

— 30th October 2024 —

Newsletter

Ongerup Primary School



In 2025 OPS will have been open on this site for 75 years!

We are having a community meeting at **9.30am** on **November 13** at **Yongergnow** for anyone who would like to be involved.

A note from Ms Jarvinen

Principal

I want to start this newsletter by saying thank you to a few people! First of all, to our hard-working P&C and School Council. Each one of you support our school in so many ways and we are so grateful for all you do! Secondly a huge thank you to Rob, who gave up his own time on a Saturday removing some old concrete and disposing of it. Thirdly, thank you to those parents who came along to our busy bee and got stuck into the weeding! Last but certainly not least, I want to say thank you to our staff who all go above and beyond to make our school a great place to work and learn.

Sun protection reminder! Please make sure your child brings a hat every day as the UV is creeping up with the sunshine and temperatures!

This term is just getting busier by the day so please keep your eyes on emails, texts and our Facebook page to stay in the know.

2025 Student Council Nominees



Five of our Boomer Room students have nominated for the 2025 Student Council. They each presented their nomination speech to the school and then both staff and students voted.

It was encouraging to hear how each student would work hard to help improve our school should they be elected. Above all as role models in our school, our councillors need to uphold our ROOS values and show leadership.

Wearing RRED!

On Friday 11th October we celebrated Rural and Remote Education Day (RRED) by wearing red!



A Stitch in Time

The Boomers were given more tools for their wellbeing “toolbelt” on Monday when Brad from A Stitch in Time came to speak with them!



Hi Everyone,

As parents our words carry immense power, shaping the self-worth, confidence, and worldview of our children. I've stumbled across some phrases I would love to share with you over the next few weeks that might help you to speak love, trust, and security into your children's lives.

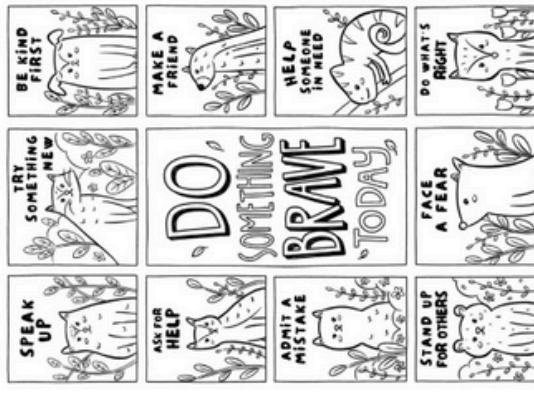
Words That Show Love and Belonging

1. I love being your parent.
2. You can always come to me, no matter what.
3. I'm never too busy for you.
4. You belong here.
5. I love watching you grow.

Words That Inspire Confidence and Resilience

1. Your best effort is enough.
2. You spread kindness everywhere!
3. You can do anything you dream of.
4. I believe in you.
5. I see you; I hear you; you matter.
6. Just be you. That's enough.

Remember, the most meaningful words are often the simplest, spoken with love and intention. So speak them often, and watch your child thrive.



I have a super fun bravery challenge for students to tackle! Every time an act of bravery is achieved, an animal box can be coloured in. When all challenges are met and coloured, return the colouring page to me and share with me how brave you truly are. Each act of bravery fits into our PBS Focus's, so let me know which value you have found easy and which value was a challenge. Ask your child /ren to visit me while I'm at school and I will provide the colouring pages.

Things Your Child Needs to Hear You Say (again)

Words That Encourage Emotional Expression

1. How are you feeling?
2. I know it's hard, I'm here.
3. It's okay to be sad. We're all sad sometimes.
4. What does your heart say?
5. Nothing you can do or say will make me love you less.

Words That Build Connection and Trust

1. Your smile brightens my day.
2. We're so grateful to have you in our family.
3. You filled my bucket today.
4. I'm thinking about you.
5. I'll support you no matter what.

Regards,

Jude Simpson, School Chaplain

Community Notices



PRE-KINDY PROGRAM 2025 NOW ENROLLING!

We are excited to once again offer our Pre-Kindy program for 2025! If your child is starting school in 2026 then this is the program for you. 2025 Kindy's are also welcome however priority will be given to 2026 Kindy's.

Pre Kindy will run on Monday's, during the school term, at Nobarach Childcare Centre, Gnowangerup. Sessions are as follows:

- Term 1 & 2: 9am to 1pm (with after care available from 1pm to 3pm.)
- Term 3 & 4: 9am to 3pm

Through our program your child will:

- develop school readiness skills
- learn the routine and structure of kindy
- learn the appropriate social and emotional behaviours expected at kindy
- develop numeracy and literacy skills
- and most importantly have lots and lots of fun

Teacher: Caroline Sprigg

I have four children and live on a farm in the Tambellup Shire. I have a Bachelor of Early Childhood Education. Before I had children I was the Pre Primary teacher at Gnowangerup District High School. I am also the President of Gnowangerup Playgroup and Gnowangerup Smart Start.

Please email Caroline Sprigg at prekindy@gfsa.org.au or 0427614569 for the enrolment.



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Last Friday was World Teachers' Day, a day to say thank you to our amazing teachers!



November

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 27 | 28 Stitch in Time wellbeing incursion for Boomers | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 Japanese Day! Sensei Michael & Giselle visiting. | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 NSPNR excursion | 6 2.30pm Joeys' Assembly | 7 Scitech excursion at JDHS | 8 School Development Day | 9 |
| 10 | 11 Remembrance Day | 12 | 13 9.30am Community meeting for our 75 th at Yongergnow | 14 | 15 Boomers Kanga Cricket at Wellstead | 16 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 Kindy 2025 orientation 9-10.30am | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 Kindy 2025 orientation 9-10.30am | 28 | 29 JDHS Orientation Day | 30 |



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