



# Gundagai South Public School

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**RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, CARE**

## NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 Week 9

30<sup>th</sup> November 2015

Dear Parents,

The countdown to the end of term is approaching very quickly with only two and a half weeks left for the students! Thankyou to those parents and students who participated in the Screen Swap Challenge last week. Several students made an excellent commitment to making an important change to their behaviour during the week. Congratulations to the following students who have achieved the ultimate goal of swapping screen time for something more active and rewarding.

### K – 2

1<sup>st</sup> **Brandy McGrath**, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Indi Tyson**, 3<sup>rd</sup> **Riley Foster**

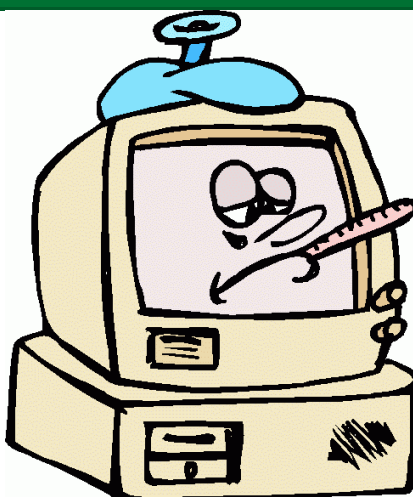
### Yrs 3 – 6

1<sup>st</sup> **Lizzie Bryon**, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Gabby Butcher**, 3<sup>rd</sup> **Shanti Kothe-Champion**

Special mention also goes to **Daniel Anderson, Chase Anderson and Josie Warren** who were very close to placing. Some of the most popular activities according to Mrs Wheeler were swimming,

family walks and chasing sheep!. Prizes will be presented to the winning students at today's assembly.

### *Virtual Excursion*



Unfortunately due to a major departmental technology problem last Wednesday morning, the 4/5/6 class was unable to participate in our virtual excursion "Law of the Land". This was very disappointing as it complemented our HSIE studies beautifully. No control over technology unfortunately.

### *Transition to School*

We concluded our final transition to school day for our new kindergarten students last Thursday.

Everyone enjoyed the whole day experience, gaining a good understanding of activities throughout the day. We look forward to seeing the students and their families at our **BBQ evening this Friday from 6.00 – 7.30pm**



## *P & C Meeting*



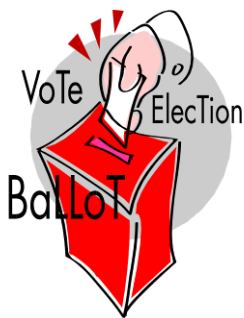
A reminder that our final P & C meeting for the year will be held this Wednesday evening from 7.00pm. Come along and have your say whilst enjoying a cuppa. Final arrangements for Speech Night presentation and our BBQ evening will be discussed.

## *Year 6 Transition*



Year 6 transition to high school day is this Thursday. Students should catch the bus to and from high school. Don't forget the Lowes uniform evening will be held on Tuesday from 5.00pm followed by a parent/student evening at 6.00pm.

## *Year 5 Leadership Speeches*



Don't forget – Year 5 Leadership speeches will be delivered this Friday from 2.00pm. Everyone should be busily putting the final touches on their speech and reading it through to ensure your

presentation is the best it can be.

Years 6 students should also be working on their end of year presentation evening farewell speech.

## *PBL Reward Day*



Our whole school PBL reward day will be at Gundagai Pool on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December**. We will be leaving school after recess and return in time for the afternoon buses. Children should bring their swimmers, towel, sunscreen, rash vest and ensure they have a hat. Students will need to bring their own lunch, however they may buy an ice-cream from the pool during the day (no lollies though). Suggest maximum \$4.00. If you have a current season ticket for the pool please indicate on the attached permission note. The school will cover the cost of the bus and the remaining costs for students for entry to the pool. Please return your note by this Friday. Any notes not returned will mean students will be staying at school.

## *Uralba Visit Christmas Joy*



Following our successful and much appreciated visit to Uralba recently, the Uralba staff

have invited the students back again to spread and share some Christmas Joy. Everyone will be travelling to Uralba next **Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> December**, leaving school at 10.40am and returning at 11.30am. Please complete the attached permission note returning by this Friday. No cost for the bus.

## *Presentation Night Practice*

On Monday week, we will be travelling to the High School for our presentation evening practice. Please complete the attached permission note and return by the end of the week. There will be no cost for the bus with the school once again covering the costs.

## *Blue Earth Well Being Program Demonstration*



Next Tuesday week we will have a visit from Blue Earth Wellbeing program presenters. We are interested in delivering this wellbeing program at school in 2016, so it will be great to be able to be part of this demonstration. The focus is on wellbeing of mind and body through participation in healthy exercise and this complements our healthy canteen and eating focus.

## Canteen



Our thanks to **Alex Butcher** who has organised our recent Meal Deal Specials at the canteen on Wednesdays and to the students who have assisted Mrs Wheeler in running the canteen on Wednesdays.

## Demountable Building

Unfortunately due to our lower number of students currently attending the school. Our demountable building will be removed from the school grounds during the first week of the holidays.

This move necessitates a move for students for 2016 who will be in Years 3 & 4. Accordingly the class will move back into the main building, in the end room currently being used by Mrs Jackson.

## Presentation Evening



Our end of year presentation evening will be held at **Gundagai High School on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December commencing at 6.30pm.** All students are expected to attend.

## Gundagai Lions Club Cubby House Raffle



The Gundagai Lions Club Inc. is raffling a Timber Cubby House to be drawn at the Christmas Carnival on 19<sup>th</sup> December. 25% of the proceeds will be shared equally between the local Early Childcare Centres and Primary Schools. Attached is information and a request form for tickets. If you would like to purchase tickets please return the form to school by **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December.** Thankyou

## Letters to Santa



Attached is information for those wishing to write letters to Santa. His special letter box will be situated at the Gundagai Newsagency so that children can drop their letters there. Letters need to be posted by **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December.**

## Calendar



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

## Head Lice

### HEAD LICE ALERT

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

## School Banking



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

## Radio News



Week 10: Meg & Riley  
Week 11: Isaac & Alauralee



## PBL Weekly Focus Area



This week our focus areas for PBL will be “**Corridors and Pathways**” in the playground and “**Speaking to others**” for our Classroom.

### Playground –Corridors and Pathways

**Respect:** Inside voices.

**Responsibility:** Walk.

**Care:** Keep left.

### Classroom – Speaking to others

**Respect:** Speak politely. Greet people.

**Responsibility:** Make eye contact.

**Care:** Speak clearly to be understood.

Please discuss our focus areas with your children this week.

## PBL- Uniform Winners



Congratulations to our weekly uniform award winners for Week 8: **Adam Morris, Josie Warren, Braith Winner, Tiara Foster, Claire Lievens.** Congratulations and well done everyone.

## PBL Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved the following levels in our PBL welfare system.

**ORANGE:** **Daniel Anderson, Hayden Crossley, Riley Foster, Miah Hosking, Indi Tyson, Jack Clarke.**

Special congratulations to **Brandy McGrath** who have reached **BRONZE** level. Well Brandy.

## Home Reading

Congratulations to the following student who has reached 80 nights Home Reading.

### 80 Nights

**Brandy McGrath**

## Healthy Recess and Lunch

Congratulations to our healthy recess and lunch awards winners for Week 8  
Recess award- **Lizzie Byron**  
Lunch award – **Samantha Crooks**



## Student of the Week

**4/5/6 – Jordan Paton –**  
Scoring 98% in his semester spelling test.



**2/3- Kayla Byrne –** For settling back into school routines with a positive attitude.



**K/1 – Makena Hourn –** For her consistent effort in learning her spelling words



## Catch of the Week

**4/5/6 - Destiny Cooper –**  
Participating in the Nutcracker Shield with graciousness and good sportsmanship.



**2/3 - Amy Myers** – For making positive choices in all school settings.



**K/1 – Aiden Morris** – For being a respectful class member during kindergarten orientation.



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## CANTEEN

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup>  
December – Meg  
Wheeler & Daniel  
Anderson**

**Snacks at  
recess**

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December -  
Trevor Champion &  
Tara Morris**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December  
– Alex Butcher &  
Vivana Tyson**

**PARTY PIES ARE NOW  
AVAILABLE AGAIN  
ONLY ON FRIDAY'S  
AND MONDAY'S**