



Gundagai Public School

NEWSLETTER

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Week 10 Term 2

Principal: Mrs Vicki Somerville

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This week all at Gundagai Public are looking forward to our end of term disco which will be held on Wednesday evening. This is a culmination to our Footsteps dance program that has run successfully each Wednesday this term. The students really enjoy this program and we are very appreciative to parents for enthusiastically supporting it.

Tomorrow our Infants students are looking forward to their special Athletics Carnival. This marks the end of their very successful athletics program that has run for sport throughout Term 2 and all students are excited about showing their athletic ability to their parents and friends.

Last Tuesday at our special sports assembly Rafter were announced as the Athletics Champions for 2015 and house captains Sophie Lotz and Kaidan Bell proudly accepted the trophy on behalf of their team. Congratulations to all members of Rafter and to our individual age champions who were also announced at this assembly.

Special congratulations to our age champions:



*Junior Girl
Millie Triggs*



*Junior Boy
Cody Bell*



*11 Yr Girl
Yasmin
Longhurst*



*11 Yr Boy
Caleb Piper*



*Senior Girl
Abbey Polsen*



*Senior Girl
Taleika
Worldon*



*Senior Boy
Jack Lloyd*

This Friday marks the end of a very busy and productive term in which staff have worked extremely hard implementing new educational reforms and many exciting programs that have been identified in our Strategic Directions which are driving the school plan for the next 3 years. Looking back, I am so proud of everyone involved at Gundagai Public School and wish to extend my heartfelt thanks to the staff, students, P&C, parent body and community members who have been so supportive. Together we have achieved great things and had a fantastic time. It has also been wonderful to see so many parents doing so many things to continue being involved in their child's education specifically and the school community generally. Please remember that Gundagai Public School is your school and your opinions and ideas are valued.

Thank you everyone at Gundagai Public for supporting our fundraising efforts this week by coming out of uniform, supplying cakes and slices, buying goodies at recess or having a guess in the jellybean competition. We are all pleased to be able to help the Bethune family in some small way.



TERM 3 ~ School resumes on Tuesday 14th July for all students

OPEN RUGBY LEAGUE STATE CARNIVAL

Jack Lloyd and Kaidan Bell have returned to school after playing with the Riverina Open Rugby League team at the state championships in Sydney. Both boys relished the experience and displayed a high level of skill and a competitive spirit throughout their 7 games. This year Riverina finished in 7th place overall. This is an amazing achievement and the boys can be very proud of the contribution they made to such a successful carnival.



INFANTS ATHLETES

The Infants Athletics Carnival is being held TOMORROW at 10.45 am. There will be age races, field and novelty events. A special canteen will operate with the sale of drinks, tea, coffee, cakes and slices over the day. We are looking forward to a great day. Hope to see you there.



NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA ON SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY

Our school is participating in the collection of nationally consistent data on school students with disability. We will be collecting information already available in the school about the support that is being provided to students with disability. Better data will help the Government plan for students with disability. The data collection will have no direct impact on your child and they will not be involved in any testing process. Further information about this initiative is attached to this week's newsletter.

STAGE 3 MELBOURNE EXCURSION

Please remember the \$60 deposit to indicate your child will be attending the Melbourne Excursion from Monday 14th September to Thursday 17th September was due today.

Unfortunately it appears this excursion may not go ahead because at present only half the students in Years 5 and 6 have indicated they will be attending.

Motel bookings and entries into the various attractions must be made by the end of this week, before the holidays.

Therefore if your child intends participating in this very informative and fulfilled adventure they must indicate with an expression of interest note and \$60 deposit by Wednesday.

A final decision about this excursion will be made on Thursday.

MT SELWYN.....SAVE THE DATE

Students in Years 3 to 6 have the opportunity to participate in an excursion to Mount Selwyn Snowfields on Wednesday 12th August. A detailed information note will be sent out in Week 2 next term.



All permission notes and payments must be returned to school by Monday 27th July as equipment has to be booked on this day. The cost of the excursion will be approximately \$120 and an exact amount will be detailed in the Term 3 note.

Please be aware that there are opportunities for parents to attend this excursion if they are willing to assist on the day.

TERM 2 PBL WELFARE ASSEMBLY

Our Term 2 PBL Assembly will be held on Thursday 25th June commencing at 12.40 pm in the School Hall. All welcome to attend.

SOUNDS OF THE MOUNTAINS

Each Wednesday morning at 10.15 am tune into FM 94.3 for Gundagai Public School news and upcoming events. Our hosts this week are Matilda Carberry and Riley Bethune.

SHOWCASE AT SEA..... SAVE THE DATE

All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 have begun work on our upcoming musical drama production *ShowTime at Sea* which will involve the entire school and be showcased on Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd of September at 7.00 pm.



Skoolbag
Smartphone school to parent communication

Skoolbag is a mobile App for your school to communicate directly to both parents and students. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). Ideal for:

- > School, free push notification alerts
- > School events
- > School newsletters
- > School documents
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- > School social media (Facebook, Twitter)

Skoolbag delivers school notices directly to parents and students



GUNDAGAI PUBLIC SCHOOL APP

Gundagai Public School Skoolbag iPhone and Android App successfully helps us communicate more effectively with our Parent/Student community. You can view our Newsletters, submit students absences, change of details such as addresses and mobile phone numbers. To download, go to the App store and search for Gundagai Public School.

Focus on... WARRERA



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Kinder	Chase Russell	Year 4	Zac Lyall
Year 1	Wade Foster	Year 5	Tom Smart
Year 2	Ryan Lyall	Year 5/6	Matilda Carberry
Year 3	Jhett Stanford	Year 6	Chris Nicholls

MAKE ONLINE PAYMENTS

From the beginning of Term 3 it will be possible for parents to make online payments to the school for any student payments, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. We believe this system of payment will be much more convenient for many of our families. Detailed information on how this will work can be found in our first newsletter next term.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to Alyssa Monte, Annika Smith, Jessie Cooper, Ava Doughty, Lachlan Clark, Kane Lindley, Damika Field and Emily Clark who have completed the Premiers Reading Challenge.



Students may borrow extra books to read during the school holidays.

STARTING SCHOOL INFORMATION NIGHT

Tuesday - 23rd June 2015

6.30 pm at Gumnut Childcare Centre

Explanation of Starting Schools Information Packs available



Gundagai Public School are now accepting enrolments for 2016

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday 24th June

Aileen Parker/Shannon Whiting

Wednesday 15th July

Angela Doughty/Grant Smith

FRESH FRIDAY

Week 10

Pumpkin Soup \$1

Mini Corn on the Cob 40 cents



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.

P & C MEETING

The next P & C meeting will be tomorrow, 23rd June commencing at 5.45 pm.

THANK YOU

The P & C are delighted to announce that we made \$600 profit from the Riverina Cross Country Canteen. We would like to extend a massive thank you to those women who helped on the day: Angela Doughty, Sarah Triggs, Kate Lenahan, Kylie Smith, Margie Jamieson, Vicki Somerville and Brenda Argat. We would also like to thank all our parents/grandparents who baked.

SEMESTER ONE DISCO

Wednesday 24th June
5.30 to 7.30 pm

Gundagai Public School Hall

Disco by Alicia from 'FOOTSTEPS'

Cost: \$6

(includes admission, drink and chips)

Dress is neat casual clothing

Please note: all children must be collected by an adult from the Hall COLA after the disco



Cancer Council NSW

Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to make a healthy breakfast.

We recommend eating two serves of fruit and five serves of vegetable every day.

Why? Because fruit and veg are packed full of nutrients and vitamins that give you energy, keep you healthy and help prevent diseases like cancer.

Try to get your family eating fruit and veg with breakfast – it will help all of you have more energy throughout the day.



You might like:

- wholegrain toast with avocado and tomato
- sliced banana on Weetbix
- frozen berries blended with reduced-fat milk and yoghurt for a smoothie
- eggs served with cooked vegies – tomato, mushrooms and spinach.

Remember: try to eat fruit + veg at every meal!

For more information visit

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