



Gundagai South Public School

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NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 Week 8

17th June 2019

Dear Parents,

The weeks are rapidly passing by and we now are beginning week 8 with just two more after this before we begin our July holiday.

Well done to our lone Regional Cross Country representative – Lilah Norden who placed 11th in the Senior Girls 3000m which was a terrific effort.



Thank you to everyone at school who had a difficult week coping with sickness to many of our teachers. It is very encouraging to all that we have teachers who are able to step up and accept additional responsibilities when needed. Special thanks to Mrs O – Jasmine's hearing support teacher who was able to help out on Thursday morning. It is a real issue for schools currently when we have to find casual teachers who are very hard to come by. I have asked for this

issue to be raised at the Primary Principals' Association meeting this Friday as a matter of urgency.

Thanks to P & C Helpers



Special thanks to **Jodie Dean** and **Sarah Blundell** who spent all day on Thursday as our schools' representatives assisting with the catering at the Regional Cross Country at the Racecourse. This was a great effort and very much appreciated – as **Jodie** also assisted with the clean up on Wednesday afternoon. Thankyou also to **Alicia Crossley** who assisted on the day and also to **Lianne Blundell** who made some delicious up cakes on the day. Thank you everyone. No doubt, this is another very worthwhile fundraiser for the school and we look forward to receiving our share of the profits on the day.

Circus Performance



Tomorrow morning the students will all be treated to another free performance at the school, with a visit by the Australian Circus Company. Students will witness performers accomplished in producing magical feats of balance and skill and at the conclusion of the show, the older students (2 – 6) will be able to experience for themselves the opportunity to perform and master some of the skills on show in their own workshop.

Footsteps School Disco

Footsteps Dance Company will be conducting our Annual Disco **Evening this Wednesday from 6.00 – 7.30pm. The evening is only for current students attending our school.** Parents are asked to please drop

off their children at 6.00pm and pick them up promptly at 7.30pm please. The P & C will be assisting with supervision and will also be selling chips and drinks during the evening.

Cost will be \$5.00 entry which includes 1 drink and 1 packet of chips.

Bring your money and have a fun evening of energetic activity.



Professional Learning



This week I will be attending the second phase of training for The Berry Street Model – Childhood Trauma together with over 120 other teachers from across the whole Riverina area. I will be in Narrandera on Tuesday and Wednesday and on Thursday, I will be meeting with the local principals from the Small Schools' network for a meeting with Russel Graham. On Friday, I will be travelling to Cootamundra for the PPA meeting.

PBL Reward



Last Friday afternoon, all students who have achieved their Green level, PBL award, were rewarded with their 15 minutes of free time. Students chose to take the opportunity to use the computers, play Twister together, use Lego and other games and do drawing and colouring. Congratulations to our students whose positive behaviour is continuously being rewarded with tokens. Everyone is now working towards the achievement of Pink level.

PSSA Small Schools' Soccer Knockout



Today I will be identifying students who may be eligible to participate in the Small Schools Soccer team. **This year we will need to travel to Marulan and the date – the only one available will be Monday 1st July.** We will need parents who are able to drive to Marulan and to enable us to participate in this activity which is always eagerly anticipated each year. I will advise you of the team next Monday. I will be looking for students who will

work together as a team with good sportsmanship. **We will need to leave school about 8.30am and will return in time for the end of the school day.**

Portfolios



Could all parents/carers who have not yet returned their child's portfolios from last year, please do so this week. **Marco Grant, Aiden Morris and Kayla Byrne** need to do so from the 5/6 classroom and **Hayden Crossley** from 2/34. Thankyou in anticipation.

Excursion



Thank you to those people who have paid for the excursion. Could those who have not, please ensure that you are aware that all payments need to be finalised before the end of term please.

Public Speaking



Best of luck to our four students who will be participating in the public speaking competition next Monday being held at school. **Lilah Norden, Sam Crooks, Dusty Blundell and Tahlira Rose** will be our representatives and they have been busy writing their multicultural speeches ready for the first section of the competition. The second and often most difficult part is the unprepared section, so have some practices with this component and try to ensure you are able to talk on your topic for at least 1 minute.

Thanks to the P & C who have once again indicated they will be able to assist with the catering on the day. I'm sure Lianne would welcome any helpers.

THERE WILL BE NO CANTEEN ON THIS DAY AS THEY WILL BE CATERING

P & C Minutes



Minutes are attached for your interest. Thank you to **Jodie Dean** for taking the minutes at the last meeting and congratulations to **Kelly Williams** for stepping up so willingly to take on the position

of Secretary. Thank you to **Ashleigh Armour**.

STEM – School Hosting



Our school will be hosting this Professional Learning day on **Tuesday 25th June**. Teachers who wish to learn more about this new curriculum area included in the Science syllabus will be visiting the school. Next term our students will have access to several sets of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) kits for our use throughout the year, so it will be timely for staff to participate in this training.

Combined Schools Band Day



The next day of combined band practice will be held at Tumut Public School on **Wednesday 26th June**. The activities will begin at 12.00 and conclude at 2.30pm. Only those senior band members who are keen and committed to playing their instrument in a combined group will be attending. Ms Wild will assist in choosing students who would benefit from attending this opportunity.

Expression of Interest – Skiing Term 3



I am putting out an Expression of Interest for anyone who would be interested in a Half Day's Skiing at Mt Selwyn in Term 3. We need a minimum of 19 students for this to be feasible. Costs from 1st September include Lift, Lesson, Ski Hire, Clothing and Helmet – Students \$98.00 or Level 1 Beginners \$115.00. Lift, lesson Ski hire and helmet \$88.00. Adults – lift and lesson \$91.00 or with clothing \$146.00. In addition, there is a small cost for park entry. Prices prior to 1st September – Students all-inclusive \$106.00, adults all-inclusive \$157.00. Please complete the EOI and return by next Monday if you are interested in attending.

Radio News



Don't forget to tune into school news on the radio station Sounds of the Mountains 94.3. This can be heard each school

Monday morning at
approximately 9.45am

Week 9: Kayla & Aiden
Week 10: Lilah & David

School Banking



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

Healthy Recess and Lunch

Congratulations to our
healthy recess and
lunch awards winners
for Week 7



Recess award - **Brandy
McGrath**
Lunch award - **Dusty Blundell**

PBL- Uniform Winners



Congratulations to our weekly
uniform award winners for
Week 7– **Josie Warren, Essie
Norden, Tristan Gould,
Makena Hourn**

PBL Red, Green, Pink & Blue Level

Congratulations to the
following students who have
achieved **Green** level – Positive
Behaviour for Learning.

Kjay Roma-Warahi and **Judd
Longhurst**

PBL Weekly Focus Area



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

Playground –Out of Bounds

Respect: Follow teacher
instructions.

Responsibility: Right place,
right time. Stay in the
playground.

Care: Report problems.

Classroom – Moving Around the Room

Respect: Move quietly.

Responsibility: Walk in
classroom.

Care: Move without touching
others.

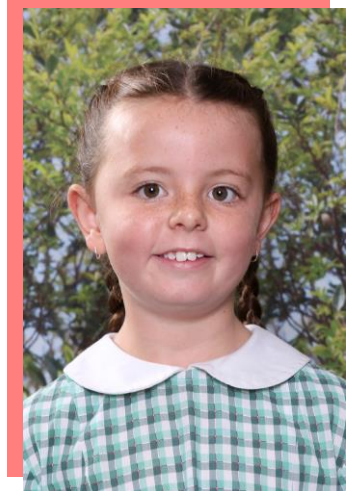
Please discuss our focus areas
with your children this week.

Student of the Week

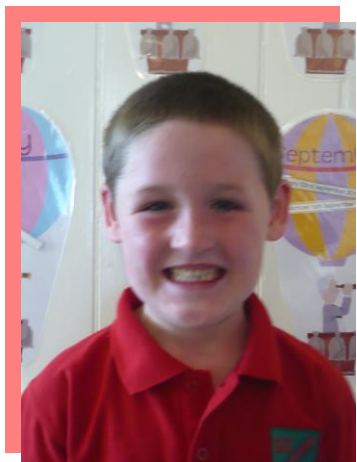
5/6 – Jasmine Hayes – Always
presenting beautiful neat
bookwork and applying
independent skills to complete
spelling activities.



2/3/4 – Khyla Warren –
Always presenting her best
behaviour and being a positive
role model for others.



K/1 - Judd Longhurst – For
his cheerful contributions in
shared reading.



Gold Star Award

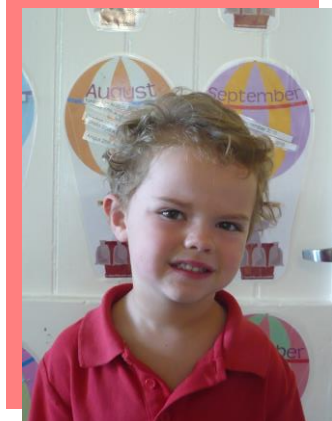
5/6 – Sam Crooks – Always supporting and encouraging her peers.



2/3/4 – Dusty Blundell – For being a responsible learner and beginning his writing tasks straight way to ensure he completes his work on time.



K/1 - Ethan Hourn – An excellent attitude to school and his learning.



How 2 Learn

5/6 – Marco Grant – Maintaining increased focus during writing and spelling activities.



2/3/4 – Jaylee Coulcher – Encouragement to keep persevering during maths activities even if they seem difficult.



K/1 – Pepper Maconochie – For application to his literacy learning and using his phonological knowledge in his writing.



Pip😊

Canteen

**Wednesday 19th
June**

**Lianne Blundell &
Clare McAlister**

**Friday 21st June
Denise Pollack**

**Monday 24th June
CLOSED catering
for Public Speaking**

Gundagai South Public School

P & C Meeting Tuesday 11th June 2019

Meeting Opened: 6.06pm

Present: Pip McAlister, Kerrie Stewart, Casey Norden, Lianne Blundell and Jodie Dean

Apologies: Clare McAlister, Emma Crossley and Kelly Williams

Minutes of previous P & C Meeting held on 20th March 2019

Moved Lianne, Seconded Pip

Business Arising:

- Kerrie checking with Ash if letters have been written to Council in Thanks for Kerb and Guttering, and letter of thanks for Darbalara Farms for Fruit and Veg Voucher Donation.
- Letters of thanks to be written for load of wood (Kev and Charlie), Bread maker (Shane), Fire essentials kit (Anthea).

Moved Kerrie, Seconded Jodie

Correspondence:

- Letter of Resignation from Ash
- Father's Day Catalogue – Smart Gift Ideas
- Australia's Best Fundraising Ideas
- Father's Day Catalogue – Pocket Money Treasures
- Look Book (Canteen)
- NSW Educations Standards Authority

Moved Lianne, Seconded Kerrie

Treasurers Report as at 11th June 2019

Term Deposit Account:

Current Balance: \$12,000.00

Term: 3 months.

Interest Rate: 2.0%p.a

Review date: 3 August 2019

P & C Account – May 2019

Opening Balance: \$12,762.93

Credits:

Interest: \$1.03

Street Stall: \$1747.50

Election Stall: \$1108.40

Athletics Carnival Canteen: \$744.95

Withdrawals:

Ch#109 to GSPS P&C Term Deposit Account: \$4,304.57

Ch#110 Anthea Cooper (Street Stall Expenses): \$32.95

Ch#111 Kerrie Stewart (Street Stall Expenses): \$200.00

Closing Balance: \$11,827.29

Canteen Account – May 2019

Opening Balance: \$10,270.38

Credits:

Interest: \$0.85

Cash Deposits: \$750.35

Withdrawals:

Ch#148 to GSPS P&C Term Deposit Account: \$3000.00

Ch#150 Lianne Blundell: \$414.68

Closing Balance: \$7606.90

Moved Lianne, Seconded Kerrie

Principals Report

- P&C needs a new secretary (as Ash has moved on with Jackson), Kelly Williams has offered to do this job
- Kelly to write a Thankyou letter to Ash
- Working with Children Check is coming in for all schools. If ALL volunteers could please get one. It's completely FREE for volunteer work and a fast easy process. A P&C member is happy to help anyone apply just let Anne know. It will be needed for working in Canteen, Transportation or Classroom help etc.
- We have enough volunteers to help at Cross Country Carnival and receive 1/3 of the profits
- Thank you to Jodie for organising Athletics Carnival Canteen and to all who helped in canteen on the day. It was a great success
- The new fence works starts on Monday 17th June. Pip has asked to keep all old fencing materials
- Keep collecting your Woolworths tokens. Finishes 25th June
- Annual Report is complete and will be online soon for all to view
- Golf – Last Monday some students behaved badly at the golf course, Letters have been sent home. Those students won't be going back to golf course IF we are even welcome back! Pip to see Gary and apologise for students' behaviour
- Snow Trip?? Check for expressions of interest
- Footsteps Disco on Wednesday 19th June from 6pm to 7.30pm. Lianne to organise food. Disco for South Students ONLY and any misbehaviour won't be tolerated.
- Pip travelled to Tumut last week looking for Instructional Teacher, Mrs Garland helping out in the mean time.
- Our new SLSO has disappeared. He has made no contact with regards to the position
- Small schools soccer (Years 3-6) @ Marulan. Date to be advised and participation will depend on children's interest in playing, being able to make a full team of enthusiastic players and having enough parents to transport children.
- Any questions in regards to Excursion please see Pip
- Check in and support kids program
- Speech OT – Pip to follow up with parents and report back to P&C
- Pip looking into parental satisfaction survey, seeking opinions on multiple issues around school.
- Letters are being sent home to students with less than 85% attendance

Moved: Casey, Seconded: Lianne

General Business

- Kellogg's has donated 9 boxes of Cereal
- Lions Club offered to purchase items for breakfast club. A letter has been written asking for a Toaster and a Blender.
- Lianne has approached Foodworks about sponsoring Kids Cooking Club, no response as yet



NDIS /SERVICE EXPO

We invite you to attend an Expo to meet the NDIS Community Engagement Officer for Murrumbidgee and Local Service Providers

This is an opportunity for people with a disability, families / carers to find out more about the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) including:

- Understanding the NDIS
- Planning - including plan review /implementing your plan
- How to use your NDIS plan - including using a plan manager , service coordination and self-management
- What services are available in your local area

Venue: Gundagai Services Club

Date/time: Wednesday 19th June 12noon-3pm

Address: 254 Sheridan Street, Gundagai

Light lunch provided

Please book before Monday 17th June for catering purposes

RSVP: Email LAC.Murrumbidgee@ndis.gov.au or phone 1300 488 226. Please provide notification of any accessibility requirements.

New Trainlink Service Prices:

	<i>Our Prices</i>
None adult (16+)	\$21.90
Child (4-15)	\$10.95
Infant (0-3)	\$0.00
Concessions:	
Country Pensioner Excursion	\$2.50
NSW/ACT Pensioner Excursion Fare	Will need to provide Card
Pensioner/Senior concession Card (Half Fare)	\$10.95
Transport Concession Entitlement- Job Search	\$10.95
Victoria Health Care Concession Card	\$19.71
Victorian Pensioner with Travel Voucher	Will need to provide card
YHA Member card with an International Logo	\$19.71
Student	
International identity card (ISE)	\$10.95
International Student Identity card (ISIC)	\$10.95
NSW/ACT School- Senior Secondary Student Concession	\$10.95
Study Fare- Discount or full/part time tertiary student	\$18.62
TAFE NSW International Student card	\$10.95
Transport Concession Card- Student/Apprentice	\$10.95
Victorian Primary/Secondary Student- School Pupil	\$10.95
Passes:	
Discovery Pass	Will need to provide Pass number

Contact Gundagai Visitors Centre for Booking information or visit

<http://transportnsw.info/regional-bookings/>

New Trainlink Wagga Wagga - Canberra Service:

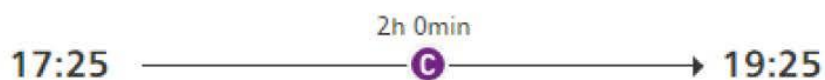
This coach service allows customers in the south east to travel from Wagga Wagga to Canberra and back in the same day.

The service will run 5 days a week, stopping at Gundagai Monday and Friday, and Junee and Cootamundra on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Services also run at times that allow customers to connect with trains between Canberra and Sydney.

Tickets on sale from Monday 25th march with services beginning Monday 8th April.

Trail period: from April 2019 (1 month only).



SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINIC

TUESDAY, 9th July. – Thursday, 11th July.
(1st Week)

Held at the Tumut Lawn Tennis Club

Morning classes for juniors (9.00 – 10.30am; 10.30 – 12.00md)

Contact Bernadette Cahill on 6947 4968 or 0427 343 904

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