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ROOM 9 NEWS

Last week Goomalling Primary School participated in their Swimming Lessons. The students of Room 9 loved jumping in the water every day! The students' progression during their lessons was amazing to watch and we want to say a huge thank you to the dedicated swimming teachers we had this year. The children are eagerly awaiting next week's Interschool Swimming Carnival where they can put all their newly learnt skills into action.







GOOMALLING JUNIOR/AUSKICK AGM Thursday 9 March 2017 6.30pm

> At the Goomalling Sports & Community Centre

All parents with children playing in the 2017 season are urged to attend.



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Dear Parents/Guardians, Staff and Students,

We have had a busy fortnight with our students completing their swimming lessons last week. Well done to all of our students who participated in the lessons and the way they represented the school at the Goomalling Memorial Swimming Pool was exemplary. In the end we were fortunate not to have any lessons interrupted by the unseasonal weather of late with rain and thunderstorms prevailing. It was a pleasant change over the weekend and so far with this week with a much warmer change. Thank you to the teachers for their hard work and flexibility over the last week and Mrs Carr for her efforts in driving the bus on two of the swimming days and Matthew & Casey Butt for allowing us to use the bus.

Community BBQ/Parent Info Evening Tonight is the night where our K-6

classrooms will be open for a brief meeting between parents and teachers. The purpose of the evening is for our parents to come into the classroom to listen and discuss the classroom policies and procedures with the classroom teacher. This is a brilliant opportunity to find out how day to day business is conducted in the classroom and there will be time for any questions at the end of each teachers presentations. If you would like specific feedback on your child's progress I would encourage you to book in for a separate appointment with your child's teacher to discuss these matters as there will not be time this evening to do so. The meetings will begin with Miss Little's class at 5.00pm, Miss Morris at 5.15pm, Miss O'Keeffe at 5.30pm and Mr Peet at 5.45pm.

A community barbecue will also take place from 5.30pm in the undercover area with refreshments available. This was an extremely successful event last year and gave many of our new families an opportunity to be welcomed into the school and meet others. I look forward to another big turnout this year and will see you there tonight.

Census and Attendance

On Monday I submitted our student census and we have begun the year with 70 students on our books. The student census drives our school funding for the year. This represents a small increase in our number of students from 2016. Our attendance has also picked up this year so far with a total of 95% attendance across the school in the first three weeks of term. I am proud of this result so far and thank all of our parents and guardians for their assistance in the getting their children to school regularly.

Swimming Carnival

Next Thursday on the 2nd March we have our annual Swimming Carnival at the Goomalling pool. This year Bolgart are the hosts of the carnival although our school will be assisting Bolgart in running. Thank you to Julie Forward for all of her hard work already in preparing the competitor lists. Last year was a very successful carnival and we had many parents and guardians who were generous in volunteering their time to complete jobs during the day and I encourage anyone who is interested this year to contact me or Julie if they wish to volunteer again.

Mathletics

As part of our school Mathematics program each student has access to their Mathletics account where they can complete activities set by their teacher online both at school and home. I encourage students to use this program at home as much as possible to consolidate their learning experiences in class and appreciate our parents and guardians support in ensuring Mathletics becomes a part of your child's routine when they are at home. Each student has their individual login name and password for this program.

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P&C AGM Meeting

On Monday 27th February at 1.30pm the P&C will hold their AGM for 2017. We look forward to seeing all our parents at this meeting in the staff room.

Early Close

Just a reminder that we have early close this year at 2.30pm every Thursday.

Thank you for reading and I will see many of you this evening at our Community Barbecue and Parent Information Evening.

Scott Palmer Principal

School Development Days for 2017

There will be 6 School Development Days (SDD) in 2017.

The days scheduled are as follows:-

Term 1 Monday, January 30th & Tuesday 31st

Term 2 Monday, 24th April

Term 3 Monday, 17th July

Term 4 Monday, 6th November **

Friday, 14th December (trade off). The trade off day is negotiated at the school level. At GPS we use this time to collaboratively plan, review and for professional development out of school hours throughout the year and trade this day off at the end of the year.

> **Apologise this was omitted from the first newsletter.**

School Visitors

Could all visitors/parents/guardians please call into the front office and sign in as soon as you enter onto school grounds.

If you are collecting your child early, it is important that you come to the office first to complete required paperwork that needs to be given to the class.

Drop Off/Pick Up Area

School Bus

Hat Policy

Parents/Guardians are reminded that the school drop off/pick area is at the rear of the school of Eaton street. No cars are to collect students from the front off the school. Please adhere to this rule for the safety of the children who have to cross the road at the end of the school day.

Parents please notify the bus driver in writing or

either in the morning or afternoon.

text if your child is going to be absent from the bus

Students are reminded to wear a hat in all outside

activities, including recess and lunch. Students

without a hat will need to remain on the veranda.

2017 Voluntary Contributions and Charges

School contributions and charges are a vital source of income for our school and are used to purchase important curriculum materials for your child to use at

The school board endorsed last year the Voluntary Contributions and Charges for 2017 at \$60 per child Kindergarten to Yr 6.

The preferred method is direct deposit into the school bank account:-

BSB- 633000 ACC - 112628334

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(please use family name and initial as reference)

Alternatively, please consider paying off on a weekly/

The Voluntary Contributions must be paid by the end of Term 1; Thursday, 6th April 2017.

fortnightly or monthly basis.

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Assembly

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Wednesday 22nd February 2017 Merit Certificate Winners are:

Matilda Rowles Kindy -PP -Mahli Wilkes Year 1-Olivia Barratt Year 2-**Cassidy Worsfold Blair Barratt** Year 3–

Year 4-**Brodie Sewell** Year 5-**Andie Schell Nicolas Moody**

> **Student Councillor Awards:** Naomi Kingston, Dolynda Ryder

> > Congratulations!



Six Kinds of Best

Congratulations to our award winners: Shakira Ryder, Amber Cuqini, Ashley Kingston, Jayden Clarke









Gold Note Winners:

Matilda Rowles, Macey French, Tasmin Clarke, Elijah Smith, Jayden Clarke, Hardi French, Jude Sawyer and Jack Manera

