

TERM 4 | WEEK 10 | 13/12/23

Presentation Evening 2023

On 7th December, we held our annual presentation evening to celebrate our students' achievements. We thank all our parents and guests for joining us in the school grounds and witnessing the amazing achievements of our wonderful students.



Our 2024 School Leaders - Captain: Ada Duff, Vice Captain: Laylah Moczar

Principal's Message

What a fantastic year it has been at Gooloogong Public School. It will be nice to finish the year off with our final assembly tomorrow, followed by our combined disco and Year 6 farewell, and finally class parties on the last day. Thank you all for your support this year, it really means a lot. Below is my Principal's address from our presentation ceremony held last Thursday.

Good evening parents, teachers, students, relatives, and friends, and welcome to our annual Presentation evening. It is lovely to see such an incredible turn-out once again, where we come together to recognise each of our 32 students and their efforts and achievements throughout 2023.

2023 has been the first year, since my appointment as Principal, that has been 'normal'. Reflecting on what our students, families, and community, as well as staff and our families, have all been through over the past three years, it is quite remarkable that we have come out the other side with positives to take away. Our resilience and ability to cope with change has improved dramatically and living through these events really establishes how important our children and our families are.

Throughout the year our school has been proud to offer many experiences that our students have been involved in. We have had two major excursions for our Primary class to Berry Recreation Centre and Sydney with Eugowra Public School, Schools Spectacular for 11 students as well as a day trip to watch the matinee with students and parents, combined High Potential Gifted Education days at Gooloogong, Manildra and Cudal, Cowra and Forbes eisteddfods, combined disco, local sporting carnivals including district, regional and state experiences, as well as many other opportunities throughout the year.

I am proud and honoured to be able to reiterate that I am fortunate to be working with some of the best educators and support staff that I have had the privilege to work alongside. The drive, passion, and determination; underpinned by skill, knowledge, and empathy, has seen teaching and learning continue to raise progress and achievement despite the ever changing social, learning, and emotional needs that we are confronted with. I am proud of all 32 of our learners. They are outstanding ambassadors in the community, whether on trips, community events or excursions. You can all be relied upon to represent your school with pride and dignity.

A big thank you to our students who have continued to try their best and improve throughout the year. I would like to congratulate Jack and Ada on the tremendous job they have done as our school leaders this year. I wish Jack, Will, Eli and Isaac all the very best at high school next year.

Thank you also to all our families and to our dedicated P&C committee – we appreciate your support and partnership in the education of your children. I feel privileged to work alongside a progressive P&C and acknowledge the incredible support they have provided for each of our students.

Thank you to our school community for your support throughout 2023. I look forward to working alongside each of you next year in a positive partnership to achieve the best outcomes for each of our 31 students in 2024.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Stay safe and enjoy the upcoming festive season with your families.

Nick Doyle Principal

Presentation Evening Awards



Infants Certificate of Achievement Awards



Primary Certificate of Achievement Awards



Certificate of Encouragement



Certificate of Academic Achievement



Sportsperson of the Year



Premier's Sporting Challenge



Citizenship Award



STEM Award



Year 6 Bibles



Year 6 2023



Outstanding Attendance



2024 Year 6



Community Contribution











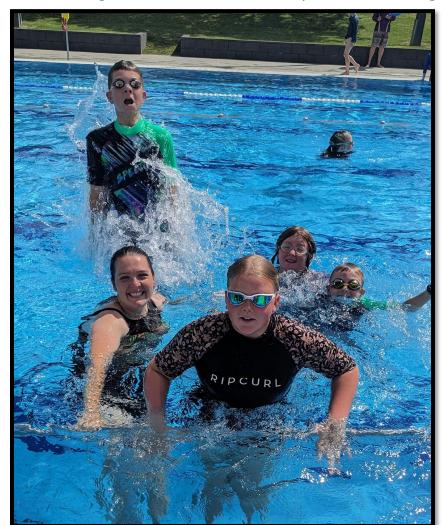
Upcoming Events & Information

Assembly

Our last Assembly for 2023 will be held on **Thursday 15th December at 2:40pm.** All are welcome to attend.

Intensive Swimming

Well done to all our students for completing their Intensive Swimming lessons. Thank you to the swimming coaches and the Canowindra pool staff for making it a success.





















Gooloogong Recreation Park Markets Generous Donation

On the 4th December Mr Doyle and our Captains, Jack and Ada, attended the opening of the new toilet amenities at the Gooloogong recreation park by Local MP, Steph Cooke. Whilst there, they were presented with a very generous cheque from the Gooloogong Recreation Park Markets for our school. This money will go towards the purchase of new outdoor tables. A huge thank you to Lynne, Michele and the Gooloogong Recreation Park Committee.





Forbes Carols

On Saturday 9th December, Ava and Cooper Marr, Shekaniah Roque, and Patrick and Abigail Bloomfield attended the Forbes Carols with our amazing music teacher Mrs Nixon. A big thank you to these students for representing GPS at the 53rd Forbes Carols By Candlelight event. They did themselves and our school proud. Thank you Mrs Nixon for your organisation and getting our students stage ready.











Assembly Winners

Congratulations to our award winners for Weeks 7/8 Term 4!











Attendance Matters

GPS's Fortnightly Attendance					
Infants	Primary				
Week 8 – Term 4	Week 8 - Term 4				
84.6%	83.2%				



cowra summer breakout

Wednesday 17th January to Friday 19th January 9.30am to 12.00noon

@ Cowra Baptist Church - 2 Bourke St



WARNING - exposure to the Son may lead to eternal life

Cowra is a great rural centre and we have so much to be thankful for. It has natural beauty, an amazing history, fantastic parks and people.

For over 20 years now, locals from the Cowra Baptist and Cowra Presbyterian Churches have worked with a team from Sydney to deliver a quality Summer Breakout Kids' Program.

It is a great chance for children and youth to hang out with their friends, make new friends, and learn about the God who wants to be their friend.

Please come along and join us.

WED - FRI 9.30 TO 12

K-Yr 5 Program
Yr 6 - Yr 12 Program
Coffee Corner (for all ages)

There are also additional events for the teens -

"Games Night"

"Brunch @ Lookout" and for everyone

Family BBQ and Trivia Night on Saturday 20th at 6.00pm



JOIN US

COMBINED SUNDAY CHURCH

21st January 9.30 am @Baptist Church 2 Bourke Street

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Kerry Cole: iankerrycole@gmail.com

Registrations available @ the Christian Resource Centre or for more information please visit our facebook page

https://www.facebook.com/cowrasummerbreakout/

CALENDAR										
	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/ Sun			
Term 4	10	11 th Dec	12 th Dec	13 th Dec Newsletter	14 th Dec Assembly at 2:40pm Year 6 farewell disco	15 th Dec Last Day for Students	16 th /17 th			
	11	18 th Dec Staff Day	19 th Dec Staff Day	20 th Dec	21 st Dec	22 nd Dec	23 rd /24 th			

Term 1, 2024

Mon		Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
W1 Term 1	29	30	31	February 1	2
		Staff Development Day	Staff Development Day	△ Students Return	
		Term 1 start			
W2 Term 1	5	6	7	8	9
W3 Term 1 俗 GPS P&C meeting (3.15pm	12 @	13	14	15	Cowra Small Scool Swiming Carnival
W4 Term 1	19	20	21	22	23 Cowra Small School Swimming Carnival Back up date
W5 Term 1	26	27	28	29	March 1



