



Tuesday 2nd November 2021

Week 5 Term 4

Gol Gol Public School

Newsletter

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Important Dates:

P&C Meeting
29th November @ 7pm

Yr. 5 Captains Speeches
Fri 19th Nov

Year 4/5 Excursion
Cancelled

Term 4 Ends
Thurs 16th Dec @ 3 pm

Colour Fun Run

The countdown is on for the Colour Run here at Gol Gol Public School on the 12th of November. All students will be involved. This P&C fundraising event is a great initiative. Students are encouraged to seek out at least one sponsor. We look forward to some fun for our students. Don't forget to wear your bathers and board shorts and a white T-Shirt which can be covered with bright fun colours by the end of the run. Thank you to those planning this event!

Block Excursion

Year 5/6 will visit the school block on Thursday 4th November departing at 9:15 am and returning at 1:00 pm. Students are to bring a hat, appropriate closed in shoes, morning recess and a water bottle.

Book Parade

On Friday 5th of November we will hold the Book Parade on the Basketball court from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. Students are invited to come along dressed up in the theme, "Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds." Unfortunately parents are not permitted on school grounds under current restrictions.

Staff Leave

Ms. Fundak will be on leave from this Friday 5th November for the remainder of the 2021 school year. Ms Nolan will be taking the class each day in her absence. Mrs Tilley will be on Leave from Monday 8th November to December 1st, 2021.

Year 4/5 Camp

This camp has been officially cancelled. The \$50 deposit or any monies owing to families from payments made will be redirected to any outstanding text book, block visit costs etc. Families will receive the balance if there are no outstanding fees.

2022 School Starters Parent/Carers

I have established a best contact email list specifically for parents with students commencing Kindergarten at Gol Gol Public School in 2022. Please advise me of your best email contact to be added to my list. Phone me or message your email to 0488228206.

2021 Orientation Days

Friday 26th of November and 3rd of December are the 2021 Gol Gol Public School Orientation Days. We plan to run these important Orientation Days from 9.30 am till 12:00 noon.

School Magazine

At the end of the school year, Gol Gol Public School in conjunction with Mildura Printing Services publishes an annual magazine. This is a wonderful chronicle of your child's year. If you are interested in a copy magazines must be pre-ordered. These will be available for \$15.00 each and payment can be sent into school via your child to the classroom teacher or via the POP payment system accessed via the Gol Gol Public School website. We would like to sincerely thank Mildura Printing Services for their continued support of our school.

School Photographs

We are looking into an alternate option to still conduct school photographs and obtain a record of your child's school year in 2021. This however will be in a different format than other years and details will be forwarded if Department regulations change.

Presentation

The school executive have looked into requests to have parents involved in end of year presentations. Please note that unfortunately this is not possible under the current NSW Schools guidelines. Currently we cannot conduct a whole of school community Presentation Evening in 2021. We will look at what we can do if rules change.

Well Done To Students

Our students continue to make very pleasing progress in spite of the uncertain times. I congratulate parents and staff on their diligence throughout these times and encourage students to be extra kind to each other at this time.

Relieving Principal

Mr Thompson will relieve as Principal for six days at Tibooburra School commencing next Monday. Ms Mayfield will be taking the Year 4/5 Class.



P&C Meeting

Our next meeting is 29th November at 7.00 pm.

Visitors On Site

All adults and essential workers on site MUST QR Code in and out and wear a mask. Any child required to be picked up early will be sent for and will wait and be supervised at the school office. Parents should call the office, 50248401, then wait at the gate until children are sent out under supervision.

Selective High Schools in 2023

For any students wishing to apply to a selective High School in 2023 the application website opened on the 19th of October 2021 and closes on the 17th of November.

Opportunity Classes 2022

For any students that have applied for placement in the NSW Opportunity Class. The opportunity class placement test has been rescheduled to Wednesday 17th November 2021.

Regards

Glen Walker

Principal

Assembly Awards - 29/10/2021

Kindergarten - Mrs Worrell

William Job, Grayson Benfield, Cooper Marr, Haider Malik

1/2—Ms Kemp

Marlee Scholz, Hunter Alderton

Student of the Week: Olivia Curtis

3—Mr Earl

Jacob Watson, Addison Stephens

Student of the Week: Jude Ferguson

5/6—Mrs McInerney

Ava Mathieson, Domonic O'Loughlin

Student of the Week: Airlee Martin

K/1 - Ms Fundak

Hudson McGlashan, Charlotte Job

Student of the Week: Lilly-Rose Andriske

2/3B - Mrs Blows

Hugo Albert, Amelia Linklater

Student of the Week: Spencer Benfield

4/5—Mr Thompson

Finley Jones, Liam Frost

Student of the Week: Lachie Hulls

6—Ms McKinnon

Jamie Jonas, Lily Hulls

Student of the Week: Jed Cameron

Sports Awards: Jacob Watson, Dane Cameron, Lara Linklater, Lincoln Fazulla, Sienna Simonetta, Declan Niblett

Tell Them From Me Parent Survey

This Term, our school will be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. 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 on smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted over Term 3 and early Term 4. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated.

Please click on the link below to complete the survey.

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/ggps2738>

Thank you for taking the time to complete this.

Much appreciated.



Thank you so much for continuously supporting our school, especially through fundraising. This term, we are hosting a **Colour Explosion School Fun Run** to raise money for our wonderful school due to not being able to have our annual Country Fair for the last two years.

Start fundraising today. Did you know? Students raise 3x times more when they fundraise online! Visit myprofilepage.com.au to create your child's cybersafe fundraising profile. Instructions are in your child's sponsorship booklet. You have until 12/11/2021 to fundraise, so make sure you get cracking!

The big day is coming! We are so excited to host our School Run4Fun Colour Explosion on 12/11/2021 from 2:00pm to 3:00pm. Parents are invited to watch from outside the fence. On the day, make sure your child brings a white t-shirt for the Run4Fun! They will be covered in non-toxic, high quality colour powder from head to toe! They will also need a water bottle, plastic bag and their school hat. Sunscreen will be provided.

How do prizes work? Help your child fundraise more by setting a prize goal! It's okay if they change their mind – you order their exact prizes later. You can order your child's prizes online at myprofilepage.com.au between 05/11/2021 and 12/11/2021. Alternatively, complete the back page of your sponsorship booklet when you return your cash donations. Students can choose a prize based on the total amount of dollars raised, or mix and match smaller prizes.

Share in \$200,000 worth of extra prize credit! Achieve bigger prizes by helping your child earn bonus credit on their online profile. By reaching fundraising milestones online, you can share in \$200,000 of extra prize credit!

Become a Fundraising MonSTAR! Collect all virtual badges on your online profile page and receive your own Fundraising **MonSTAR** bag tag.

Class Reward Prize. Teamwork counts! If your class creates the most online profile pages each student will receive a Fundraising **MonSTAR** handball.

FundRazor of the Year Award. Do you think you can top the national leader board? Australia's highest fundraising student in Australia will win a Razor Prize Pack, worth \$4,900!

If you have any questions about the Colour Explosion School Fun **Run** please contact Alana Mills (0409503233). Thanks for supporting our school

Happy Fundraising
Go! Go! P&C



Changes to the opportunity class placement process for Year 5 entry in 2022

Information for schools and principals

The Department is committed to the continued education of all students across NSW, including advanced learning programs for high potential and gifted students.

The Year 5 opportunity class placement process was put on hold in July 2021 due to the COVID-19 situation.

We have now rescheduled the test date and streamlined the placement process. Please note the details of the changes below and assist parents and carers to understand these changes.

Why have changes been made to the 2021 opportunity class placement process?

Due to the shorter time frame available for the OC placement process, changes have been made to the process for most students this year.

The placement process will ensure students are placed in Year 5 opportunity classes in Term 1, 2022.

What changes have been made?

The following changes have been made to the 2021 opportunity class placement process to accommodate for this year only.

1. There is a new test date – **Wednesday 17 November 2021**.
2. The Opportunity Class placement test will be a computer-based test in the student's primary school, supervised by teaching staff.
3. The illness/misadventure and appeals processes will not be available.
4. An executive officer of the High Performing Students team will make placement recommendations and the **principal of the primary school with an opportunity class will sign off** on all placement decisions.
5. First round offers will be made to successful students in **mid-January 2022**.

For principals of schools with opportunity classes:

- There will be no selection committee in its current format. Instead, an executive officer of the High Performing Students Team will prepare the information, select the decisions based on Departmental guidelines and then provide principals with the reports for ratification and sign off. Any contentious issue will be discussed and ratified prior to final sign off.
- There will be no appeals process, so all places will be offered at the time outcome advice is sent.
- Orientation day for successful candidates and their parents will need to be conducted by schools at the beginning of the school year in 2022.

What are the key dates I should be aware of?

- The revised timing and dates are listed below. Principals are advised to review the revised dates carefully. Because of the delayed timeline, no late applications can be accepted.

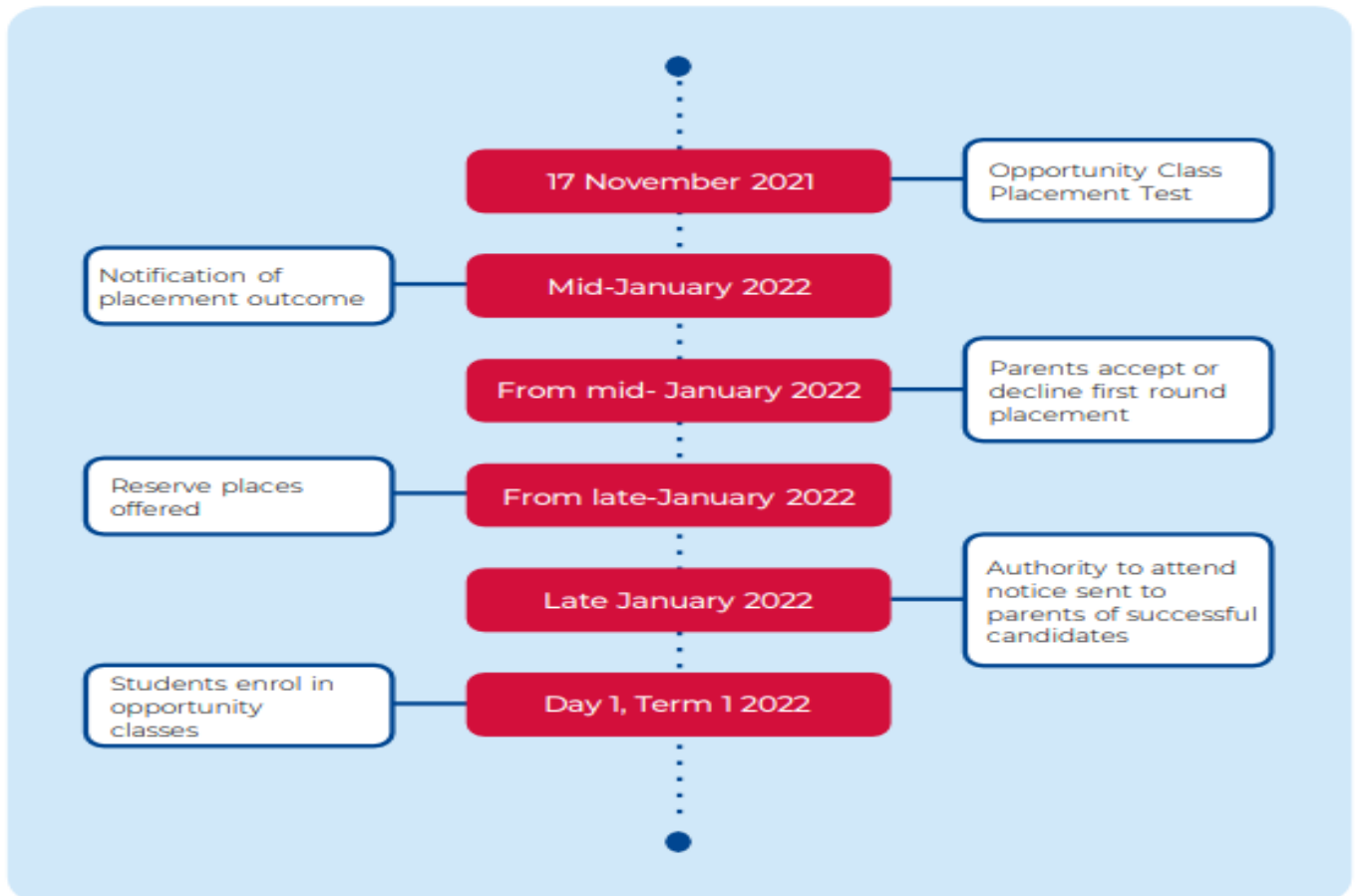
Action	Date
Test authority advice sent to parents and schools	3 November 2021
Opportunity Class Placement Test date	17 November 2021
Selection process occurs	December 2021

Action	Date
Parents and schools advised of placement outcome information	Mid-January 2022
Reserve places offered	From late-January 2022
Authority to attend an opportunity class letter sent to parents	Late January 2022
Successful candidates enrol in Year 5 at a school with an opportunity class	Late January 2022
Principals arrange orientation day for successful candidates	Early Term 1, 2022

Contact

For further information or assistance contact:
High Performing Students Team
ssu@det.nsw.edu.au
 1300 880 367 or (02) 7814 3626 (principals only)

2021 Opportunity class placement process - key dates



Placement in selective high schools for Year 7 entry in 2023 Information for applicants

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 in 2023?

You must apply online at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>



Key Dates

Application website opens:
19 October 2021

Application website closes:
17 November 2021
You must apply before this date.

Test centre and test authority advice released:
24 February 2022

Selective High School placement test:
10 March 2022

Placement outcome expected to be released:
8 July 2022

Please read this booklet carefully before applying.

There may be changes to the procedures in this document.

Check the website at education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc regularly for updates throughout the application and placement process.

Please check the website for information before you contact the Team.

After applying, you will be able to log into your application dashboard to change details and send and receive messages.

The Selective High Schools placement process for Year 7 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team. It is referred to as 'the Team' in this document.

Contact Details:

High Performing Students Team, NSW Department of Education

Telephone: 1300 880 367

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/772251106301086/>

Information is subject to change throughout 2022 because COVID-19 restrictions may affect timing and processes.

Any changes will be published on the website <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7> as they are confirmed. Applicants will be also be advised directly of major changes to the test or due dates.

In the online application form you will see a privacy notice. It has details of how personal information will be used and disclosed. You will be asked to read the privacy notice and consent to the specific uses of personal information when you apply.

Contacts

As soon as you submit your application you can contact the High Performing Students Team by logging into your application dashboard to send and receive messages and upload documents.

If you have not yet submitted an application you can contact the Team by:

- emailing: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au
- phoning: 1300 880 367. The phone system has updates at key stages of placement.
- logging into Facebook and requesting approval to join this Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/772251106301086/>.

If you need translated information, use Microsoft Edge and open our website, then right click to access translations.

Dear Principal

Parents of students from your school may wish to apply for selective high school placement in Year 7 in 2023.

Applications open on 19 October and close on 17 November 2021.

In 2020, for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2022, there were no applications from your school.

Please refer to the information about Year 7 selective high school placement in 2023

in Staff Noticeboard at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/noticeboard/2021/09/applications-for-selective-high-schools-for-year-7-in-2023>.

To support parents wishing to apply, please customise the attached Intention to apply form and use the responses to monitor the applications received this year to ensure that all the applicants who are expected to apply do so.

Documents about the application and placement process are attached and are available at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/general-information/resources-for-schools> (DoE login required).

Applications for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2023 open on 19 October 2021 and close on 17 November 2021 at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

A guide to the SHS applicant SCOUT report is attached. You can view the names of applicants from your school as soon as applications open. Schools are not required to provide school assessment scores in 2021, but will be asked to provide additional information after applications close.

All candidates are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 10 March 2022. Your co-operation in ensuring the smooth administration of the selective high school placement procedure is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Magda Pollak

Leader, High Performing Students Team

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