

GOOLMA PUBLIC SCHOOL

From the Principal

Term 4 is certainly heating up here at Goolma PS, both in terms of the warm Spring weather and all the exciting activities we've experienced so far and those yet to come. Our excursion to Dubbo Theatre last week to catch the Gruffalo production was a huge success. We travelled on our brand-new school bus and enjoyed what was an entertaining and humorous show, followed by a picnic lunch and two playground visits!

Below you'll find a fond farewell from Mrs Jean Ellis, a longstanding resident of Goolma with an equally longstanding connection to the school. I'd like to extend my appreciation to Jean for her many years of support and service to Goolma PS, as well as wish her all the very best in her new home of Orange. It's wonderful to welcome her son Callum, a former student of the school, into all her roles and we are very excited about the friendship building and music tuition groups that he has begun this term.

I'd also like to remind any families (or those that know of young families) in our area that we are now enrolling new students for 2025. As we are classified a small school, we can accept enrolments from outside our zoned boundaries. Currently, most of our wonderful students, and their supportive families, are from out-of-area and make the choice to come to Goolma PS instead of their locally zoned schools. We feel this is due to the highly supportive and individually targeted learning opportunities that we provide, as well as the family-oriented and hugely positive nature of the school.

If you have, or know of, school-age children who might also benefit academically, socially and emotionally from attending a small school, please don't hesitate to contact me at the school on 6374 0272. You're always welcome to come for a visit to check out the many good things, learning and extra-curricular, that happen every week at Goolma PS.

Mr Matt Ferrie

Teaching Principal

Dates to Remember

15.11.2024 Musica Viva - Hargraves

05.12.2024 Library

11-18.12.2024 Swimming Lessons

12.12.2024 Presentation Day

18.12.2024 Last Day Term 4

04.02.2025 First Day Term 1



Dear Everyone

Heartfelt thanks from me to all involved in helping me transition from twenty-eight years as proud Goolma resident, fifteen of which were as school bus driver and four of which were spent as school chaplain. I will miss everyone and everything, from the clear view overhead of the Milky Way on frosty winter nights, the lambs and calves around the house-yard bleating and bellowing for mums in the evenings and the roosters setting the alarm in the mornings – to the hustle and bustle of getting those kids where they need to go, when they need to go there and doing it to the accompaniment of the personalised, “Bus-Friendly” but not necessarily “Ear-Friendly” Playlist blasted out on the bus radio. They have made me a beautiful heirloom keepsake in the form of a blanket, which I will always treasure.

You, however, need not miss me at all, as I am leaving my son, Callum Sibley, in my place at Glengarry, in the bus seat and as chaplain at the school. He’s a chip off the old block, an ex-GPS graduate, who knows even more than I’ve been able to teach him, except, apparently, how to knit! I am relocating to Orange, where I have a view of Mt. Canobolas, and will be able to send you snow reports, for snowman and snowball making excursions! See you there!

Love you all

Jean Ellis



ENROLLING NOW FOR 2025!



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we're all about!



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