Attendance – Every minute counts
When your child misses 20 minutes a day that equals 1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week, which is nearly 2 ½ weeks per year. Therefore from Kindy to Year 12, that is nearly a year of school. Your child’s best learning time is at the beginning of the day.....School starts at 9.15am.....DON’T BE LATE.

The “Tell Them from Me” student feedback survey
I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the ‘Tell Them from Me’ feedback survey. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement. Running this survey will help our school understand parents’ and carers’ perspectives on their child’s experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school’s support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements. The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary; however, your responses are very much appreciated.

Parents and carers access the survey via this direct link:
https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/j_acegi_security_check?j_username=parent17943&j_password=Goo2041
Please contact Debbie Fiedler here at school if you would like more information or would like to book a time to use a school computer to complete this survey.

Emergency Contact Details
From time to time we need to contact families when students are unwell. It is important that your contact details are up to date. If at any time you change your mobile or home number please make the school aware.

Lismore Performing Arts Festival
Selected students from Goonellabah Public School will be taking part in the Lismore Performing Arts Festival at the Lismore Workers Club tomorrow, Wednesday, 26th August in a night time performance. Selected Stage 2 and 3 students have worked together with Miss Hamshaw and Mrs Dolman to form three items. There are dance and band items as well as a combined Stage 2 and 3 choir. Notes have been sent home and tickets are on sale from the Lismore Workers Club. All notes and money should have been returned.

When lunch comes home ... again
Almost nine out of 10 Australian parents say children’s resistance is a major obstacle in their efforts to provide a healthy diet, and in many cases school lunches are one of the battlegrounds. But it’s a battle families can do without and there are some simple steps to help avoid it. Find out more: http://bit.ly/K7loJD

School Stream App
Goonellabah Public School now has the School Stream Smartphone, why not go to the App store on your smart phone and download it today.

Mark Spencer, Principal
Dates to Remember – Term 3

Week 7  24th – 28th August
Wednesday  PAF Rehearsals & Night Performances
Thursday  K-2 Assembly

Week 8  31st August – 4th September
Canberra and Stradbroke excursions
Sunday  Father’s Day Celebration

Week 9  7th – 11th September
Midginbil Hill Excursion

Week 10  14th – 18th September
School holidays
19th September to Monday 5th October

Lost Property

Throughout the Term our lost property overflows. Please ensure all jumpers, shirts, hats are clearly labelled. If property is lost, parents and children are welcome to go through the last property box beside Mr Rhijaan’s room or your child’s classroom.

K-2 Early Action for Success News – Orange Class
Merran Campbell -Instructional Leader - Literacy and Numeracy

My Learning Recount by Peyton

I wrote about my imagination. I wrote about a dragon. I used the pictures to help me to write and to give more information.

My Learning Recount by Ezabella

I was writing, writing and writing. I was writing the sounds. I used the pictures to help me to write the words.

“You Can Do It”
Confidence is trying something new. Confidence is sharing new ideas with my teacher.

Talking to someone new