



# Gundagai South Public School

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**RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, CARE**

## NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 Week 4

11<sup>th</sup> May 2015

Dear Parents,

Congratulations to everyone who participated so enthusiastically in the Small Schools' Cross Country at Bongongo last Monday. Well done to those students who received placing's in their events and best of luck to the students who will represent Gundagai South at the Highlands Cross Country in Gundagai **next Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May**.

Placegetters were:

5yrs Girls – 1<sup>st</sup> **Makena Hourn**

7yrs Girls – 3<sup>rd</sup> **Miah Hosking**

6yrs Boys – 1<sup>st</sup> **Hayden**

**Crossley**

7yrs Boys – 3<sup>rd</sup> **Aiden Morris**

8/9yrs Girls - 2<sup>nd</sup> **Brandy**

**McGrath, 3<sup>rd</sup> Josie Warren**

10yrs Girls – 1<sup>st</sup> **Jess Crooks,**

2<sup>nd</sup> **Rylee Byrne, 3<sup>rd</sup> Destiny**

**Cooper**

11yrs Girls – 1<sup>st</sup> **Alauralee**

**Bowditch, 2<sup>nd</sup> Gina Wheeler,**

3<sup>rd</sup> **Gabrielle Butcher**

12yrs Girls 1<sup>st</sup> – **Claire Lievens**

Congratulations everyone!



The following students will represent the school at the Highlands Carnival **on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May in Gundagai**. Please **complete the attached permission note and return to school by Thursday this week**.

Boys: 8/9yrs – **Greg Clarke,**

**Isaac Ford, Kynan Paton**

Girls 8/9yrs – **Brandy**

**McGrath, Josie Warren,**

**Hayley Booby**

Boys 10yrs – **Daniel Anderson,**

**Riley Manns**

Girls 10yrs – **Jess Crooks,**

**Rylee Byrne, Destiny Cooper**

11yrs Boys – **Kynan Crossley**

11yrs Girls – **Alauralee**

**Bowditch, Gina Wheeler,**

**Gabby Butcher**

12yrs Boys – **Zak Anderson,**

**Harri Ralph, Chris Afuang**

12yrs Girls – **Claire Lievens**

Gundagai Public School will be running the carnival on the common and will be running the canteen. The menu is attached to your permission note.

**P & C Mother's Day Stall**



Thankyou to the parents who helped man the P & C Mother's Day stall last Wednesday.

Everyone had a great afternoon selecting items for their Mum. I hope you all had a lovely day yesterday and enjoyed receiving your special gift. Winners of the raffles were:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize – Mark Carpenter

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Josie Warren

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – Gayle McGrath

4<sup>th</sup> Prize – Debbie Clarkson

5<sup>th</sup> Prize – Norma Funnell

6<sup>th</sup> Prize – Chase Anderson

7<sup>th</sup> Prize – Gabby Butcher

8<sup>th</sup> Prize: - Riley Hourn

Thankyou to everyone who contributed items for the raffle prizes and to those who helped with the organising, especially Anthea and Tiki.



## Quality Engagement Activities (Clubs)

Everyone enjoyed the first day of our Quality Engagement Activities last Tuesday afternoon. This week Mrs Jackson's Chess group will work with Kelly as Mrs Jackson will be away attending a training and development workshop. They will be learning how to play chess.



## Dance Lessons



Lessons will continue this Wednesday. Please send in your money if you are paying each week.

## NAPLAN

**NAPLAN** NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM  
Literacy and Numeracy

This week all our Year 3 and Year 5 students will participate in the National Assessments for Literacy and Numeracy tests. These tests provide the school with important information about ways we can further support our individual students in their learning. These tests though, do only represent one test at one particular point in time, and are not the only indication of student achievement. When the results come back to school later in the year, these determine the level of funding the school will receive to support the students in their learning as they move

into higher years of learning. I'm sure everyone will do their best.

## Riverina Environmental Education Centre

Thankyou to those parents of students in Year 6 who have indicated their interest in attending the EEC. Please note, **out of uniform** clothes may be worn, and students need to pay \$2.00 each on the day at the centre. Students need to take their own recess and lunch as well as a hat or coat in case it is cold. **An empty 2 litre or 1.25 litre plastic bottle will also be required by everyone on the day** and the day starts at 9.30am. Travel is by private car.

## Early Years Engagement Program



This Thursday, children from Preschool and Gumnut will be visiting the K/1 class as part of our early years Learning Program. Mrs Hillier, with help from Mrs Wheeler has organised some wonderful activities during the morning. If you know of any children of school age who will start kindy next year and who are not attending Preschool or Gumnut, please invite them along.

## Creative Catchment Kids

Last Friday, our students met with Stacey Staunton-Latiner from the Murray Darling Catchment Authority and Riverina Local Land Services to begin their work on Pests in Irrigation Landscapes. The students were extremely engaged in the activities and are now deciding what steps to take next in this wonderful research project. Thanks to Ms Sini for organising for the students to participate.



## Flashing Lights – School Zone



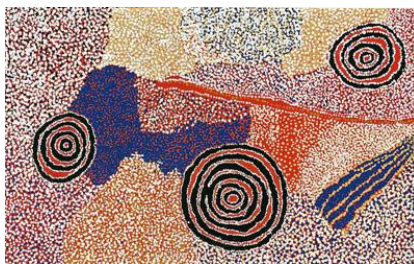
Last week, flashing lights were installed in Luke Street to define the school zone. Please be aware that the 40kmh speed limit must be adhered to during the designated hours – 8.00am – 9.30am and 2.30pm – 4.00pm.

## Mortimer Shield



Girls in Years 5 & 6 will be travelling to Tumut to participate in the Mortimer Shield Touch football carnival on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May**. We all **need to be there by 8.30am** (Kynan included) to have a practise run with other team members. A canteen will be operating. **Please let me know if you can assist with transport on the day.** We need everyone to be involved.

## Visit to Wagga



As part of the senior students' participation in the Ngulagambilhanha Art Project, the whole school will be travelling to Wagga on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. The cost is \$5.00 each and **students need to be at school by 8.45am**. Students should wear their school uniform and warm clothes. Years 4/5/6 will need to wear shorts under their uniform so they are able to participate in the gymnastics activities. **Please return your permission notes and money by Friday.**

## Assembly



Our first assembly for Term 2 will be held at **2.00pm on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May**. Come along and see what the students have been doing at school during the past four weeks.

## Radio News



Week 5: Isaac & Rylee  
Week 6: Kynan & Claire

Week 7: Brydon & Adam  
Week 8: Queens Birthday  
Week 9: Riley & Harri  
Week 10: Angel & Gabby

## School Banking



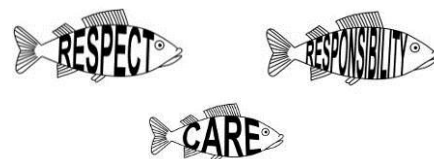
Don't forget to send in your Westpac School Banking. Banking will be collected every Wednesday.

## Nutrition Snippet



This week's Cancer Council Nutrition Snippet "**The simplest way to understand Health Star Ratings**" is attached. Information is provided by the Cancer Council.

## PBL Weekly Focus Area



This week our focus areas for PBL will be "**Canteen**" in the playground and "**Looking after belongings**" for our Classroom. These two areas complement each other well, as respect, responsibility and care in these two areas are important in helping to lead a balanced life.

### Playground –Canteen

**Respect:** Use your manners.

**Responsibility:** Line up. Wait your turn. 10 minutes buying time during play time.

**Care:** Make healthy choices.

### Classroom – Looking after belongings

**Respect:** Take care with others' belongings

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

**Care:** Put things 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 3: **Opal Kothe-Champion, Lilah Norden and Billy Anderson.** Well done everyone.

### *Healthy Recess and Lunch*

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



Recess award – **Brydon Harvey**  
Lunch award – **Indi Tyson**

### *PBL Achievement*

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

**GREEN:** Adam Morris, Makena Hourn, Chase Anderson.

**PINK:** Sam Crooks, Josie Warren, Lilah Norden.

### *Home Reading*



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

### 40 Nights

Brandy McGrath, Greg Clarke, Charlie Hourn, Lilah Norden, Josie Warren, Gina Wheeler, Riley Manns, Meg Wheeler, Isaac Ford, Chris Afuang, Harri Ralph.

### *Student of the Week*

4/5/6 – **Dylan Manns** – Improving effort and results in maths and tables knowledge.



2/3- **Lilah Norden** – A consistent approach to her learning.



K/1 – **Indi Tyson** – Consistent effort in writing during literacy lessons.



### *Catch of the Week*

4/5/6 - **Christopher Afuang** – Great participation and sportsmanship when using the play areas.



2/3 – **Jade Harvey** – displaying patience when entering and exiting the room.



**K/1 – Chase Anderson –**  
Showing responsibility  
participating in Maths activities.



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## CANTEEN

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>  
May – Rebecca  
Morris & Jenna  
Morris**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May –  
Erin Batt & Sharon  
Batt**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May  
– Sharni Carpenter**