



# Gundagai South Public School

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**RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, CARE**

## NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 Week 4

26<sup>th</sup> October 2015

Dear Parents,

Already we are at the beginning of week four and the term is flying by. Thankyou to Miss Reynolds who travelled to Broken Bay with our students last week to help with supervision and to gain valuable experience at a Sport and Recreation Camp, working in a different environment. Congratulations also to our five students who had a fabulous week and thoroughly enjoyed the wonderful activities on offer. Miss Reynolds reported that everyone was well behaved and particular mention goes to Zak Anderson who excelled throughout the week. Well done everyone.

### *Kindergarten Transition*

We held a very successful kindergarten orientation morning last Tuesday with eight new students enjoying a fun filled morning of activities with Mrs Hillier and Kelly. Thankyou to those parents who were able to come to the morning tea and chat, it was great to have such a wonderfully keen group of people there to support their children. Our next Orientation session will be held on **Wednesday week – 4<sup>th</sup>**

**November from 9.15am – 1.15pm.** Children are welcome to come on the bus if they wish. Children will need to bring a piece of fruit, healthy recess, a bottle of water and a shady hat.



### *Visiting Concert Band*

What a fantastic opportunity for our students last Wednesday morning when our school was chosen to host the first touring

performance of the Combined Schools Band from Canberra. The band is comprised of students from Years 7 & 8 from the public schools in Canberra and they presented an exciting well-polished performance for our enjoyment. The students were encouraged to contribute their knowledge about the bands' instruments and Gina was fortunate enough to be chosen to conduct the band. The sounds of the music amplified across the hillside with several comments about the beautiful music being received from our neighbours!





## Head Lice

# HEAD LICE ALERT

Please be vigilant with  
child/children by checking  
their hair EVERYDAY  
and treating if necessary

## Gymnastics



This week sees the first to our gym lessons with Mrs Thatcher. I'm sure everyone will enjoy the opportunity to showcase their skills and learn new techniques and movement sequences. There will be four classes throughout the day beginning with 4/5 6 class who will be split into two groups. Remember that our lessons are free for everyone with the school paying Mrs Thatcher from school equity funding.

## Training & Development



This Tuesday, Mrs Wheeler will be travelling to Yass to attend a workshop on Healthy Living as part of our participation in the Live Life Well program. On Thursday Mrs Wheeler and I will travel to Cootamundra to participate in a number of different activities. Mrs Wheeler will be attending some Accelerated Literacy lessons and visiting the sensory learning room as well as meeting with their learning support teacher whilst I will be meeting with Principal Bill Goodman in relation to the implementation of our policy documents and reporting for 2016.

During week 5, Mrs Hiller will be completing the final session of her L3 training and I will be meeting with the Cootamundra Director Toni Macdonald on Monday. I will be attending Focus on Reading training on Wednesday and on Thursday and Friday Mrs Hillier and I will attend the next phase of our How2Learn training. A busy time ahead for our staff to ensure we are able to keep abreast of changes in teaching and learning.

## P & C Street Stall



The P & C have their annual street stall coming up in **Week 6 – 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> November**. Helpers are needed for Thursday and Friday (Saturday is already covered thankyou). As this is Snake Gully Cup weekend, it is anticipated that there will be many visitors to the town; hence we will aim to cover these three days. Lots of cooking, craft, plants, fruit etc. is needed to help make this a successful fundraising effort. At the last P & C meeting, it was decided that parents for each class would be asked to contribute specific items to our giant hamper. Could parents please bring an item or two according to the following list and send these items to school as soon as you are able thankyou.

**K/1 – Laundry item**  
**Year 2 – Kitchen item**  
**Year 3 – Food Item**  
**Year 4 – Garden**  
**Years 5 – Stationery**  
**Year 6 - Bathroom**

Raffle tickets will be attached to next week's newsletter and if anyone would like to take additional books to place in shops or to sell, please ask at the office. Raffle prizes will be: Signed Newcastle Football jumper – kindly donated by Chris and Kristie Rainbow;



giant hamper; prize donated by Abb & Pip McAlister and a set of tumblers donated by Jeff and Sue Matthews. Thankyou everyone who has offered to donate items for the raffle.

### Red Ball Tennis – Tumut



For those students who have been asked to participate in this competition – half court in Tumut this Wednesday, all permission notes should have been returned (except our Broken Bay people with notes). Parents have been asked to assist with transport to Tumut to the tennis courts. **The day begins at 10.00am, so we will be leaving school at 9.10am.** Please wear your sports uniform with school hat and bottles of water. Bring your own racquet if you have one – otherwise you will need to get one from school. (Please take care of them and be responsible). The cost of the day, per player, will only be \$3.00. A canteen where drinks, snacks and coffee and tea will be available. There will also be a sausage sizzle and rissole BBQ available for lunch.

### Year 6 Gala Day



Permission notes to attend the Year 6 Gala Day should have been returned to school. Please refer to your high school

information sheet for details of the day.

### Flower Show



All students will be attending the Flower Show this Friday to perform some songs for the community. We will be leaving school at 11.40am and will be singing at 12.00. At approximately 12.40pm, we will return to school.

Everyone should wear their summer school uniform. Please sign the attached permission note and **return to school by Wednesday.** There will be no cost for the bus – school will pay for it.

### Operation Art



Next week several of our students have been chosen to participate in special art workshops in Wagga. Stage 1 students **Teleah Smith** and **Amy Myers** have been chosen to attend on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November; Stage 2 students **Tiara Foster** and **Angel Clark** will attend on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November and Stage 3 students **Opal Kothe-Champion**, **Rylee Byrne** & **Chris Afuang** have been chosen to attend on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Students will need to find transport to Wagga each day, however I could take students to Wagga on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> if necessary. The venue is the Wagga Art Gallery, Cnr Morrow and

Bayliss Streets Wagga, commencing at 9.00am. The day will conclude at 3.00pm and the cost of the workshops (\$46.00 each student) will be covered by the school. **Please complete the attached forms if you are attending by Wednesday,** otherwise your place will be offered to other students.

### Birdie's Monday Afternoon Tennis



Unfortunately Birdie has cancelled the planned afternoon tennis lessons for this term. She apologises for having to do this.

### Portfolios

A final call for people to return their child's portfolios to school please. From my room I still need one from, **Angel Clark**, **Rylee Byrne** and **Chris Afuang**. **Billy Anderson** from Mrs Wheeler's room.

### School Banking



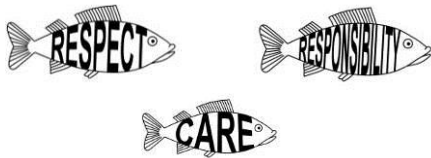
Don't forget to send in your Westpac School Banking. Banking will be collected every Wednesday.

## Radio News



Week 5: Harri & Tiara  
 Week 6: Angel & Daniel  
 Week 7: Lizzie & Kynan  
 Week 8: Chloe & Gabby  
 Week 9: Rylee & Adam  
 Week 10: Meg & Riley  
 Week 11: Isaac & Alauralee

## PBL Weekly Focus Area



This week our focus areas for PBL will be “**Sports Shed**” in the playground and “**Work Habits**” for our Classroom.

### Playground – Sports Shed

**Respect:** Keep equipment tidy.

**Responsibility:** Return equipment when finished.

**Care:** Look after equipment. Report problems.

### Classroom – Work Habits

**Respect:** Look after equipment. Follow teacher instructions. Respect others’ right to work.

**Responsibility** – Do your best. Be prepared.

**Care:** Neat bookwork. Careful work.

Please discuss our focus areas with your children this week.

## PBL- Uniform Winners



Congratulations to our weekly uniform award winners for Week 3: **Braith Winner, Brandy McGrath and Chloe Crossley**. Well done.

## Home Reading

Congratulations to the following students who have reached 40 nights Home Reading.

### 40 Nights

**Teleah Smith and Charlie Hourn**

## Healthy Recess and Lunch

Congratulations to our healthy recess and lunch awards winners for Week 3

Recess award-

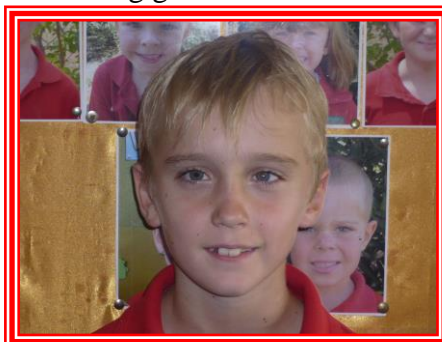
**Adam Morris**

Lunch award – **Braith Winner**



## Student of the Week

**4/5/6 – Isaac Ford** – Making a great effort to master subtraction with trading and achieving great success.



**2/3 – Jade Harvey** – Using great strategies when reading.



**K/1 – Makena Hourn** – For improvement in her writing during Literacy activities.



## Catch of the Week

**4/5/6 - Zak Anderson** – Being a great team member and a wonderful school ambassador at Broken Bay.



**2/3 - Billy Anderson –**  
Displaying appropriate  
behaviour according to our PBL  
values.



**K/1 – Chase Anderson –** For  
showing respect in the  
classroom.



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## CANTEEN

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>  
-October - Rebecca  
Morris & Jenna  
Morris**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> –Cheryl  
Lanyon**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>  
November – Alex  
Butcher**

**PARTY PIES  
ARE NO  
LONGER  
AVAILABLE**

**THERE IS ONLY A  
LIMITED SUPPLY  
OF CHICKEN  
CHIPPIES,  
NUGGETS,  
SAUSAGE ROLLS  
AND PIZZA  
POCKETS - ONCE  
GONE THEY WILL  
NO LONGER BE  
AVAILABLE AS  
WELL**

Swimming Club  
Registration/Assessment  
night  
Thursday the 5<sup>th</sup> of  
November 4:00 to 6:00pm

**All new swimmers to be  
assessed before registering  
Re-registering swimmers  
assessed Monday 9<sup>th</sup> &  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> of November**

Cost for the swimming season  
will be \$84.00. \$25 to Gundagai  
swimming club & \$59 to  
swimming NSW which needs to  
be done online.

**Club Nights Thursday - 1<sup>st</sup>  
club night 12<sup>th</sup> of November  
2015**

**Training nights - starting  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November.**

**Monday – Stroke Correction**

5:00-5:30 beginners

5:30-6:30 seniors

**Tuesday – Endurance swimming**

5:30 – 6:00 beginners

5:30-6:30 seniors

This year we have on board to  
help our coach Kay Makeham.  
Max Hargreaves who has 25  
years coaching experience &  
Tash Flanagan who has her own  
swimming experiences &  
knowledge.

Both coaches specializing in  
stroke correction.

We are hoping for a fun year for  
the kids & help make our  
swimmers stronger by improving  
their ability. For any details  
please call or message  
Paula Cotterill 0422 524 858 Cal  
Reardon 0408 441 056 or  
Angela Doughty 0411 120 251.