PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Education Week
This week is Education Week, a time to celebrate the achievements and successes of our students, teachers and support staff. This year Gundagai Public School will be showcasing the fantastic efforts of our students and staff by opening the school to parents and visitors on Wednesday. Guests will be able to enjoy their children’s academic pursuits through our open classrooms and their creative talents through the art show happening in the hall. We at Gundagai Public School are proud to open our doors and show-off the wonderful talents of our students. We hope you will join us and enjoy everything on offer. Don’t forget to order some lunch too, as we have the famous Gundagai Bakery catering! Also visit our book fair in the School Library.

PSSA State Touch Football
Kaidan Bell’s busy year of representative duties continued last week, when he took the field in Coffs Harbour for the Riverina Open Touch team. Kaidan described the tournament as, “an exciting week with lots of challenging games.” This year Riverina finished in 5th place overall, only just missing out on the finals. This is an amazing achievement and Kaidan can be very proud of his efforts both on and off the field.

SCHOOL TREE DAY
Last Thursday Kindergarten students joined Mrs Fiddes to plant their own special tree in the school grounds as part of School Tree Day. The day provides the children with the opportunity to do something positive for the environment and reconnect with nature. As is tradition at this school, all Kindergarten students plant a tree on this day and watch it grow. A big thanks must go out to Mr Hartshorn for preparing the site for planting, Landcare for providing the trees and our parent helpers that joined in on Thursday.

EDUCATION WEEK OPEN DAY

Please come and join us on Wednesday 29th July 2015

Doors open at 12.30 pm
From 12.30 pm you can collect your children from their classrooms and either do a tour of their open classrooms, visit our Art Show in the Hall or do a spot of shopping at the Book Fair in the Library.

CANTEEN THIS WEDNESDAY
Due to our Special Education Day luncheon deal, this Wednesday the canteen will be closed for recess and normal lunch orders. Last minute Education Day lunch orders will be accepted tomorrow morning. See order form on the back of today’s newsletter. Parents are most welcome to order and join their children for lunch. Tea and coffee will be available.
Gundagai district public schools will be celebrating Education Week 2015 with a ‘Pop Up’ stall. Here, our local learning community will showcase the wonderful opportunities and experiences public education has to offer. So join us for a cuppa and help us celebrate public education in Gundagai!

When: Tuesday, 28th July and Thursday, 30th July.

Where: Butcher’s Accountancy Office, Sheridan Street, Gundagai.

Times: 11am - 2pm

Who: Everyone

Local school principals and school leaders will be available to guide you through the showcase, as well as answer any questions you have about public education.

Proudly brought to you by: Gundagai High School, Gundagai South Public School, Nangus Public School & Gundagai Public School
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.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

Semester Two SRC students were announced last week. The SRC continues to play an active role in our school, giving a voice to students and developing roles of leadership and responsibility. Miss French meets regularly with SRC members where many ideas are initiated and developed. Congratulations to the Semester Two team. We look forward to all the great things you will implement during your term in office.


HONOUR BOARD

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

| Kinder | Jimmy Smith, Gilbert Crane, Amy Glazebrook, Cooper Parnaby and PBL Award Clayton Elliott |
| Year 1 | Logan Jones, Jazmyn Deckers, Logan Parnaby, Chevy Ward, Claire Lindley and PBL Award Annie Triggs |
| Year 2 | Ryan Lyall, Riley Elliott, Isabella Rose, Amity Robb and PBL Award Bailey Piper |
| Year 3 | Bindi Crane, Alarna Polsen, Madison Smith, Hunter Field, Kayne Worldon and PBL Award Tiarna Carberry |
| Year 4 | Alex Smith, Emily Clark, Zoey Anderson, Edward Coady, Justin Elliott and PBL Award Laci Bower |
| Year 5 | Blake Hazelwood, Claudia Jones, Caleb Piper, Chloe Lloyd, Blair Pollack and PBL Award Brock White |
| Year 5/6 | Yasnim Longhurst, Ben Feltham, Lochlan Bower, Wesley Murray, Kane Lindley and PBL Award Hayley Luff |
| Year 6 | Ella Stanford, Ben Hughes, Max Eccleston, Brianna Smith, Jock Triggs and PBL Award Lillian Crane |

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

| Kinder | Deagan McKechnie |
| Year 1 | Sam Britt |
| Year 2 | Cayden Coulton-Wescombe |
| Year 3 | Brittany White |
| Year 4 | Alex Smith |
| Year 5 | Sierra Anderson |
| Year 5/6 | Yasnim Longhurst |
| Year 6 | Ben Hughes |

GUNDY GREAT AWARD

Madison Smith for being an outstanding school citizen

PBL DRAW WINNER

Zac Lyall
BOOK FAIR... BOOK FAIR... BOOK FAIR

Last week children had the opportunity to complete their wish lists for the book fair. Ashton Scholastic very generously donated $10 vouchers to be given away to purchase books with. Draws for each class were held and congratulations to Jimmy Smith Kinder, Logan Parnaby Year 1, Halle Smart Year 2, Brittany White Year 3, Jorja Humphreys Year 4, Blake Hazelwood Year 5, Lachlan Clark Year 5/6 and Jonty Hourn Year 6 who now have $10 to redeem books with at the fair. All purchases made at the fair assist our school in stocking its library with beautiful books.

Children can purchase during their library lesson this week. Parents can come and help children purchase or they can select books for themselves on Wednesday from 12.30 to 1.55 pm.

Premier’s Reading Challenge

There are only three more weeks until the conclusion of the Premier’s Reading Challenge. If your child is participating in this please encourage them to bring their library bag on their library day and borrow the books they need to complete the challenge.

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SCIENCE VIVA

Science Viva will be performing at Gundagai Public this Thursday 30th July. Notes and payment need to be returned by Wednesday if you would like your child to attend.

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MT SELWYN SKI EXCURSION

Wednesday 12th August 2015

NOTES AND PAYMENT WILL BE ACCEPTED TOMORROW BEFORE 9.30 am if you would like your child to attend.

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CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday 29th July

CLOSED – special education day luncheon

Monday 3rd August

Rebecca Gorman and Kate Lenehan

Wednesday 5th August

Bec Cotterill and Melissa Murray

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FRESH FRIDAY

This Friday at recess the following items will be available for students to purchase:

- Pumpkin Soup $1.00
- Mini Corn Cob 40 cents
- Cheesy Muffin Toastie 60 cents
- Yoghurt 80 cents

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P&C STREET STALL – Thursday 30th and Friday 31st July

It is hoped all parents can contribute to the success of our Street Stall. You can help by supplying cakes, slices, jams, pickles, plants, etc to the stall for sale. These can be dropped into the school on the morning or delivered directly to the street stall.

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EDUCATION DAY LUNCH ORDER FORM

Please return TOMORROW by 9.30 am

Name: .......................................................... Class: ..................

......... Pies $3.00 each       ........... Cans Soft Drink $1.00 each

......... Sausage Rolls $2.20 each     ........... Poppers $1.00 each

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: $.....................