



Gundagai Public School

NEWSLETTER

Monday 21st July 2014

Newsletter No. 21

Week 2 Term 3

Principal: Mrs Vicki Somerville

Learning

Responsibility

Safety

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Congratulations to everyone for making such a positive start to the term. It is a pleasure to be working with such an enthusiastic group of staff and students. Last week I really noticed how positive students are, how focussed on learning they are and how they are making a real effort to wear the school uniform with pride. Our Positive Behaviour for Learning focus this week is on wearing the correct uniform, in particular the correct head wear. I appreciate your support in reinforcing this behaviour.

It is great to notice a real buzz around the school as we embark on so many exciting projects over the next few weeks. All students are very much involved in rehearsals for our dance and music items which we will proudly present to you during Education Open Day next Wednesday. They are also enjoying the short listed novels and picture books they are being exposed to during library lessons and beginning to plan wish lists for next week's Book Fair. All classes are currently in the final weeks of completing the Premiers Sporting Challenge and this week will begin learning words for the Premiers Spelling Bee.

The Gundagai Public School community is shocked and saddened to learn of the devastating fire that destroyed the Smart family home yesterday morning. Although the loss of all their possessions is incomprehensible to many of us, we are all deeply grateful that Bec, Ian, Bridget and Tom escaped without injury. Initial donations can be left at the school.



Congratulations to our League Tag who showed great teamwork and sportsmanship in very slippery conditions last Wednesday. The very muddy team: Emily Smith, Bridgette Smart, Taleika Worldon, Ellen McMurray, Abbey Polsen, Jazmine Carberry, Lucy Doughty, Annika Stevens, Georgia Loukissas, Harriette Britt and Hannah Ballard.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Kinder	Nicholas Tait
Year 1	Gus Pollack
Year 2	Shanelle Jones
Year 3	Indianna Cooper
Year 4	Clay Murray
Year 5	Riley Bethune
Year 6	Clay Webb

NATIONAL TREE PLANTING DAY ~ KINDERGARTEN

When: Thursday 24th July 2014

Where: Meet outside Kinder classroom at 12:00 md.

Parents are most welcome to attend.

PREMIER'S SPELLING BEE

All students in Stage 2 and 3 will be taking part in-class activities based around the 2014 Premier's Spelling Bee word lists this term.

If you would like to assist your child at home google Premiers Spelling Bee where you will find the word lists. Junior lists are for Year 3 and 4, Senior lists are for Years 5 and 6. Gundagai Public School Spelling Bee will be held in Week 8.

LEARNING JOURNALS

Could all Learning Journals please be returned this week.

SOUNDS OF THE MTS

Each Wednesday morning at 10.30 am tune into FM 94.3 for Gundagai Public School news and upcoming events. Our hosts this week are Braithen Ray and Georgja Loukissas.

Library Timetable

As part of Education Day celebrations a book fair will be held in the library during lunch time on Wednesday the 30th July. This week children will be given the opportunity to browse the books and complete their wish lists. A small catalogue of some of the books on offer will be sent home, giving you the chance to inspect some of the wonderful books available for purchase. There are some great specials, and an excellent; variety of books on show in the library.

Children will also be given the chance to make purchases during their library lessons on Tuesday and Thursday of week .3

There are only 4 more weeks until the conclusion of the Premier's Reading Challenge. If your child is participating in this please encourage them to bring their library bag on Tuesdays or Thursdays and borrow the books they need to complete the challenge.

Congratulations to Matilda Marshall, Millie Triggs, Jessica Hlywa, Annika Smith, Harriette Britt and Samantha Tout who have recently completed the Premier's Reading Challenge.

Lesley Kingwill



Please come and join us on Wednesday 30th July 2014

12.30 to 1.00 pm: Presentation of Performing Arts items in the Hall.

1.00 to 2.00 pm: **Open classroom visits**
Lunch with your children
Book Fair



- Pie from Gundagai Bakery \$3.00
- Sausage Roll from Gundagai Bakery \$2.20
- Hot Dog \$3.00
- Cans of soft drink \$1.00
- Poppers \$1.00
- Tea and Coffee will be available

Pies and sausage rolls need to be pre-ordered on order form below by next Tuesday

Visitors are encouraged to bring a plate of cake or slice to share.

Please leave at the canteen when you arrive.

Name:..... **Class:**

..... Pies \$3.00 each Cans Soft Drink \$1.00 each

..... Sausage Rolls \$2.20 each Poppers \$1.00 each

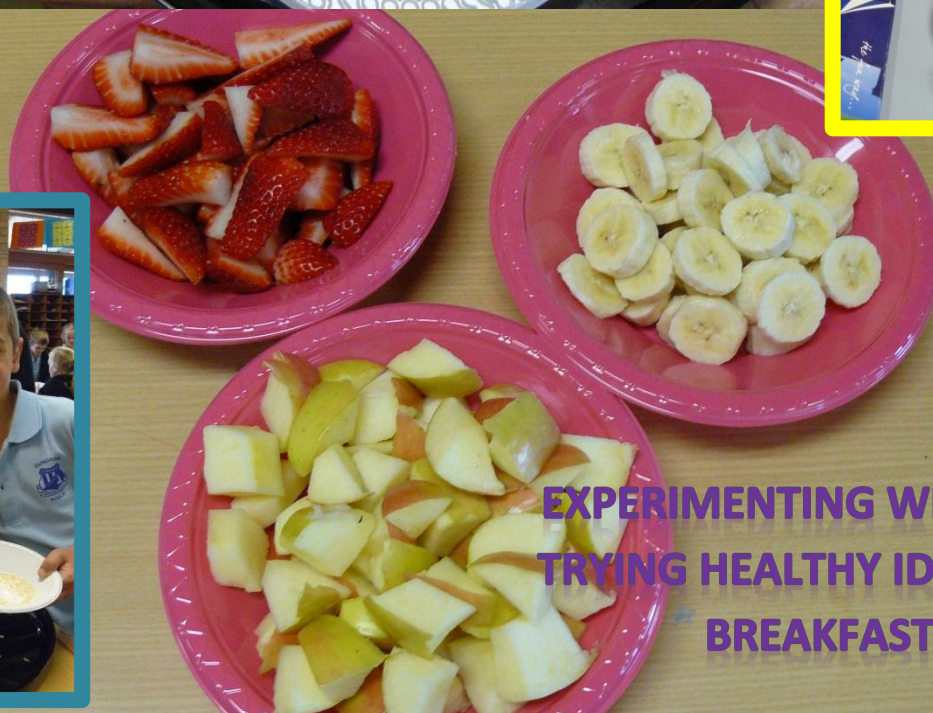
..... Hot Dogs \$3.00 each

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$.....



Spotlight on Year 3

Classroom Capers



EXPERIMENTING WITH AND
TRYING HEALTHY IDEAS FOR
BREAKFAST

STARTING SCHOOL INFORMATION NIGHT

For families with pre-school aged children.

When: Thursday 24th July

Where: Gumnut Childcare

Time: 6.00 pm.

Presentations include:

Numeracy, Literacy, Social Skills and Independence, Parent Involvement and After school and vacation care.

Light dinner provided.

Children welcome to attend.



LEAGUE TAG REPORT

Gundagai Public School's league tag team finished an impressive third place in their pool at the Mortimer Shield semi-finals in Wagga last Wednesday. The girls won through to Wagga with an undefeated record from their round games in Tumut last term. The girls played three games in the semi-final round, coming away with a loss, a draw and a win. The grounds at Paramore Park were extremely wet given the recent rain, but fortunately the rain held off for the carnival. In their first game Gundagai went down to Marter Dei, 1-0. The next game was against Forest Hill and ended in a 1 all draw with Ellen McMurray scoring. In their final game against Tumbarumba, our girls claimed victory. Annika Stevens scored a break away try, outrunning the Tumbarumba defence from near the halfway line and Harriette Britt scored Gundagai's other try, outwitting the defence by going alone from dummy half when they were anticipating a set play. Mrs Wheaton was very proud of the girls overall effort and attitude.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

Positive Behaviour for Learning provides students with strategies and appropriate ways to behave. When students are aware of rules and expectations, they are more likely to experience success.

At Gundagai Public school we value Safety, Responsibility and Learning

FOCUS OF THE WEEK:

Wear School Uniform



Toby, Annika and Clayton look great wearing our school beanie. These can be purchased for \$10.



TO BE A LEARNER MEANS:

- Strive for excellence
- Stay on task
- Ask for help if needed
- Participate actively

BEHAVING IN A RESPONSIBLE WAY MEANS:

- Showing a positive attitude
- Being a good citizen
- Play and work cooperatively
- Listen to and follow instructions
- Accept the consequences of actions
- Be a problem solver

BEHAVING SAFELY MEANS:

- Making sure you are seen by a teacher
- Keep hands and feet to yourself
- Move responsibly
- Make safe choices
- Use all equipment safely.

P & C NEWS

IVAN'S PIES

Anyone who has ordered pies from our pie drive is asked to pick their orders up this TUESDAY 22nd July between 2.30 and 4.30 pm. Thank you to Jason Elphick from Snake Gully Freight for delivering our pies free of charge.

CLEARING SALE

The P & C are delighted to announce we made profit of \$1600 at the Snowball Clearing Sale. We would like to thank Kate Lenehan for giving us this wonderful opportunity to raise valuable funds for our school. We would particularly like to thank all our helpers on the day: Sarah Triggs and children, Jamie Elworthy, Miriam and Mason Crane and children, Jenny and Ross Tout, Louise Smith, Viv Lindley and James Tait. Also a big thank you to all the generous parents who baked for us. *Thanks Meredith Tait.*

CLOTHING POOL

The clothing pool is open every Thursday from 9.00 am to 10.00 am for the purchase of new and used uniforms.

Roster: Thursday 24th July ~ Nicole Marshall; Thursday 31st July ~ Lin Murray

CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday 21 July		Wednesday 23 July
Week 2	Melinda Elliott and Shannon Whiting	Melissa Murray and Kristen Bartlett
Monday 28 July		Wednesday 30 July
Week 3	Kristy Murdoch and Sisie Murdoch	Loren Rose and Meredith Tait

