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NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 Week 10

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Dear Parents,

Rehearsals are proceeding madly this Monday and Tuesday before the presentation of "Annie" on Wednesday at 1.00pm. **If students haven't yet returned their permission notes, please do so.** There is no cost. Everyone is invited to the performance in **St. Pat's Hall on Wednesday at 1.00pm**, but don't be looking for something too professional – we're here to have fun and enjoy the opportunity.

Year 5 Speeches



Last week our prospective leaders from Year 5 presented their speeches to the school. Voting was completed at the end of their speeches and we will now eagerly await the outcome which will be announced on Speech night

next Tuesday week. Well done students.

Crazy Hair Day



On Thursday this week, students may come out of uniform and with crazy hair when they contribute a gold coin donation towards World Vision. This is part of our annual fund raising activities and we encourage everyone to participate and to think of others less fortunate than we are at this time of year.

Fruit Fly Circus

A performance by the Flying Fruit Fly circus will be presented on Thursday afternoon at 1.30pm. There is no cost to students.

Plastic Bags

Everyone should remember to bring in several named plastic bags so that they will be able to take home their school belongings and books over the next week.

PBL Reward



Congratulations everyone on achieving the final part of our goal for the fish puzzle for the year. Everyone has earned a special day at the pool this Friday and we will be leaving school at 11.45. Please indicate to us if your child is a competent/average or beginner/non swimmer to ensure we can provide maximum supervision on the day in the appropriate areas. **Students will be required to pay their own entry to the pool if they do not have a season ticket**, however the school will pay the bus costs.

Everyone needs swimmers and rashi or t-shirt for the water,

sunscreen, towel, hat, bottle of water and their lunch. They may bring money (\$4.00) for an ice-cream (only) at the end of the day.

There will be no canteen on Friday or Monday next week.

All permission notes must be returned. Gym lessons will be moved from Friday to Monday to attend Gundagai High School.

Practise for Speech Night

Everyone should have returned their permission notes for next Monday's practise in the hall at the High School. Melissa will be doing our gym lessons for this Friday at the hall as part of our preparation for Speech night.

Speech Night



Our final recognition of achievement for students for 2014 will be held at Gundagai High School Multi-Purpose Centre on **Tuesday 16th December commencing at 6.30. Please arrive by 6.15pm.** The P & C will be having a raffle at the door, so please bring along your donation of money to purchase a ticket. Tickets are also attached to your newsletter. Please return sold tickets and money to school by Monday 16th. Thankyou Remember to please feed your children prior to coming as there is **no supper** and by the end of the evening, everyone will be hungry if you haven't eaten!

Final Day - Wednesday



The final day for students for 2014 is **Wednesday 17th December**. This will be a planning day for those staff at the school in 2015, whilst those not teaching in 2015 at Gundagai South will be supervising the students throughout the day and they will be organising the party for lunch time. If each family contributes something towards lunch, I'm sure there will be plenty. I suggest that parents send in sandwiches, cocktail frankfurts, sausage rolls, fruit etc. so that there is not just a huge over supply of chips and cakes. Thanks.

Library Books



Just a reminder to please make sure you have checked at home and have returned all school library books and home readers by the end of this week.

Radio News



Week 11: Ben & Vada

School Banking



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

Nutrition Snippet



This week's Cancer Council Nutrition snippet "**The Simplest way to make a Christmas healthy**" is attached. Information is provided by the Cancer Council.

PBL Weekly Focus Area



This week our focus areas for PBL will be "**All Settings**" in the playground and "**Looking**

after Belongings” for our Classroom.

Playground –All Settings

Respect: Follow teacher instruction. Wear uniform with pride.

Responsibility: Hands and feet to self, Be punctual. Wear correct uniform.

Care: Speak nicely. Neat tidy presentation.

Classroom – Looking after Belongings

Respect: Take care with others’ belongings.

Responsibility: Label belongings. Take care of own belongings. Return equipment.

Care: Put thins neatly where they belong. Zip up bags.

Please discuss our focus areas with your children this week.

PBL- Uniform Winners



Congratulations to our weekly uniform award winners for Week 9 - **Alauralee Bowditch, Jack Clarke, Jordan Paton.**

Reading Awards



Congratulations to following students who have achieved

their 40, 60 and 80 night’s home reading certificates.

40 Nights

Tiara Foster

60 Nights

Alauralee Bowditch, Zak Anderson, Chelsie Crossley

80 Nights

Gabrielle Butcher, Greg Clarke

Student of the Week

4/5/6 – Lizzie Bryon –
Achieving excellent results in semester maths test.



3/4/5 – Jessica Crooks – Quiet achievement in her Reindeer research.



Year 2/3 - Greg Clarke –
Trying hard with reading.



K/1 - Amy Myers –
Enthusiastic approach to reading groups.



Catch of the Week

4/5/6- Chelsie Crossley –
Always following PBL rules for leaving the school grounds at the end of day.



3/4/5- Jordan Paton – For sensible movement around the classroom.



Year 2/3 – Charlie Hourn – Sensible behaviour and movement around the classroom.



K/1 – Samantha Crooks – For moving around the classroom respectfully.



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CANTEEN

**Friday 12th December –
NO CANTEEN – WILL BE AT
POOL**

**Monday 15th December -
NO CANTEEN – WILL BE AT
HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH
NIGHT PRACTISE**

Swimming Lessons

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4 years and over
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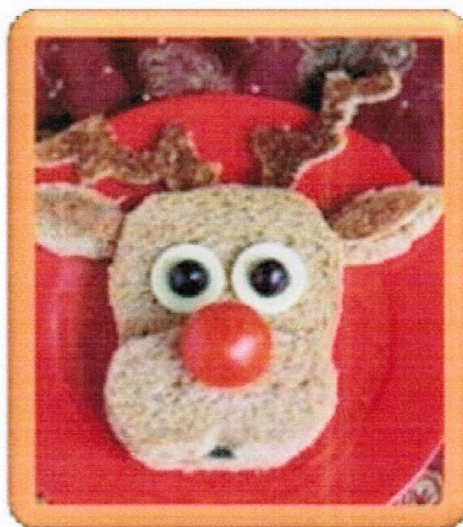
...make Christmas healthy

Christmas is full of temptation: from bowls of chocolate, to puddings to pavlovas.

It's important you still aim for two serves of fruit + five serves of veg, every day.

Try and restrict your family's treats until Christmas Day, and follow these three steps for healthier choices:

1. Serve vegie sticks with vegie dips as a starter, so you fill up on healthier food first.
2. Serve a large fruit salad or fruit kebabs alongside dessert.
3. Make sure half your plate is filled with vegies (think roasted or raw salads).



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A child needs

- love
- a sense of right and wrong
- acceptance of individuality
- routine
- time
- a sense of belonging
- access to books and the written word
- to talk about and share experiences
- help to make friends and deal with problems
- the chance to discover capabilities
- protected time for homework
- exercise
- to be allowed to take responsibility for actions – with support if necessary
- to know that the reward for effort is the excitement of feeling stronger.

Extract from Robb, J. & Letts, H. 1995, *Creating Kids Who Can*.
Hodder & Stoughton, Australia.