

Goornong Primary School Newsletter

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Our school values—**teamwork**, **respect**, **honesty** and **care**.

Dates to Remember

Next Week

Mon 5th Aug Parent-Teacher Interviews
 Tues 6th Aug Parent-Teacher Interviews
 Fri 9th Aug. Playgroup, 10.00am—11.30am








Term 3

Mon 12th Aug Parent-Teacher Interviews
 Tues 13th Aug Parent-Teacher Interviews
 Thurs 22nd Aug Book Week Dress-Up Day
 Fri 23rd Aug Cluster Athletics (Gr 3-6s) Bendigo
 Sun 1st Sept. Father's Day
 Fri 6th Sept. Playgroup, 10.00am—11.30am
 Fri 13th Sept Jump Rope for Heart Afternoon, 2.15pm
 Mon 16th Sept School Council Meeting
 Wed 18th Sept Cluster Science Day (P-6), Raywood
 Friday 20th Sept Last day of Term 3, 2.15pm dismissal

Term 4

Mon 7th Oct First day of Term 4
 Fri 20th Dec Last day of Term 4, 2.15pm dismissal

Weekly Awards

| Award | This Week | Last Week |
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| P-2 Literacy  | Isabelle P | Edwin F |
| P-2 Maths  | Riley B | Bryttney B |
| P-2 Values  | Spencer V | Colin K |
| 3-6 Literacy  | Mary K | Mackenzie V |
| 3-6 Maths  | Mason D-F | Olivia M |
| 3-6 Values  | Marli O | Lucy O |
| Principal Award  | Alexia W | Kassidey E |

BOOK WEEK 2024

Our Book Week dress-up day is

Thursday 22nd August

On this day students are encouraged to dress up in a costume related to this year's theme— *Reading is Magic*

Families may wish to begin planning their child's costume now.

We will be having a parade at 9am at the school of all the fabulous Book Week costumes on this day. Parents are invited to come along!



Goornong Playgroup

Friday 9th August

10.00am—11.30am at the Goornong Primary School.

To celebrate National Science Week our playgroup session will have a science theme. Come along and play, sing, create, read and participate in science experiments!

Morning tea will be provided for both parents and children.



Principal's Report

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

It's terrific to see that lots of parents have booked in for a Parent-Teacher Interview. A reminder that these will take place over the coming two weeks. If you haven't already done so, we encourage parents to book an interview. This can be done via the UEducateUs System either on your mobile device or PC. Please see Jacinta at the school on a Tuesday or Wednesday if you need help with this. Bookings are now open and are able to be made up to 24 hours prior to the appointment time.

NAPLAN ASSESSMENT RESULTS

Earlier this year our Grade 3 and 5 students sat the annual NAPLAN tests. Individual student results have been sent home with Year 3 and Year 5 students today. Please feel free to speak with me or your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's result.

Due to the small number of students who completed the tests, we are unable to publish a summary of our school's results for confidentiality reasons. Nevertheless, the staff and I are very pleased with the outcomes of both our Year 3s and Year 5s, who have generally achieved results that show both positive learning gain and compare positively to the national average. Well done Grade 3s and 5s!

AFTER SCHOOL CARE UPDATE

Many in our school community would be aware that in 2022 our school was able to start up an after school care service as a result of receiving an *outside school hours care establishment grant* from the state government. With 2024 being the final year of this grant, our school is currently working with our after school care provider to review whether our service will be viable beyond this year.

I know that many families have benefited from our service and it's been wonderful to see lots of students enjoying participating in OSHClub each afternoon—we currently have 27 students enrolled in OSHClub and an average of 5.82 children attending each afternoon.

Both School Council and I are keen to see Goornong PS continue to offer after school care into the future. However, we understand that the viability of the service for providers is determined by the number of children attending. As such, we are encouraging our school community to utilise our service as much as possible so as to maximise the average number of children attending each afternoon. This will give us the best opportunity to engage an after school care provider and continue to offer after school care beyond 2024.

FAREWELL COOPER

Yesterday we said farewell to Cooper who is finishing up at Goornong PS to pursue an opportunity at another school. Cooper has worked at our school for the past 12 months as an integration aide, this year working in the P/1/2 classroom. During his time at our school Cooper has been a

valued member of our staff team and has formed positive relationships with many students. I thank Cooper for his work at our school and wish him all the best for a successful career in education.

DIVISION FOOTY & NETBALL

Over the past couple of weeks we have had some students participate in division sporting events.

Lucy O and Mayla P were part of the Campaspe Cluster team that competed at the Sandhurst Division Netball Carnival in Bendigo. The team had a successful day, winning four of their seven matches and narrowly missing out on making the grand final.

Max M played in the Campaspe Cluster team that competed at the Sandhurst Division Football Carnival in Bendigo. The team managed to make it into the grand final after winning all of their round robin matches. In a close contest, the team was narrowly defeated in the grand final.

Well done Lucy, Mayla and Max!

ATHLETIC SPORTS

Our Grade 3-6 students will be participating in the annual Campaspe Cluster Athletic Sports on Friday 23rd August. The students will travel by bus to the Athletics Centre in Flora Hill, Bendigo. They will complete a round robin of track and field events in their age group with the students from the other Campaspe Cluster schools.

It would be great to have lots of parents come along and support on the day. The first events begin at 10am and we usually finish at about 2.00pm.

Further details and a permission form for this excursion accompany today's newsletter.

2025 SCHOOL YEAR

Although seemingly still a way off, the school is beginning to do some initial planning for the 2025 school year. As I'm sure you can appreciate, there is a great deal of work behind the scenes to ensure the best structure in relation to classrooms, teachers and support staff. The number of students attending the school has a significant impact on our planning as school funding is directly linked to the number of enrolments. As such, I ask that those parents intending to enrol new students at Goornong PS for 2025 (including Preps) to please now return their enrolment form. Enrolment forms are available from the school should you require one. I also ask any current families whose child/children will not be attending Goornong PS in 2025 to please let me know. I thank families for their support with this.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Great spirits have always encountered violent opposition from mediocre minds."

- Albert Einstein

Jason Cox, Principal

Goornong Primary School OSHClub

The logo features the words "STAY" and "PLAY" in large, bold, white and red block letters respectively, with the word "and" in a smaller, white, cursive font between them. The background is a dark purple gradient with a white dashed line.

To enrol your child go to: <https://www.oshclub.com.au/vic/goornong-primary-school/> and click on the **Join OSHClub** button. Please feel free to see Jacinta at the school office on a Tuesday or Wednesday if you need any assistance enrolling your child.

LUNCH ORDER ROSTER TERM 3

A big thank you to the parents that have volunteered to help out with the lunch orders—we really appreciate it! Below is the roster for Term 3. Please feel free to contact the school if you have any questions.

What to do:

The school rings through the orders to the Oasis Café in the morning. Parents do not need to make 2 trips to Elmore!

- 1) *Pick up lunch order envelopes from the school prior to heading to Elmore.*
- 2) *Head to Oasis Café, drop off lunch order envelopes and pick up the food. Aim to do this about 1.10pm.*
- 3) *Deliver the lunch orders to the school ready for lunch at 1.30pm.*

If you are unable to fulfil your allocated day, please attempt to arrange a swap with another parent, or let the school know ASAP so a replacement can be found. Thank you!

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| | Available all dates in term 3. |
| X | Mon 15 th July (Student Free Day) |
| RUTH S | Mon 22 nd July |
| ALYCE O | Mon 29 th July |
| ALISHA R | Mon 5 th August |
| JESSICA F | Mon 12 th August |
| ALISHA R | Mon 19 th August |
| AMANDA | Mon 26 th August |
| RUTH S | Mon 2 nd September |
| JESSICA F | Mon 9 th September |
| DOT B | Mon 16 th September |

ELMORE FIELD DAYS ROSTER

Each year our school fills a roster for the Elmore Field Days catering. This is our major fundraiser for the year! For each hour of time volunteered, our school receives a dividend from the Elmore Field Days Catering Committee. Last year we raised over \$3,800.

Once again, we are asking members of our school community to fill shifts on our roster to help raise money for our school. The types of tasks involved include food preparation, front counter and sales, washing dishes and stocking fridges. A detailed list of role descriptions is below.

A copy of the roster is located at the reception desk, along with a form that volunteers are asked to complete. Simply visit the school to put your name down or contact the school and we will put your name down for you. We need to have the roster filled by mid-August.

For further details please contact Rachel Mill on 0409 333 212.

| Date | Start Time | End Time | Hours | Role Allocated | Name of Volunteer |
|---------------------------|------------|----------|-------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Friday, 27 September 2024 | 9am | 2pm | 5 | | |
| Sunday, 29 September 2024 | 9am | 3pm | 6 | | Alyce O |
| Monday, 30 September 2024 | 9am | 3pm | 6 | | |
| Friday, 4 October 2024 | 9am | 3pm | 6 | | |
| Tuesday, 1 October 2024 | 7:30am | 2pm | 6.5 | Pies | Alisha R |
| Tuesday, 1 October 2024 | 8am | 11:30am | 3.5 | Food Production Table 1 | Jess Nickson |
| Tuesday, 1 October 2024 | 8am | 11:30am | 3.5 | Food Production Table 1 | Terri James |
| Tuesday, 1 October 2024 | 8:30am | 5pm | 8.5 | 8.5hr interchangeable roles | |
| Wednesday, 2 October 2024 | 9:30am | 4pm | 6.5 | Mobile Food Team | David Mill |
| Wednesday, 2 October 2024 | 9:30am | 4pm | 6.5 | Mobile Food Team | |
| Tuesday, 1 October 2024 | 8:30am | 5pm | 8.5 | 8.5hr interchangeable roles | |
| Thursday, 3 October 2024 | 8am | 11:30am | 3.5 | Food Production Table 1 | Christina Lester |
| Thursday, 3 October 2024 | 8:30am | 5pm | 8.5 | 8.5hr interchangeable roles | Rachel Mill |
| Thursday, 3 October 2024 | 8:30am | 5pm | 8.5 | 8.5hr interchangeable roles | Ian Johnson |
| Thursday, 3 October 2024 | 8:30am | 3pm | 6.5 | 6.5hr interchangeable roles | Alisha Robinson |
| Thursday, 3 October 2024 | 8:30am | 3pm | 6.5 | 6.5hr interchangeable roles | Jason Cox |

Role Descriptions

8:30am - 3:00pm Volunteer Role Descriptions

Coffee Van: Making coffee and tea and/or serving customers as a cashier. Barista experience is ideal however we will offer basic barista training before the Field Days to those who would like.

Food Van: selling food and drinks to customers as well as heating up the hot food on offer. (guidance and instructions will be provided for tasks)

Food Preparation: chopping up, plating/storing & labelling ingredients to be used for food production/sandwich making

Deliveries: Delivering food and goods to and from coffee and food vans. May also be assisting Mobile Food Team

Volunteer Liaison: Situated in the Volunteers Room, you will plate and serve morning tea/lunch/afternoon tea to the volunteers, and assist roster secretary with volunteer sign in and out record keeping

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Food Van: selling food and drinks to customers as well as heating up the hot food on offer. (guidance and instructions will be provided for tasks)

Cashier (main pavilion): Taking customer orders and accepting payment on till and eftpos machine while coordinating with Runner for supply of food/drinks

Runner (main pavilion): coordinate with Cashier to fill customer orders

Pies (main pavilion): cooking pies, stocking the pie warmers and ensuring adequate hot food is available throughout the day

Dishes/Cleanup: Cleaning dishes from food preparation and production, assisting with end of day cleanup of food prep/production areas e.g. mopping

Special Orders: Assisting with preparing and filling orders for corporate catering e.g. cheese platters, sandwich platters

8:00am - 11:30am Volunteer Shifts are for Food Production. This involves assisting to make sandwiches, rolls and wraps to be sold in the pavilion and food vans. e.g. buttering bread, adding sandwich fillings, cutting and packaging ready for sale, table clean up etc

8:30am - 1:30pm Volunteer Shift is for preparing eggs and clean up. This role is to assist the Food Preparation team with boiling eggs and also ensuring the main pavilion is spick and span.

7:30am - 2:00pm Volunteer Shift is for Special Orders. This role is to Assist with preparing and filling orders for corporate catering e.g. cheese platters, sandwich platters

7:30am - 2:00pm Volunteer Shift is for Pies. This role is to cook pies/sausage rolls etc in our turbo ovens and then transfer them to pie warmers ready for sale in the main pavilion.

9:30am - 4:00pm Volunteer Shifts are for the Mobile Food Team. This involves packing online food orders that come from Exhibitors/Stall Holders and delivering them. We offer this service as sometimes the stall holder cannot step away from their business to get lunch.

12:00pm - 5:00pm Volunteer Shift is for clean up. This role is to assist in the final pack up of the pavilion on the Thursday. duties may include packing up tupperware, cleaning surfaces, assisting with boxing and labelling to prepare for next year.

Community News

How does your engine run? Alert Program

bendigo
Community Health
services

Engine Analogy

Enables children to identify, monitor, maintain and regulate their 'alertness' level in different contexts of their lives using an engine analogy.

How does your engine run?

Engages the senses

Uses all the senses to engage the part of the brain that makes us feel safe.



Elmore Memorial Hall

9am Wednesday 7th August

Please RSVP to the Elmore Kindergarten

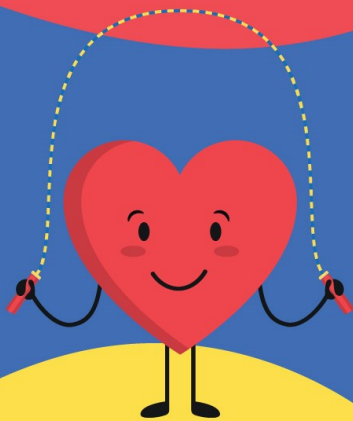
Self-Regulation

"We all self-regulate throughout our day, but rarely do any of talk about it! For example, think about what you did for your engine this morning to get up and get going."

Did you drink a hot cup of coffee? Eat crunchy cereal? Have a cold shower? Go to the gym? Listen to music? Cuddle a pet?

These are all ways we use our sense throughout the day to stay self-regulated.

www.alertprogram.com



JUMP ROPE for HEART



JUMP OFF DAY

Friday 13th
September,
2:15pm

Goornong
Primary School

Goornong Primary School is participating in the Jump Rope For Heart Foundation. We are amazed by the amount of fundraising our school has received thus far, congratulations and thank you all for your efforts and contributions. We have raised **\$768** to date. Parents, carers, families and friends are invited to our Jump Off day, an opportunity for the students to show off their new skipping skills and tricks learned over the coming weeks.

PREPS 100 DAYS OF SCHOOL!

