PRINCIPAL'S REPORT
Good luck to those students who will attend the District Swimming Carnival tomorrow. Forty four students will represent our school and are keen to do their best. The Regional Carnival will be held on the 4 March in Albury.

Next Week, the school will hold a Parent Information afternoon. This is a great opportunity to meet your child’s teacher and to find out about the programs planned for this year. A variety of topics that are relevant to your child and his/her learning this year will be covered. Afternoon tea will also be available in the library. A separate note will be attached to the newsletter.

A special part of the school routine is the fortnightly assembly which parents and relatives are invited to attend. This is held in the school hall fortnightly with each class rostered to present items throughout the year. Merit awards for each class are also given out. Our first assembly will be held this Thursday 24 February at 12.40 pm. Please note the change from Fridays to Thursdays.

Brad Griffith
Principal

CANCELLATION OF INFANTS SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Unfortunately the Infants Swimming Carnival for 2011 has had to be cancelled. After attempting to find another suitable date it has been discovered that all days in February have been booked by other schools with their swimming programs. Lunch orders and bus/pool money will be returned this week. We sincerely apologise for this but we are as disappointed as you are.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL
Congratulations to the children who were elected as SRC representatives for Semester One:
Amber Britt, Mathew Thomson, Chelsea Tout, Harrison Daley, Tahlia Crane, Chaz Bishop, Andrew Luff, Antonia Crichton-Brown, Cassandra Nicholls, Matthew Peterson, Chloe Manton, Miranda Carberry, Mitchell Dasey, Ellen McMurray, Campbell Smith, Harriette Britt, Haley Luff and Max Eccleston.

The first SRC meeting will be held on Wednesday during lunch. SRC badges are currently out of stock. New supplies have been ordered.

RAFFLE TICKETS FOR YEAR 3-6
Raffle tickets and hamper items need to be to the school office by 9.15 am tomorrow, Tuesday 22nd February. The raffle will be drawn at tomorrow’s carnival.

K/1F CLASS
All K/1F children are asked to bring in a favourite bright or lairy pair socks.

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
Our first whole school assembly for 2011 will be held this Thursday, 24 February in the school hall commencing at 12.40 pm. Host class is 5/6F. All welcome to attend.
**P & C COMMITTEE**
The 2011 Annual General Meeting was held last week, with a committee being formed.

**President:** Ian Doughty  
**Vice President:** not filled  
**Publicity:** Mel Elworthy

**Secretary:** Jenny Tout  
**Treasurer:** Lin Murray  
**Fundraising:** Bec Smart

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**Canteen Sub-Committee**

**President:** Brad Griffith  
**Treasurer:** Not filled  
**Ordering/Rosters:** Jenny Tout/Karen Moulds

**Clothing Pool**

**Treasurer:** Meredith Tait  
**Stock Control:** Meredith Tait/Bec Smart  
**Roster:** Bec Smart

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**THE RIGHT WAY**
To assist parents in their understanding of how things work at Gundagai Public School, each newsletter this term we will provide information on the school’s operation.

**SICK BAY** - Students attend Sick Bay for a variety of reasons ~ upset stomach, fall in playground, insect bites, headache and so on. Where the illness is more serious the parent will be contacted to discuss the issue and may be required to come to school to collect their child. The ambulance may also be called to ascertain the extent of any injury, eg broken arm and convey the student to hospital.

*Please note:* if you change your telephone number, mobile number or your emergency contact changes his/her telephone number, please notify the school immediately of the new number/s. The early arrival of a parent at school does much to ease the distress of an injured child!

**MEDICATION** - Occasionally students will need to take medication while at school. Parents of children who require prescribed medication to be administered at school must complete a written request. Students must not carry medications; they need to be handed into the office when the child arrives at school. Prescribed medication is usually sent on a daily basis and in a **pharmacy labeled container detailing the student’s name and the prescribed dosage**. In general, schools do not administer medication which has not been specifically requested by a medical practitioner for an individual student for a specific condition.

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**SCHOOL BANKING**
- For every account that a pupil opens Gundagai Real Estate deposits $10.00 into the account and donates $10.00 to the schools P & C.
- For every transaction done through school banking Gundagai Real Estate donates 50c to the school’s P & C.
- Every child gets a money box.
- To open an account for your child come into the Westpac Instore, you will need the child’s birth certificate and identification for yourself if you are not already a Westpac customer.
- Banking is every Wednesday at Gundagai Public School.
- If you change your telephone number, mobile number or your emergency contact changes his/her telephone number, please notify the school immediately of the new number/s. The early arrival of a parent at school does much to ease the distress of an injured child!

**CLOTHING POOL**
The clothing pool is open every Wednesday 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 on Wednesday mornings, orders can be sent into school. Please enclose payment. Orders will be filled and sent home with your child.

**Roster:**
- **Wednesday 23rd February** ~ Erica Beggs
- **Wednesday 2nd March** ~ Bec Smart

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**TWILIGHT DISCO AND NIGHT TIME SWIM**
Come to the Gundagai Swimming Pool on Saturday 26th February for a disco and night time swim! Entry is $5, which includes a sausage sizzle. You can also buy extra for $2 and lollies will also be available. Starts at 7.00 pm and will finish at 10.00 pm. Children ten years and younger must be supervised by a person 16 years or older. Hope to see you there!!

**GUMNUT OPEN NIGHT**
You are invited to attend an open night at Gumnut on Tuesday 1st March 2011 starting at 5.30pm. Each room will be hosting a brief introductory session around their routines and procedures running for around 15 minutes per room. Parents will be able to meet staff and get an overview of where staff will be heading over the next 12 months with your child’s learning. **Babies – 5.30pm; Toddlers – 5.45 pm; Preschoolers – 6pm.** Please RSVP. Looking forward to seeing you all.

**JENNIFER SMART’S SCHOOL OF DANCE ~ 2011 ENROLMENT DAY**
**Classical Ballet, Jazz, Irish, Tap and Highland Dancing**
Friday 25th February, 3:30 till 5:00 pm, Baptist Church (Corner Otway & Punch Street)
Gundagai. NEW STUDENTS WELCOME. Enquiries: Mrs Leane 6944 7205; Mary Smith 6944 1633; Belinda Hindmarsh 6944 1118.