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NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 Week 7

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Dear Parents,

What a busy, hectic week it was last week. I am pleased to report that Mrs Jackson will be returning to school today following her visit to hospital last week. Thankyou to everyone who has shown concern, and support during the past week.

PSSA Swimming

Today we wish our school swimming representatives the very best of luck as they travel to Albury to participate in the PSSA Regional Carnival. Special congratulations to our individual event reps – **Lilah Norden** – 9yrs Girls 50m Freestyle, **Rylee Byrne** – 11yrs Girls 50m Breaststroke and **Gabrielle Butcher** – 12yrs Girls 50m Butterfly and to our PP5 Relay team of **Destiny Cooper, Jess Crooks, Gabrielle Butcher** and **Opal Kothe-Champion**. Congratulations also to all our representatives who participated in the Highlands swimming carnival on 23rd February. Everyone swam very well with many students breaking their personal best times, whilst others participated in the

carnival for the very first time. Well done everyone. Other notable performances came from **Michael Monaghan** 3rd – 8yrs Boys 50m Freestyle; **Lilah Norden** - 2nd 9yrs Girls 50m Freestyle; **Rylee Byrne** - 2nd 11yrs Girls 50m Breaststroke; **Destiny Cooper** - 3rd 11yrs Girls 50m Breaststroke; **Gabrielle Butcher** - 2nd 12yrs Girls 50m Butterfly and PP5 relay team 2nd place.

Swimming Lessons

Last Tuesday we completed our final swimming lesson for the term. It was a pleasure to work with the students and very encouraging to see the great progress made by many of our students during the 10 lessons. Thankyou to all our staff who assisted with the lessons and a special thanks to Mrs Morse and Michelle Hartshorn for their commitment and support.

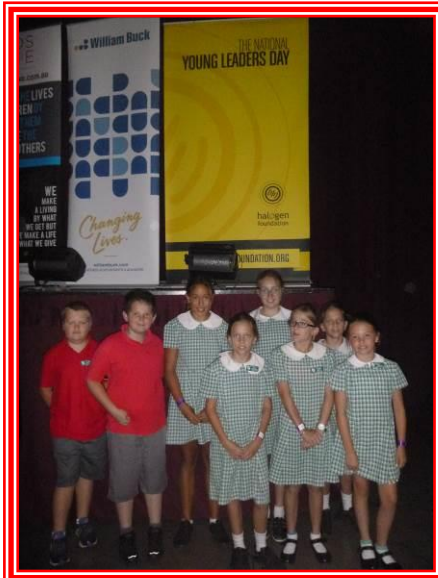


Congratulations

Congratulations also to Mrs Hillier and Mrs Matthews who worked very hard to complete their Austswim training.

Year 6 Leadership Trip

Congratulations to our Year 6 students who attended the Leadership Conference in Sydney last week. The trip was a great success with the students thoroughly enjoying “The Sound of Music” musical at The Capitol Theatre followed by a relaxing and fun filled visit to the Aquatic Centre at Homebush. A wonderful meal at the Novotel Restaurant followed, then a good night’s rest was had by all before an early start on Monday morning. The Leadership Conference was very worthwhile with some great advice for our future leaders – including attending to the “little things”. NSW Police Commissioner Andrew Scipione again provided some inspirational words of wisdom whilst Paralympian Ben Austin shared his story of determination and success in the face of adversity (his left arm was amputated at just 2 weeks of life in order to save his life). Well done everyone – I’m sure we all took away our own special messages about leadership.



Highlands District Soccer Trials – Boys & Girls



Thankyou to those students who returned their notes for soccer trials. Nominations were made last Friday to the convenors.
Please remember that you

need to **organise your own transport** to the trials in Tumbarumba this Friday 11th March.

Venue is the Tumbarumba Sports Ground with registration for **boys at 9.45am** and **girls 8.45am.**

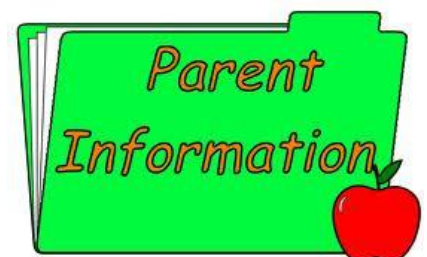
All students must have their own long socks, shin pads and soccer boots and water bottle.

P & C Meeting



The next P & C meeting will be held this Wednesday commencing at 7.00pm in the Staff room. Adelia Fuller (Principal of Gundagai High School) will be attending this meeting to talk about what the High School has to offer students entering into Year 7. Everyone is encouraged to come along.

Gundagai High School Parent Evening



This will be held at the high school on **Tuesday 15th March** for all parents and students in Years 5 & 6 starting time is 6.00pm – please see the attached flyer for further information.



Life Education Van



Healthy Harold will once again be visiting our school on **Tuesday 15th March**. There will be no charge for the students as the school will pay the \$10.00 entry for each student. The programs delivered by the competent staff support our Personal Development and Health Syllabus and complement our class teaching programs.

NRL Come Try Day (Years 3 – 6)

Our rescheduled NRL Come Try Day is planned for **Wednesday 16th March**. The same rules and details apply as they did on 24th February. The bus will leave school at 9.30am. All students should wear their school sports uniform, hat and bring plenty of water in case the weather is still hot.

Training and Development



This Tuesday I will be travelling to Collingullie Public School to attend a leaders

training day for Focus on Reading. Mr Makeham will be teaching my class in my absence.

School Attendance



Last week our new Home School Liaison Officer visited our school to introduce herself and to check our school attendance rolls. It is timely to remind everyone of the importance of regular school attendance – not only for the obviously important academic instruction which may be missed, but so that your child can establish good strong friendships and learn how to work as part of a team. We appreciate your commitment to supporting us by ensuring you fulfil your parental responsibilities by making sure that your child attends school each day. Please see the attached information.

University of NSW Exams



The University of NSW is offering students an opportunity to participate in the International Competitions and

Assessments for Schools (ICAS) Parents of students from Years 2 – 6 are encouraged to allow them to participate in these exams for Digital Technologies, Science, Writing, Spelling, English and Maths. Please see the attached note for closing dates and cost to enter these exams.

Calendar



The calendar for March is attached for your information. Please keep this on your fridge and add any relevant information as it comes.

Head Lice

HEAD LICE ALERT

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



Radio News

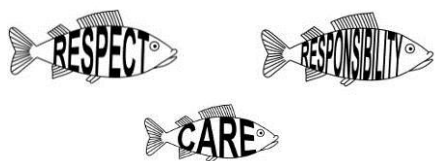


Week 8: Angel & Jess
Week 9: Hayley & Destiny

Week 10: **EASTER MONDAY**

Week 11: Rylee & Kynan

PBL Weekly Focus Area



This week our focus areas for PBL will be “**Canteen**” in the playground and “**Moving Around the Room**” for our Classroom.

Playground –Canteen

Respect: Use your manners.

Responsibility: Line up. Wait your turn.

Care: Make healthy choices.

Classroom – Moving Around the Room

Respect: Move quietly.

Responsibility: Walk in the classroom.

Care: Move without touching others.

Please discuss our focus areas with your children this week.

PBL- Uniform Winners



Congratulations to our weekly uniform award winners for Week 6 –**Chase Anderson, Tristan Gould, Khyla Warren**

Healthy Recess and Lunch

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



Recess award - **Josie Warren**

Lunch award - **Chloe**

Crossley

Week 5

Recess award – **Sam Crooks**

Lunch award – **Riley Manns**

Student of the Week

5/6 – Isaac Ford – Improving effort and achievement in maths.



3/4 – Josie Warren – Working hard on her cursive writing.



K/1/2 – Tristan Gould – For his enthusiasm in learning his sounds.



Catch of the Week

5/6 – Rylee Byrne – Being a helpful and tolerant member of the class.



3/4 – Kynan Paton – Being and excellent role model.



K/1/2 – Indi Tyson – For helping others during literacy activities demonstrating responsible learning.



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Canteen

**Wednesday 9th
March – Cheryl
Lanyon & Jacinta
Warren**

**Friday 11th March –
Cheryl Lanyon &
Shan Bowditch**

**Monday 14th March
– Kate & Julie
Worldon**

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 Argat 0427 441 688
Cost is \$30 per term if using a band instrument or no cost if you bring your own instrument.

BULLANTS TUMUT JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

Are your children keen to play rugby? Sign up with the Tumut Bullants!

We train once a week (Fridays) and play once a fortnight (Sunday) - playing two games. We also have a Girls Viva 7's Touch Rugby comp.

REGO DAY & TRAINING

Registration day & training on FRIDAY 11 MARCH 2016 at 5.30pm at Jarrah Oval (Booral Ave) Tumut.

- Costs are \$80 per player. This fee includes their shorts, socks and bag (for new Club members).
- All coaches have their Smart Rugby accreditation.

All children MUST be registered before they commence training and playing. Contact Jock Mason on 0418 649 203 with any enquiries.

Check us out on FaceBook at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Tumut-Bullants-Junior-Rugby-Union-Club>