



## THE GOORA GAZETTE



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# Term 2 and 3 2019

W	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>10</b>	1 July	2 July  Active Rural Kids	3 July	4 July  Ngaya Girl's Program  Reports home	5 July  NAIDOC Day	6 July	7 July
<b>1</b>	22 July  SDD Woolomin PS  Pie Drive orders to be returned	23 July  Students return	24 July  School Photos  STEM 4 TEN 3-6	25 July  Ngaya - girl's program	26 July  Bective Athletics Carnival	27 July	28 July
<b>2</b>	29 July	30 July	31 July  STEM 4 TEN 3-6	1 August  Ngaya - girl's program	2 August  Rural Fire Service K-2  Tennis K-2	3 August	4 August
<b>3</b>	5 August	6 August	7 August  STEM 4 TEN 3-6	8 August	9 August  Tennis K-2	10 August	11 August
<b>4</b>	12 August	13 August  Small Schools' Spelling Bee	14 August  Trelawny Station  STEM 4 TEN 3-6	15 August	16 August  Tennis K-2	17 August	18 August
<b>5</b>	19 August	20 August	21 August  STEM 4 TEN 3-6	22 August  Ms Lacey - Principal's meeting	23 August  Tennis K-2	24 August	25 August
<b>6</b>	26 August	27 August	28 August  STEM 4 TEN 3-6	29 August	30 August  Tennis K-2	31 August	1 Sept

# Ms Lacey's Message.....

Welcome to Week 10. The term has passed us by very quickly. Term 2 was an extremely busy term and upon reflection it was great to see our students have so many opportunities to explore their learning in a variety of ways.

Recently Miss Warden and myself delivered the groceries and other household supplies that were so generously donated by the community. Thank you to all who donated. We enjoyed our trip to Walgett and took the time to explore the town whilst we were out there. The biggest thing we noticed was how incredibly dry it is out there at the moment. On the way back we were more aware to really take notice of how the landscape changed. Although we know we are still very much in the midst of a drought here, it is not quite as bad as what Walgett are experiencing at the moment. The school and community were very grateful for the groceries and last Monday they were made into hampers and delivered to families in the town. Mr Rudd expressed their appreciation in an email on Monday. It read, 'Thank you very much for your donations to our families at Walgett PS. The staff arriving at school this morning are in absolute awe of the Somerton community's sense of generosity, care and compassion and I know the families will be very appreciative of the hampers that our school leaders will deliver to them in the coming days. Thank you again to the Somerton PS community.'

Enjoy the week ahead and happy holidays!

*Kylie Lacey*



## Behaviour of the Week Focus

*I am understanding of differences.*

## Growth Mindset Positive Affirmation of the Week

*Keep going!*

## Friday Lunches and SRC milos

**There will be NO SRC Milos this week. Lunch orders will be as per the NAIDOC lunch order sent home yesterday.**

Karen Henry is currently trying to organise a roster of parents to do the Friday lunches. If you are able to assist please see Karen. If we do not get parents to help, the Friday lunches will cease as staff are unable to do them.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT AS OF TERM 3 THERE WILL BE A CHANGE IN THE PRICES OF FRIDAY LUNCHES.**

**THE MAIN MEAL WILL BE \$3. A POPPER AND JELLY WILL BE AN OPTIONAL EXTRA FOR \$1.**

## P&C Pie Drive

This is a great fundraiser for the P&C and we encourage you all to have a look at the yummy list of goodies and consider ordering. There will be a prize for the student (or family of students) who have the most orders. Thank you to Leianna Kneipp for organising this great fundraiser. More order forms are available at the school office.



# Noticeboard

## Somerton Public School Nut Policy

We have a current student who is severely allergic to nuts and in accordance with the policy of the Department, peanuts, tree nuts( which include but are not limited to, almonds, brazil nuts, cashews, chestnuts, hazelnuts, macadamia nuts, pecans, pistachios, pine nuts, shea nuts and walnuts) and nut products will be excluded from Somerton Public School. This does not include foods labelled "may contain traces of nuts".

Please ensure that peanuts, tree nuts and nut products are not used as ingredients for food being provided from home in school lunch boxes.

If you would like further information please do not hesitate to contact the school.

## Kitchen/Garden

Students participate in Kitchen/Garden lessons each week. The cost of this is \$10 per term, per child. This assists us with buying ingredients and equipment to be able to facilitate these lessons. Money can be paid to Miss McNiven in the office. Thank you.

## Threatened Species Children's Art Competition

The Threatened Species Children's Art Competition helps children unleash their artistic creativity while learning about the extinction crisis facing our native plants and animals. It aims to encourage the next generation of environmental leaders.

For more information go to the website:

<http://www.threatenedspeciesartcomp.net.au/>





# From the classrooms....

## Pelicans

All of our fantastic students in the Pelicans classroom have continued to amaze! This past fortnight we have been learning and writing poetry. As a part of this we have also focused on rhyming words. As a class we jointly constructed a poem.

### **Six Somerton Kids**

*Six Somerton kids playing with a hive,  
One got stung and then there were five.*

*Five Somerton kids out to explore,  
One got lost and then there were four.*

*Four Somerton kids climbing up a tree,  
One fell down and then there were three.*

*Three Somerton kids playing with the glue,  
One got stuck and then there were two.*

*Two Somerton kids playing in the sun,  
One got burnt and then there was one.*

*One Somerton kid being a super hero,  
Mum called them home and now there are zero!*

During maths lessons we have been exploring halves and quarters. Students have been demonstrating how different shapes can be cut equally into halves and quarters. They then transferred this knowledge of halves and quarters to sharing collections of objects into either two or four groups.

I encourage students to continue to work hard on their home reading and Magic Words at home. It certainly helps with our learning at school and reading every day is a great habit!



# From the classrooms....

## Kookaburras

Here we are at the end of term 2! Where has it gone?

This term the Kookaburras have worked hard in all subjects. They have been lucky enough to have many enjoyable experiences including the Family Day, UNE Discovery bus, cross country and the Wilanga-li Science Day at Duri.

In class the students have continued to learn about different forms of poetry. Last week we focused on rhyme and rhythm and as a class we wrote the number poem below. Students have enjoyed listening to poems by Banjo Patterson and some other iconic Australian songs including, *Give Me A Home Among The Gumtrees* and *Click Go The Shears*.

### ***Eleven Somerton Students, written by The Kookaburras***

*Eleven Somerton students marching like army men,  
One tripped over and now there are ten.*

*Ten Somerton students standing in a line,  
One lost their balance and now there are nine.*

*Nine Somerton students really hate to wait,  
One got impatient and now there are eight.*

*Eight Somerton students ate sandwiches of devon,  
One ate too much and now there are seven.*

*Seven Somerton students were told to pick up sticks,  
One got a splinter and now there are six.*

*Six Somerton students were learning to do the jive,  
One got dizzy and now there are five.*

*Five Somerton students raced through the door,  
One didn't make it and now there are four.*

*Four Somerton students were climbing a big tree,  
One fell down and now there are three.*

*Three Somerton students were learning to tie their shoes,  
One got tangled up and now there are two.*

*Two Somerton students went for a run,  
One ran too slow and now there is one.*

*One Somerton student has really learnt their lesson,  
So they went to find their class mates and now there are eleven.*



# From the classrooms....

## Eagles

That's a wrap on semester two! Time flies when you're working hard in the Eagles classroom. In light of NAIDOC week, we have individually been researching significant Indigenous Australians to present through a power point on the computer or poster to our peers. Many Indigenous Australians have had such a positive and lasting impact on our society. Through this task we've learnt about some important moments in Australian history, and have also been able to develop our research skills further.







### Ngaya - Girls' Program

Our girls are currently participating in a weekly program which is sponsored by JobLink Plus. The program aims to foster a feeling of self worth and self esteem. Students are encouraged to be able to express themselves and feel safe and supportive environment. Rosie, Aunty Shell and Joyce have been coming out to deliver the program and the girls are absolutely loving it!



### Dance with Brad

Students from Somerton PS have been invited to the of Trelawny Station. On Wednesday, 14th August, students will go to Trelawny Station for the special ceremony and perform a dance that they have been learning under the guidance of Brad Flanders from *The Opportunity Hub*. We are very lucky to be inviting to this special day and the students are enjoying having Brad visit and teach them.

### Toys at school

Students are asked not to bring their own toys and balls from home to school. There have been some issues with students doing this and it is causing fights and arguments in the playground and distractions in the classroom. We ask for parents to cooperate with us on this matter. If students bring things from home they will be kept in the office until the end of the day.

We have lots of great equipment for the students to share and play with at school.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation in this matter.







## Term 2 Special Assembly

Our last Special Assembly for Term 2 was held last Friday. The Kookaburras class entertained us by reciting the poem they wrote together titled 'Eleven Somerton Students'. Well done. What a great performance.

Congratulations on the following students who received a WOW Award.

Karliah Hankinson, Clay Childs, Daniel Pollard, Jayden Genoli, Thomas Henry and Sophie Davis-Annetts.



Congratulations to our very first Silver Certificate recipients - Sophee Kneipp and Indigo Blowes.



Congratulations to the following students who received their Red Certificates.

Felicity Mackenzie, Jye Booby-Woodward, Braxton Woodward, Benji Johnstone, Daniel Pollard, Clay Childs, Kobi Childs, Indigo Blowes and Liam Genoli.



Congratulations to the following students who received their Blue Certificates - Ruby Woodward and Indigo Blowes.





# SRC

## 5 cent challenge

From the beginning of Term 3 until the end of Week 8 in Term 4, the SRC will be running a 5 cent challenge. Each class will be provided with a tin in which they will be working towards filling up with 5 cent pieces. At the end of the challenge the class with the most 5 cent pieces will be awarded with a class party. The SRC will be putting the money towards buying a new lectern to be used at assemblies and presentation night.

Let's get collecting over the holidays!

Class tallies will be published in the newsletter throughout the challenge.



# COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

## Annual General Meeting Hall & Recreation Ground Committee

28th August 2019

6pm

In the Supper Room at the  
Somerton Memorial Hall

## Somerton War Memorial Hall

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We look forward to seeing you  
there!

Ph: 6769 7683

## Somerton CWA



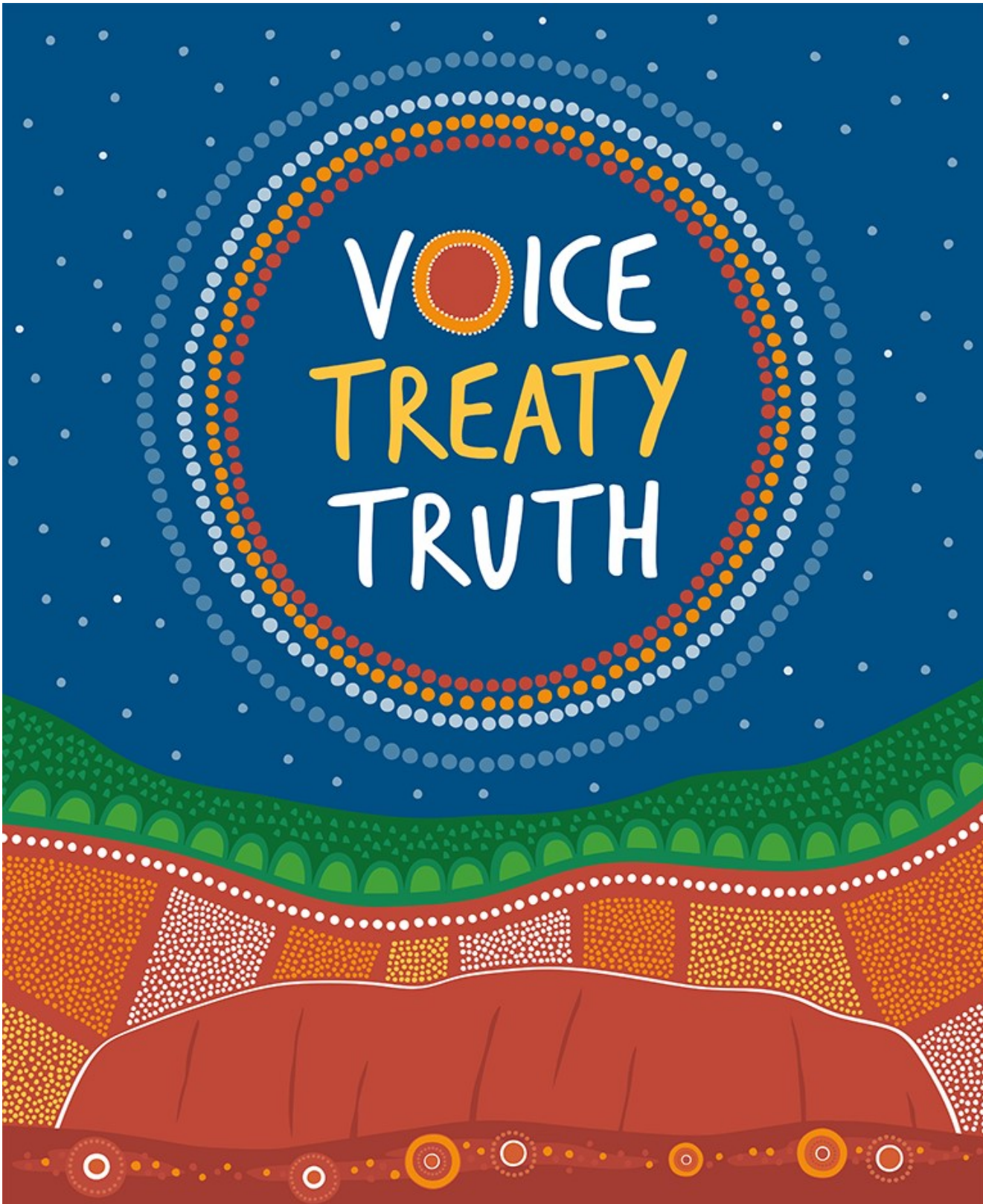
The CWA meet on the  
second Tuesday of each  
month. All interested  
ladies are welcome.

Please contact Carol Bank  
(President) on 6760 6250 or Judi  
Swain (Secretary) on 6743 1701 for  
more information.





Once again Somerton PS will celebrate NAIDOC Day by inviting the schools of the Winanga-li Learning Alliance to join us. This will take place on the last day of term, Friday 5th July. Parents and family are also invited to join us for the day.



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**NAIDOC Week 2019**

**VOICE TREATY TRUTH** 07-14 JULY 2019  
Let's work together for a shared future.  
[naidoc.org.au](http://naidoc.org.au)

NAIDOC Week 2019 invites you to walk in a movement for a better future. For generations, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have sought recognition of our unique place in Australian history and society today as the oldest continuing culture on the planet.

Early dawn light rises over Uluru, symbolising our continued spiritual and unbroken connection to the land. Our message, developed through generations, is echoed throughout the land: hear our voice and recognise our truth.  
*Artwork: Awaken by Charmaine Mumbulla*

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