PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE
Students have settled back into the routine of school life and are working hard in the final term of 2015. A number of long term projects are reaching completion with the Maths Olympiad team having submitted their final challenge and the Enviro Champs having commenced the long-term project of an outdoor learning area. Congratulations to all students and teachers involved in these enrichment opportunities. It certainly adds an extra exciting dimension to school life.

It is now a great time to start preparing for the school Talent Quest that is being held on Thursday 19th November. Can you sing, dance, tell jokes, play an instrument, perform gymnastic routines or entertain an audience in some other way? Maybe you should enter the school talent quest, either individually or with a group of friends. Auditions will be held in the coming weeks.

If you are in Stage 2 or 3 this is also a good time to start preparing for the Monster Maths and Spelling quizzes that will be given closer towards the end of the term to see who will be named the Maths and Spelling Champs for 2015 at Presentation Evening.

This week Mia Doughty, Bindi Crane, Ava Doughty, Millie Triggs, Edward Brooke and Jack Lloyd travel to Sydney to not only represent our school, but the entire Riverina when they compete at the PSSA State Athletics Carnival at Olympic Park, Homebush. We wish them the very best of luck.

Gundagai Public School provides a wide variety of academic, sporting and cultural activities and staff will be discussing opportunities such as these with interested parents and their children who will be attending our information evening this Thursday evening.

ENROLLING NOW FOR 2016 ~ KINDERGARTEN TO YEAR 6
An information evening and barbecue will be held on Thursday 15th October from 5.00 to 6.30 pm for interested families. Gundagai Public School provides high quality educational opportunities for every child, every day.

OCTOBER ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE

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NO HAT NO PLAY
In Term 4 all students need a hat for outside activities. School hats and caps can be purchased at our clothing pool for a cost of: Caps $10; Bush Hats (without string) $15 and Microfibre Bush Hats $22.

This term no child will be allowed play in the open unless they have a hat but will be asked to play under the COLA.

Please check to see if your child’s hat is still clearly labelled. Names have a habit of wearing off over time and make it more difficult to return to their owners.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
School photos will be taken next Tuesday 20th October 2015. All children will need to be in full summer uniform, including black shoes. If you need to purchase from the Clothing Pool it is open every Thursday from 9.00 to 10.00 am.

T20 BLAST CRICKET GALA DAY
Last Friday nearly fifty primary students attended the Milo T20 Blast Cricket Gala Day at Stan Crowe Oval. The day saw many outstanding displays of skills, positive sportsmanship and groovy music. Students were given the opportunity to play four games against teams from Gundagai South and St Pats and even other Gundagai Public School students.

Adding to the day’s excitement was a catching competition Abbey Polsen showed her catching proficiency to win the girl’s competition (with Laci Bower coming in second). The best performance for the boys was Jaylen Bell coming in second. Overall it was an entertaining day that hopefully creates plenty of interest for the T20 Blast Cricket Inter-House Competition coming soon!

INTER-HOUSE COMPETITION UPDATE
The 7-a-side soccer as part of the Inter-House Sporting Competition came to a close late last term. In Stage 2 Freeman dominated in all the games including the final winning 5-nil. The same could be said about Rafter in Stage 3, winning their final 4-nil. From those results it dramatically changed the standings in the points score:

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Next on the agenda is the T20 Blast Cricket competition and students will be able to nominate for their Sporting House team.

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
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 Hayley Luff and Lochlan Bower.

TERM 4 COMING EVENTS
Thursday 15 October .................... School Assembly Year 4
Tuesday 20 October ..................... School Information Evening
Wednesday 21 October ................. Enviro Champs Final
Tuesday 27 October ..................... Kinder Orientation No. 1
Thursday 29 October ................... Transition to High School
School Assembly Year 1
Friday 30 October ...................... Flower Show
Wednesday 4 November ............... Kinder Orientation No. 2
Thursday 12 November ................. Kinder Orientation No. 3
School Assembly Year 2/3
Thursday 26 November ................. Welfare Assembly
Monday 30 November ................. Intensive Swimming
Years 2 - 4 (full week)
Thursday 10 December ............... Year 6 Graduation Day
and Disco
Monday 14 December ................ Presentation Evening
Tuesday 15 December ................. Class Parties
Wednesday 16 December ............. Last day of school for students

CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 4
Wednesday 14th October
Rebecca Cotterill and Rebecca Gorman

Monday 19th October
Rebecca Britt and Jodi Anderson

Wednesday 21st October
Shannon Whiting (Volunteer needed)

~ P & C NEWS ~

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.

TERM 4 FUNDRAISERS
We will have 3 fundraisers this term (two minor and one major fundraiser). They are:

1. **Tea towel & apron fundraiser.** The children have already begun drawing portraits of themselves for this. Tea towels and aprons will have a drawing of every child and teacher at our school and make great little Christmas pressies for all the Aunties and Uncles, Nans and Pops out there! Samples of these can be found in the front foyer. Order forms will be sent home in the next couple of weeks. Tea towels will cost $12 each and aprons will cost $20 or a combination of 1 tea towel and 1 apron will cost $30. We’re looking forward to seeing some magic artwork!

2. **Christmas Shopping Evening.** This evening was held last year and was a great success. This will be held on Friday 6 November from 6-8pm 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!

3. Our final fundraiser will be our **major fundraiser**, our Christmas Monster raffle. Year 3 will be running this fundraiser. This year we have over 26 fabulous and practical prizes to be won. Raffle tickets will be coming home in the coming weeks. This fundraiser will be drawn in the last week of term.

CANTEEN NEWS
Attached to today’s newsletter is a copy of this terms canteen roster. Thank you to those parents who continue to find time to support our canteen. Volunteers are needed on 21st October, 26th October, 11th November, 22nd November, 2nd December and 9th December otherwise the canteen will CLOSE on these days.

CLOTHING POOL NEWS
Due to a price increase from our suppliers to cost of school uniforms has risen. Attached to today’s newsletter is a new price list effective as of today, 12th October 2015.

MILO IN2 CRICKET.........T20 BLAST CRICKET........JUNIOR CRICKET COMPETITION
Seeking registration for interested players. Details on the Gundagai District Cricket Association Facebook page including links to registrations. Registrations close Friday 16th October 2015. Please contact Louise Smith 0417 742 880 or Tim Ryan 0421 010 669 if you have any questions.