PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

The Gundagai Public School community is reeling from the shocking news surrounding the house fire that destroyed the Smith family home during the holidays. The devastating fire tore through their possessions and left little time for the salvaging of anything. Luckily the family were not harmed and although their loss is devastating the Gundagai community is once again rallying behind a family in need. The SRC will organise a fundraising venture for the family next week.

While our students started back to school today, our teachers were busy at school yesterday participating in future-focused professional learning. Here, our dedicated teachers delved into the HOW2Learn philosophy, exploring the power of language and mindsets in challenging our students to strive for their full potential. The key message of this session was that our brain is not a bucket that needs to be filled with knowledge, but a muscle that continues to strengthen the more it is used.

Term 3 promises to be just as busy as Term 2 if not busier! Coming up this term we have Tree Day, Open Day, an art show, a book fair, a Scienceaviva performance, the Trent Barrett shield, the Highlands Athletics Carnival, our snow trip, the Melbourne Excursion and of course our grand school performance of Showtime at Sea. We at Gundagai Public School are extremely excited to have such an interactive term full of opportunities for parents, family members and friends of Gundagai Public School to come and be part of the exciting things happening in our classrooms and school. We look forward to seeing you all throughout the term.

Today we welcomed Hunter Field to our school. Hunter is in Year 3. We look forward to making Hunter part of the Gundagai Public School learning community.

MAKE YOUR SCHOOL PAYMENTS ONLINE

It is now possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting $ Make a payment. http://www.gundagai-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/

Items that can be paid include general school contributions, extra curricula activities, excursions, sales to students and creative and practical arts activities (this includes dance). There is also a category called Other this to cover items not covered in the previous headings, Other can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice.

When you access the $ Make a payment you must enter:
- the students name,
- class
- date of birth

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system. (Student Registration Number and Invoice number these are not used at our school, please leave blank.)

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school. You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child’s account. For enquiries regarding Online Payment process please contact the School Administration Office.
POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR for LEARNING ~ TERM 1 WELFARE ASSEMBLY

Kinder  Gilbert Crane, Rylee Robb, Eadyn Lindley, Zoe Smart and Cooper Parnaby
Year 1  Jazmyn Deckers, Claire Lindley, Deanna Smith, Nicholas McMurray, Archie Wheaton, Logan Jones, Ryan Clark and Chevy Ward
Year 2  Bailey Piper, Clarity Glazebrook, Isabella Rose, Gus Pollack and Bailey Clark
Year 3  Mia Doughty, Cooper Bethune, Sebastian Smith, Bindi Crane, Jayelle Britt, Noely French, Charilise Longhurst and Cooper Ballard
Year 4  Emily Clark, Zac Lyall, Sidney Cotterill, Indianna Cooper, Riley McDonald, Laura Daley, Edward Coady and Zoey Anderson
Year 5  Blair Pollack, Kasey Bethune, Clare Ballard, Jessie Cooper, Clayton Smith, Claudia Jones, Brock White and Jessica Hlywa
Year 5/6  Yasmin Longhurst, Harriet Lotz, Cody Bell, Ben Feltham, Joshua Daley, Jared Elphick, Alyssa Monte and Taleika Worldon
Year 6  Chloe Britt, Zali Feltham, Abbey Polsen, Brianna Smith, Ella Stanford, Braith Clark, Ben Hughes and Tyler Roberts

SPECIAL AWARDS

LEADERSHIP  Halle Smart, Bailey Piper, Clarity Glazebrook, Jayda Field, Joseph Polsen, Jaylen Bell, Daniel Monte, Seth Jones, Edward Coady, Thomas Smart, Caleb Piper, Joshua Smith, Ben Feltham, Riley Bethune and Kaidan Bell for Semester 1 SRC
SPORT  Caleb Piper, Kaidan Bell, Cody Bell, Jack Lloyd and Jock Triggs
PLB DRAW  Jamie-Lee Bowditch  GUNDY GREAT AWARD  Lillian Crane for being an inclusive and caring friend

STAGE 3 MELBOURNE EXCURSION
Monday 14th to Thursday 17th September
The balance of $250 must be paid to school by Friday 21st August.
A detailed information pack will be sent home closer to the time of this excursion.

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 Taleika Worldon and Jared Elphick.

SRC REPORT
Congratulations to Justin Elliott on guessing the closest amount of jellybeans in the Jellybean Jar Competition. Thank you to all students, staff and parents who supported the SRC throughout Semester One. What an amazing effort for our school community in their support of the Bethune family.
Semester Two SRC members will be elected early this term.
Thank you to the SRC team in Semester One for your terrific efforts and commitment to your role.
Well done!

P&C HAMPER DONATIONS for STREET STALL
Our wonderful P&C are again collecting donations for their Hamper Raffle.
To support the cause all families that donate will be involved in 30 minutes FREE PLAY on Friday, 24th July.
Items required:
- Stage 1 – Gardening supplies
- Stage 2 – Groceries
- Stage 3 – Cleaning supplies

EDUCATION WEEK CELEBRATIONS
27th – 31st July is Education Week and Gundagai Public School has a big week planned to celebrate.
- A book fair (Wednesday 29th)
- An Art Show (Wednesday 29th)
- Open Classrooms (Wednesday 29th)
- A family meal deal (Wednesday 29th)
- An interactive science show (Thursday 30th)
- Involvement in a street ‘Pop Up Venue’ celebrating public education (Tuesday 28th & Thursday 30th)
More information and all required notes will be coming home soon, so keep an eye out.

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
Fresh Friday will recommence in Week 2, Friday 24th July.

CANTEEN ROSTER
Wednesday 15th July
Angela Doughty and Grant Smith
Monday 21st July
Stacy Smith and Toni Jones
Wednesday 23rd July
Aileen Parker and Shannon Whiting