



# Gooloogong Public School | NEWSLETTER

TERM 2 | WEEK 3 | 11/5/22

## Sounds Write Parent Information Session

On Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> May, Gooloogong PS staff delivered a parent information session on our new Literacy program, Sounds-Write. Thank you to everyone who came. This was a wonderful opportunity to share with parents why our school is implementing this program, discuss the research behind it and provide an opportunity for parents to ask questions, whilst building upon their own understanding of how to best support their children at home. If you missed this parent session and would like a copy of our presentation, please contact the school and we will print and/or email it to you.



# Principal's Message

It was terrific to see a wonderful turn out at the Cowra Small Schools cross country event held at Holmwood PS last Friday. I am so proud of each of our students who attended and ran their little hearts out! We have plenty of students who qualified for the District carnival, to be held in Canowindra on Friday 27th May. More information on this carnival will be sent out as soon as it becomes available.

On Friday this week, all Primary students will be travelling to sing at the Cowra Eisteddfod. Students have been very busy practising with Mrs Nixon on a weekly basis at school and they sound wonderful. Our section begins strictly at 9:30am and parents are more than welcome to come along. Next Wednesday, 18th May, the whole school will participate in the percussion section of the Eisteddfod. The bus has been booked for this day to transport students. A permission note will go out on Friday this week. GPS is proud to offer these wonderful opportunities for our students.

We had plenty of parents attend our recent P&C meeting this week, which was lovely to see. At this meeting, I discussed possible changes to our major excursion due to the size of our school increasing significantly. I am sending out a parent feedback form about the proposed changes to ensure each family has an opportunity to have their say. Please don't hesitate to contact me at school, should you have any questions.

Royce's Big Walk is rapidly approaching on Tuesday 17th May. We are working with the organising committee to see how we can get our students involved, as we realise, he will be leaving Gooloogong before school starts at 9:10am. Keep an eye out on our Facebook page for updates regarding this.

Accompanying this newsletter is an Infants/Primary newsletter with updates on curriculum topics being taught in class as well as general information for parents.

Today we had a visit from Dean White, Executive Director School Performance, Rural South and West as well as David Lloyd, Director Educational Leadership, Cowra Network. They visited both classrooms, had a tour of the school and were very impressed with the school's direction, our impressive programs we offer, and of course how friendly each of our students and staff are.

Finally, I would like to recognise the fantastic efforts of the Gooloogong recreation park markets in donating a defibrillator to the school, as well as a cash donation of \$500. The defibrillator is available for community use and is housed in the school office. Please contact the school if your organisation would like to borrow the defibrillator for your event.

Enjoy the rest of your week!

*Nick Doyle*

Principal

# Upcoming Events

## Assembly

Assembly will be held this **Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> May at 2:40pm** in the Yarning circle. All are welcome to attend.

## Cowra Eisteddfod – Primary choir

On Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> May, all primary students will be travelling by private vehicle to the Cowra Civic Centre to perform in the Choir at the Cowra Eisteddfod. We wish all our Primary students the best of luck!

## Cowra Eisteddfod – Whole school percussion group

On Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> May, all students will be traveling by bus to the Cowra Civic Centre to perform in the percussion group at the Cowra Eisteddfod. The bus will depart from school at 8:30am. We wish our Primary students the best of luck!

## Musica Viva

On Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May, the whole school will be traveling by bus to the Canowindra Services Club to attend a Musica Viva performance, Timmy & the Breakfast Band. The cost of this excursion will be \$6.50. Further information to come.

# Other News....

## Return and Earn

### Our Return and Earn collection bin is full!



If there are any families that can help us out by taking the cans to the Return and Earn station it would be greatly appreciated.

If you can help us, please contact the office, 6344 8307.

The refund received will go towards the purchase of a new chicken coop.



# Assembly Winners

**Congratulations** to our award winners:

Infants – **Cody Spicer & Lleyton Sales**

Primary – **Ada Duff & Elijah Roe**

Principal's Award – **Paula Tedder**

Music Awards – **Chase Hodge and Sienna Gibson**

Garden Award – **Georgia Abbey**



**Cowra Small Schools Swimming  
Carnival Ribbon Presentation** – Well  
done Jack Chittick, Charlie Chittick,  
Bethany Eagles, & Lilly Eagles

## Anzac Day Ceremony Attendees



## Grip Leadership Conference

On Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April, Grace, Freya, Ethan, Zac and Lilly travelled with Mr Morrison to Bathurst Panthers to attend the 2022 Grip Leadership Conference. All students had a great day and were challenged to think about what makes a good leader, and how they can improve their own skills as a school leader.





## P&C News

With Winter on the way, the P&C are again holding a pie drive. Keep your eye out for your order form in next week's newsletter!!!

## Garden Club

Our first Garden club lesson for 2022 was on Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> April. With all the rain we have been having we were lucky enough to get some clear skies and get out in the veggie garden. This year our garden groups are split into two 30-minute sessions with 3 or 4 students in each group. Jack C and Patrick kicked off the lesson by preparing the garden bed and planting sugar snap peas. Patrick picked a mandarin off the tree which we all tried, and it was super juicy. They then finished off their lesson by making paper pots, which we will use to plant seeds in later.



Ada, Paula and Georgia started their lesson by checking out the veggie garden to see what's growing. So far, we have broccoli, cauliflower, onions, beetroot, carrots, lettuce, silver beet, spring onions, and pumpkins. Ada found a pineapple guava, and thanks to Georgia's amazing knowledge on this fruit, she was able to tell us what it was. We decided to cut it open and try it, and it tasted amazing. Ada said, " I highly recommend anyone to try this fruit as it is now my new favourite fruit". The lesson was finished off with making more paper pots.





## Cowra Small Schools Cross Country

On Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> May our students participated in the Cowra Small School's Cross Country held at Holmwood Public School. It was lovely to see our students run their hearts out. They should be very proud of their efforts, sportsmanship and determination to try their best. Well done everyone! A special thank you to Holmwood PS for organising and hosting the event.

Congratulations to the following students who have made it to the District cross country, which will be held on the 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at Canowindra.

- Charile Chittick – 8yrs Boys – 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- Wyatt Burns – 8yrs Boys – 6<sup>th</sup> place
- Seinna Gibson – 8yrs Girls – 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- Latika Sales – 8yrs Girls – 4<sup>th</sup> place
- Bethany Eagles – 10yrs Girls – 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- Matilda Hampton – 10yrs Girls – 4<sup>th</sup> place
- William Durant – 11yrs Boys – 1<sup>st</sup> place
- Jack Chittick – 11yrs Boys 3<sup>rd</sup> place
- Grace McDonald – 12/13yrs Girls – 1<sup>st</sup> place
- Lillian Eagles - 12/13yrs Girls – 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- Ethan Lascina 12/13yrs Boys – 1<sup>st</sup> place











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# HIDDEN CREATURE GALLERY

Arena has collaborated with local students to create amazing animated creatures and then hidden them using augmented reality technology.

You can't see them with the naked eye, but you can search and discover these extraordinary creatures using your smart devices.

## HOW TO FIND THE CREATURES

Step 1: Download the HIDDEN CREATURE GALLERY app from:  
[PLAY STORE \(ANDROID\)](#)    [APP STORE \(APPLE\)](#)




Step 2: Search for the hidden targets








Step 3: With the app open, point your camera at the target and wait for the creature to come to life and tell you their story.

VISIT: [ARENATHEATRE.COM.AU/HCG](http://ARENATHEATRE.COM.AU/HCG)



**COWRA EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES**

## OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE NOW AT GOOLOONGONG FOR CHILDREN 5-12 YEARS ENROL NOW FOR 2022

**MONDAY TO FRIDAY DURING SCHOOL TERM**

**VACATION CARE MON - FRI 7AM - 6PM**

**BEFORE SCHOOL FROM 7AM AFTER SCHOOL TIL 6PM**


**BEFORE SCHOOL \$22/DAY BREAKFAST PROVIDED**

**AFTER SCHOOL \$30/DAY AFTERNOON TEA PROVIDED**

**VACATION CARE \$69/DAY BREAKFAST PROVIDED**

**ELIGIBLE FAMILIES CAN CLAIM THE CCS GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY FOR ALL OOSH SERVICES**

**ENROL NOW!**  
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 PH: 6342 2338  
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# Cowra Early Childhood Services OOSH Service NSW Before and After school (BASC) vouchers

**Did you know you can claim a \$500 voucher per child for before and after school care?**

The BASC Voucher Program is an exciting initiative that offers families a \$500 voucher per child, to support the cost of accessing BASC services.

Cowra Early Childhood Services OOSH is registered to accept the vouchers at Cowra and Gooloogong OOSH services

## How to Claim your child's voucher

- Claim the voucher from 28 February via the Service NSW app on your smartphone or device, or by following the verification steps as outlined on the Service NSW website: <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/basc-voucher> External link.
- Families who choose not to apply digitally are able to apply for their voucher at a local Service NSW Centre or Mobile Service Centre. Upon successful application, families will be offered the opportunity to print their vouchers.

## How to redeem your child's voucher

- Provide us with a digital or printed copy of the voucher and we will use our mobile device to scan the voucher this can be provided in person or via email [oosh@cecs.com.au](mailto:oosh@cecs.com.au)
- By phone you can provide us with the unique code that is on each voucher, and we will input that in our device.

## What happens then?

- When your voucher has been redeemed with us it will be applied to your weekly invoices from the date it was redeemed.
- As per requirements from Service NSW a record of the balance of your voucher will be kept at the service

## Time frames

- Vouchers must be claimed from Service NSW before 30 September 2022
- Vouchers must be redeemed with our service before 31 December 2022
- Credit on the redeemed voucher can be used up to 30 June 2023

**This voucher can be used to cover the gap fee for education and care in all services available at  
CECS Cowra and Gooloogong OOSH**



# CALENDAR

| Week      | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday                                    | Friday  |
|-----------|---|--|---|---|---|
| <b>3</b>  | <b>9<sup>th</sup> May</b><br>P&C Meeting<br>@3:15pm               | <b>10<sup>th</sup> May</b><br><b>NAPLAN</b>                  | <b>11<sup>th</sup> May</b><br><b>NAPLAN</b>   | <b>12<sup>th</sup> May</b><br><b>NAPLAN</b> | <b>13<sup>th</sup> May</b><br>Primary students<br>Choir, Cowra<br>Eisteddfod<br><br>Assembly<br>All welcome @<br>2:40pm |
| <b>4</b>  | <b>16<sup>th</sup> May</b>  | <b>17<sup>th</sup> May</b>                                   | <b>18<sup>th</sup> May</b><br>All students<br>Percussion Group<br>Cowra Eisteddfod<br><br>Book Club Due | <b>19<sup>th</sup> May</b>                  | <b>20<sup>th</sup> May</b>  |
| <b>5</b>  | <b>23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>  | <b>34<sup>th</sup> May</b>                                   | <b>25<sup>th</sup> May</b>  | <b>26<sup>th</sup> May</b>                  | <b>27<sup>th</sup> May</b><br>District Cross<br>Country<br><br>Assembly<br>All welcome @<br>9:30am                      |
| <b>6</b>  | <b>30<sup>th</sup> May</b>  | <b>31<sup>st</sup> May</b><br>Musica Viva<br>Canowindra 10am | <b>1<sup>st</sup> June</b>  | <b>2<sup>nd</sup> June</b>                  | <b>3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>  |
| <b>7</b>  | <b>6<sup>th</sup> June</b>  | <b>7<sup>th</sup> June</b>                                   | <b>8<sup>th</sup> June</b>  | <b>9<sup>th</sup> June</b>                  | <b>10<sup>th</sup> June</b><br>Assembly<br>All welcome @<br>9:30am  |
| <b>8</b>  | <b>13<sup>th</sup> June</b><br>Queen's birthday<br>Public Holiday | <b>14<sup>th</sup> June</b>                                  | <b>15<sup>th</sup> June</b><br>Western Cross<br>Country   | <b>16<sup>th</sup> June</b>                 | <b>17<sup>th</sup> June</b><br>Small Schools<br>Athletics   |
| <b>9</b>  | <b>20<sup>th</sup> June</b>                                       | <b>21<sup>st</sup> June</b>                                  | <b>22<sup>nd</sup> June</b><br><b>Reports go<br/>Home</b>   | <b>23<sup>rd</sup> June</b>                 | <b>24<sup>th</sup> June</b><br>Assembly<br>All welcome @<br>9:30am  |
| <b>10</b> | <b>27<sup>th</sup> June</b><br>3 way Interviews<br>TBC            | <b>28<sup>th</sup> June</b>                                  | <b>29<sup>th</sup> June</b>   | <b>30<sup>th</sup> June</b>                 | <b>1<sup>st</sup> July</b>  |

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