



THE GOORA GAZETTE



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Term 2 2018

W	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	30 April Staff Development Day at Duri PS	1 May First day Term 2 for students	2 May 9:30am Playgroup	3 May	4 May Cross Country - Carroll PS	5 May	6 May
2	7 May	8 May	9 May 3-6 Korea VC	10 May	11 May	12 May	13 May
3	14 May	15 May NAPLAN	16 May NAPLAN 9:30am Playgroup	17 May NAPLAN	18 May	19 May Currabubula Small Schools Art Show	20 May Currabubula Small Schools Art Show
4	21 May Life Ed Van - Carroll PS	22 May Winanga-li Learning Alliance Meeting 4.30pm	23 May	24 May	25 May	26 May 6pm P&C Trivia Night	27 May
5	28 May Miss Warden - L3	29 May	30 May 3-6 Korea VC	31 May	1 June	2 June	3 June
6	4 June	5 June	6 June	7 June	8 June	9 June	10 June
							
7	11 June Queen's Birthday Public Holiday	12 June	13 June	14 June Ms Lacey - Small Schools' Meeting GSPS	15 June	16 June	17 June
8	18 June	19 June	20 June	21 June	22 June	23 June	24 June

Ms Lacey's Message.....

Welcome to week 10! I hope everyone enjoyed a lovely Easter break. The last few weeks at Somerton PS have been a hive of activity. The many activities are highlighted in the newsletter this week. I hope you enjoy reading about these wonderful opportunities that are offered to our students.

Thank you to all who joined us last Thursday for our Easter celebration day. It was wonderful to see so many families enjoying a picnic together on the front lawn of your school. Having families join us for these occasions is very important to us and we love sharing what we do at our school with the community.

Unfortunately I am out of the school this week as my grandmother is very ill and I am with her and my family in Queensland.

Enjoy the week ahead.

Kylie Lacey



Korean Video Conferencing

This year the students in the 3-6 class will have the opportunity to participate in 7 video conferencing sessions over the course of the year.

This program is run by the University of New England. Our partner school is Chegonggyenam Elementary School in Jeollanam-do in South Korea. This program enables our students to meet and learn from students from another country. Each time we meet we will present a PowerPoint presentation to each other so that we can learn about each others cultures. I am sure the students will enjoy getting to know students from another country and another culture.

Our conference sessions will take place in the following format:

Date and time	Topic we present to Korean students
11th April 10:50am	Introduce ourselves
9th May 10:50am	Aboriginal Culture. Our boys will also play the didgeridoo.
30th May 10:50am	Tamworth - Country Music Capital of Australia
27th June 10:50am	Football codes in Australia
12th September 10:50 am	Australian Celebration Days
24th October 11 am	Traditional Australian Foods
14th November 11am	Farewell Party



Noticeboard

P&C Meeting

Thursday 12th April at 4pm - Meeting

Friday 13th April 2018 - Disco & Costume Party - Spooky Night Theme

The P&C will be holding an end of term disco for school students, family and friends in the surrounding communities. This will be on **Friday 13th April 2018 at 5:30pm** and it will aptly have a spooky theme. Come join us for some end of term fun!

Canberra Excursion 2018

Term 2, Week 6: 4th-6th June 2018

Permission notes and information for the 5/6 Canberra excursion have gone home. Thank you to families who have paid and returned notes for this excursion.

The cost is \$554.50 per student. The school is subsidising each student \$100 from school fundraising. The P&C will also be donating \$100 per student as additional subsidy for this excursion. Thank you to the P&C for their generous support in helping to ease the cost of this major excursion. The price includes coach travel, shared accommodation, meals (except lunch on day one) and entry fees to all venues in Canberra.

Therefore the subsidised cost to for each student is now **\$354.50**.

Finalisation of payment and permission note is required by next

Thursday 12th April 2018.

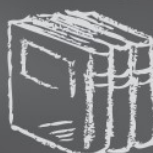
Great Aussie Bush Camp Excursion 2018

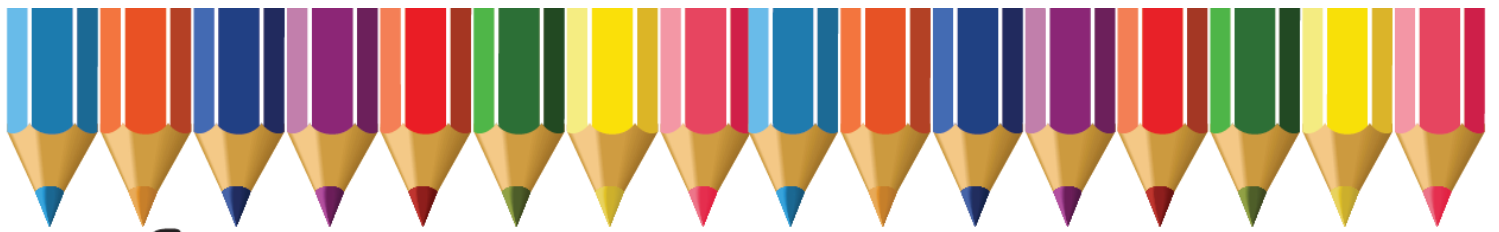
This is the bi-annual excursion to the Great Aussie Bush Camp is for our year 3/4 students. This will occur during Week 7 of Term 3

(3rd-5th September 2018). The school (through fundraising) will subsidise each student \$80 for this excursion. The P&C will also be donating \$100 per student as an additional subsidy for this excursion.

The cost is **\$309.00**, with the school & P&C subsidy it will be **\$129.00** per student.

Payment is required by the end of Term 2 to secure your child's seat on the bus.





FROM THE CLASSROOMS

K-4r2

This morning Ms Lacey's class joined the K-2s for writing. We decided that it would be fun to choose our own writing topics and text type. Here are some pieces of writing that we came up with:

Once upon a time there was a rabbit named Rabbity. He jumped up and down in the grass. *By Indigo*

I like Easter because I liked getting heaps of chocolate. *By Braxton*

Mothers

Mothers are angels inside
Their love and kindness, they don't hide
They fill our lives with light, and

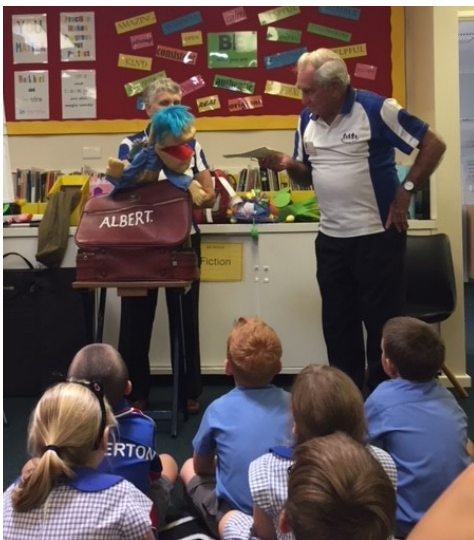
They shine over us at night.
They make us happy with their potions, and
Help change our very sad emotions.

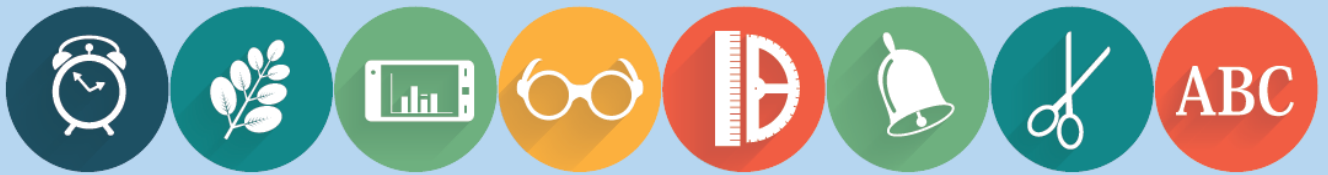
You know I love you,
As much as you love me, because
I can clearly see that
You love me. *By Annie*



4r3-4r6

Outback Art & Scripture





Harmony Day At Woolomin Public School

On Wednesday 21st March our students enjoyed a wonderful day celebrating culture, harmony, inclusivity and respect at Woolomin PS. Students enjoyed participating in a variety of workshops including Bellydancing, tie dying, Indigenous games, drama workshops, literacy workshops and cooking. We would like to extend a very big thank you to Ian Blowes for driving the bus and to Mrs McMahon and the wonderful staff at Woolomin for organising an amazing day.



Easter Raffle

Thank you to all who supported Somerton PS in our Easter Raffle. We raised \$242.00 which will go towards our excursion subsidy fund. The lucky winner of the Easter Eggs was Mr & Mrs Adam Daly. Congratulations! (maybe they will be sharing them with their children???)

Easter Celebrations





Didgeridoo Program

On Thursdays the boys from the 3-6 class have been fortunate enough to be able to learn how to play the didgeridoo. We are very lucky to have the very talented Mark Atkins teach our boys the amazing skills required to be able to play this beautiful instrument. Mark is acknowledged as one of Australia's finest didgeridoo players and is also recognized internationally for his collaborative projects with some of the world's leading composers and musicians. A descendant of Western Australia's Yamiitji people, as well as of Irish/Australian heritage, Mark is known not only for his masterly playing, but also as a storyteller, composer, percussionist, visual artist and instrument maker.

The boys have come a long way in a short time. When they have mastered the art of circular breathing Mark will make a didgeridoo with each of the boys. This program is sponsored by Job Link Plus. We are so very lucky to be a part of it and have this opportunity.



Camp Quality Puppet Show

A few weeks ago the students had a visit from the Camp Quality travelling puppet show. During the show the students met a young girl called Kylie who had been diagnosed with Leukaemia and had undergone treatment, including chemotherapy. During the performance many difficult questions about cancer were answered and the common myths surrounding cancer were dispelled in an informative and compassionate way. Towards the end of the performance, Miss Warden was asked to join the characters and show her dance moves and flex her muscles whilst wearing a rather entertaining costume.



COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

Kittens for Sale

Come and get a kitten or 2!

3 Kittens for sale:

- Black—girl (playful-est)
- Grey—girl (sleepy-est)
- Tabby—boy (tamest)

All are toilet trained, drink water, eat cat food, all fluffy. **Only \$5 each.**

Contact: 6769 7529 / 0428 697 529



Somerton CWA

The CWA meet on the second Tuesday of each month. All interested ladies are welcome.

Please contact
Lynette Menadue
on 0439 018 819
for more
information.



Somerton War Memorial Hall

If you would like to hire this great facility please contact:

0427 697 566

School Items for Sale

The school has some items for sale to the public. Please contact the school if you are interested in purchasing (priced to sell) the following items:

- 3 x computer tables (\$25 each)
- 1 x school desk (\$10)
- 3 x low padded chairs (\$10)
- Metal shelving pieces (make an offer)
- Old style balance beam (free to good home)
- Old submersible pump (make an offer)
- Filing cabinet (\$40)
- Computer and Monitor (all DoE data removed)



Somerton Public School welcomes contributions to the community classifieds.

Please email or call the school with your classified.



COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS



Friday 13th
Disco

C O S T U M E
P A R T Y

Somerton Hall
5.30pm till 8pm

Friday April 13th

\$5 per child 1 < 5 free
BBQ & cold drinks available



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