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Term 2 Week 1

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the start of another busy term. I'm sure this term will really fly by so quickly as it is only 9 weeks long and we only have half a week to begin with! This term we welcome Nathan Crane and his family to our school. Nathan joins the Year 6 class and I'm sure he will quickly fit into our classroom. Thank you to those parents and friends who attended our final assembly for Term 1. Congratulations to the following students who received special awards.

Citizenship – **Anna McGuirk**



Gala Netball and Boys Rugby League Trials

Congratulations to our girls who participated in the gala Netball Day and trials in Tumut on Thursday 9th April. Anna, Holly, Chelsie and Leonie performed very well with all students showing great improvement throughout the day. Thanks to Carmel Lemon for helping with coaching throughout the day and thanks to the Nangus girls for playing with us.



Congratulations to our boys Dylan Doran, Jayden Bonat and Ben Crooks who participated in the Highlands Rugby League trials. Unfortunately none of our students were selected in the Highlands team, however everyone did their best and most importantly, they had fun.

P & C Street Stall

Thank you to all those parents who contributed to the Street Stall held on Wednesday 10th April. Bendigo Bank offered to



Principal's Award

Yr 5/6 - **Ben Crooks**
Yr 3/4 - **Alauralee Bowditch**
Yr 1/2 - **Destiny Cooper**
Yr K/1 - **Lilah Norden**

provide assistance for this fundraising effort and we are very grateful for their support. Winners of the raffles were: Load of wood (kindly donated by the McGuirk family) - Anne Edwards
 Massage Voucher – Helen Burns
 Florist Voucher (kindly donated by Belinda Allan) – Penny Nicholson
 Pot Plant (kindly donated by Pip McAlister) – Gwen Harpley
 Hair Styler (kindly donated by Anthea Cooper) – Bethune Family
 100 Club – Nicole Bethune
 Thank you to everyone who was involved in any way. We appreciate your help and support.

ANZAC Day Ceremony

Thank you so much to those parents and students who made the effort to support the school and community for the Anzac Day march last week. Our school was well represented and everyone looked wonderful in their uniform. Thank you also to Mrs Flanagan for her support.



Possum Magic Performance - Canberra

On Thursday students and staff from the K, 1, 2 classes will travel to Canberra to attend the performance of Possum Magic

which celebrates 30 years of the fabulous Mem Fox book.

Please ensure your children are at school by 9.00am on Thursday morning as the bus will be leaving at 9.15. Students should wear their full summer school uniform and take their recess, lunch, a bottle of water and make sure you have your school hat and jumper in case it's cold. The bus should return from Canberra in time for the normal bus run. Please make sure you have returned the permission note and \$15.00.

Woolworths Earn & Learn



Woolworths Earn & Learn is back for 2013. Gundagai South Public School has registered to participate again this year. It's simple to participate – from 8th April until 9th June when you shop at Woolworths and collect stickers from the checkout operator just place them on scorecards attached or the cards available at Woolworths, there will be 1 sticker for every \$10 spent. Once completed, you can place your sticker card in the collection box at school or Woolworths. Thank you. Items we received from the 2012 Earn & Learn program are:

Hand Magnifiers, 532 Gear Tech Construction set, 150 Piece Gears Super Set, 100 Piece Marble Run Set, Tee Ball, Display Paper, Craft Rolls, Pre-Cut Art Frames, Giant Polydron Gear Set, Bead Boards – various shapes, Old McGears Farm Building Set, Pony Tee Ball Bat, Animal Kingdom

Puzzle, Busy Airport Puzzle, Wrist Bells, Sky rider Double Take Books, Pattern Blocks Stamp Set, Complete Cricket Set, Batting Tee, Tambourine, Whiteboard Markers Kit, Magnetic Whiteboards, Lego Construction Kits and Microscopes.

Just Singing Concert

This year, students from our school will participate in the '**Just Singing Concert**', a combined choir comprising students from the Highlands Schools.

Students auditioned at the end of last term with Ms Dickinson and students have been chosen to participate. **There will be a practise next Monday 6th May at Gundagai Primary** for those students involved. If your child receives a permission note, please sign and return to school by Friday.

If you are able to assist with transport to the practise – leaving from school at 10.00am and returning at 12.45, please let us know on your permission note.

The actual performance will be held on Monday night, 2nd September at the Montreal Theatre in Tumut.

We hope that all those students who have been selected from the auditions will be keen to attend rehearsals regularly and show their commitment to the choir. It is a great opportunity to be part of a massed choir performance.

Community Choir

Whilst on the subject of choir, the Gundagai Community Choir will be joining with the Wagga City Rugby Male Choir and the Sing Australia Tumut Choir at the Montreal Theatre on

Saturday 11th May at 7.30pm.

Tickets - available at McAlister, Saunderson Stubbs or All Saints Church Tumut at a cost of \$15.00 or \$10.00 concession. Proceeds are to be shared between All Saints Anglican Church and 'Beyond Blue'. Come along and support this worthy cause.

Absence Notes

Attached is a sheet of absence notes that must be filled in and returned to school if your child is absent from school. If your child has to be absent from school, you must tell the school and provide a reason for your child's absence.

Did you know that if a student misses as little as eight days in a school term, by the end of primary school they will have missed over a year of education?

Calendar

The calendar for May is attached for your information. Please keep this on your fridge and add any relevant information as it comes.

NAPLAN

In Week 3, all students in Years 3 & 5 will sit for the National Assessment tests in Literacy and Numeracy. During the next two weeks, students will be continuing their practise tests and will gain a greater understanding of what the tests will be like.

Canteen

The canteen menu and roster for Term 2 are attached. Please note the changes of food available for this term.

Friday 3rd May – Tiki Paton

Monday 6th May – Erica Manns

Book Club

Book Club brochures are attached. If you wish to place an order, these need to be returned to school with the correct money by **Wednesday 8th May**. Thankyou