPPORTUNITY CLASS

This Wednesday our 2021 prospective OC students will sit the Opportunity Class test. The children will complete the test in the 5/6M classroom with the Invigilator and Miss Livesey.

Activity	Start	Finish
Students arrive at school	8.55am	
Administration and practice	9.00am	9.50am
Part 1 (30mins)	9.50am	10.20am
Short break	10.20am	10.30am
Part 2 (30mins)	10.30am	11.00am
Students dismissed and return to class		

What happens if a student arrives late? Students who arrive late may be allowed to take the test, but will be required to finish at the same time as other students. No extra time will be given.

Students MUST bring a printed copy of their 'Test authority' letter showing their application number.

Students who have been granted disability provisions must bring any specially approved items

Students SHOULD bring to the test room:	Students SHOULD NOT bring to the test room:
Glasses, asthma inhaler and tissues, if required. Any other medical equipment must be approved before the test	Pens, pencils, pencil cases, erasers, note paper or other material such as dictionaries or books
Clear plastic water bottle – with no writing on it except for the brand name (to be stored under the seat to avoid spills)	Equipment such as rulers, calculators, computers, mobile phones, computer watches, watches that calculate or beep or any device that calculates, photographs or communicates.

PLANNING FOR 2021

We are currently planning classes and staffing for 2021. In order to do this, we need to know who is not returning to our school next year. Can you please notify the school if your children will not be returning to Goulburn West in 2021.

SCHOOL SITE

Unfortunately this year in 2020 we have had an increase of people entering the school grounds after hours and during school holidays. This has seen a significant increase in damage to our school. I thank the community for assisting us with reporting such instances which has led to some of the incidents being resolved. If you happen to see a disturbance after hours on our school site, please contact the local police and report the incident.

PLAYGROUND DONATION

GWPS has received a donation from Aviagen Australia. The school were presented a cheque for \$500 to go towards the newly established sensory garden, in particular the outdoor musical equipment.



SCHOOL FUN DAY DONATION

The Ladies Auxiliary of Christ Church West Goulburn have donated \$100 to go towards the school fun day. On behalf of the school, I would like to thank Aviagen Australia, the Ladies Auxiliary of Christ Church West Goulburn and our community members who have donated money and supplies for our upcoming events.

TREAT SHARING

Just a reminder that there are strict guidelines as to what we can share at school. We are still unable to allow families to bring treats to school to share with classmates. This applies to birthday treats as well.

YEAR 5 AND 6 DAY TRIPS

This week our Year 5 and Year 6 students head off for a day of fun with team building activities. We are very happy for our Stage 3 students, that they are able to attend this day after all the cancelled events this year. Thank you to Mr Paranthoienne and the Stage 3 teachers for their organisation.

MINI ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Like we did last term with the cross country, GWPS will be holding a fun mini athletics carnival, giving students the chance to participate in some organised running and field events. It will be a modified version with students participating within their stage groups. Thank you to Miss Betts for making this possible for our students.

P&C MEETING

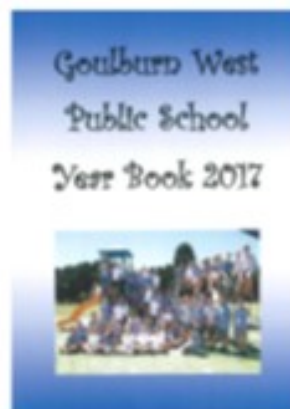
Tonight the P&C will meet at 7pm in the school staffroom. I am looking forward to participating in tonight's meeting.

S Osborne

Principal

2020 Year Book

It's that time of year where Goulburn West Public would like to offer you the chance to pre-order our 2020 Year Book. If you are interested please let the office know by Tuesday 24th November. The delivery date will be week 10.



PBL Assembly Monday 16.11.20



Amethyst Award

75 Westies



Ruby Award

75 Westies



Bronze Award

325 Westies



Topaz Award

125 Westies



Silver Award

375 Westies



Emerald Award

175 Westies



Diamond Award

175 Westies

Congratulations everyone,
keep up the great work!

PBL Assembly 16.11.20



Topaz Awards

125 Westies

Amethyst Award

75 Westies

Sapphire Award

25 Westies



Ruby Awards

225 Westies



Diamond Awards

275 Westies



Bronze Awards

325 Westies

PBL Assembly 16.11.20



Silver Award

375 Westies



Gold Award

425 Westies

Platinum Award

475 Westies



*Congratulations to our
wonderful students,
well done!*



NAIDOC Week 2020

NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

In sport, 3/4H have been learning about and participating in traditional Indigenous games including Kolap, Kai and Weme. These games help develop a range of fundamental movement skills including underarm throw and catching.



Kindergarten Enrolments

2021



Enrolments for 2021 are now due.

If you have a child starting school next year or know of anyone, please pick up an enrolment pack from the office.

PRIMARY ETHICS

Dear Parents and Carers (including Grandparents)

The Primary Ethics program at our school program depends on volunteers, and currently we have just two – Dimity Taylor (mother of Ebony, Sinclair and Ralph) and Trish Rodriguez (mother of Ally and Ruby).

Could you be an ethics teacher at Goulburn West Public School? You would be making a valuable, and rewarding, contribution.

Volunteer ethics teachers provide one or two half hour lesson/s per week, on Wednesdays at 12:15pm and/or 12:45pm during most weeks of the school term, and little preparation time is required because all the lesson materials are provided by Primary Ethics according to the approved curriculum.

Ethics teachers receive full training by Primary Ethics which consists of short online modules, and an online workshop with other volunteers.

So, please consider whether this is a contribution you could make to your school.

Please see these short videos:

[Why be part of an ethics class?](#)

[Why do you do ethics? Interviews with stage 3 students](#)

If you'd like to find out more please visit www.primaryethics.com.au and/or contact Jim Neely, Ethics Coordinator (0451 517 815), or Dimity (0405 343 229) or Trish (0403 945 309). We would be pleased to provide you with further information or to answer any questions you may have.



CALENDAR

Term 4

Week 6	18.11.20	Year 6 Camp to Wombaroo
	19.11.20	Kindy Orientation
		Year 5 Camp to Wombaroo
Week 7	26.11.20	K-6 Fun Day
Week 8	1.12.20	Mulwaree High School Orientation Day
	4.12.20	Early Stage One Taralga Wildlife Park
		Stage 1 Excursion
Week 10	8.12.20	Stage 2 Excursion
	11.12.20	Year 6 Mini Fete
	15.12.20	Year 6 Dinner (tentative booking at this stage students only)

MULWAREE HIGH SCHOOL ORIENTATION DAYS



Due to changes in restrictions around COVID, there are now two orientation days coming up at Mulwaree High School. These dates are Friday, 13th of November and Tuesday, 1st of December.

Further details are still to come and will be sent out on Operoo with the finer details of the days.

LOST PROPERTY



The lost property box is overflowing once again! If your child is missing an item of clothing please come and check. The box is located at the top of the stairs just outside the office.

Year 5 and 6 Camp

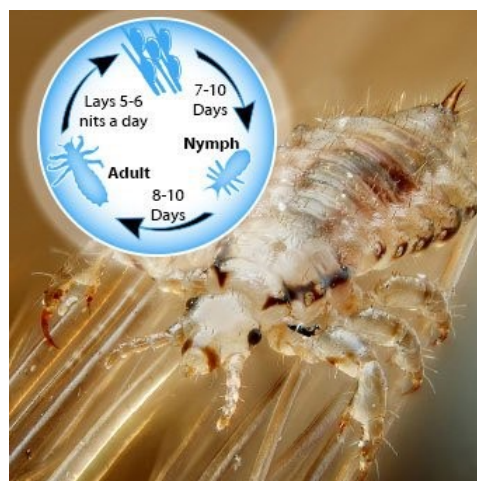
Years 5 and 6 Camp fees are now due. Please pay \$63.00 online or send money into the school office in an envelope marked with your child's name and year.



Thank you

HEAD LICE

We have had reported incidences of head lice. Please check your child's hair on a regular basis and treat if necessary.



2021 School Dates

The Department of Education announced a change to Staff Development Days for 2021 and beyond. Commencing at the start of 2021, the changes include:

- an increase from one to two SDDs at the commencement of Term 1
- a decrease from two to one SDDs at the end of Term 4.

The School Development Days are scheduled for the following dates:

- 27 and 28 January, students return 29 January 2021.

The two SDDs at the start of Term 1 are mandated and cannot be rescheduled. Principals may continue to vary SDDs that fall at the beginning of Terms 2 and 3, and at the end of Term 4.

There will be no changes to:

- the total number of SDDs – remaining at five days
- the length of the school year for staff or students (students will start and finish the school year one day later)
- SDDs occurring at the commencement of Terms 2 and 3.

For Goulburn West Public School the first term will be:

Term 1 2021

Wednesday 27th January – Staff Development Day

Thursday 28th January – Staff Development Day

Friday 29th January – Students in Year 1-6 return

Friday 29th January – Tuesday 2nd February – Kindergarten Best Start Assessments

Wednesday 3rd February – Kindergarten begin



Pack your child a **HEALTHY LUNCH BOX**

Choose a variety of foods from each food group



Fruit



Vegetables



Dairy



Wholegrains



Lean meat
& alternatives



A Healthy Lunch Box



Pokemon Club

Pokemon Club is back on in the library on Wednesday lunch time for Stage 3 (years 5 and 6) and Friday lunch time for Stage 2 (years 3 and 4).

Children are asked to wash hands before and after Pokemon Club due to COVID guidelines.





Lego/Duplo Club

Coming back soon, watch this space for details as to when Lego Club will start back up.



Student Banking

Don't forget to send in bank books every Wednesday.



Mobile Phones at School

All children who bring their mobile phone to school must sign it in at the office in the morning for safe keeping during the day and sign it out at the end of the day.

Thank you



Parent Restrictions

Just a friendly reminder for your continued support for staying off the school grounds, e.g our current pick up and drop off arrangements and social distancing

Thank you



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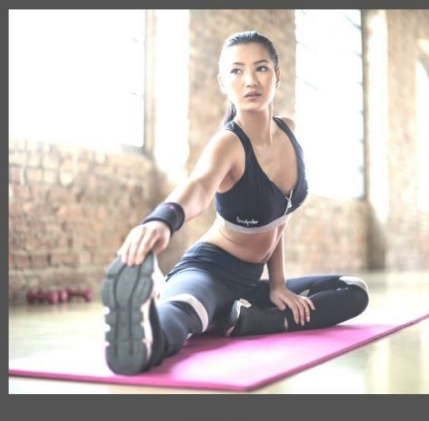


Check out Timetable on
www.samantha-ahearn.com



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AEROBIC, DANCE &
PACE WALKING
FITNESS SESSIONS.



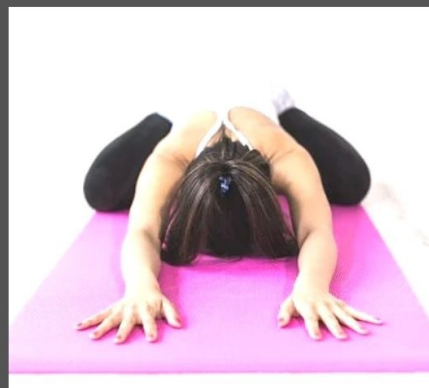
02

REBOUNding- MINI
TRAMPOLINES
CLASSES.



03

MOVING
MEDITATIONS
BREAKS.



04

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AND MENTORING
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AND WOMEN.



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Discover your love for dance...

Violin lessons at Goulburn West Public School

In 2020, Geoff Stewart-Richardson will be continuing the strings programme at Goulburn West Public School. Geoff is an experienced string teacher.

Lessons can be provided in violin, viola or cello.

Not only will students be able to learn the violin or cello (or viola), they will be able to learn music in a wide variety of styles - including contemporary music, classical, folk jazz and even rock!

If you are interested in starting one of these instruments or would like more information, please get in touch with Geoff on 0432 314 376.



Piano Lesson

at Goulburn West Public School

\$22 / 30min , \$17 / 20 min

★ Contact Ayaka Suzuki
0410 837 542

