



Gundagai Public School

NEWSLETTER

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Week 6 Term 4

Principal: Mrs Vicki Somerville

Learning

Responsibility

Safety

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The outdoor learning area at Gundagai Public School is taking shape thanks to the efforts of Year 5. Mrs Wheaton and her Year 5 class are spending this term transforming a disused portion of the playground into a useable and inviting space, as a continuation of the EnviroChamps 2015 project. They are currently working with Mr Hartshorn and project manager from Greening Australia Nicki Taws. This is the first step in changing the area adjacent to the basketball courts into an outdoor learning area. So far they have planted out vegetable garden beds and made a hedge of bottlebrushes and tea trees. They have commenced laying a pathway and on Wednesday they planted another 150 plants, thanks to Greening Australia.

Nicki from Greening Australia travelled from Canberra to donate the plants, and assist with planting them. These were a range of native shrubs, grasses and wild flowers. She also educated the class on the significance of adding more native plants to the school ground. It is hoped the space will help to attract an abundance of bird life, and Nicki showed students samples of various bird nests and took them on a bird watching tour of the school.



The students gained a lot from the experience and are writing personal recounts of what they learnt and the fun they had.



Jock Smith
Toby Dasey

Damica Field
Bailey Piper

Bella Brain
Claire Lindley

Jaylen Bell
Leah Lyall

OPERATION ART

Clay Murray had a wonderful day on Friday when he participated in Visual Arts Workshop at the Wagga Art Gallery. This workshop was conducted by Operation Art and gave students with a talent in creative art the opportunity to receive specialist tuition and work alongside students from other schools with similar interests. Clay particularly enjoyed lino printing and sculpting.

PROUD AND DEADLY

A number of our indigenous students and their families will attend the Proud and Deadly Awards this Wednesday evening at Billa Park, Tumut commencing at 5.00 pm. These awards recognise Aboriginal student achievement throughout the year.

We are very proud that so many of our students will be recognised.



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Kinder	Gabriella Streckfuss	Year 4	Ryan Saltmarsh
Year 1	Jessica Fitzgerald	Year 5	Chloe Lloyd
Year 2	Bailey Piper	Year 5/6	Lochlan Bower
Year 3	Jayelle Britt	Year 6	Max Eccleston

REMEMBRANCE DAY

This Wednesday the entire student body will take part in a Remembrance Day Ceremony to mark such a significant day in Australia's history.

If you get time to speak with your children about Remembrance Day prior to the ceremony it will give them an even deeper understanding and respect for the day.

LIBRARY NEWS...

Tomorrow students from Years 3-6 will be fortunate enough to have a visit, including a question and answer session with published author, R.A. Spratt.

Please remember to return your order form if you wish to purchase books. Orders taken prior to R.A. Spratt's visit will ensure these books will be signed by our guest author on the day.

Next week will be the final week for borrowing for all students as an end of year stocktake is necessary to ensure the GPS library is ready for another great year in 2016.



KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION 3

This Thursday from 9.30 to 11.00 am is the final session of our orientation program. Students will be enjoying games and activities in the classroom and playground.

Parents are encouraged to attend our final information session as Kindergarten starting times and dates will be allocated, communication and resilience strategies will be addressed, the role of the P&C will be outlined and school uniforms will be available for purchase. Most importantly our 2016 Kindergarten class will join their parents for morning tea to celebrate such a wonderful transition to school.

SRC TALENT QUEST

The SRC Talent Quest is being held on Thursday 19th November in the school hall. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to entertain their peers with a variety of performances.

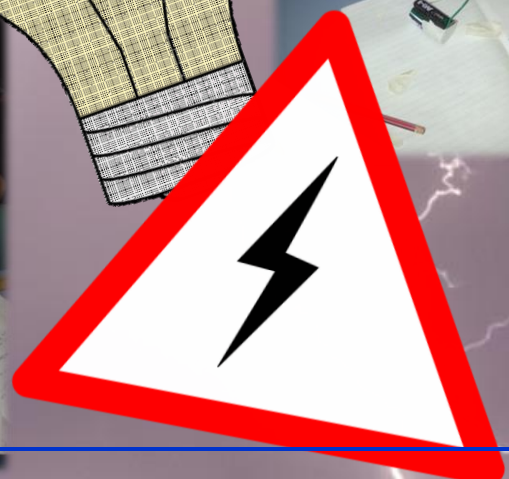
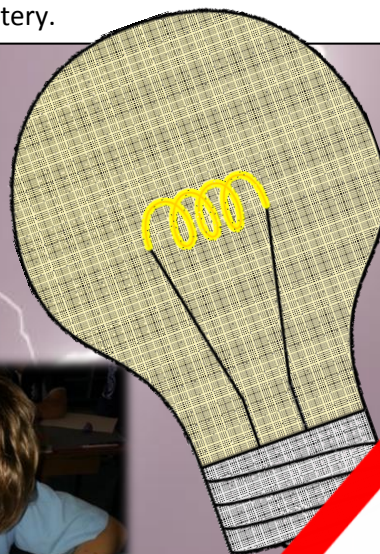
Reminder to students involved, to be prepared for rehearsals especially if props/equipment are needed. Please check the SRC noticeboard for your allocated times



IT'S ELECTRIFYING!



YEAR 6 have the power in their hands! They've been investigating the process that is involved when making an electrical circuit, the features of a light bulb and insides of a battery.



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 Chloe Britt and Kaidan Bell.



CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 4

Wednesday 11th November

Courtney Jones and Shannon Whiting

Monday 16th November

Elise and Sharon Batt

Wednesday 18th November

Sarah Triggs and Kate Lenehan

~ P & C NEWS

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CANTEEN NEWS

New to the summer menu, frozen pineapple rings and frozen grapes selling for 20 cents.



CLOTHING POOL EXTENDED OPENING HOURS THIS WEEK

For our last Kindergarten Orientation this Thursday 12th November, the clothing pool has extended its opening from 9.00 to 12.00 md for the sale of new and pre-loved uniforms. All parents are welcome to shop during this time.

P & C MEETING

The next P & C meeting will be held next Wednesday night, 18th November commencing at 6.00 pm. All welcome to attend.

TEA TOWEL AND APRON FUNDRAISER.

Attached to this newsletter is a detailed outline on how you can purchase a unique tea towel or apron, featuring all the students and staff for 2015. Everyone has individually drawn themselves and collectively they make a great memento of such an eventful year.

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 with full payment 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...