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Dear Parents,

Congratulations to every one of our students who contributed to our wonderful show display depicting information and art work about the International Year of Pulses at the Gundagai Show over the weekend. The display was very effective and reflected the amount of effort, care and learning which had gone into its presentation. Thankyou to the staff for putting the display up on Thursday afternoon.

Congratulations also to those students who contributed individual work – art work, pottery, our tomatoes, work from our learning journeys, our silky rooster and our eggs which received second prize. A great job everyone and a true reflection of the wonderful team work we are truly proud of at Gundagai South. Well done to everyone for their support of this community event.



State Library Visit

Today the students in Years 3 – 6 will be visiting Gundagai Primary school for the Outreach HSIE program 'Far Out'. Students in K – 2 will be participating in their swimming lesson whilst we visit Gundagai Public School then we will join them for our swimming lessons. I'm sure everyone will enjoy the presentation.



Highlands Swimming Carnival



All notes should have been returned now for the Highlands swimming Carnival which is being held in Tumut tomorrow – **Tuesday 23rd February**. Everyone is reminded that permission notes must be returned and that travel is by private car which you should organise. Please refer to your permission note for cost of entry to Tumut pool (\$3.00 for competitors and \$1.00 for spectators). And the starting time (9.30am). **Please do not be late.** Good luck to our competitors. **Remember, swimming lessons will be today and on Friday for all students.**

State 2 & 3 (Years 3 – 6) Come Try Day



If the predicted temperatures eventuate on Wednesday, there may have to be a postponement of this event until **Wednesday 16th March**. We will know on

Tuesday and will advise accordingly. Otherwise, for those who will be participating the day will commence at 10.00am and conclude at 1.00pm with a BBQ lunch, provided. Everyone should wear their sports uniform. The bus will leave school at 9.30am.

Training & Development

This week Mrs Hillier and Mrs Matthews will be participating in the Austswim training course in Young on Thursday 25th February. This is a fantastic professional learning opportunity and one which will assist our students with our intensive swimming school. Mrs Hillier and Mrs Matthews have been working hard planning swimming lessons and reading up on loads of information which will only benefit our school and our students.

On Thursday afternoon I will be attending a highlands principals' meeting and on Friday, a local network principals' meeting where we will all meet our new Cootamundra Director. Staff will also attend Athletics coaching this Wednesday afternoon in Tumut at 4.30pm

Sydney Excursion – Year 6

Final details for our students in Year 6 who will be participating in this wonderful opportunity. **We will be leaving school at 8.00am on Sunday 28th February – please be at school by 7.45am.**

You should wear comfortable clothes for travelling which are also suitable for attending the public performance of The Sound of Music at the Capitol Theatre in Sydney. You will

need to bring your school backpack with recess, lunch and additional snacks for both days. You must also have your own water bottle. Following the performance at the Capitol Theatre, we will be travelling to Homebush where we will be able to enjoy a swim at the Olympic Aquatic Centre, so you will need your swimmers and a towel. We will then travel a short distance to our Motel (The Ibis) for our evening meal and a good night's sleep. The following morning we will be wearing our school uniform and attending the National Young Leaders Conference at Allphones Arena at Homebush before departing at approximately 2.30pm for the return journey home. Anticipated arrival time to Gundagai South Public School **9.00pm**.

In addition to suitable clothes for the journey to Sydney, your school uniform, swimmers, towel, pj's toiletries, underwear and a warm jumper/tracksuit pants should be packed. If you have not yet paid your \$50.00, please do so or come and see me. Remember your students will also need money for both evening meals (\$10 each night). Please make sure you have completed the relevant documentation and permission notes and have suitable clothes packed. It is sure to be a fantastic experience for everyone and one you will always remember.

Final Swimming Lesson

As I will be away next Monday, there will not be a newsletter. Please note our **final swimming lesson will be on Tuesday 1st March**. Advance notice about PSSA Highlands Soccer Trials – these will be held on **Friday 11th March**. Regional

Swimming will be held in Albury on **Monday 7th March** for anyone who qualifies. Notes will be sent out to those who need them following our carnival this Tuesday.

How to Learn



What good learners do

Listen to others

Ask as well as answer questions

Co-operate with others

Ask yourself where you went wrong and why

Don't give up when you are stuck

You could:

Read the question again

Split the question into smaller bits

Ask someone who has a similar problem

Ask yourself: what do I already know that could help me?

Go on to another question and come back to the bit you are stuck on at the end

Riverina Central Choir



The opportunity exists for students in Stages 2 & 3 to audition for the 2016 Riverina Central Choir.

Students in Years 4 – 6 are able to audition. The expectations are that you will attend all choir sessions at South Wagga Public School Hall and the auditions will be held there on **Wednesday 2nd March** from 1.30pm – 3.00pm. A fee of

\$12.00 is payable on the day. Choir fees – if selected are \$150.00 per year – less the \$12.00 and payable by April 6th. Choir sessions are held 3 times per term from 1.15 pm – 3.10pm. Students are expected to attend these sessions. They are required to organise their own transport. Please complete the Expression Interest and return by **Friday 26th February** if you are interested and committed.

Radio News



Week 6: Isaac & Chloe

Week 7: Jess & Riley

Week 8: Angel & Adam

Week 9: Hayley & Destiny

Week 10: **EASTER MONDAY**

Week 11: Rylee & Kynan

PBL Weekly Focus Area



This week our focus areas for PBL will be “**Lines**” in the playground and “**Listening**” for our Classroom.

Playground – Lines

Respect: Wait patiently.

Responsibility: Right place, right time.

Care: Hands and feet to self.

Classroom – Listening

Respect: Sit quietly. Eyes on speaker.

Responsibility: Put hand up to ask questions. Stay on topic

Care: Sensible answers.

Please discuss our focus areas with your children this week.

PBL- Uniform Winners



Congratulations to our weekly uniform award winners for Week 4 – **Lizzie Byron, Brandy McGrath, Daniel Anderson, Destiny Cooper**

Healthy Recess and Lunch

Congratulations to our healthy recess and lunch awards winners for Week 4



Recess award - **Lilah Norden**
Lunch award - **Isaac Ford**

Student of the Week

5/6 – Angel Clark – Showing initiative by investigating and researching additional information to aid her learning.



3/4 – Nic Monaghan – Trying hard when using exit kicks in his cursive handwriting.



K/1/2 – Riley Foster – For his fantastic writing during literacy.



Catch of the Week

5/6 – Meg Wheeler – Being a positive role model and supporting her fellow peers.



3/4 – Amy Myers – For working her way out of the learning pit in mathematics.



K/1/2 – Aiden Morris – Being a responsible learner during spelling activities.



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Canteen

A reminder to please return your completed canteen volunteer form so a roster can be made up before the start of canteen on Monday 7th March

Thankyou

Gundagai Concert Band

Students in Years 4, 5 & 6 interested in learning a concert band instrument – flute, clarinet, trumpet, trombone or saxophone, can come along to Gundagai Concert Band.

Rehearsals will start on **Monday 7th March** at the Gundagai High School MPC from 4pm – 5pm.

Those students who already play, and have their own instrument are also more than welcome to join the “Town Band”. Enquires Karen Byron 0402 730 577 or Brenda Argae 0427 441 688

Cost is \$30 per term if using a band instrument or no cost if you bring your own instrument.

GUNDAGAI PANTHERS JUNIOR SOCCER REGO!

GUNDAGAI PANTHERS (JUNIOR SOCCER) is now taking registrations online. Go to 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 2016 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, Rob Glazebrook at rob@robglazebrook.info or phone 69443030.

We will be holding a **Registration evening WEDNESDAY 24TH February 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 9th March.