



THE GOORA GAZETTE



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Term 3 2018

W	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
6	27 August	28 August	29 August WLA Principal Meeting 4.15pm	30 August Book Fair, Book Parade and Picnic Ms Fritze - SAM Network Mtg	31 August Zone Athletics	1 Sept Tamworth Show	2 Sept Tamworth Show
7	3 September Great Aussie Bush Camp Yr 3/4 & Ms Lacey	4 September	5 September	6 September Choral Concert Rehearsals 3-6 TSPS	7 September Ms Lacey - SAP Reports 12.30 - 3.30pm	8 Sept	9 Sept
8	10 September	11 September	12 September Korea VC 10.50am Ms Lacey - leave	13 September	14 September	15 Sept	16 Sept
9	17 September	18 September Ms Fritze-ESA Conference	19 September	20 September	21 September	22 Sept P&C Bush Dance	23 Sept
10	24 September	25 September School Photos	26 September	27 September	28 September Last Day Term 3	29 Sept	30 Sept
1	15 October	16 October	17 October	18 October	19 October	20 Oct P&C Car Boot Sale	21 Oct
2	22 October	23 October	24 October Korea VC 11am	25 October Kinder Go Choral Concert	26 October	27 Oct	28 Oct
3	29 October	30 October	31 October	1 November Kinder Go	2 November	3 Nov	4 Nov

Ms Lacey's Message.....

Our week began last week with great sadness at the news of the break in of our beautiful little school which occurred some time over the weekend. As you all are aware many items were stolen including our beloved school pet, Rocco.

In true Australian spirit it is at times like these when we rally together to support one another. Our school has been inundated with calls of support and assistance during this time and for this we are so very grateful. We truly are blessed to be a part of such an amazing community.

Last Thursday I received a phone call from Mr Mark Rudd who is the principal of The Entrance PS. His school wanted to connect with a school from a drought affected area to offer support in what ever way they can. They have started raising money and will wear their 'farmer' clothes on Friday to raise money. I was absolutely speechless and overwhelmed by their generosity and became quite emotional when passing this news on to the students and staff. Their SRC have lots of things in mind to help Somerton so watch this space!

Kylie Lacey



BOOK FAIR AND BOOK PARADE THURSDAY 31ST AUGUST



COME DRESSED AS YOUR
FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTER

PARENTS AND FRIENDS ARE
WELCOME TO JOIN US AT 11.30AM
FOR THE BOOK PARADE
FOLLOWED BY A PICNIC LUNCH
AND THE BOOK FAIR.

ALL WELCOME!



Noticeboard

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held on
Thursday 6th September at 4pm.
All welcome!

Tamworth's Bicentenary Celebrations

Sunday 2nd September
10am at Bicentennial Park

Great Aussie Bush Camp Excursion 2018

Great Aussie Bush Camp for our year 3/4 students is next week!
Macphersons coaches will provide the transport. The coaches will leave from the Tamworth Railway Station at 7am on Monday 3rd September and return at approximately 5pm on Wednesday 5th September.
Students will only need some morning tea with them on departure as lunch is provided once you arrive at the camp.
Ms Lacey and the students are in for a fun-filled few days.

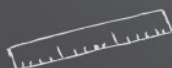
Class Cooking

Starting next Term 4 2018, students are asked to contribute to the food purchased for regular cooking lessons. To make it easy for parents, each student is asked to pay **\$10 per term** for cooking to their teacher.

Passionfruit & Lemon Butter for sale

Limited supplies - needs to be sold \$5 & \$3.50 jars.

Contact the school for purchases.



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FROM THE CLASSROOMS

K-Yr2

Last week students in K-2 were studying the text, 'Why I Love Australia' by Bronwyn Bancroft. The beautifully illustrated picture book is filled with descriptive language explaining the many environmental features of Australia that Bancroft loves. In their writing students wrote a list of reasons why they love Australia, using adjectives to help create vivid pictures in the readers' imaginations. Students then illustrated their writing by first sketching and then painting fabulous artworks using similar techniques of patterns, line and colour that Bancroft has used to illustrate her book.

In maths students enjoyed learning about position by using a compass. They then used this knowledge to draw a pirate treasure map including some of the main features of a map including a compass to show direction. We plan to use these maps later this week to begin learning about coordinates.



Yr3-Yr6

In 3-6 class, we have welcomed Mia to the classroom as our newest enrolment. I am thrilled to now have fourteen in our classroom! 3-6 are studying informative text types and are learning to write book reviews, to tie in with our celebrations for Book Week. We are reviewing a number of picture books, including Pig the Pug and Jill and Dragon.

As part of our learning in Numeracy, we are exploring the topic of position and how to use coordinates when navigating maps. As part of this, we are enjoying learning how to use atlases in class.

We are now also underway with practicing our choir pieces for the upcoming Choral Festival in Term 4, with a rehearsal next Thursday at Tamworth South Public School. I am very proud of the progress being made and the fantastic work that the kids are producing.





School Working Bee

A big thank you to all the families who came and helped out at the working bee last Saturday. We achieved a huge amount!

A special thanks to the Henry Family for bringing their tractor along. It made a lot of jobs a lot easier. We would also like to thank Obieco Industries for the donation of the steel to put up our new sign.

Our vegetable gardens have now been built and we would like to thank the P&C for their donation of \$500 to purchase the garden beds and the Henry Family for their donation of the garden soil to fill them.

What a great school community we have!

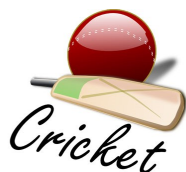
Cupcake Friday

Buy a cupcake for \$1 this Friday (last day for cupcakes). All money goes to the RSPCA.



Term 4 Sport

During term 4 the school will be engaged in the annual swimming safety program. For the other weeks of the term, we are calling for parent helpers to coach cricket on Friday afternoons. Please contact the school if you are able to help.



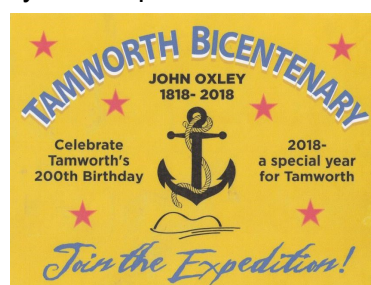
There's lots happening in Tamworth this coming weekend.....

Tamworth Show

Friday 31st August and Saturday 1st September at the AELEC

Bicentenary Celebrations

10am - Sunday 2nd September at Bicentennial Park



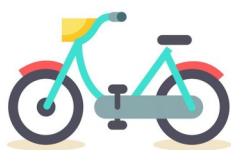
Happy Father's Day to our all dads and grandads for Sunday!





Bikes at school

We are going to trial bike riding at lunch times for students as an alternative activity. We have the recreational area next door to us and this would be a great space for the children to use. Instead of children bringing their own bikes we are going to try and gather a bank of school bikes for children to use. If anyone has any old push bikes lying around that they no longer want we would gratefully take them off your hands.



Presentation Night - Save the date.

This year's presentation night will be held on Tuesday 18th December 2018.

Zone Athletics Carnival

Good luck to Jacinta, Howard, Max, Jye, Benny, Annie, Brendan and Blake who are representing Somerton at the Zone Athletics Carnival this Friday. Mrs Markwick will be the staff member attending on the day. Parents are to organised transport for their children to the carnival. Please contact Mrs Markwick if you are unable to take your child to the carnival.

Kinder Go

Please see attached flyer with information about the schools Kinder Go program. If you know of any children intending to start Kindergarten in 2019 please have them contact the school for preparation and enrolment for 2019.

School Security

In light of the schools recent break in, we are seeking to increase local community vigilance in reporting any form of suspicious activity in and around the school such as unknown vehicles loitering, unexplained late night noise, dogs barking for no apparent reason etc. It is important to stress neighbours should act immediately and contact the Police in the first instance and not wait to verify details or the morning. They can always call Police back and cancel the call if found to be a false alarm.

Photos of our students enjoying learning:



COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

Somerton Hotel

Come join us for the Friday night weekly raffle at 7:30pm.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Ph: 6769 7683

Somerton War Memorial Hall

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

Ph: 0427 697 566

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.



Photo by: Baz The Landy at Xplore - Out & About

DOING IT FOR OUR FARMERS DONATION DRIVE

New and unopened items.

Some examples include but are not limited to the following products:

Non Perishable Food:

Canned Food
Glass Jar Food
Sauces
Soups & Noodles
Breakfast
Snacks
Confectionery
Pasta, Rice & Grains
Coffee & Tea
Drinks

*please check best before date to allow sufficient time for distribution and consumption

Household Items:

Shampoo & Conditioner
Toothpaste & Brushes
Floss
Soap
Sunblock
Nail Clippers
Tweezers
Tissues
Cleaning Products
Razors
Aftershave
Deodorant
Bodywash
Lotion
Hair Gel
Hairbrush

Lotion
Hair Spray
Hairbrush
Hair Dye
Sanitary Items
Dry Shampoo
Nappies
Wipes
Formula
Baby Wash
Baby Shampoo
Baby Lotion
Bibs
Socks
Handkerchief
Bodywash

"This is a wonderful thing to do. About 20 years ago we were in a severe drought and we were all desperate. Sydney organise a care package of toiletries to be sent out to the farmers wives. I was one lucky person to receive one of these. I never thought I was depressed until that moment. I cried and cried. It meant so much. Even to this day it still brings tears to my eyes."
Veronica.

