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NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 Week 1

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It's lovely to be returning to school for the start of another busy term – with cool, crisp mornings and beautiful warm sunny days. I trust you were all able to have a rest, spend some quality time together and recharge the batteries ready to face this terms challenges and experiences together. A very warm welcome back everyone.

Assembly Awards

At our end of term assembly, we acknowledged the hard work of both staff and students and celebrated the achievement of many of our students. Congratulations to all those who received class awards and a special mention to our students who were recipients of the Principal's Awards and Citizenship.

K/1 – **Evie McFawn**
2/3 – **Will Edwards**
4/5/6 – **Denzel Werth**
Citizenship – **Katelyn Stoupas**



Anzac Day

What a wonderful turn up it was on Anzac Day. Our students were so well represented with exactly half of our school population participating in the main march to the cenotaph. Congratulations also to those who made the effort to participate in the dawn service. Well done everyone and thank you to parents, carers and grandparents who supported the students.



Portfolios



There are still several outstanding portfolios which need to be returned to school from last year. We would appreciate you being able to locate where you have put it and please return it to school as soon as possible.

Thanks

NO CANTEEN THIS WEEK



THERE WILL BE NO CANTEEN THIS WEEK. CANTEEN WILL REOPEN ON MONDAY 5TH MAY. SORRY FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE

Urgent – Submission for Demerger

Local Government Minister Ron Hoenig has provided the residents, ratepayers and interested community members

with the opportunity once again to submit our views on seeking to successfully and finally invoke a demerger from the current disastrous merger of Cootamundra and Gundagai Regional Council

This is now or never – our final chance.

I would ask you all – together with your friends and acquaintances to submit an extremely simple submission to the office of Local Government stating your position – hopefully supporting the demerger process.

Whilst the New State Labour Government have backed away from their commitment whilst in opposition to fund demergers, the situation is now so dire that the Council recognises that a demerger – even funded by the rate payers, will, in the long term be far less painful financially than if we continue together down the unequitable and undemocratic pathway we are now treading. Yes, we will have to apply for a SRV (Special Rate Variation) to achieve this demerger, but equally we will continue to apply for yearly SRV under a joint regional council (CGRC) – as the most recent \$6 million deficit for 2024/2025 budget shows.

And this deficit will continue to grow with the large number of consultants being employed, lacking local representation. I urge you to help us achieve this demerger by going onto the Internet – Office of Local Government - Cootamundra Gundagai Regional Council Demerger. Follow the information- have a read if you need information and then scroll down and click on the submission form. Add your details if you wish, then, if you agree with the demerger – click yes, then elector as most people will come under that category.

If you wish to make a comment, please do so and then click submit. If you have more to say or wish to make a longer submission – feel free to submit a written submission to the postal address. **All submissions need to be in by Friday 10th May.** Please have a say in determining your future. Nothing good at all has come from the government's whim and fantasy belief that savings of \$20 million would result after 3 years of newly merged council – however, in reality, in the 8 years of the merger, we now have lost close to \$42 million. What a disaster! Please have a chat to me if you want anything clarified – I have been a member of the Gundagai Council in Exile since it was formed 8 years ago in May 2016.

Cross Country – Bongongo



Everyone should have returned their permission notes for this Thursday's visit to Bongongo for Cross Country. The bus will be leaving school at 9.00am. Cost of the bus is \$2.00 per student and the canteen will be operating on the day. Parents may bring their children home at the conclusion of the day once you have informed your child's teacher. Students need to wear their school sports uniform and bring some warm clothes in case it's cold. Please also send your child with a bottle of water and appropriate footwear for running a cross country.

Grip Leadership - Wagga

GRIP LEADERSHIP



This leadership opportunity is offered to all students in Year 5 who would like to participate in a fun and engaging workshop in Wagga at the Range Function Centre on **Tuesday 7th May**. Please complete the attached permission note to attend. Travel will be by private car – **if you could provide transport to Wagga on Tuesday, please let me know by Thursday**, so alternative arrangements can be made. Students would need to wear their school uniform and bring their recess and lunch and water bottle. Students would need to be at school by 8.00am in order to arrive at The Range Function Centre by 9.00am. The event will conclude at 2.30pm.

Boccia



For those students who indicated they would be attending the Boccia competition at the PCYC in Wagga next Wednesday, please note that parents are responsible for transport to Wagga. The day begins at 9.15am when you

are expected to sign in. Last game to finish by 2pm. **Please confirm your attendance and mode of travel by tomorrow please.** Thankyou

P & C Meeting

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND
THE P&C MEETING

This will be held on **Wednesday 8th May commencing at 6.00pm** at the Family Hotel. Come along and enjoy the evening out. The P & C will be discussing their upcoming **Street Stall on Thursday 16th, Friday 17th and Saturday 18th May.**

Street Stall



Volunteer's Needed!

The P & C are calling for helpers to sit on the stall for **Thursday 16th, Friday 17th and Saturday 18th May**. Please complete the attached roster, indicating if you are able to assist. **Many hands make light work.**

Donations of cooking and other saleable produce would be much appreciated.

Raffle tickets and a list of prizes will be included with next week's newsletter.

Calendar



The calendar for May is attached for your perusal. Please place it on the fridge so you can refer to it and add to it as new activities arise.

Stewart House Stewart House Donation Drive



Envelopes are attached for the 2024 Stewart House Donation Drive. For your chance to win a \$4000 travel voucher all you need to do is place \$2.00 in the envelope, complete entry details on the back and **return the envelope to school by Monday 13th May.**

Radio News



Don't forget to tune into school news on the radio station Sounds of the Mountains 94.3. This can be heard each school Monday morning at approximately 9.45am

TERM 2

Week 2: Kaiden A & Hardy
Week 3: Jeane & Judd
Week 4: Grace & Ellie
Week 5: Jackson & Denzel
Week 6: Cooper & Ethan
Week 7: King's Birthday Holiday
Week 8: Bill & Paige
Week 9: Pepper & Katelyn
Week 10: Kaiden C & Brax

TERM 3

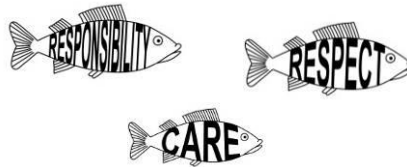
Week 2: Leo & Emilee
Week 3: Maddison & Grace

School Banking



Don't forget to send in your Bendigo School Banking. Banking will be collected every Wednesday.

PBL Weekly Focus Area



This week our focus areas for PBL will be “**Play Areas**” in the playground and “**Enter & Exiting the Room**” for our Classroom.

Playground –Play Areas

Respect: Share and take turns. Be friendly.

Responsibility: Play by the rules. Be sun safe.

Care: Use equipment properly

Classroom – Enter & Exiting the Room

Respect: Walk sensibly and quietly.

Responsibility: Line up quietly. Keep in line.

Care: Bags on backs. Hands and feet to self. Please discuss our focus areas with your children this week.

Pip😊

Book Club

The Book Club brochure is attached. If you wish to place an order, this needs to be returned to school with the correct money by Monday 6th May.
Thankyou

Dear Parents,

St Patrick's Parish will begin its Sacramental Program for 2024 next week. The Sacraments of Reconciliation (Term 2) and Eucharist (Term 4) will be celebrated this year. Program dates are as follows.

Reconciliation - Term Two

Week 2

Lesson 1 - Tuesday 7th May 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Lesson 2 - Saturday 11th May **Meeting** and **Commitment Mass** 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm. Meeting to take place in the **Church**.

NB Mass at 5 pm

Week 3

Lesson 3 - Tuesday 14th May 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Lesson 4 - Saturday 18th May 3:45 pm 4:50 pm ** **Mass 5pm NB early**
Mass for Winter

Week 5

Lesson 5 - Tuesday 28th May 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Friday 31st May 9:30 am (Week 5)

Eucharist - Term Four

Week 2

Lesson 1 - Tuesday 22nd October 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Lesson 2 - Saturday 26th October 4:45 pm - 5:50 pm - 6 pm for
Commitment Mass

Week 3

Lesson 3 - Tuesday 29th October 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Lesson 4 - Saturday 2nd November 4:45 pm - 5:50 pm - 6 pm Mass

Week 4

Lesson 5 - Tuesday 5th November 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Lesson 6 - Wednesday 6th November Preparation Day 9:15 am - 3:00 pm

Sacrament of First Holy Communion - Saturday 9th November - 6pm Mass (Week 4)

These programs are for the children in Year 3 or those children in older classes that may have missed these Sacraments.

If you have a child who is ready to receive the Sacraments or know of someone who is eligible, please contact the Parish Office.

Tumut Mission Secretary – Sue Hall Tumut Office Hours – Tue and Thu 9-2pm Email:

gundagai@cg.org.au Ph. 69474599

Regards,

St Patrick's Sacramental Team

May 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1 Bendigo School Banking AEDI Data Collection	2 Small Schools Cross Country @ Bongongo	3	4	5
6	7 GRIP Leadership— Wagga Yrs 5 & 6	8 Bendigo School Banking P & C Meeting 6.00pm Lott's Hotel BOCCIA Wagga	9 Heave Ho off We Go Performance @GSPS Mother's Day Stall	10 Highlands Cross Country @ Gundagai	11	12 MOTHER'S DAY
13	14 <i>Small Schools Athletics</i>	15 Bendigo School Banking	16 GHS Pip NCCS 9.30—1.30pm STREET STALL	17 STREET STALL	18 STREET STALL	19
20	21	22 Bendigo School Banking	23 Mortimer Shield Rugby League Years 5/6	24	25	26
27	28 Pip Conference in Sydney Starting School Information Night	29 Pip Conference in Sydney Bendigo School Banking ASSEMBLY	30	31 SHOP DAY K/1 TO COOK		