

GOOLMA PUBLIC SCHOOL

From the Principal

Welcome to our first newsletter for 2024 and it gives me great pleasure to announce that our school is growing! At the start of 2022 we were on track for only two enrolments, before we had a great surprise with several families returning their children to the school they love most.

This group of families have stayed loyal to Goolma PS over the last two years, even when they have moved further away from Goolma village. They have also been spreading the word about all the great things that happen at GPS and our student numbers have grown to 10! We currently have students from Year 1 through to Year 6 and a balance of 6 boys and 4 girls.

All these students (and their wonderful families) choose to come from outside our official enrolment zone because of the excellent teaching, learning, friendship and wellbeing opportunities that the school provides. The amazing staff at the school are the ones who provide this, and they have my immense gratitude for showing such care towards all our students.

As we are a small school, we can take student enrolments from all families who are interested in accessing the wonderful benefits our learning environment provides, regardless of distance. All our current students catch the Goolma school bus to and from school. Please don't hesitate to call us on 6374 0272 if you have any questions regarding our school or a possible new enrolment.

I would like to give a huge thank you to Miss Bess Sanders, who did such a wonderful job of relieving as principal for the last three terms of 2023. She has very happily welcomed a new addition into her family, Baby Evie, but we hope to have her back teaching part-time at Goolma PS mid-year. We welcome Ms Margaretta Field as her temporary replacement.

Mr Matt Ferrie

Teaching Principal



Dates to Remember

- 29.03.2024** Good Friday - Public Holiday
- 01.04.2024** Easter Monday – Public Holiday
- 04.04.2024** Library Van
- 12.04.2024** End Term 1
- 30.04.2024** Term 2



Join the Cash for Containers Campaign

Reduce Litter Increase Recycling



Help us get a 10c refund on bottles and cans!



A hearty thankyou to our supporters who kept us supplied with various types of Return-and-Earn containers over the summer holidays! As mentioned before, this is our major means of fund-raising these days, followed by the plants and produce stall, and contributions to all are gratefully accepted. The government was aiming to make spirit and wine bottles able to be returned for 10c apiece this year, but this has so far not happened in NSW, so regrettably, those will still have to go to be recycled at one of the waste management centres.

The stall will shortly be hosting “The Last of the Summer Wine” plants, to get them settled before the autumn weather hits, also some gum tree seedlings: if you can ID them from a photo of the mother tree, let us know! By the time this goes to print, there may be some Fig Jam left, to be followed by Apple Jelly for your cold meat platters later on.

Thank you again and keep ‘em coming!

Jean Ellis – School Chaplain

