

29<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – Week 8, Term 4



## Save the Date

Join us for our

# Christmas Fair

Monday 11th December, 2023  
4pm to 6pm

Goonellabah Public School



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## Reports to Parents

The teachers have been working hard on finalizing the Student Reports for Semester 2. Your child's report will be coming home on Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> December.

## K-5 Assembly and Student Parliament Nominee Speeches

Today, we were very excited to see our 2024 Student Parliament nominees take to the stage to present their speeches to their peers, staff, families, and community members. All students did an incredible job of campaigning and preparing for their speeches. It was very pleasing to see such a huge increase in the number of students wanting to be involved and being passionate leaders in our school. All students spoke with clarity and confidence and should be extremely proud of themselves, whatever the outcome.

It would have been a very difficult decision for our school to make when casing their votes after the speeches. We are very lucky to have so many wonderful choices to pick from.

Goodluck and a huge congratulations to all candidates who presented today.

Congratulations to the following students receiving their awards today.

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YCDI Awards	Gold Awards	Silver Awards	Silver Awards
For <b>Resilience</b> Green – Charlie Lilac – Timothy	Elizabeth Timothy Macy Trent	Alex Evarlia Joel Jakob Lullah-Anne	Oliver Jerimiah Lal Ella Caiden
For <b>Organisation</b> Blue – Zahri Red – Holly Aqua – Lal Opal – William Sapphire – Kaira Emerald – Cooper Purple – Tayla Amber – Alicia Jade - Eva	Emily Cooper Dakota Kenadee Anna Kevin Azayliah Alysha Mereiana Grant Zakarah	Xander Elijah Charlie Aliarnah Mila Edward Scarlet Kayla Luella Clare Archie Zahri Peyton	Durraamyne Leo Holly Mia Amelia Jagger Danzel Landon Cooper Indigo Tyrell Tannah Charli Alakye

## Congratulations to our excelling staff members

It is with great pleasure that I recognise 2 of our staff for their outstanding achievement and dedication to our school.

**Alan Foster** was recognised for his outstanding achievements in Student Engagement using STEM and Design Thinking at the Rural Access Gap Awards in Sydney. Alan's sessions with the children each week. This has promoted enthusiasm in learning across the school resulting in the students enjoying working on more challenging learning tasks.

**Ajay Harrington** was recognized for his contributions to Aboriginal Education and Language at the Naga Mai Indigenous Education Awards in Sydney. Ajay was nominated for his contribution teaching Bundjalung Language across all classes at our school and for the work he has been involved in as the AECG Lismore President.

Congratulations to both of our team members. We are very lucky to have you as part of our staff.



## Out of School Sport - Golf

Last week at Golf, Peter showed the students how to chip the golf ball onto the green. This is not an easy skill. The students did an awesome job, and we even had some competitions to see who could chip the ball closest to the flag for some prizes. Mr Holmes showed everyone how to do it by chipping his ball in - and YES it was a fluke. Peter shouted every student a **free** drink at the end of our session which they really appreciated!



Just a reminder, if you are after some lessons or golf clubs to buy with Christmas coming up, please give Peter a call at the Lismore Golf Club on 02 6621 2255.



## Dates to Remember

Monday, 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School Presentation Assembly @ 9.30am Christmas Fair – 4.00pm – 6.00pm
Tuesday, 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 6 Farewell Parent/Teacher interviews
Thursday, 14 <sup>th</sup> December	K-2 Celebration Day – Summerland House
Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Stage 2 (Yr 3-4) Celebration Day – Bounce, Gold Coast Stage 3 (Yr 5-6) Celebration Day – Wet'n'Wild LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR TERM 4

## 2024 School Dates

Tuesday, 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Staff Development Day
Wednesday, 31 <sup>st</sup> January	Staff Development Day
Thursday, 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Students Year 1 to Year 6 – First day of Term 1 2024 Kindergarten Best Start Appointments
Friday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Kindergarten Best Start Appointments
Monday, 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Kindergarten Students – first day of school

### Celebration Day – update

Stage 3 students going to Wet'n'Wild, there is only 4 places available, be quick to get the last spots.

Stage 2 students going to Bounce, Gold Coast, there are 12 places available.



Stage 1 students going to Summerland Farm, please get your notes so we can confirm numbers.



### Year 6 Farewell Celebration – Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> December

Permission note and money is due this Friday, this is for catering purposes. This can be completed through School Bytes, or if you require a paper copy, please come to the school office to collect, and finalise the payment.



Warren Rhijaan,  
Relieving Principal