Kindergarten 2015 – Big School Excursion and Parent Information Evening
Goonellabah Public School will be having their Big School Excursion for all Pre-School students wanting to experience what Primary School is all about. Students will experience Music, Craft and PE while visiting our school.
The excursion for Pre-School students is on this Wednesday, 3rd September from 9.30am – 11.30am. Booking is not essential. 
There will also be Parent/Carer Information Evening held on Wednesday night, 3rd September from 6.00-7.00pm. Tell your friends and family about our Big School Excursion and Parent Information Evening. We hope to see you there.

Healthy Eating at School
Healthy eating is a habit. Like all habits, it can take some time and effort to get started but, once set, it can last a lifetime. One of the best things we can do for our children is to help encourage them to make healthy eating choices at home, at school and when they’re out and about.
It is important that children eat the right amount and kinds of foods and drinks they need for health and general well-being. Foods to limit are foods high in saturated fat, salt and added sugars.
It has been noticeable that a number of students have been bringing lollies and chocolates and sometimes soft drinks to school. These foods have low nutritional value and are high in energy (kilojoules). It is recommended that students do not bring these types of foods to school.

Hip Hop Dancers
Late last year, ‘Solid Mob’ an Indigenous Hip Hop group performed at our school. We are lucky enough to have them visiting again. They will be performing this Thursday from 2.15pm in the hall.

Central Coast Mariners
There is an ‘A League’ pre-season soccer match on this Sunday at Oakes Oval. One of the teams playing, the “Central Coast Mariners’, will be visiting the school on Friday to talk with the students. Weather permitting; they may conduct some soccer drills on the oval.

NAPLAN Report
Students in Year 3 and Year 5 should be receiving their NAPLAN report by the end of the week. The report details your child’s strengths and areas for development in Literacy and Numeracy.

ROAD SAFETY around your child’s school - Your child’s safety depends on you
Drop off and pick up by car
Make sure your children are in an appropriate child car seat that is fitted and used correctly. Stick to the 40km/h speed limit in a school zone as children are about. Look for buses pulling out – watch for flashing wig wag lights. Always park and turn legally around schools. Avoid dangerous manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns. Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways. Drop your children off and pick them up on the school side of the road in your school’s designated drop off and pick up area. Calling out to them from across the road is dangerous – they may run to you without checking for traffic. It’s safest for children to get out of the car on the kerb side of the road to be away from passing traffic.
Walking together to and from school
Plan your trip to school so you use pedestrian crossings where possible. Always hold your child’s hand. Children need your help to spot dangers such as vehicles coming out of driveways. They can be easily distracted and wander into traffic. Drop off and pick up your child near the school gate and avoid calling them from across the road. Talk with your children about STOP, LOOK, LISTEN and THINK every time they cross the road.

STOP! one step back from the kerb
LOOK! for traffic to your right left and right again
LISTEN! for the sounds of approaching traffic
THINK! whether it is safe to cross

Young children can learn these safe pedestrian habits from you and continue them later on when they are old enough to travel alone.

Mark Spencer,
Principal

Dates to Remember – Term 3

This Week 1st -5th September
Wednesday 2015 Kindergarten “Big School Excursion and information evening
All week Father’s day Stall
Friday JM Assembly – 1pm

Week 10 15th – 19th September
Friday Last day of Term 3

School Holidays
20th September – 6th October
Monday – 6th October – Staff Development Day
Tuesday – 7th October – Students return Term 4

Father’s Day Stall

A ‘Father’s Day Stall’ is operating from 8.45am to 9.15am each morning this week.
Gifts are priced from $1.00 to $5.00.