



Learning

Responsibility

Safety

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This week marks an exciting time in the education cycle at Gundagai Public School. On Tuesday we hold our first orientation session for students commencing school in 2016. This session runs from 9:30 to 11:00 am. The excited students will spend time in the Kindergarten room participating in some engaging activities whilst their parents are invited to attend an information session in the library with me, hearing about what happens during a typical kindergarten day, with a particular focus on Literacy and Numeracy development.

On Thursday all students who will begin their secondary education in 2016 will be attending a Gala Day at Gundagai High School. This day provides an opportunity for the students to participate in a variety of activities and meet students from other schools who will also be attending a high school next year. This is a very exciting time for all Year 6 students as they begin their journey from primary school to high school.

Gundagai Public School would like to extend a warm welcome to Charles Sturt University pre service teachers Miss Sixt and Mr Crane who will be undertaking practicums at our school. Miss Sixt will be working with Year 4 and Mr Crane with Year 3. I am confident they will have a rewarding time working with the students in our school over the next four weeks.



The Year 5 Envirochamps proudly presented their project to schools from across the Riverina and representatives from the Riverina Environmental Education Centre (REEC) last week. Throughout the year Clayton Smith, Kane Lindley, Jessie Cooper and Jessica Hlywa have been leading their classmates in the establishment of an outdoor learning area in the school grounds. A disused area of

the playground, adjacent to the basketball courts was identified by the students for development in Term 2, and with the support of Mrs Somerville, Mrs Wheaton and Mr Hartshorn the students have started cleaning and planting out the space.

The Envirochamps made a movie documenting their journey and showed this at the presentation day at North Wagga Wagga Public School to an audience of forty people. They spoke confidently and answered questions from the audience. The construction of the outdoor learning space is a mammoth undertaking, and the Envirochamps have laid the groundwork for future years.



At this week's school assembly the Envirochamps will be presented with certificates recognising their efforts and show their presentation to the school.

END OF DAY DEPARTURES

It has come to our attention that a number of students who have variation to end of day departures are not advising the school. It is important for the safety of your children that the following procedure is adhered to by **all** students.

At the end of each school day students assemble under the covered outdoor learning area (COLA) adjacent to the Kindergarten classroom. **Unless parents have advised the school by note or phone of a variation to normal routine, children will be sent home on normal school buses.**

Parents who have come to school to collect students are asked to:

- Enter the school playground and wait under the HALL COLA
- Use footpath and **DO NOT WALK THROUGH STAFF CAR PARK.**
- Supervise their child's movement to the family car.
- Collect students if using the top car park. Students cannot meet you there unsupervised. Due to safety issues the bottom car park is a much safer collection point.



These procedures are designed to ensure the safety and well-being of students and we would appreciate your continued support.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION DATES

- Tuesday 27th October
9.30 to 11.30 am
- Wednesday 4th November
9.30 am to 12.00 pm
- Thursday 12th November
9.30 to 11.00 am



COUNT US IN

The 2015 "Music Count Us In" song "Gold" is the song that stops the nation. At 12:30pm our Gundagai Public School students will join with over half a million school students, 2100 schools nationwide, to sing the same song, on the same day at the same time.

This occurs just before our school assembly so come along a little early this Thursday if you would like to join in. We will be watching the live streaming of the event and joining in with students across Australia.

PS. Mrs Argaet is attending the official launch. We must try and find her during the live stream and hope she sends us a big hello.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Kinder	Evie Jones	Year 4	Justin Elliott
Year 1	Michael French	Year 5	Claudia Jones
Year 2	James Bartlett	Year 5/6	Hayley Luff
Year 3	Hunter Field	Year 6	Bella Brain

GUMNUT CHILDCARE CENTRE

Gumnut Childcare centre is now taking bookings for 2016. Gumnut is open 49 weeks of the year – 8.00 am till 5.30 pm each day. We offer education and care to children aged 0- 5 years of age. If you would like to book for 2016 or to find out more – please call Gumnut on 69 441 889 or email gumnut1@westnet.com.au



Students are enjoying lunchtime craft groups with Mrs Jamieson.



YEAR 2 classroom capers

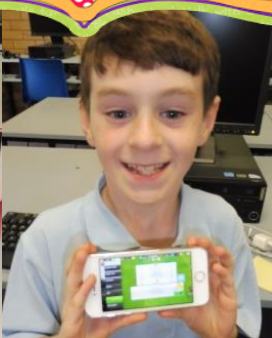


TECHNOLOGY TIME

Congratulations to Year 2 on reaching the 3rd
in-class PBL reward!

Year 2 enjoyed their in-class PBL reward this week.
All of the student's hard work has paid off!

Keep up the great work Year 2!



SOUNDS OF THE MOUNTAINS

Each Wednesday morning at 10.15 am tune into FM 94.3 for Gundagai Public School news.

Our hosts this week are Abbey Polsen and Brayden Tutty.



CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 4

Wednesday 28th October

Lin Murray and Tracey Ingold

Monday 2nd November

Melinda Elliott and Rebecca Gorman

Wednesday 4th November

Rebecca Cotterill and Melissa Murray

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CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EVENING – NOTE CHANGE OF DATE

This evening was held last year and was a great success. This will be held on **Thursday 5th November from 5.00 to 8.00 pm in the School Hall**. We are having this just in time to find some wonderful Christmas presents and return stalls include Tupperware, Lorraine Lea Linen, Body Shop and Chefs Toolbox. This year we will also be having Pandora jewellery for sale. More information on this night will be given out closer to the time. Please put this one in your diary and come along for a glass of bubbly and an easy night's browsing and shopping!

CLOTHING POOL PRICE RISE

Just a reminder that there has been a price rise for school uniforms, effective from the beginning of Term 4. Blue Short Sleeved Polo shirts are now \$16.00 each. A new price list can be found on our School App.

NEW SCHOOL BAGS NOW AVAILABLE

The Clothing Pool is now trialling school backpacks for \$35 each. They are navy in colour and are supplied by one of our existing uniform suppliers. **A sample school bag can be found in the front foyer**. As we are gauging interest we are asking for pre-orders. Any pre-paid orders will need to be made before 27th November and the order will be filled by the end of the term, ready for school next year.



Kennedy Back Pack

J086BP / Black

Polyester Oxford (385g - 100% Polyester)

DESCRIPTION

Long before they're big enough to carry a full-size pack, students need a sensible and convenient way to carry an increasingly large number of books and notes to and from class each day. This simple and well-designed pack provides an excellent solution without going oversize. Small but spacious, the Kennedy back pack is made from a water proof polyester oxford and features cushioning back support to protect young spines. Inter...

CANTEEN NEWS – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Thank you to those parents who continue to find time to support our canteen. **Volunteers are needed on 23rd November, 2nd December and 9th December otherwise the canteen will CLOSE on these days.**

GUNDAGAI SWIMMING CLUB REGISTRATION/ASSESSMENT NIGHT

Thursday 5th November, 4.00 to 6.00 pm. All new swimmers to be assessed before registering. Re-registering swimmers assessed Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th November. Club membership is \$84.00. Club Nights begin Thursday 12th November. All enquiries to Paula Cotterill 0422 524 858 or Angela Doughty 0411 120 251