



# Gundagai South Public School

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**RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, CARE**

## NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 Week 8

16<sup>th</sup> March 2015

Dear Parents,

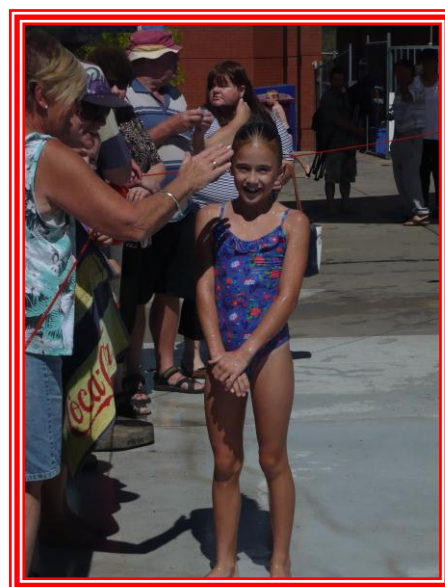
Another busy week for everyone last week – swimming, soccer, rugby league as well as our P & C AGM and a visit from the High School English teachers.

### Sport

Congratulations to our five swimmers who represented the school with such enthusiasm and commitment last Monday. **Claire, Alauralee, Gabby and Dylan** swam a great race in the Peter Dobson relay improving their qualifying time by a massive 24 seconds. This was a fantastic effort by everyone as we were aiming to achieve a time of less than 3.20. Well done relay team. Also swimming with great determination were **Gabby** – 11 years Girls butterfly and **Rylee** – Junior Girls Breaststroke with **Gabby** placing 13<sup>th</sup> in the Riverina and **Rylee** 15<sup>th</sup>. To qualify to swim in their individual events was a wonderful achievement both girls should be congratulated. Thankyou also to the enthusiastic supporters who took the students to Albury. Well done everyone.



*Dylan, Claire, Alauralee & Gabby*



*Rylee*

Special congratulations to **Alauralee** who participated in the tennis trials in Griffith following her success in Wagga. Alauralee just missed selection in the Regional tennis team (by 3 points) to play in the State Tennis Competition. This is still a great achievement and Alauralee is to be congratulated for her fantastic effort.

Thankyou to Shan for your efforts and travelling to Griffith.

### Soccer Trials

On Friday, Harri and Isaac travelled to Tumbarumba to try out for the Highlands' Soccer team. The boys will find out this week if they have been successful in making the Riverina team. Good luck Harri & Isaac.



### Girls Soccer Trials



This Wednesday afternoon at 2.00pm, **Claire Lievens, Alauralee Bowditch, Lizzie Byron and Meg & Gina**

**Wheeler** will participate in the Highlands' soccer trials to be held in Gundagai at Stan Crowe Oval. We wish the girls the best of luck.

### *Rugby League Program*

Our Rugby League program concluded last Wednesday with everyone benefitting from the experience. Students in K – 3 all received a take home book, whilst the students in Years 4 – 6 each received their own football. The older students were required to devise the rules for their own football game while the emphasis was on fun and fair play in a non-competitive manner. Our thanks to Luke and the Country Rugby League for their support.

### *P & C Meeting*



Congratulations to our new P & C committee and my thanks for taking on this commitment. Thankyou to our outgoing executive members and thankyou to the committee for your great contribution during 2014. It was a very positive meeting on Wednesday with 12 people in attendance. It was voted at the meeting to continue with evening meetings, so our next meeting will be after the holidays – on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April**. There was some great discussion for our new school management plan currently being written. Thankyou to all those who attended. Please refer to the P & C minutes for details.

### *School Counsellor Visit*

Due to the Keep them Safe Meeting in Gundagai this Wednesday, Pru had to change the date of her visit to this **Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> March**. Sorry for any inconvenience.

### *Parent Teacher Interviews*



Next week (Week 9) teachers will be holding Parent/Teacher Interviews. This is a great opportunity for parents to come along and spend some time discussing their child's progress with their class teacher. We value and encourage your input and support and highly recommend you try to make the effort to attend these interviews. A list of times available is attached to your newsletter. Please return ASAP, so that a time table can be sent out on Thursday. Another opportunity will be provided early in Term 2 if this suits you better.

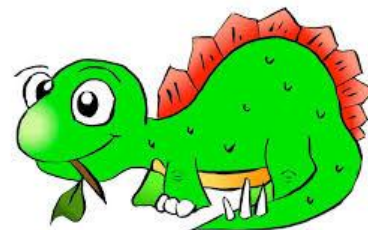
### *Easter Hat Parade and Theme Day*



Advance notice is being given for our annual Easter hat parade

which will be held on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April** which is the last day of term. Start thinking about your hat design so you are well prepared. Assembly will also be held in the afternoon. More details to come.

### *Dinosaur Science Show*



On **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March**, there will be a visiting performance by School Performance Tours. This is an interactive show with student participation in helping to reconstruct dinosaurs from the past. The cost for students to attend the show will be \$2.00 each with the school paying the remaining \$6.00 per students. Please send in your \$2.00

### *Montreal Theatre Visit – Anzac Anniversary*



Don't forget, the students in Years 4 – 6 will be attending this performance at the Montreal Theatre on Friday. **The bus will leave school at 9.15am**, in order for us to be able to visit the Community Radio Station – Sounds of the Mountains prior to attending the show. This will be a great opportunity for the students to meet Dave Eisenhower in person



and to see how the radio station operates. Students will wear their school uniform and will need to bring their own recess and lunch. We will return in time for the afternoon buses.

### *Healthy Harold Visit*



FOR A SAFER, SMARTER LIFE.  
Harold will once again be visiting the school in Week 10. The students all enjoy participating in this very valuable program to support their learning in the Personal Development, Health and Physical Education curriculum area. **The school will pay the \$5.00 cost for each student to attend the program.**

### *Rugby League Trials*



These trials will be held in Tumut on **Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March**. If you wish to trial in the 11 years or Open division (12 & 13yrs) you need to complete the permission to play tackle league forms. These trials are not for students who are not currently playing or intending to play

Minor League. Students must have a sound knowledge of the game and know the rules. Travel to Tumut is needed. Please see Anne if you wish to attend the trials.

### *High School Student/Parent Information Evening*

A parent information evening for students interested in enrolling at Gundagai High School in Years 7 2016, will be held **this Tuesday evening commencing at 6.00pm** in the MPC. Students received in information note about this last week.

### *The Tell Them From Me Student Feedback Survey*

We value the input of all members of our school learning community and are seeking feedback from the students about what they think about school and how they would like to learn. Please see the attached note.

### *From the Easel*

Congratulations to the following students whose art work has been chosen for inclusion in this month's edition of "From the Easel"

**Indi Tyson, David Foster & Claire Lievens.**

### *Lions Club Locola Camp*

The Lions Club of Gundagai has been sent information regarding a holiday camp for children with disabilities. The camp will be held at Licola a small village beside the

Macalister River 254 km east of Melbourne. The camp will run from Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2015. Cost of the camp is \$365.00 which covers bus trip and accommodation. If you are interested in your child attending, please contact Anne for further information.

### *Cross Country Training*



A permission note is attached for all students as we now need to commence our cross country training for the upcoming Small School Carnival (4<sup>th</sup> May). This training involves the students running up to the lookout as part of our fitness program and as we are leaving the school grounds, we need to have a signed permission note. This is for **all** students. **Please sign the attached note and return it to school as soon as possible**, but preferably by the end of the week. Thanks.

### *Grandparents Afternoon Tea*



This week is Senior Citizens' week and we would like to celebrate this time which our students' grandparents or family friend if you do not have a grandparent who could attend. We are planning to have an afternoon tea – not this Friday (as the senior class is away), but

the following **Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> March, commencing at 2.30pm** until the end of school (3.15pm). We would love it if you could come along – please let us know if you would like to participate. Thankyou

## Tennis Lessons



We had a great response and already our 8 places have been filled and currently we have 1 reserve. The lessons will commence next term on Monday afternoons (sorry about day change) – I think I had it wrong; cost will be \$60 for 8 lessons and they will commence at 3.30pm.

## Head Lice

### HEAD LICE ALERT

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



We had several cases of head lice reported last week. Some children get very itchy and some feel nothing. If everyone is treating their children at the same time and they all follow the treatment protocol then we will have a much better chance of breaking the head lice cycle in the school.

## Radio News



Week 9: Gabby & Jordan  
Week 10: Lizzie & Gina

## School Banking



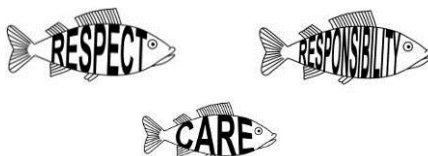
Don't forget to send in your Westpac School Banking. Banking will be collected every Wednesday.

## Nutrition Snippet



This week's Cancer Council Sun Smart Snippet "The simplest way to protect your skin" is attached. Information is provided by the Cancer Council.

## PBL Weekly Focus Area



This week our focus areas for PBL will be "Walkers" in the playground and "At seats" for our Classroom.

### Playground –Walkers

**Respect:** Wait patiently.

**Responsibility:** Right place, right time.

**Care:** Be safe.

### Classroom - At Seats

**Respect:** Work carefully, Respect school property. Remember others in room

**Responsibility:** Tuck chairs in. Sit correctly. Complete own work with care. Work quietly.

**Care:** Sit at your chair correctly. Do your best.

Please discuss our focus areas with your children this week.

## PBL- Uniform Winners



Congratulations to our weekly uniform award winners for Week 7–**Gabby Butcher, Brandy McGrath, Braith Winner and Riley Foster.** Well done everyone.

## Healthy Recess and Lunch

Congratulations to our healthy recess and lunch awards winners for Week 7

Recess award –**Teleah Smith**  
Lunch award – **Jess Crooks**



## Home Reading



Congratulations to the following students who have achieved 20 nights home reading

**Jordan Paton, Dylan Manns, Thomas Casnave, Opal Kothe-Champion, Riley Manns, Jessica Crooks, Angle Clark, Hayley Booby, Teleah Smith, Nic Monaghan, Amy Myers, Lilah Norden, Kayla Byrne, Michael Monaghan, Kynan Paton, Charlie Hourn, Josie Warren, Chase Anderson, Indi Tyson, Makena Hourn, Aiden Morris, Riley Foster, Miah Hosking, Jack Clarke.** Well done.

## Red Level

Congratulations to the following students who have reached Red level this week:

**Brydon Harvey, Destiny Cooper, Daniel Anderson, Lizzie Byron, Tiara Foster & Chase Anderson.** Well done everyone.

## Green Level

Congratulations to the following students who have reached Green level this week:

**Hayden Crossley, Jack Clarke, Riley Foster, Greg Clarke, Billy Anderson, Josie Warren and Shanti Kothe-Champion.** Well done everyone.

## Student of the Week

**4/5/6 – Zak Anderson –** Demonstrating a more mature attitude towards completing set tasks in class.



**2/3- Brandy McGrath –** Trying hard to improve her handwriting.



**K/1 – Chase Anderson –** For his effort in learning his spelling words and got 100% correct in his test.



## Catch of the Week

**4/5/6 – Destiny Cooper –** Always following PBL rules both in the classroom and playground.



**2/3 – Greg Clarke –** Using manners at all times.



**K/1 – Riley Foster –** For being a lovely class member and learning hard at being a responsible listener.



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## CANTEEN

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup>  
March – Sharni  
Carpenter**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March  
– Tiki Paton**

### Tumut Easter

#### Bazaar

**Good Friday April 3  
Easter Saturday April 4  
at BOYS CLUB HALL**

(next to Ambulance  
Station)

**9am to 4pm BOTH  
DAYS**

**FREE ENTRY  
GREAT BARGAINS  
Craft, Books, Antiques,**

Collectables,

Plants, Fruit, Toys,

Jewellery,

Baby wear, Clothing,

Socks, Handbags,

Jams, Cakes and Lots,

Lots More

**B.B.Q Tea & Coffee**

**Bookings; ph 02-**

**42322337 or**

**0419427801**

### **Game On! – April School Holiday Sports Program**

Sport and Recreation will again be conducting its popular Game On! program during the school holidays at the Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre.

The five day **Game On!** program will include the introduction to a range of sports and recreation activities including Lawn Bowls, Acrobatics Fencing, Basketball, Martial Arts, Indoor Rock Climbing, Flying Fox, Slider Hockey and many more which will be delivered by qualified coaches and instructors.

#### **Program details:**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to Friday 17<sup>th</sup>  
April 2015

Boys & girls – age 7 to 12  
years.

Cost \$65 per day OR \$300  
for all 5 days.

To enroll in the program call  
13 13 02 or to enroll online  
go to:

[www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/active/whatson.asp?region=rive\\_rina](http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/active/whatson.asp?region=rive_rina)

Please see the attached flyer  
for more information.

### **GUNDAGAI PANTHERS**

**(JUNIOR SOCCER)** is now taking registrations online. Go to [www.myfootballclub.com.au](http://www.myfootballclub.com.au) and click on Player Registration. Returning players need to click on "Find your FFA number". New players need to click on "Create an FFA account"

The FFA number is both the Login AND password.

For the 2015 season the Gundagai Panthers Football Club will subsidise all player registrations, providing a \$25 discount. The Registration cost will only be \$30 per player, this can be paid online. For assistance with registration email Registrar, Michelle Scott at [mscott@bordnet.com.au](mailto:mscott@bordnet.com.au) or phone 6945 3172.

We will be holding a Registration evening **WEDNESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH AT 4.00PM** at the Gundagai District Services Club for those who are unable to register online and need to pay in person. Registration needs to be finalised by the 28<sup>th</sup> March.

Many thanks

Michelle Scott

Gundagai Panthers Registrar

### **Energy Rebate**

Attached is information for families with dependent children who may be eligible for the rebate of up to \$150, but are not yet aware of this program.

The application submission deadline is **Midnight 16 June 2015.**

The Family Energy Rebate is one of a number of NSW Government energy assistance programs to help eligible households reduce the impact of electricity costs. It takes just two minutes to [apply online](#) and once submitted the rebate application begins processing. Applying online can also be done from mobile, internet-enabled devices including smartphones and tablets.

