

Newsletter



We would like to acknowledge that our school sits on Bundjalung Country and acknowledge the Arakwal people and pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging.

Attendance

I have previously communicated to our parents and carers about the importance of attendance for all students, our aim to have the best attendance statistics for the North Coast and how we plan to ensure Goonengerry PS staff strive to provide high quality and engaging learning experiences. We also promote high expectations for all staff and students to be part of a great school. Thank you for your ongoing support as we continue to create an engaging learning environment for our students

For your child to be at school Every Day Matters with regular attendance being highlighted as the greatest impact to student achievement and wellbeing. Good school attendance is key for your child to be able to fulfill their potential and make good progress at school academically and socially. We know that the classroom is the best place for your child to learn and we are here to support your child to feel ready and motivated for school every day. Please let us know if your child needs to miss school so we can make sure your child's learning and wellbeing are supported when they return to school. You will be sent an SMS message if your child is absent from school. It is part of our duty of care and student attendance responsibilities. Please respond to any communication to let our staff know the reason for your child's absence.


Term 2 Important Dates

- **Monday/Tuesday 12/13 May**
Free Dental Visits - please register
- **Wednesday 14 May**
Year 6 Orientation at MHS, 1:20pm
- **Thursday 15 May**
P&C Meeting 3.15pm. All Welcome
- **Friday 16 May**
Headlands District Cross Country.
Teven Tintenbar Public School
- **Tuesday 3 June**
Sports Fun Day at school. Parents Welcome
- **Wednesday 11 June**
Celebrate 1st Responder Day with SES visit
- **Wednesday 18 June**
Winter Solstice


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Why attendance matters


When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends





Build skills through fun

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Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	they miss weeks per year	and years over their school life
1 day per fortnight 	= 4 weeks	= Over 1 year missed
1 day per week 	= 8 weeks	= Over 2.5 years missed

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Cross Country Success

Our school was named champion school following last term's combined VoSS Cross Country Carnival due to the outstanding results by our students. These results are based on participation and race results with our students once again giving their best in running and support for their friends. We have 15 runners moving forward to the District Carnival which will be held at Teven Tintenbar PS on Friday May 16. Congratulations to Thea as the Junior Girls champion.

Dental Visit

A mobile Dentist will be visiting our school next Monday and Tuesday for free dental checks for our students. If you wish your child to have a free check, please register using the QR Code or this link <https://form.jotform.com/230568059239867> or call into the office to complete a paper copy of the consent form. All parents must complete the paperwork this week for their child to have the free check.

Clubs

Our clubs will begin tomorrow, Wednesday afternoon from 1:45pm running through Term 2 and 3. Yoga/Circus, Woodwork, Clay and Gardening are our activities. Thanks to our parent and grandparent helpers, James, Skye, John and Sue for giving their time and skills.

Parent Readers

If you have some spare time we would love for you to be involved in our student to adult reading program. Please contact Nikki to work out a time that suits all involved. I know the children love to read to our adults.

Principal's Awards

Congratulations to the following students for receiving a Principal's award:

Lottie, for her insightful understanding of Fractions and demonstrating strong leadership qualities.
Seren, showing intense focus when working in Maths.
Immy, total engagement in her learning and aspiring to always do her best.
Ziah, demonstrating great resilience.
Patience, an outstanding role-model and peer leader.



P and C Meeting

There is a P & C meeting next Thursday from 3:15. Please contact Becca if you have an item for the agenda.



Principal Leave

I will be taking some personal leave time from next Monday, week 3 for 5 weeks returning June 16. During this time Zoe will be the Relieving Principal.

Tony Hutchinson,
Principal.

"Education's purpose is to replace an empty mind with an open one." Malcolm Forbes

A flyer for 'MOBILE DENTAL CARE AUSTRALIA'. It features a QR code in the center with the text 'SCAN QR CODE FOR ONLINE CONSENT FORM' and 'OR SEE OFFICE FOR PAPER FORMS'. Above the QR code, it says 'MOBILE DENTAL CARE AUSTRALIA IS COMING TO YOUR SCHOOL'. Below the QR code, it lists 'FREE CHECK-UPS & TREATMENT' and 'PERSONALISED EDUCATION'. At the bottom, there are logos for Medicare, NDIS, ADA, ADONHTA, OralB, and Colgate. The flyer is decorated with cartoon teeth and dental tools.

The whole school photograph can be ordered online at www.theschoolphotographer.com, with the code 25S6093E54G



Do you need a new hoodie?

I will placing an order this week, please contact the office if you would like to order one. Hoodies are \$28 each.



Respect, Inclusiveness, Diversity, Belonging Harmony Day

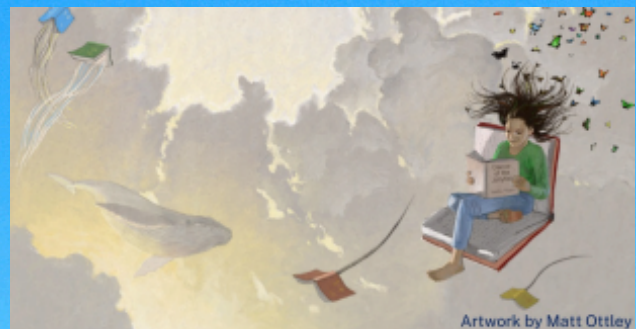
Thank you to all the students, staff, and parents who helped us celebrate. The Goonengerry community is a rich tapestry of cultures that make our community so vibrant, respectful, and inclusive – together, we create a school where everyone feels welcome and valued. 🌍💖 It's a time to honour the many cultures that make up our community, from the Traditional Custodians of this land to those who have come from all corners of the world. We celebrate inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for all Australians. Thank you Alice for helping the students with the performance. The deliciousness of the shared lunch that we got to partake in.

CONGRATULATIONS TO all of our students



To register scan the QR Code
or call 1800 211 154

**Do you need some assistance
with parenting strategies?
Highly recommended free online
and face to face courses are
offered by The Family Centre.**



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**The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge
is now open!**



The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge is still on! The challenge is a fun way for kids to dive into books, build great reading habits, and grow their love of stories—while giving their literacy skills a big boost! For our Pebbles and Rocks students, the challenge is part of their classroom activities. Our Boulders, however, can jump online through their student portal or the PRC website to log the books they're reading at home.