

EAGLE EXPRESS

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Gormandale and District Primary School fosters a community learning environment in which each and every member is nurtured to become a confident lifelong learner.



We acknowledge the Gunaikurnai people as the traditional custodians of the land upon which we meet. We pay our respects to the Elders of the past, present and future.



Principal's Report

Dear GDPS Community,

Here is our final newsletter for the term! Alongside this newsletter are a number of additional forms. You will find raffle tickets for our Easter raffle from parents club, our school photo purchase code, outstanding district sports permission notes as well as notes for swimming.

This week we had our school sports supported by GeckoSports & YSC students. A wonderful day was had by all and I was very pleased to see the persistence, encouragement and sportsmanship displayed by all of our students. A reminder that our grades 3-6 students are headed to district sports **next Friday the 27th** where they will compete against students of the same age group from other schools in our cluster.

We have a few fun days planned for our students before the end of the term. Our students have a casual clothes day for Harmony Day next Monday and our fundraising leaders are offering orange hair spray for \$1.

We are also holding an Easter activity day on Tuesday the 31st of March where our fundraising students will also be running a movie, popcorn and juice box deal.

Our students will again have the opportunity to be involved in the Gormandale ANZAC service in week 1 of next term. If your child/ren are interested in taking part, please let Ms Elrick know.

Don't forget that we have our monthly assembly next Thursday afternoon at 2:40. Our student leaders will be presented with their badges and certificates.

Charleigh Williams



WHAT'S COMING UP?

Monday 23rd
Harmony Day
Casual Cloths

Wednesday 25th
School Council Meeting

Thursday 26th
Assembly 2.40pm &
Lunch orders

Friday 27th
District Athletics
Grades 3-6

Thursday 2nd APRIL
Easter Parade & Raffles
Drawn 2pm
Last Day of Term 2.30pm
Finish

GDPS Bank Details

BSB 033-222

ACC 019138

Gormandale & District PS Council

March



- To those families who continue to donate their cans, bottles and primas. We have raised \$214.10 so far this year! That's a huge 2141 pieces!!
- To Rachael C for offering to help out at District Sports next week.
- To the wonderful year 11 and 12 students from Yarram Secondary College who assisted with our Sports Day. They were all fantastic and did and great running events.

GDPS OSHC

We've been having a great time in OSHC recently, we've loved making chocolate balls, fruit kebabs and mini pizzas.

Chocolate Balls

Ingredients

- 250 grams Plain biscuits
(dairy free option - plain sweet biscuits such as digestives)
- 1 cup desiccated coconut
- ¼ cup cocoa powder
- 320 gram can condensed milk
(dairy free option - sweetened condensed coconut milk)
- Tea Spoon Vanilla Essence
- ½ cup desiccated coconut extra for rolling

Directions

- Using a food processor, crush the biscuits into a fine crumb.
- Add the biscuits to a large mixing bowl with the coconut and cocoa powder and mix together. Add in the sweetened condensed coconut milk and rum and mix together. Place mixture in the fridge for 30 minutes to make the balls easier to roll.
- Scoop tablespoons of mixture and roll into balls between your hands before rolling them in the extra coconut to coat the outside. Place the rum balls on a plate in a layer in the fridge to firm up, before placing them in an airtight container. Rum balls will last 2 weeks in the fridge or 2 months in the freezer.





Harmony Day

On Monday 23rd March we will be celebrating "Harmony Day" at GDPS.

Harmony Day is an Australia wide event held to celebrate the country's diversity, focusing on inclusion, respect, and the message that "everyone belongs".

On "Harmony Day", people wear the colour orange to show support for cultural diversity and to represent meaningful conversations and mutual respect.

To celebrate we will be having a casual clothes day with a "touch of orange" on Monday 23rd March. Students and staff are encourage to wear something orange to celebrate cultural diversity.

Students will be participating in some "Harmony Day" activities during day.

We look forward to seeing lots of orange on Monday 23rd March. Any questions, please contact the school mobile.

Thank you
Sarah Anthofer

Student Fundraisers can spray your hair ORANGE for a \$1 donation



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EASTER



Raffle

**\$1
PER TICKET**

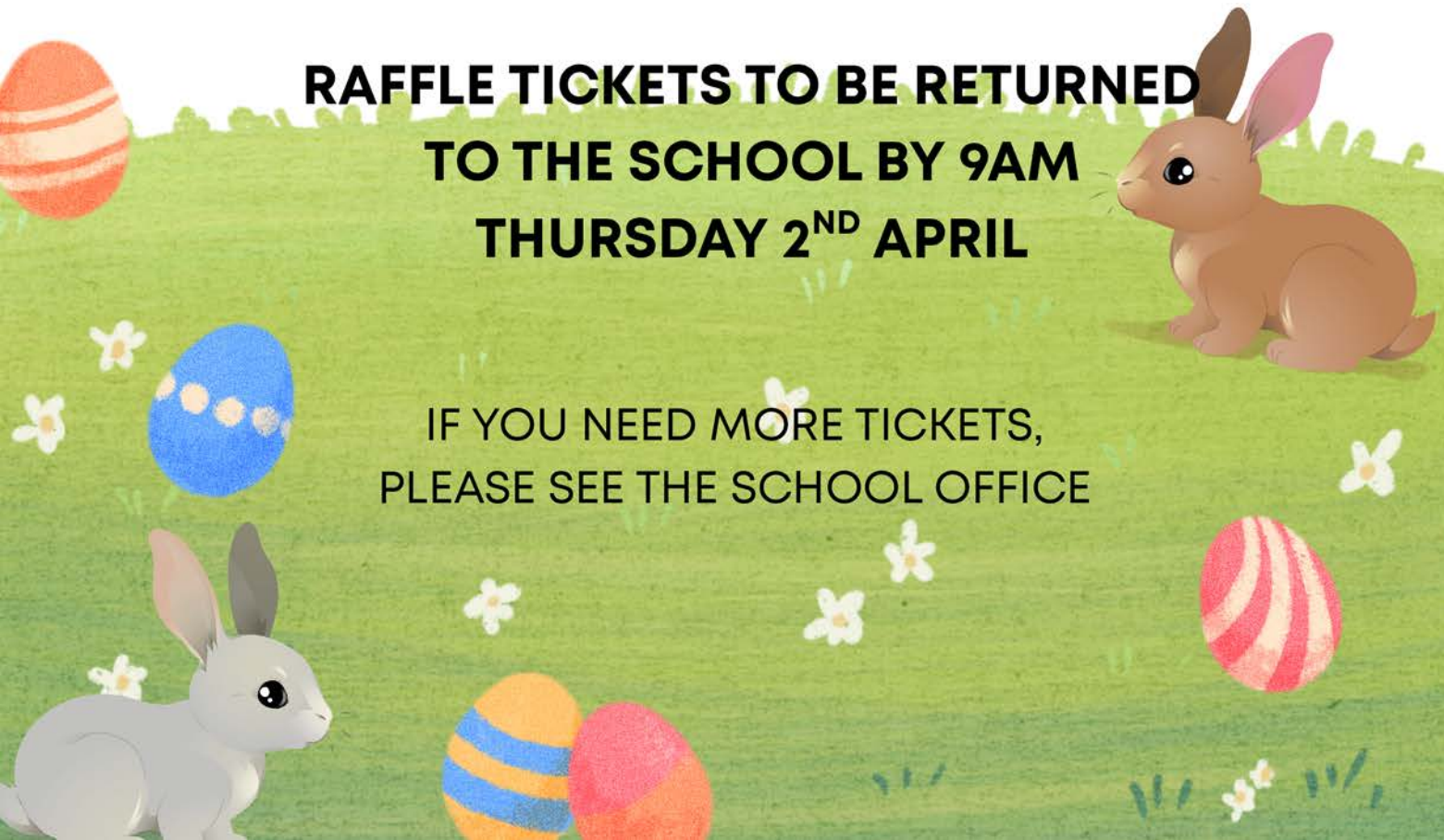
Drawn last day of Term

Thursday 2nd April

at the Easter Parade

**RAFFLE TICKETS TO BE RETURNED
TO THE SCHOOL BY 9AM
THURSDAY 2ND APRIL**

IF YOU NEED MORE TICKETS,
PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL OFFICE



ASSEMBLY

WHEN: THURSDAY 26TH MARCH

TIME: 2:40PM - 3:15PM

WHERE: UNDERCOVER AREA

ALL WELCOME



Easter Movie 31st March

Student Fundraisers will be selling popcorn and a prima for \$1 during this movie.

Please complete the form below and return
asap.



Name/s		
I consent to my child/ren to watch a PG movie	YES	NO
I would like popcorn and a prima for \$1	YES	NO