Our Values

Care for Yourself

Care for Others

Care for Your Learning

Care for Your School

News from the Principal’s Desk

School Wide Positive Behaviour Strategies
Monday morning assembly saw our SWPBS leaders draw out another four students who along with a friend won the privilege of having a special morning tea in the staffroom on Monday. They are -

Care for Yourself - Natalie Nikolic
Care for Yourself - Kyan Streader
Care for Others - Michael Wells
Care for Others - Farzana Alizada
Care for your Learning - Emily Shaw
Care for your Learning - Cody Spark
Care for your School - Murtaza Gulzari
Care for your School - Jack Crowe

3 Year Old Fun Group / Kinder
At the moment both sessions of 3 Year Old Fun Group / Kinder are near capacity. We also know that there are always children out there that are turning 3 who may wish to attend a session. We are considering starting another session for term 4. If you are interested in your child attending this great opportunity please call, come into see us or inbox us on Facebook. The running of the new program will depend on the numbers of interested families.

Prep enrolments 2015
A reminder to all perspective parents that now is the time to enrol your child for prep in 2015. Your child must turn 5 before April 30, 2015 to enrol in any school. If you would like a tour of our school and facilities or any further information, please contact us at the office. Our transition into prep sessions will begin in the coming weeks in term 3; this is an ideal way to ensure that your child has a seamless start to their prep year.

School Review
Today is the fourth day of our school review; all of the staff, school council, focus groups of parents and students have had the opportunity to speak with our reviewers, Jan and Win, on a number of topics that effect our school and the learning outcomes of your children. This feedback is extremely important to us and I sincerely thank you for your commitment and honesty through this process.

4 Year Old Kinder enrolment – 2015
Enrolments are still open for 4 year old Kinder for 2015. If you child has turned or will turn 4 before April 30 2015, they are eligible for a funded place in Kinder. If you are intending on enrolling your child at Gowrie Street Kinder for next year please ensure that your forms have been filled out and returned to the Shepparton City Council. We need to know this information as soon as possible so that we can ensure your child a spot.

NAIDOC Week Celebrations – Week 3
What a fantastic week we had last week celebrating NAIDOC week; a very big thankyou to all the staff, parents and community who helped organise and supported our activities.
Under 8's Soccer
As you may be aware; due to Joe’s sporting commitments on Saturdays he is unable to continue coaching the Under 8 soccer team on game day, due to the remaining games starting at 12.00pm. Due to this I am asking for parent helpers to fill the position of Saturday Coach for the remainder of the season. Joe is happy to continue to take soccer training after school on Wednesdays and provide notes for the game day coach.

The responsibilities of the coach are as follows;
- Ensure that all players are given opportunities to play in different positions
- Ensure that all players are given a go and supported positively
- Choose the awards or organise for another parent to do so
- Bring the game day bag with keepers gear and soccer balls for warm up

If you are interested please give me a call.

Reading with your kids
Each week it is fantastic to see how many children are achieving home reading awards. At Gowrie Street we understand that everyone is busy with work and other commitments within their life. We also know how important it is for school age children to read every day at home. It would be fantastic if all families could find 10mins each night before bed to listen to their kids read and fill out their reader book. By doing this you will be giving your children the very best opportunity to succeed at school. If you have any questions about how to do this with your kids please see your child’s teacher.

DEECD Secretary and Deputy Secretary to visit Gowrie Street
On Friday this week will be hosts to Richard Bolt (DEECD Secretary) and Nicholas Pole (DEECD Deputy Secretary). My understanding is that this is the first visit to Gowrie Street by any Secretary for the DEECD. This is a great opportunity for Gowrie Street to showcase all of the wonderful things that we do for our children and the opportunities that are provided to all learners at Gowrie Street.

Have a great week, Travis

Dates to Remember
F-2 Responsible Pet Ownership Prog
Golf Clinic
School Council
Athletics Day
School Concert
Father’s Day Stall
Trade Night
Grades 3-6 Aths Week
Grades 3-4 Camp
Aug 7, 2014
Aug 26, 2014
Aug 27, 2014
Aug 29, 2014
Sept 4, 2014
Sept 5, 2014
Sept 12, 2014
October 7-10, 2014
October 22-24, 2014

Home Reading  P-2
REMEMBER that getting the meaning from print is what reading is all about
- After talking about the book, your child may be ready to read to you.
- Do read first if your child wants you to.
- Try leaving out the last word in the occasional sentence, letting your child anticipate the word.
- Let your child join in with you. This gets easier with practice.
**Birthdays**

- Mitchell R - 10 years
- Ryan D - 12 years
- Nakiah B - 8 years
- Maddison C - 11 years
- Declan K - 11 years
- Kaylee M-B - 9 years
- Lachlan Sowter - 9 years

**Home Reading 3-6**

Reading tips:

- Encourage your child to read to their younger brothers and sisters.
- Don’t limit the types of books you read together, non-fiction books and just as valuable as fiction.
- Praise your child on the weekly letter blend activity by focusing on the type, length, variety or quantity of words.
- As your child becomes a more confident writer, encourage them to write their own comments in their

**Preschool, Occasional Care & Playgroup News**

**Faerie Crystal and Mr Ants**

Last week we had a really busy week! We were visited by Faerie Crystal and Mr Ants and his Big Adventure Show and we participated in NAIDOC Week activities. Lots of fabulous experiences that provided the children with learning in many different areas.

**Eat Well Visit**

Yesterday Melissa from GV Dental Clinic came to discuss healthy eating with the children. They learned a lot about creating a healthy lunchbox, most importantly what makes a healthy sandwich. Try to stay away from Nutella, Jam, honey, sprinkles and peanut butter. Meat, cheese, salad, tomato, vegemite are all better choices.

Melissa will be back next week with a “Drink well” session and then on the 30th of August we will be taking the children down to the Dental Clinic.

**School Concert**

Don’t forget the school concert is Thursday September 4th at Eastbank. As always the preschool children will be performing. We are currently busy trying to perfect our act 😊 Stay tuned for more details.

**Trade Night September 12th**

Please mark this date in your calendar, come and help us have a great night and make some money for our preschool.
Gowrie Street Weekly Winners – Week 1

PBS Morning Tea Winners

Stars of the Week

PBS Class Winners
Gowrie Street Weekly Winners – Week 2

Stars of the Week

PBS Class Winners

Art Room Award Winners

Star of the Week

PBS Super Student

PBS Morning Tea Winners