



# Gundagai South Public School

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**RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, CARE**

## NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 Week 2

20<sup>th</sup> July 2015

Dear Parents,

It was good to see all the happy smiling faces back at school last week and to have everyone sharing their news and experiences.

### Small Schools' Athletics



Today we are holding our Small Schools' Athletics Carnival at Stan Crowe Oval. Thankyou to Tara for gathering support from the parents for the running of the canteen and for organising the food and the van. For those students who qualify today for the Highlands' Carnival, they will receive a permission note later in the week for the Highlands' Carnival which will be held in **Tumut on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July**. Good luck to all our competitors today.

### Welcome – Miss Reynolds



This week we welcome **Miss Reynolds** to our school as she begins her final practicum before beginning her teaching career. She will be working with Mrs Wheeler for the next month, before commencing more intensive teaching of the class herself. I'm sure she will gain many valuable experiences to help her with her teaching career. Welcome Miss Reynolds.

### Welcome

We also welcome **Will Robinson** and his family to our school. Will is in Year 4 and has come to us from Cootamundra. I'm sure he will enjoy being part of our school community. Welcome Will.

### Tennis Lessons

Please send in your money and permission note for tennis lessons if you haven't yet done so. Thankyou to the many parents who have already returned their note and money. Prompt return of notes saves Mrs Edwards from continually having to chase up notes.



### Stripey Excursion Canberra



Thankyou again for prompt return of notes and money for the live performance of Stripey on Friday in Canberra. Remember K – 3 parents, the student will leave school at 9.30am, but will **not return**

until 4.30pm when they will need to be collected from school. They should wear their school uniform and take their own recess, lunch and a bottle of water. School will be as normal for the students in Years 4 – 6.

### School Counsellor

Mrs Gleeson will be visiting the school this Wednesday to work with the students requiring support.

### Chaplaincy Program



My sincere thanks to **Jenny Glazebrook** who has begun working at Gundagai South with such enthusiasm and interest in the wellbeing of the students. Jenny has shown initiative and willingness to address areas of need in a very compassionate and understanding manner. Thankyou Jenny.

### Early Years Engagement Program



This very successful program will continue next **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July** with Mrs Hillier and the K/1 class. Students from Pre-school and Gumnut will be visiting our school to interact with our students and have some fun at 'big school' from 10.00am until the end of recess at 11.45am. I'm sure they will all enjoy the morning.

### Education Week



Next week, **27<sup>th</sup> – 31st July** is Education Week with the Department of Education and public schools celebrating their wonderful achievements. Our school **will be holding an Open Day on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July from 11.30am**. Everyone is invited and welcome to attend to spend time showing your support for your child/children. We will be having **Open Classrooms from 11.30 – 12.00** and then following this, parents and friends may choose to attend "workshops" in different classrooms. Each classroom will be running 3 x 20 minutes sessions and you can choose to attend those which you would most like to attend.

**We want to encourage as many people as possible to support the school and our students.** There will be a free sausage sizzle lunch and this will be followed by each class planting trees for Nation Schools Tree Day. It is also hoped that we may be able to offer a special session for interested parents on Speech and Language development. Please see the attached invitation for further information.

**We would also appreciate if you could indicate if you will be attending lunch and the number of sausages required.** Thankyou.

During the week, on Tuesday and Thursday our school

leaders and senior SRC students may be involved in attending our promotion of public education to be held in the office of the Adam Keneally White Accountants office. More details about this next Monday. Permission notes for school leaders and SRC members from Years 3 – 6 will need to be signed and returned please.

### Years 3 – 6 Sydney Excursion



It is now time for parents to complete the initial commitment of permission for their child/children to attend the Sydney Excursion as we only have a limited number of seats and more students than seats are available. You will need to sign the attached permission note to make the commitment and ensure a seat on the bus. **The cost of the excursion will be \$300.00 per student.** This amount represents a very small proportion of the total cost which includes all coach travel and support from Jim Goode, accommodation and meals at YHA at The Rocks, entry to all activities including our special treat which is the Stage Show performance of 'Matilda', the stage musical. Approximate cost to school for each student attending is \$680.00

Please return your next payment (money in full) and permission note this week to confirm your place. A detailed itinerary and

medical forms will be sent out shortly.

## Ngulagambilanha Art Exhibition – Official Opening

As many of you will know, our students in Years 4/5/6 have been participating in the Ngulagambilanha Art Project. We are one of seven schools in the local Wiradjuri area who together with the Art Gallery of NSW, the Wagga Wagga Art Gallery, the Arts Unit of NSW Department of Education, have been invited to the official launch of this project at the **Wagga Art Gallery this Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup> at 1.00pm.** If anyone is able to attend, (an invitation is attached) **please RSVP by Wednesday.** I'm sure you would all be most impressed with the high quality of students' work at the display. Ms Sini will also be in attendance (I will be away in Bathurst) and she would love to see as many students from our school as possible there. We have also been able to arrange another art work shop at the art gallery on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> August** and as the exhibition continues until 6<sup>th</sup> September, we will all have the opportunity to view the work.

## Earn & Learn



Woolworths Earn & Learn is back for 2015. Gundagai South Public School has registered to participate again this year. It's simple to participate. From **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July to**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2015,** when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker sheet. There'll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box, either here at school or at our local Woolworths store. Gundagai South Public School will then be able to redeem the Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers for valuable education resources.

## UNSW English Exam

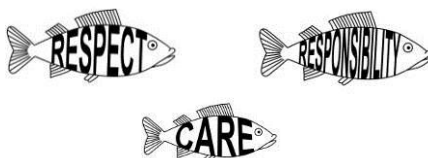
For those students who are participating in this exam, it will be done during Education Week.

## School Banking



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

## 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 1: **Kayla Byrne, Nic Monaghan, Claire Lievens & Jess Crooks.** Well done.

## PBL Awards

Special congratulations to **Greg Clarke** who is the first person in the school to achieve completion of Orange level. Greg had his own choice of a special reward for achieving this wonderful result and he has chosen a Lego afternoon for the class. Greg will now be working towards his Bronze level achievement. Congratulations Greg.





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

**GREEN:** Tiara Foster

**PINK:** Rylee Byrne, Gina Wheeler

**BLUE:** Charlie Hourn, Kynan Paton

### *Student of the Week*

**4/5/6 – Thomas Casnave –** Working with enthusiasm and a positive attitude.



**2/3- Nic Monaghan –** Starting off Term 3 with a very positive attitude.



**K/1 – Sam Crooks –** For fantastic effort in her learning.

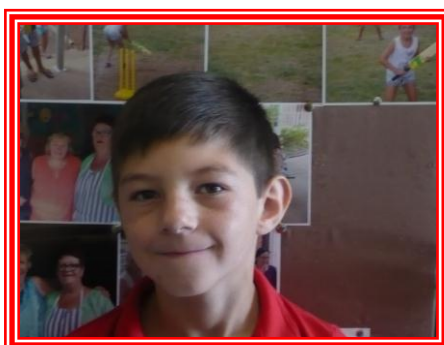


### *Catch of the Week*

**4/5/6 - Meg Wheeler –** Making a great effort with class learning and being a thoughtful class member.



**2/3 - Kynan Paton –** Always having a positive outlook on any situation.



**K/1 – Makena Hourn –** for being a responsible student in the class.



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### CANTEEN

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July -**  
**Rebecca Morris & Jenna Morris**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July – Tiki Paton & Vivianna Tyson**

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July – Erica Manns**

### TUMUT BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Team nomination forms for the 2015 Spring Competition will be available from schools, Pie in the Sky Bakery, Swans and Sportspower.

The registration day will be **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July, 4pm to 6pm** at Club Tumut.

Any registration enquiries can be made to the Registrar, Debbie Webb on 0427 647027. Enquiries may also be made through Tumut Basketball Facebook page.