



# Gundagai South Public School

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## NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 Week 10

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Dear Parents,

What a great week we had last week – some great learning, cultural involvement and lots of great physical activity to stimulate the brain for learning and to improve our health and fitness.

Great enjoyment and enthusiastic participation was evident during our event to acknowledge National Health and PE Day with students challenging themselves to “do their best” during the Fun Run. It was wonderful to see so many of our students having a real go. Special mention to **Daniel Anderson** who made a great effort and to **Harri Ralph** who was encouraging some of the younger infants students in their endeavours and praising their efforts. Well one boys.

**Anyone who has “Fun Run” sponsorship money should return it by Wednesday this week, otherwise orders for prizes will not be done until after the holidays.**

### Arabin Cup

Congratulations to all or students who participated in the Arabin Cup T-Ball Competition on Friday. It was a great day for everyone with students socialising and mixing with and

meeting students from the other small schools in the surrounding area. The students played great T-Ball, and it was very encouraging to see that our students were particularly well behaved on the day and they were very good at encouraging not only their own team members, but those from the other schools – especially the kindergarten students and those students with special needs. Each team won and lost games, but it was our great sportsmanship and wonderful behaviour that made our school stand out from the others. Congratulations everyone. Special mention to **Zak Anderson** and **Dan Anderson** who were seen to be encouraging and supporting others and were giving it their all. Well Done.



### Tennis



The 4/5/6 class will have their final tennis lesson this Tuesday.

Lessons have been a great deal of fun and it has been really encouraging to see such improvement from all students. With continuing opportunities and practise many of our students are already shining on the tennis court with **Alauralee Bowditch** competing in the Champion of Champions competition in Tumut on Sunday where she tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> and will now compete in Sydney at the end of October. Our thanks to Birdie for her continuing commitment and support of our students. We are very fortunate to be able to receive coaching from someone with such wonderful expertise as Birdie. Thankyou so much.

### *Earn and Learn*



As you know, our school has been participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The program has now finished for this year, so a big thanks to everyone who supported our school. We're now at the important stage of the program where the Sticker Sheets are collected and lodged as our Earn & Learn claim. We will then be able to get new educational equipment for our school. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. So this week, please send in your Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets and any loose Earn & Learn stickers you may have. Remember to check your handbag, the car glove box or they maybe stuck on the fridge. Every little bit helps. Thanks again for all your support!

### *Head Lice*

## HEAD LICE ALERT

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

### *P & C Meeting*

Thankyou to those parents and friends who attended our meeting last Wednesday (Minutes are attached for your interest). Alex Walker from the Live Life Well Program came to the meeting to talk to everyone about the importance of healthy eating, regular sleep patterns, healthy exercise and physical activity and limited screen time. Much productive and enthusiastic discussion relating to the canteen and our menus ensued with the discussion taken by the P & C on the night to remove chicken nuggets, iced coffee, raspberry twists and zooper doopers from the menu beginning in Term 4.



Discussion also occurred about red, amber and green food options with plenty of suggestions being offered by those present and from those who had returned their canteen survey. Results of the survey are attached for your interest. Other healthy options will be trialled in Term 4 and will be on the menu and parents are all

keen to ensure greater efficiency in the operation of the canteen. Thanks to Alex and Mrs Wheeler who also attended the meeting as the staff representative.

### *Spelling Bee – Regional Final*



Best of luck to our representatives – **Jess Crooks, Angel Clark, Gabrielle Butcher** and **Claire Lievens** who will be participating in these today at South wagga Public School.

### *Gala Soccer Day – Years 3 - 6*



All notes should have been returned by now for participation in the Gala Soccer Day in Tumut on Wednesday. There is no cost for the bus. **The bus will leave school at 8.45am** –please note that normal buses will not be at school in time, **so students will need to be dropped off at 8.30am.** The competition begins at 9.30, so we need to be there on time.

It is anticipated that we will return in time for afternoon buses, however if we make the finals, these do not finish until 2.50pm. Students should wear their school sports uniform and take their tracksuit for warmth. Please bring your school hat and a couple of bottles of water.

## Scouts

Please see attached sheet of information from Mrs Linda Petty about our local scouting groups. Mrs Petty will be visiting the school in Week 1 of Term 4 to speak about the benefits of participation and opportunities offered by the local scout group.

## Assembly



Our final assembly this term will be held this Friday commencing at 2.00pm. Everyone is invited to come along to acknowledge the great work achievements of our students.

## Autism Spectrum Workshop

On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October, Autism Spectrum Australia are offering workshops for interested parents of children from 0 – 7 years at the RSL Club Wagga. See attached sheets for more details.

## Milo T20 Cricket Gala Day Years 3 - 6

Our school will once again be participating in the Milo T20 Cricket Day to be held in Gundagai on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October** at Stan Crowe Oval. We will be nominating 2 teams of Year 5/6 students and 2

teams of students from Years 3/4. There will be no cost for bus travel on the day with the school covering this. Please complete the attached permission note and return to school by Friday.

## Welcome Back



This week we welcome back Opal and Shanti to school. It will be wonderful to have them back at school with their friends again.

## Broken Bay

Final details for our 5 students who are attending the Broken Bay Sport and Recreation Excursion are attached for your information.

## School Administration Officer - Appointment

Last week I received news that Ms Curtis has been appointed to our school permanently on a Monday to work in the library. This appointment will take effect on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October. Congratulations and welcome Ms Curtis.

## Congratulations

Congratulations to all three victorious Gundagai Rugby League teams. A fantastic

achievement for all players, coaches, officials and supporters involved and a wonderful achievement for the town. Well done everyone.

## 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 “**Assembly**” in the playground and “**Work Habits**” for our Classroom.

### Playground – Assembly

**Respect:** Follow Instructions.

**Responsibility:** Sit quietly and listen.

**Care:** Show manners.

### 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 9: **Gabrielle Butcher, Meg Wheeler, Claire Lievens** and **Riley Manns** Well done.

## Healthy Recess and Lunch

Congratulations to our healthy recess and lunch awards winners for Week 9



Recess award- **Lilah Norden**  
Lunch award – **Jess Crooks**

## Student of the Week

4/5/6 – **Alauralee Bowditch** – Consistent effort and perseverance in the classroom.



2/3- **Teleah Smith** – Focusing on improving her reading and spelling.



K/1 – **Indi Tyson** – Great effort in writing.



## Catch of the Week

4/5/6 - **Daniel Anderson** – Improved effort, attitude and participation in school activities.



2/3 - **Jade Harvey** – Enthusiasm when participating in school sporting activities.



K/1 – **Makena Hourn** – Displaying lovely manners and respect during class time.



Wishing everyone a very happy, safe and restful holiday. School will return for everyone on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October. Thankyou all for your wonderful support throughout the term.

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## CANTEEN

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>  
September -  
Rebecca Morris &  
Jenna Morris**

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup>  
September – Shan  
Bowditch & Cheryl  
Lanyon**