



THE GOORA GAZETTE



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Term 4 2019

W	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
2	21 October	22 October	23 October	24 October	25 October World Teacher's Day	26 Oct P&C Prawn & Chicken Night	27 Oct
3	28 October	29 October	30 October	31 October	1 November	2 Nov	3 Nov
4	4 November	5 November Kinder Go - 9.30am - 10.30am	6 November	7 November	8 November Ms Lacey - EV Training 9-12pm	9 Nov	10 Nov
5	11 November	12 November Kinder Go - 9.30am - 10.30am	13 November Ms Lacey, Ms McNiven GPS eFPT 1 - 3pm	14 November Ms Lacey Principal Meeting - Tamworth	15 November Mark Young - DEL 9.30 - 11.30am	16 Nov	17 Nov
6	18 November	19 November Kinder Go - 9.30am - 12.30pm	20 November PHS Year 6 Transition Day	21 November	22 November	23 Nov	24 Nov
7	25 November	26 November Kinder Go - 9.30am - 12.30pm	27 November	28 November	29 November Term 4 Special Assembly	30 Nov	1 Dec
8	2 December	3 December	4 December	5 December	6 December	7 Dec	8 Dec
9	9 December	10 December	11 December	12 December Students awards lunch for 80 Shooing Stars	13 December 5 cent Challenge winners Class Party	14 Dec	15 Dec
10	16 December	17 December Presentation Night 6.45pm	18 December Last day students	19 December SDD	20 December SDD	21 Dec	22 Dec

Ms Lacey's Message.....

Welcome to Term 4. I trust that you all enjoyed a safe and restful break. I can't quite believe that we are in the final term of the year. In just 10 weeks time we will farewell our Year 6 students and get ready to welcome the next Kindergarten class!

During the holidays there were some major works that occurred at the school. The complete concrete area under the shade cloth and the front path have been replaced. This gives us a lovely new, even and safe surface.

In the last week of Term 3 we received some very exciting news. Our Winanga-li Learning Alliance have been awarded with the HTB Harris Award for a significant contribution to education. This award is presented by the Australian College of Educators and our staff, along with the staff from the other 4 schools within the alliance will attend an Awards Ceremony this coming Friday evening in Armidale. This is a fantastic achievement for all the schools within the Winanga-li Learning Alliance and for Public Education.

Enjoy the week ahead.

Kylie Lacey



Presentation Night for 2019 will be held on Tuesday 17th December at 6.45pm at the Somerton Memorial Hall.



Contacting staff

Many parents of our school have the personal contact details of staff members. This has come out of necessity and the staff have been willing and happy to give out their numbers.

Staff are only contactable during the school term between the hours of 8am and 5pm, Monday to Friday. We ask that parents respect staff and refrain from contacting them outside of these hours. The staff here at Somerton PS do give their all to their work. It is important that when they are having time away from work with their family and friends that they are able to enjoy this time.

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Morning supervision

Please note that morning duty commences at 9.00am each morning. Students should not normally be dropped off prior to this time. Students dropped at school before this time are to sit quietly under the shade cloth area or on the verandah. We understand that at times students are required to be dropped off earlier than 9am. In this instance please contact the school the day prior and the staff will be more than happy to accommodate needs.



Noticeboard



Book Club

The latest Book Club catalogue went home last week . If you would like to purchase any items from the catalogue please complete the order form on the back page and return it to the school with the correct amount of cash or cheque by

Friday, 25th October.

Alternatively orders may be placed online at www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP

Book Club benefits Somerton Public School as every Book Club order placed earns us 20% (10% for home deliveries) of the order spend in rewards enabling us to purchase valuable education resources.

Tuesday SRC Fundraiser

The SRC are currently working towards purchasing a new lectern with the school emblem on it.

During term 4 at afternoon tea each Tuesday the SRC will be selling icy poles for \$1.

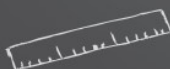


Friday Lunches \$4.00

Students may purchase lunch each Friday for \$3. For an extra \$1 they can order a dessert and a popper. We will let you know by Thursday what the week's menu will be and thank you to the wonderful parents who have cooked for the students so far.



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From the classrooms....

Pelicans

Students have returned keen and eager to learn. Last week we began looking at recounts. We read 'At the beach', a story told in postcards from children to their grandmother. We focused on looking at the who, when, where and what of a story and students planned their own recount of a special day or moment in their holidays. Using their planning students then wrote a postcard to the Pelicans class to tell their classmates all about their holiday.

During maths we have been learning about graphs and how they give us information. We have been looking at picture graphs and students have had a go at collecting data to make their own picture graphs.

During history this term we are learning about celebrations. We have began by looking at birthdays and the different ways different people around the world celebrate their birthdays.

Well done to those students who are continuing to read each night. This is certainly making a difference! I am also encouraging all students to keep practising their Magic Words. The Magic Words are the a collection of words that make up 70% of the words that we use everyday in reading. It is not only important that the students are able to read them but also spell them.

Don't forget that library day is Friday. Please remember to bring in your library bag so that you are able to borrow. We have plenty of beautiful books in our library for students to borrow.

Thank you to those students who have been bringing in their 5 cent pieces. The Pelicans class have a very good tally at the moment which is pretty good for the smallest class in the school. We are only a little way behind the Eagles class but I'm sure we can catch them. Let's keep collecting!

LOOK at this amazing work! A huge thank you to Lynde Bartel and Wes and Lieanna Kneipp who surprised us with their makeover of one of our picnic tables. You are all incredibly talented and we are so lucky to have you in our school community!



From the classrooms....

Kookaburras

Welcome back to term 4! I am really looking forward to seeing what this term holds.

In writing this term we are focusing on writing recounts. Last week students planned, wrote and edited their work. It was pleasing to see that students are showing improvement in their writing and are beginning to understand and use paragraphs.

In maths we have been learning about data. Students have collected data about eye colour of students in the class and have looked at collections of objects and recorded tally marks to display data. This week students are going to design the perfect playground after they conduct a survey of the students in the other classes.

I remind students to keep reading each night and to bring in their reading log for shooting stars.



From the classrooms....

Eagles

Welcome to Term 4!

Throughout Term 4 the Eagles are focusing on the history of the Australian Gold Rush. So far we have looked at the ways gold is mined, refined and formed. We have also investigated locations of gold reserves across Australia in different locations using our atlas and google mapping skills.

During Weeks 1 and 2, students are focusing on personal and factual recounts to further develop their text structure and use of language features in their writing. From the quality personal recounts students have presented, it sounds like everyone had a wonderful break over the holidays!





Special Assembly

On the last day of term we held our second special assembly for the term.

There were lots of award winners on the day. It is great to see so many people achieving lots of Shooting Stars and moving up the level system. Well done.

A big congratulations to Felicity Mackenzie who performed the item. Felicity has been learning and playing the violin for the past three years. She played two pieces for everyone's enjoyment. Thank you and well done Felicity!



WOW Awards - Nate Childs, Felicity Mackenzie, Ruby Woodward, Kobi Childs, Howard Mackenzie, Jye Booby-Woodward and Daniel Pollard.



Red Awards (20 Shooting Stars) - Zach Madden, Brendan Colley, Daniel Pollard, Jayden Genoli, Matthew Pollard, Ariella Vallender, Thomas Henry





Blue Certificates (30 Shooting Stars) - Liam Genoli, Nate Childs, Felicity Mackenzie, Bailey Madden, Mia Childs.



Silver Certificates (40 Shooting Stars) - Felicity Mackenzie and Aggie Daly.



Gold Certificates (50 Shooting Stars) - Ruby Woodward, Aleah Johnstone, Benji Johnstone, Howard Mackenzie, Jacinta Mackenzie.



Platinum Certificates (60 Shooting Stars) - Sophee Kneipp, Jacinta Mackenzie and Karliah Hankinson.





Merit Awards for outstanding application to their work - Sophee Kneipp, Jacinta Mackenzie and Benji Johnstone.



Citizenship Awards - Aggie Daly and Benji Johnstone.



Sports Awards for representation at the PSSA Regional Carnival - Jacinta Mackenzie, Ariella Vallender, Ryan Davies and Braxton Woodward.

SRC 5 cent challenge

Well done to everyone who has brought in 5 cent pieces for their class tin.

The current tallies are:

Pelicans	\$48.10
Kookaburras	\$28.45
Eagles	\$51.70

Let's keep collecting and remember that the money is going towards a new lectern for our school to use at assemblies and special occasions.

The class with the most 5 cent coins at the end of Week 8 in Term 4 will be rewarded with a special class party.



COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS



FRI 29TH & SAT 30TH NOVEMBER
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Somerton Hotel

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We look forward to seeing you there!
Ph: 6769 7683

Somerton CWA

The CWA meet on the second Tuesday of each month.

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Judi Swain (Secretary) 6743 1701 for more information.




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CHICKEN AND PRAWN NIGHT

Book a whole table to catch up with
friends - everyone needs a night out!

**26TH OCTOBER
SATURDAY @ 6.30PM
SOMERTON HALL**

\$30 per head for prawns, chicken, salads & desert
BYO Drinks

Tickets available at Somerton School on 6769 7520
RSVP 21st Oct, limit tickets available so dont wait!



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Somerton

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Health checks and a light lunch will be provided.

**Tuesday, 12 November
9.30am - 11am
Somerton Hall**

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- Men's barbering (including shave, tracks, and beard design)
- Ladies/men's cut, colour, wash and blow dry
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- Gel and acrylic nails (limited availability)
- Waxing and tinting
- Massage and body treatment
- Facials

*Proof of address and/or farming status is required.

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