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GAZETTE Week 6, Term 3



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Calendar

August/September

2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
28 Yr 5/6 Touch Football Gala Day	29 Combined band performance at Gowrie Primary School – all schools	30 P&C Father's Day Stall – Preschool Yr 6 Science and High School Readiness Excursion	31 Joel and Kate Temple Author Visit K-Yr 3 9am – 12pm Meerkat Productions Yr 4 – Yr 6 – 2pm	1 P&C Father's Day Stall K – Yr 6
4 School Board Meeting 5.30pm P&C Meeting 6.30pm	5	6 Botanical Gardens excursion – Preschool Yr 2 ICON Water Excursion 10.30am – 2.30pm	7 Nat Amooore Author visit Yr 4 – Yr 6 9.15am – 11.30am	8 P&C Special Lunch
11 Gowrie Art Show Yr 5 Combined band at Chisholm Primary	12 Gowrie Art Show ACT Track & Field Learning Journey – Geckos	13 Gowrie Art Show Learning Journey	14 Gowrie Art Show Learning Journey – Rosellas	15 Gowrie Art Show Yr 1 Assembly – 11.45am
18	19	20 Crazy Hair Day Yr 6 fundraiser	21	22 Last day of Term 3

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy fortnight at Gowrie Primary school. There have been many exciting events. This has required staff going above and beyond the usual expectations. Students and teachers have embraced all opportunities and been flexible to adapt. We would like to thank all staff members for their willingness to provide these opportunities and making Gowrie an awesome place to be.

As you would be aware, from current media, staffing in schools is currently very difficult. However, the fantastic team at Gowrie has enabled us to continue functioning with minimal disruption. Thank you to all staff who have been so flexible and accommodating to some alternate staffing arrangements.

Gowrie gathering was abruptly halted this week. This was to allow for the construction of our outdoor court area. The completed project will see the entire basketball court covered with a shade structure and a new floor. This will allow for outdoor physical activity away from rain and sun. The project is expected to be completed early next term. We will move Gowrie Gathering to the new Hall as of **Monday 28 August**. Students can place their bags at classrooms and move into the hall at 8:55am. Staff will be there to assist. Parents are also welcome to gather at the back of the hall.

Book week was celebrated at Gowrie Primary this week. Wednesday was a very special day seeing students and teachers showcasing costumes at the annual school parade. The parade was followed by rotations across the school. Thank you to staff who organised this terrific event. This was another example of Gowrie's pride and spirit. There are photos highlighting the day later in the Gazette.

To complement book week several Author visits have been organised in the coming weeks. These visits will occur onsite. Please complete permission slips ASAP. If you are unaware of these please contact the front office for further information.

Another opportunity created here at Gowrie Primary, are lunch time clubs. Teachers have worked with students to gain interest levels in particular clubs. A variety of clubs are then offered in lunchtime breaks. Students thoroughly enjoy attending these clubs. Look out for further communication around the content of the clubs. Thank you to the staff for the variety and the effort it takes to successfully run them.

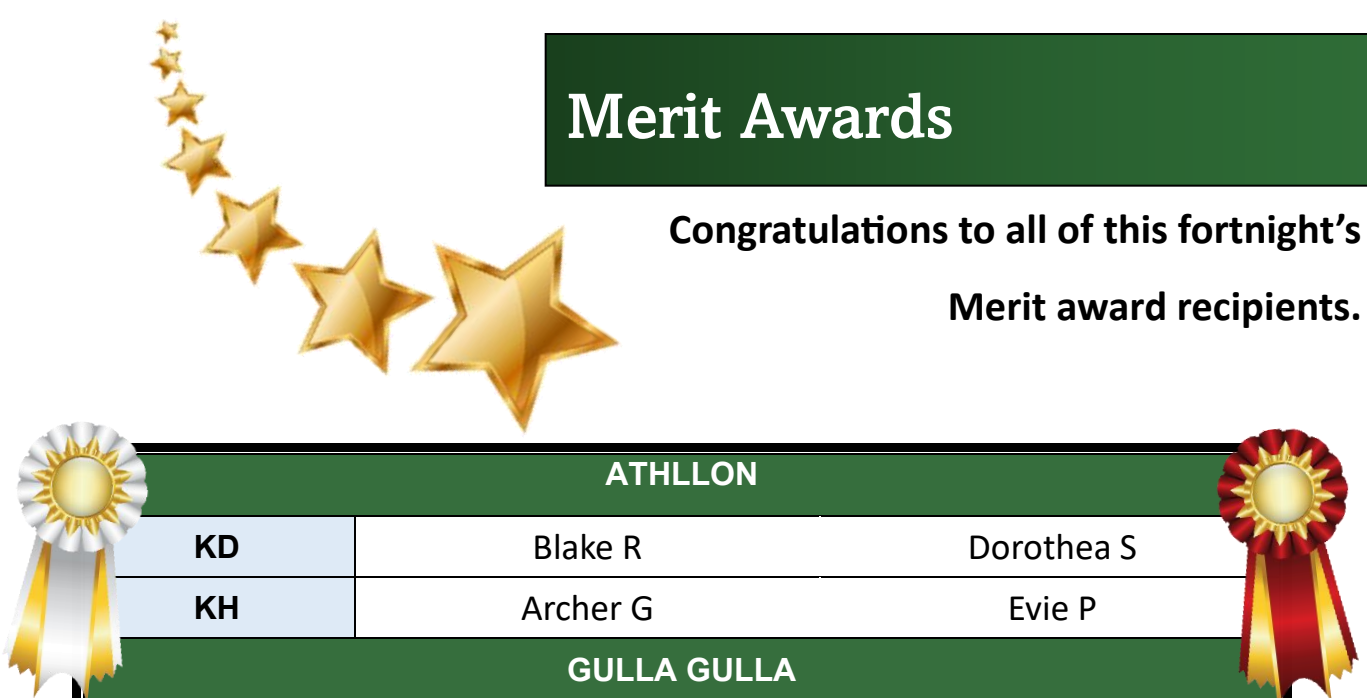
The remainder of the Gazette is full of the opportunities and learning that take place here at Gowrie.

Enjoy

Simon and Brooke

Merit Awards

Congratulations to all of this fortnight's
Merit award recipients.



ATHLLON		
KD	Blake R	Dorothea S
KH	Archer G	Evie P
GULLA GULLA		
1L	Mihajla K	Nicola S
1RD	Evelyn H	Cassie M
2F	Hudson G	Eli N
2M	Hunter C	Lachlan K
LAMBRIGG		
3DL	Michael M-G	Lincoln T
3PS	Thomas K	Henry S
4D	Yasmin N	Joon v C
4W	Diesel B	
LANYON		
5M	Adele C-J	Leo G
5W	George G	Wesley K
6B	Suraya B	Sarah M
6H	Ella M	Aaliyah O
OTHER		
ARTS	Evie P (KH)	Mackenzie S (6H)
LANGUAGE	Lia D (5M)	Hayden G (1L)
Small Group Program	Kai L	Carleton S

Library News



We're always impressed at Gowrie to see the enthusiasm with which our students embrace Book Week. On Wednesday our Parade was filled with wonderful characters from books old and new.

Wonderful also to see how resourceful families were creating costumes from a variety of everyday materials.

A big congratulations to all students (and staff!!) who participated. Book prizes will be awarded to the following students at Next Week's Assembly.

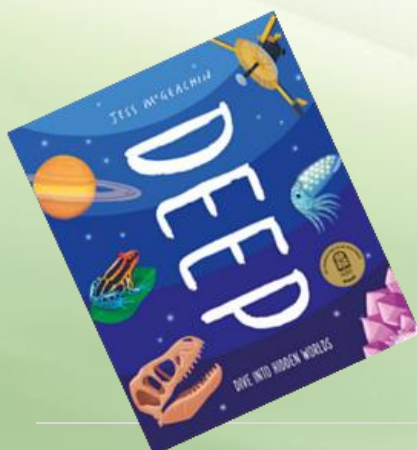
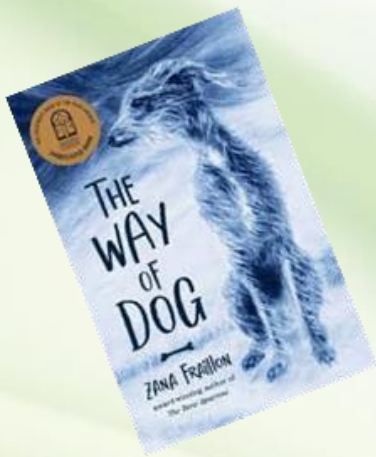
Preschool	Harvey P	Year 3	Toby S
Kinder	Lilly T	Year 4	Charlotte S
Year 1	Alfie S	Year 5	Harrison T
Year 2	Lily S	Year 6	Ava P

Thank you also to Ms Reid, Ms Davey, Ms Flanagan and Ms Lowes for their wonderful organisation of the whole-school rotational activities which followed our parade.



For many hours, our units were a hive of excited activity as students engaged in a range of interesting art and craft activities, based on some of this year's CBCA Book Awards.

These annual Awards are a great opportunity to introduce our students to recently-published quality Australian literature. Currently we have shortlisted books from the Younger Readers, Information, Picture Book and New illustrator category on display. These will be available for borrowing from next week.



Author Visits

The students are looking forward to visits by some well-known Australian authors and performers over the next fortnight, a great way to help celebrate the importance of books in our lives.

Authors Kate and Jol Temple will visit our K-3 students and Meerkat Productions will entertain our Year 4-6ers, next Thursday. The following Thursday Nat Amooore, author of many well-known upper Primary novels, will speak to our senior students.

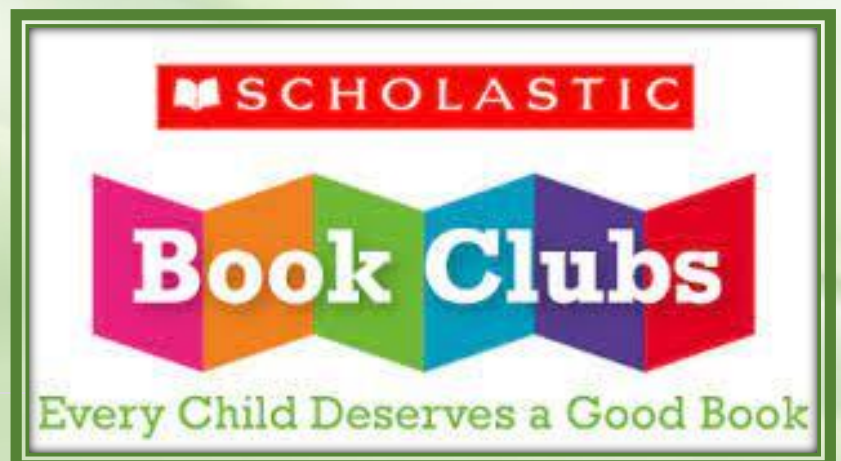
Scholastic Book Club

Issue 5 orders have now been distributed to all students. Issue 6 catalogue is now available to interested students in classrooms, with extra copies in the Entry Foyer and Library. Orders for the latest Issue are due by Thursday September 7, Week 8.

Happy Book Week,

Wendy Wheeler

Library Resources Manager





Book Week Parade







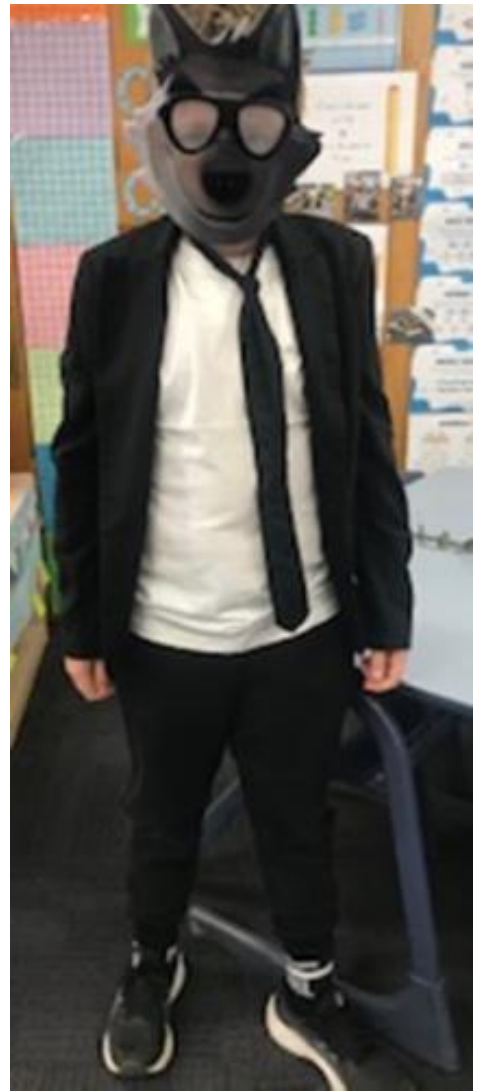












Year 5 and 6 Excursion to Deep Space Complex

On Tuesday 15th August Year 5 and 6 students did a tour of the Deep Space Complex at Tidbinbilla. Here we learnt about the antennas that are used to communicate with astronauts that travel out into the Solar System.

We also learnt about the Exploration Rovers – Spirit and Opportunity and the difficulties they have had to overcome. Year 5 and 6 had some great ideas on how to improve the design so we can have a better exploration vehicle in space!









Japanese Drumming Performance

In Week 5 on Wednesday morning, Gowrie Primary students were lucky enough to watch and participate in a performance by Anne and Toshi, who brought their Japanese taiko drums, flutes and other traditional Japanese instruments to our school.

The students were a fantastic audience as they learnt about these instruments, learnt new Japanese words, became involved in the performance and even had a go at playing some of the instruments.

The performance was energetic, enthralling, entertaining and it captured the attention and enthusiasm of all the students from the first drum beat right to the very end! We didn't want it to finish! It was a wonderful way to learn more about the Japanese culture and language. Hopefully the students will remember it for years to come!

Dark Sensei







Year 6 Band Combined Practice

On Tuesday Gowrie hosted the Year 6 Bands from Fadden and Wanniasa for combined band practice.

The practice ended with a short concert for our Year 4-6 students and some friends and family featuring Dragon Dance, Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious, Cuban Sun, Star Wars and Ghostbusters.





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**STAR
WARS**

Games time in the library









Tuggeranong Track and Field

Congratulations to all of the following students who were selected to represent Gowrie Primary School at the Tuggeranong Track and Field Carnival on Monday 21 August. All students conducted themselves with respect and sportsmanship.

Tomek D

Mitchell J

Amelia W-W

Isla G

Molly B

Joseph K

Isla O

Marwan H

Seth W

Blake N

Joshua N

Julian R

Charlie M

Harvey M

Anthony N

Cody G

Evie W

Ari S

Thomas M

Gemma D

Carly M

George D

Ethan B

Flynn S

Liliana M

Sonny O

Min v C

Danielle C

Zach K

Oliver B

Summer H

Charlotte S

Asha D

Congratulations!





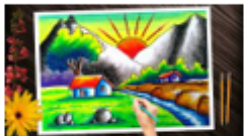



A further congratulations to Amelia Whittaker-Walsh for her second place in 12 girl's discus. Amelia will go on to represent Tuggeranong at the ACT carnival in week 9.



Lunchtime Clubs



LUNCHTIME CLUBS TERM 3 Week 7-10 2023

	Club	What	When	Where	Who
Monday		Geography Club	Break 2 12:30-1:00pm	4W classroom	Mr Winterburn
Tuesday		Craft Club	Break 2 12:30-1:00pm	KD Classroom	Mrs Davey
Wednesday		DND Club Chess Club	Break 2 12:30-1:00pm	3L Classroom Library	Ms Lawrie Mr Herbert
		Band	Break 3 2:00-2:30pm	New Hall	Mr Matthews
Thursday		Drawing Club	Break 2 12:30-1:00pm	Year 2M Classroom	Ms Miners
		DJ Club	Break 3 2:00-2:30pm	Oval	Mr Heffernan
Friday		Cooking Club	Break 2 12:30-1:00pm	New Hall	Ms Flanagan
		DJ Club	Break 3 2:00-2:30pm	Oval	Mr Heffernan



Father's Day Stall

Friday 1st September

It's time once again to show our appreciation for Dad or other special figures in our kids' lives, for all that they do.

The Gowrie P&C will be holding a Father's Day stall on **Fri 1st Sep**
For preschool students, the stall will be held on **Wed 30th Aug**

No pre-ordering or pre-payments. One gift can be chosen per student, to ensure everybody has an opportunity.

Cash payments of \$5 per gift, to cover the P&C's costs, will be greatly appreciated, and accepted on the day.

One gift per student

No need to pre-order

Cash donation on the day (up to \$5)

We look forward to helping the students select a fun gift!



SAUSAGE SIZZLE



- Fun Food DAY! -

Save The Date

The P&C Sausage Sizzle Day is coming!!

When: Friday 8th of September

Meal Deal including Sausage, drink and a treat.

More details to come!!!

Options for GF, VE, VG, DF have been considered.

**Full list of items and pricing will be made available
closer to the date.**

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*They'll want to come
again tomorrow*



Y Canberra Region Children's Services believes in the power of inspired young people. This starts with our children. We cultivate learning environments which embrace honesty, care, respect and responsibility for all children, young people, parents and guardians, and educators. We are an inclusive and connected community, progressively advocating for children to be heard, empowered and celebrated.

Our Commitment

Our Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) programs recognise that every child is unique with differing skills and interests. With the support and guidance of our experienced educators and the My Time, Our Place curriculum derived from the National Quality Framework, children can select and plan their own activities that are based on the development areas:

- **Physical** for confidence, health and skills;
- **Social and emotional** for self-esteem and interpersonal connections;
- **Intellectual** for problem solving and language skills;
- **Creativity** for all things imagination;
- **Self-help** for growing independence.

Bookings

Bookings for Before or After School Care can be made on a permanent weekly or casual basis to suit your needs. We take enrolments through our online portal, My Family Lounge.

Visit our website to find out more about our services and the enrolment process. Our Customer Care Team are also available to assist, and help families access any childcare subsidies or other fee-relief programs.

Health & Safety

The Y Canberra Region has a commitment to safeguarding children and young people first and foremost in all of our programs and activities. We have extensive Safeguarding Children and Young People policies and procedures that help us continually embed a safe culture.

We actively support healthy communities, and our OSHC programs provide environments that support healthy eating, positive role-modeling, hygiene, and educational, social and cultural experiences. Our programs always include regular exercise and movement opportunities.

General Information

The Y Canberra Region is an experienced and trusted OSHC service provider across many Canberra and NSW locations. We are proud to work in partnership with ACT and NSW Departments of Education and the Catholic Education Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn to deliver high standards of care.

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