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NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 Week 2

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Dear Parents,

As I write the newsletter, our four students from Years 5 & 6 are travelling to Broken Bay for a fantastic week of activities and social interaction mixing with other students from all over NSW. I'm sure they will have a wonderful week away and make many new friends. They will return on Friday afternoon with lots of stories to tell us all.

Welcome



Last week we welcomed Teleah Smith in Kindergarten to our school. Teleah quickly settled into the class routines and she has been enjoying being looked after by her big cousin Holly. Welcome also to mum Sharnie. I'm sure you will both enjoy your association with Gundagai South.

Transition Day



Our new kindies for 2014 will have their third Transition to School day tomorrow – Tuesday 15th. They will be supported by the current kindergarten students and the Year 4 & 5 students as their new buddies. Please remember to bring a hat, water bottle and recess to school. Students will also have the opportunity to join with the kindies in our last tennis lesson.

Tennis

Last Tuesday, Birdie forgot to come for our final tennis lesson, so it will be held this Tuesday. Don't forget, if you haven't paid, you won't be able to join in.



Gymnastics

Last Friday, the students enjoyed their first gym lesson for this term with Lesa and Deidre from Activate. Everyone enjoyed some new challenges and quickly got into the routines. It was great to see so many keen and enthusiastic students practising their skills on the mats at lunch time. Please send in your \$2.00 each week.

Thank you to those of you who have already paid \$10 in full.





NAPLAN

Results for the 2013 National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy for Year 3 & 5 have finally been released for parents. Envelopes are attached to your newsletter. Congratulations everyone, on achieving some great results. If any parents would like to discuss the results or would like to discuss how to interpret the results, please come and see me

Art Workshops

Last week Claire Lievens and Vada Hindmarsh were selected to attend the Regional Arts Workshops in Albury. Both girls had a most enjoyable and creative day using different media to create some fabulous works of art. Congratulations girls on being selected and being wonderful ambassadors for our school.



Vada and a sample of her work

P & C Meeting



Come along to our P & C meeting to be held this **Wednesday at 2.00pm.** Everyone is welcome.

Boorowa Touch Football Carnival – Years 3 & 4

All students are reminded to bring a bottle of water, sunscreen and a school hat. They should wear green shorts and appropriate footwear. **All players need to be at the ground by 9.20am.** A canteen will be operating on the day. Draws were sent home last week with permission notes.

Flower Show



On **Friday 25th October**, the whole school will be travelling by bus to the Services Club to perform at the flower show. Please complete the attached permission note and return to school as soon as you are able. Cost of the bus will be \$1.00 each.

Gundy South Hoedown – Old Fashioned Family Bush Dance



Everyone is invited to come along for a fun filled night of bush dancing on **Friday 25th October from 6.30pm** onwards. Come dressed in your best bush dancing outfit and win a prize. Cost is \$25.00 a family or \$5.00 per person with a meal included. It promises to be a night of lots of fun – bring your friends. Parents are asked to contribute a plate of slice or cake for supper please. If you cannot make something, send in a cake mix or \$5.00 so someone else can make something for you. Thank you.

School Photos



Don't forget School Photos will be taken next **Monday 21st October student envelopes are attached.** Everyone will need to be in full school summer uniform with black shoes and white socks for girls and grey socks for boys. Please return your envelopes with correct money. **If you are not ordering photos, you must still return your envelope.**

Tennis Hot Shots



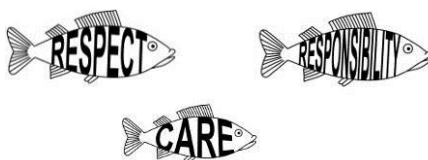
Don't forget all students have the opportunity to participate in Tennis Hot Shots Program. Students will need to register on line at school to receive a free Hot Shots tee-shirt. If you **do not** wish your child to participate, please let Anne or Jill know in the office. Thank you

Gutsy Challenge – Sponsorship Money Due



Don't forget to send in your sponsorship form and money this week.

PBL Corner



Congratulations to everyone for a great effort with our focus area last week – the lunch area. It was a pleasure to see everyone sitting quietly talking to their friends whilst eating. Well done everyone.

This week our focus area is the Canteen area. This involves students using their manners; lining up and waiting their turn and making healthy choices. The staff will be looking out for students who are following these simple rules without being reminded.

PBL- Uniform Winners



Congratulations to our uniform winners - **Bianca French** and **Ryan Anderson**. Well done to those students who are once again wearing their school hat each day as well as correct uniform.

PBL – Green Level Winners

Congratulations to **Holly Young** who has achieved Green Level. Well done Holly

40 Nights Home Reading



Congratulations to **Edward Coady** and **Greg Clarke** for achieving 40 nights home reading certificates.

Gundagai South Sports Star



Congratulations to **Vada Hindmarsh** who represented the school with pride at the Regional Athletics Carnival in Albury in September. Vada participated in the 11 years girls' discus and threw a personal best in the event. Well done Vada your commitment to training certainly paid off.



From the Easel

Congratulations to **Louis Lievens, Lizzie Byron, Seth Jones and Cooper Bethune** who have each won the 'From the Easel' award for September. These fantastic artworks are attached to your newsletters for you to enjoy. Congratulations everyone.

Canteen

This term our canteen has some new appetising items on the menu and it will be operating 3 days a week. Thankyou to Janet for organising this and the parents and grandparents for volunteering.

A reminder for everyone about canteen, particularly as the canteen area is our PBL focus area for this week.

Lunch Time

- One person only should go to collect the lunch box from the canteen.
- Once students have their lunch, they are to sit in their area to eat lunch and they are **not** allowed to go back to the canteen until after their class teacher has dismissed them.
- Items can only be bought from the canteen from 1.30 – 1.45pm, as students need to go and play and have time to visit the toilets before returning to class.
- All students must line up behind the red line in 2 lines, otherwise they will not be served. When it is your turn, you step forward when you are called to the counter. Remember to

walk patiently in line and use your manners.

Healthy choices are encouraged - a special magnet lunchbox reminder is attached to your newsletters to help you understand what and how much you should pack your child each day.

Please note, there are **no** fruit bars, muesli bars, lollies, chips etc. Remember to pack at least one bottle of cold water each day.

Recess Time

Students may buy from the canteen when they are dismissed from class if they do not have other recess.

Otherwise, at 11.30am when it is playtime is the only time to buy a snack at recess. For all those parents and students who love to order 'Chicken Nuggets', I have included an interesting article about 'chicken nuggets' which Mrs McMillan shared with me. I'm sure you will find it enlightening.

Student of the Week

5/6 – Alauralee Bowditch – Excellent results in class spelling.



3/4 – Riley Bethune – For showing independent work habits.



1/2 – Zoey Anderson – For great reading improvement.



K/1 – Te-Leah Smith – Great participation in classroom activities .



Catch of the Week



5/6 – Leonie Rolfe-Lanyon – Following PBL rules and sitting quietly in the lunch area.



3/4 – Kynan Crossley – For always helping around the school.



1/2 – Greg Clarke – Always doing the right thing at recess and lunch eating time.



K/1 – David Foster – Sitting quietly at lunch time.



Healthy Recess and Lunch

Congratulations to our healthy recess and lunch awards winners for Week 1

Recess award -Harri Ralph

Lunch award – Zoey Anderson



Canteen

Chicken Chippies will be available to purchase at recess.

Wednesday Lunch Special – Cheese Burger with BBQ or tomato sauce, zooper dooper choice of apple/raspberry, orange/mango or blackcurrant fruit box – all this for \$5.50

Wednesday 16th October – Janet Clarke & Laurie Byron

Friday 18th October – Jacinta Warren

Monday 21st October – Tiki Paton & Jodie Dean

Reconciliation (First Confession)

All Catholic children in Year 3 wishing to make there reconciliation (First Confession) are asked to be at St. Patrick's Parish Hall on **Tuesday, 15th October at 3.45pm.**

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