GORMANDALE & DISTRICT PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families,
Welcome to Week 6 of Term 2. As we reach the halfway point in the year, you may notice staff are required to be out of their classes to complete other work requirements. This is usual in all schools and does not impact the classroom Term plans, as they are accounted for within these plans.

Goodbye and Welcome:
On Friday, we said goodbye to Jenna, who was at the end of her time with us. Jenna thoroughly enjoyed working at GDPS, and will be missed as she returns to her own school.
We welcome Keenan to our staff team for the remainder of the term. Keenan will be working with the P/1 and 5/6 classes to provide additional support, in keeping with our Annual Implementation Plan.

Open Day:
Thank you to families that attended, and advertised our Open Morning. The best way to promote school events is from within our community, and we appreciate this support.

Mud Kitchen:
A reminder that there are a few more days to submit plans and ideas for improving our mud kitchen area. The area is a great space for developmental play, and is in desperate need of an upgrade.
Along with this idea, I would like to thank Natalie for leading the restoration of our sandpit tables. These tables are now ready for painting, and will soon have fresh, children's play sand in them. If any families have unused/ unwanted beach or sand toys they would like to donate, we welcome these toys. Please see Natalie with your donations.

Policies:
In the coming weeks, updated and School Council approved policies will be available on the school's website. School policies are now consistent between schools, and all comply with Department of Education and Training standards. School policies are a non-negotiable part of the school's operations, and are used as the basis for all related decisions.

Eagle Exchange:
It is fabulous to see our School Wide Positive Behaviour Support "Eagle Exchange" up and operating. Students works towards points to spend in the shop. Some prizes offered are food related, and as with all food related prizes within the school, parents/ carers are asked to email the school if they do not want their children to partake in these prizes.
Have a great week, Tamara Halket

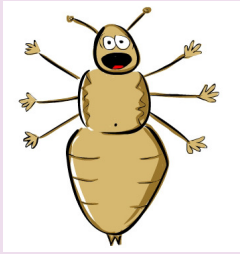
TERM 2 2021	DATES TO REMEMBER	TERM 2 2021	DATES TO REMEMBER
Thu 3rd June	Regional Cross Country	Mon 14th June	Queens Birthday Public Holiday
Mon 7th June	No MARC Van	Tue 15th June	School Council Meeting 6.30pm
Tue 8th June	Book club Orders Due	Wed 16th June	Division Netball
Thu 10th June	Parents Club AGM 9am	Tue 22nd June	Life Education

Eagles of the week

Vicki & Erica

HEAD LICE

Please check your child/ren's hair as we have had a report of some this week



Thank you Thank you Thank you

Thank you to Kerry, Elle & Jeff collating and preparing hot lunches today

Thank you Dorrie for co-ordinating Breakfast Club each morning.

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ART WRAP UP

In the art room, all grades will be moving onto 3D art over the next two weeks. Thank you to Tricia and Trevor King who cut up countless silage wrapper tubes (kindly donated by the Thexton's and Sarah Zalesiak) over the holidays, for the 5/6 class to use in their next project.

P E

Last Tuesday, students from the 5/6 classroom participated in the District Winter Sports carnival. Three boys joined a football team with Traralgon South Primary School, and we were able to enter a full mixed netball team for the first time in a decade! Our netball team performed amazingly on the day and won 4/5 games. This means they have progressed to the Division Winter Sports Carnival (Latrobe Valley Schools), which will be held in Traralgon in week 9. Fabulous effort to everyone who played on the day. Thank you to Brian for helping out with the footy.

Mrs Elrick

AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

SENIOR ROOM

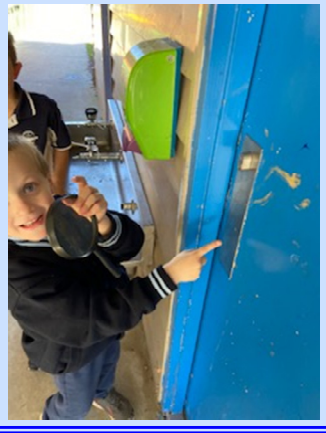
In MARC this week the students enjoyed engaging in a STEM challenge. This challenge was implemented after reading the simultaneous story about Space. The students had to drop their spaceships from a certain distance with the aim of keeping their marshmallow astronauts inside

MIDDLE ROOM

Grade 2/3/4 has been busy in math. Last week we played a game of finger twister and graphed our results, practiced measuring in cm's with the help of mini wind-up pugs and played a fun game of addition/ subtraction battle to practice math fluency.

JUNIOR ROOM

In Science we are learning about what different materials objects can be made of. Last week, we made the most of the beautiful sunshine and went on a materials hunt around our school. We went searching for things made out of wood, plastic, metal, glass and fabric.



PARENTS CLUB

AGM

THURSDAY 10th JUNE 2021

9am in the staff room

President and Secretary positions will be declared VACANT. Nominations can be accepted on the day for President, Secretary & Parents Club Member or speak to Michelle, Ellen or Kerry to nominate for a position prior to the meeting.

Parents club meet once a term and are responsible for school fundraising events and coordinating the canteen. Without volunteers, the parents club will not be unable to offer these activities to the students. Parents Club need your support.

Friday Afternoon Tabloid

Sports—Pics By Oscar & Bailey

SCHOOLS SOFT PLASTIC COLLECTION PERIOD IS SIX WEEKS! ENDING 25TH JUNE 2021

Help Wonder turn BREAD BAGS into SCHOOL PLAY EQUIPMENT

It's simple...

1. Collect your empty bread bags and tags

2. Recycle them at school in Wonder's pink Collection Bin
(There is a separate box for bread tags).

3. We'll earn reward points to redeem new sports equipment for every 5kg bin filled!

Our school is in the draw to WIN 1 of 5 exercise circuits made from recycled plastic we collect!

LET'S GET RECYCLING!

Tag Wonder on social **#wonderrecycling** to share all your recycling champion stories!

Wonder
Full of Goodness