PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Semester One reports will be sent home on Wednesday and provide a summary of your child’s academic achievements and effort in the Key Learning Areas. I am very proud of the new reporting format that has been designed to reflect your child’s progress in teaching and learning opportunities that take part in our classrooms each and every day. Staff at Gundagai Public has worked hard to align our teaching with the new English, Maths and Science curriculums and embrace 21st century learning through implementing the HOW2LEARN philosophy in our classrooms. Assessment of your child’s progress is based on formal assessment, class tasks and assignments, work samples, ongoing evaluation and observation. I encourage parents to take the time to read the report with their child, complimenting them on their areas of strength and encouraging them to apply themselves more in areas identified.

End of semester reporting is one way teachers can communicate with parents about the students in their classrooms. If you have any concerns, need clarification or want to hear more about all the positive things that have been happening with your child at school I encourage you to make an interview time provided next week. However please be reminded that the open door policy at our school encourages you to touch base with any of us at any time during the school year.

WEST STREET ENTRANCE SAFETY CONCERNS

Local police have raised some concerns with parents using the West Street gate (top gate) to drop off and pick their children up and I am now asking for your support so that we do not have to permanently close this area.

1. Parents are strongly discouraged from entering the top gate to drop children off. The designated bottom car park should be used.
2. Parents using the top gate to collect students of an afternoon must walk to the school building and escort their children to their car. Children are not allowed to walk to parents waiting in their car.
3. Parents leaving the top block area must move in a clockwise direction. Reversing is not allowed.
4. Parents are encouraged to use road safety practices such as walking children into the grounds, encouraging their children to use the designated pedestrian crossing and using the footpaths provided.
5. Parents are reminded that walking across the car park is not allowed.

As you would appreciate the safety of our students is of the utmost importance and cannot be compromised. Please help us enforce these safe practices.

ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE
MULTICULTURAL PERSPECTIVE PUBLIC SPEAKING
Congratulations to all students who spoke at the school Multicultural Perspective Public Speaking competition last Thursday. This competition aims to heighten the awareness of multicultural issues among NSW primary school students while developing their interest in public speaking and improving their confidence and speech-writing skills. All speeches were of an extremely high standard with students speaking articulately and passionately about very relevant issues that face our society today.

Brianna Smith, Sophie Lotz, Edward Brooke and George Tait were then selected to participate in the Multicultural District Final being held at South Gundagai this Tuesday and we are confident that they will be excellent representatives for our school. We wish you well on such a special day.

2015 ENVIRO CHAMPS
The Gundagai Public School Enviro Champs team of Jessica Hlywa, Jessie Cooper, Kane Lindley and Clayton Smith travelled to Wagga last Wednesday for their induction into the 2015 program. During the day they took part in a range of fun and practical team building and leadership activities alongside a number of other schools.

The Enviro Champions Leadership Program aims to encourage student environmental participation, decision making and leadership and students are encouraged to implement innovative environmental practices within their school community. Jessica, Jessie, Kane and Clayton brainstormed ideas for their project and will work on implementing their idea next term, before making a presentation early in Term 4. Stay tuned for further updates!

RUGBY LEAGUE STATE CARNIVAL
Caden Piper and Cody Bell have returned to school after playing with the Riverina under 11’s Rugby League team at the state championships in Tamworth. Both boys relished the experience and displayed a high level of skill and a competitive spirit throughout their 5 games. The boys returned to school telling tales of the huge size and extraordinary speed of the opposition. It really is a great opportunity to play with and against formable talent when competing at this level.

RIVERINA CROSS COUNTRY
Our best wishes go to Laci Bower, Cooper Bethune, Joseph Polsen, Cody Bell, Jock Triggs and Riley Bethune who are members of the Highlands team which will run at the regional carnival on Thursday 11th June at the Gundagai Common and Showground.

Good luck everyone.

INFANTS ATHLETES
The Infants Athletics Carnival is being held this Friday, 20th June commencing 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.
We love playing cards!
It helps us learn to add!

Friends of 10!
1 and 9 have a good time
2 and 8 stay up late
3 and 7 play with Kevin
4 and 6 do some tricks
5 and 5 jump and jive

It is fun counting on the tens frame!

We can recognise numbers fast!

We play tricks to see who can count without touching!
STUDENT OF THE WEEK

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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 Ella Stanford and Cohan Rowley.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT EVENING
Last Thursday evening staff spent 3 hours training in the Targeted Early Numeracy (TEN) program which supports teachers in improving numeracy outcomes for students. The intervention program provides strategies for teachers to provide in-class support to students. The teaching strategies included small group instruction, frequent short numeracy sessions and targeted activities, with regular monitoring of student progress. Staff very much appreciated the opportunity to access further professional learning to inform their teaching and I commend them for their enthusiasm and professionalism.

REMINDERS
Stage 2 Canberra Excursion permission notes and money are due in tomorrow, Wednesday 10th June.
Wiradjuri Echoes Boori Corroboree permission notes must be returned tomorrow if you wish your child to attend.
Regional Cross Country Catering this Thursday 11th June. Thank you to parents who have indicated they are available on the day. If you would still like to assist on the day, please contact Meredith Tait on 0438 835 658.
School Cross Country (Track Events) will be held this Friday 12th June at Stan Crowe Oval. Thank you to all parents who have returned permission note. If you haven’t yet responded, please return permission note and bus fare to school tomorrow.
School Assembly this Thursday, 11th June commencing at 12.40 pm in the hall. Host class will be Kindergarten. All welcome to attend.

CANTEEN ROSTER
Wednesday 10th June
Lin Murray and Tracey Ingold

Monday 15th June
Meredith Tait and Rebecca Gorman

Wednesday 17th June
Bec Cotterill and Grant Smith

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.
If you are unable to attend the clothing shop, orders can be sent into school with payment.

FRESH FRIDAY
Due to the Athletics Carnival there will be no Fresh Friday this Friday.
Fresh Friday will return in Week 9 and Week 10 with our new winter menu.