



**Gawler & District  
College B-12**

# Junior School

## NEWSLETTER

TERM 3, WEEK 1

JULY 2020



*'Every child has a different learning style and pace. Each child is unique, not only capable of learning but also capable of succeeding.'*  
Robert John Meehan

## A Message from Julie

It is hard to believe we are at the half way mark of the year, and what a year it has been. We are so lucky to live in South Australia and have so many restrictions lifted so we can get back to normal. We will still be keeping up all our hygiene processes in schools. Parents are reminded to socially distance around the school, particularly at pick up time. One of the benefits of not having parents enter classrooms, due to social distancing, is the development of students' independence. This has really helped students develop their ability to organize themselves in the morning. We therefore suggest that you continue to encourage your child at the front gate, unless you really need to speak to the teacher outside the classroom door, to allow your child to continue to take responsibility for themselves. If you do need to see the teacher for a quick reason, you may speak to them at the classroom door, but if it's going to take more than a minute, please make a time to meet before or after school. The best way to do this is via Seesaw/Dojo message, written message in their Reading diary or call the Front office. We are now intending to move to face-to-face Assemblies and our special events will recommence. The Years 5,6/7 camp will go ahead, and excursions and incursions can also be arranged.

### CLASS COMMUNICATION

Class Dojo or Seesaw will continue to be our teachers' main form of contact with families. Please ensure you have Dojo/Seesaw on one of your devices so you are continually updated with changes that are occurring. We have the ability to upload files to all families on these classroom platforms, giving us the opportunity to remain in contact and keep you informed.

### WELLBEING DAY

In Week 4 of this term we will be having our annual Wellbeing Day. This is a day where we celebrate our own well-being, and organise for the students to experience and learn some new activities to help them develop relaxation and mindfulness skills. If you have a special skill or talent for craft, relaxation or arts that fit this, we would love for you to take part on the day, sharing it with us. We are calling for helpers now, so please give it some thought.

### NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA DISABILITY

We have completed the annual Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability. The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD) is a yearly count of students by all Australian schools across the country. The aim of the NCCD is to provide the Australian Government with information about the number of students with disability in Australian schools and the type of adjustments they need in order to access and participate in education on the same basis as other students. From 2018, the NCCD will be used by the Australian Government to inform funding for schools, known as the 'student with disability loading'. Further information for parents, guardians & carers about NCCD can be found at: <https://www.nccd.edu.au/for-parents-guardians-and-carers>

*Thank you for support. Please look after each other and stay safe and healthy.*

Kind Regards,

Julie Stockdale- Head of Junior School

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## DIARY DATES.....

### TERM 3 EVENTS CALENDAR

Our Term 3 Calendar of important dates and events is attached- for you to display at home. These events are pending we remain COVID-19 safe.

WINTERS NIGHT IN- FRI 31/7

CAMP- WED 3/7-FRI 5/7

WELLBEING DAY- TUES 11/8

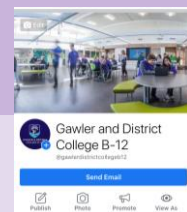
SCHOOL PHOTOS- TUES 18/8

FATHER'S DAY STALL-THURS 3/9 & FRI 4/9

DISCO- FRI 18/9

SPORTS DAY & COLOUR RUN- TUES 22/9

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