Parents and carers of students in Year 3 and Year 5 would have received a letter detailing the Naplan testing program for 2015. The NAPLAN tests can provide schools with important data about our performance in the areas of reading, writing and numeracy, and assist us in determining future areas to focus on. The tests are held in May and test the basic skills for numeracy and literacy. We recommend all students participate in the tests, however, parents do have the right to withdraw their child from them if they wish. Parents need to let me know if they do not want their child to participate in the testing.

Our Athletics Carnival is being held on Thursday, 12 March. Sausage sizzle orders need to be in by this Friday, and all permission notes should be returned to school as soon as possible. Parents are welcome to attend and cheer on their children. Please be aware that if you wish to take your child home from the carnival you must let the child’s teacher know.

The Fireworks committee will be meeting in the staff room on Monday, 9 March at 6.30 pm. New members are always welcome. The P&C will meet at 7.30 pm, following the Fireworks meeting.

A reminder that conflicts between students at school must be dealt with by a staff member, rather than by parents. Staff are very responsive to any issues between students and should be relied upon to sort out any problems between any students.
We remind parents that while we try to keep our calendar as accurately as we can, there are some changes that occur that are beyond our control.

Week 7

**Mon, 9**\(^{th}\) March
6.30pm, Fete and Fireworks Meeting
7.30pm P&C Meeting

**Tues, 10**\(^{th}\) March
Questacon

**Thurs, 12**\(^{th}\) March
School Athletics Carnival

Week 8

**Wed, 18**\(^{th}\) March
Grandparents Day

**Fri, 20**\(^{th}\) March
Harmony Day

Week 10

**Wed, 1**\(^{st}\) April
School Photos

**Thurs, 2**\(^{nd}\) April
Last Day of School

**Fri, 3**\(^{rd}\) April
Good Friday

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**Visitors from Botswana**

Last Thursday we had the pleasure of a Dance Group visiting from Africa named NGWAO LETCHWAO PERFORMING ARTS show our students some fantastic dancing. The dancers performed traditional Botswana dance movements and even got some children up and dancing with them.
We would like to congratulate our swimmers for the wonderful display of sportsmanship they showed at our swimming carnival. Each swimmer received an award for participating on the day and our swimming champions were recognised for their outstanding effort. We would like to thank our Mayor Geoff Kettle who presented our students with a well deserved award.

**Girl Swimming Champions**

**Junior:** Emily Weston  
**11 Years:** Kiana Williams  
**Senior:** Abbey Emmerton

**Boy Swimming Champions**

**Junior:** Hayden Drapalski  
**11 years:** Trent Jeffrey, Jai Woodside  
**Senior:** Jayde Howard
**District Swimming Carnival 2015**

Last Tuesday 25 of our students represented Goulburn North at the Goulburn/Crookwell District Swimming Carnival. It was a fantastic day. The children were really well behaved and all of our children performed to the best of their ability and supported each other. There were some outstanding performances in the pool by Jayde Howard and Emily Weston. They managed to break some District records. Thank you to Mrs Acunzo and the children for a wonderful day.

Mr Mewburn

**Clean Up Australia Day**

Last Friday our School participated in Clean up Australia Day, the students roamed our playground and picked up any rubbish they saw even with a smile on their faces! We now have a very clean and tidy School.
Abercrombie

Captains: Alannah Doocay, Michael Chintis
Vice Captains: Chelsea Lord, Joshua Kalozi

Goodradigbee

Captains: Laila Straney, William Harmer
Vice Captains: Jackson Searle, Willy Ralston

Mulwaree

Captains: Abigail Wilkinson, Latham Travers
Vice Captains: Erika Morgan, Zac Mitchell

Wollondilly

Captains: Sophie Anable, Mitchell Chalker
Vice Captains: Eloise Sinclair, Joshua Gray
INTERNATIONAL WOMENS’ DAY

International Women's Day (IWD) is celebrated on March 8th across the world. IWD is a global day celebrating the economic, political and social achievements of women in the past, present and future. It is a day when women are recognised for their achievements, regardless of divisions, whether national, ethnic, linguistic, cultural, economic or political.

It is an occasion for looking back on past struggles and accomplishments, and more importantly, for looking ahead to the untapped potential and opportunities that await future generations of women.

A reminder about Valuables:

In adhering to our School’s Fair Discipline Code, we would like to remind all our students to leave toys, jewellery and other valuables at home. Children who have their ears pierced should wear small studs or small sleepers and should leave other costume jewellery at home. Make-up is also not allowed.