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NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
Welcome to Week 9 of the term. With lots happening at the moment there is a buzz of productive activity occurring across the school.

Our annual Book Fair was a huge success with nearly $3000 worth of books being sold. The commission from the Book Fair will be spent on resources for the library. Thank you to Mrs Kingwill and Mrs Craig for your organisation.

Well done to our students who participated in recent PSSA trials including cricket and soccer. Good luck to those who travelling to Albury today to participate in basketball trials.

The School’s Scripture program will commence next week. It is a requirement of the Department of Education and Training for schools to provide religious instruction however, scripture lessons at this school are presented to students a little differently from other schools. As there is difficulty in obtaining the services from the various clergy on a weekly basis, the time is accumulated and lessons are given over a one week period each term. Guest religious presenters are booked on behalf of the various churches to teach ecumenical lessons.

Information about the Scripture Program is given below.

LIFE EDUCATION PROGRAM
The Life Education Van will visit this week. Paula and Harold will be here this Wednesday 23 March until Friday (please note the change in dates). All classes attend the Van and are educated on topics relating to the Health, Personal Development and Physical Education syllabus. Lessons run for approximately 60 minutes and are presented in a stimulating and interactive manner. The cost to visit the Van is $7.00 for those children not on Super Cover. All children are expected to attend as the program supports the Health and Personal Development Program. Could you please send in money by this Friday, if you are not a Super Cover client. Students may purchase merchandise during lunchtimes.

SCRIPTURE
Scripture classes will commence next week. Kindergarten to Year 2 will attend scripture from 9.15 to 10.15 am and Year 3 to Year 6 will attend their lesson from 10.15 to 11.15 am. Ecumenical lessons are provided for all students in each session and are given by a guest religious instructor. All students are to attend unless stated otherwise by parents in writing. Those students not attending scripture will be supervised by their class teacher and be given additional work.

Brad Griffith
Principal

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE
Congratulations to Casey Polsen who has successfully completed the challenge in record time due to her dedication to borrowing on library days. Well done Casey. Several other students are close to completing the challenge, if you haven’t yet begun and want to, please see me.

Lesley Kingwill
Librarian
BOOK FAIR
Thank you to all those people who contributed to the success of the book fair. Your generous purchases have enabled us to keep $920 worth of books for the library and literacy room.

Scholastic Book Fairs generously donated funds to be used as prizes for the book fair. Congratulations to these lucky children who had their names drawn from the golden ticket box and were able to choose a book for free from the fair. The lucky winners were: Ricky Wheeler, Georjia Worldon, Jacqui Tout, James Stevens, Mackenzie Feltham, Shauna Kuhnert, Abby Polsen, Ellen McMurray, Chelsie Tout, Cassandra Nicholls and Elizabeth Bryon.

Overall we were very happy with the success of the book fair. People who have items ordered should receive these within the next fortnight. Thank you again for you continuing support of our book fairs.

Lesley Kingwill
Librarian

SPORTING ROUND UP...
PSSA Regional Cricket Selection Trials
Congratulations to Chelsea Tout who was selected in the Riverina PSSA Girls Cricket team for 2011. Chelsea was selected after trials last week that were held in Naranderra.

PSSA Regional Basketball Trials
Today nine students have made the trek to Albury to attend the Riverina Basketball trials in both boys and girls. We hope they all do well.

PSSA District Soccer Trials
Last Monday twenty children travelled down to the town sporting fields to trial for the District PSSA soccer teams. There were 35 children in attendance at these trials. The following students were selected to represent the district at the Girls (Leeton on 31st March) and Boys (Albury on 1st April) Regional Soccer Trials:
Amber Britt, Ebony Clark, Tahlia Crane, Summer Elliott, Antonia Crichton-Brown, Chelsea Tout, Ella Manton, Clare Tout, Matthew Bell, Chaz Bishop, Tate Brooke, Jake Elphick, Jack Hamilton, Zac McDonald and Hayden Smart.

SCHOOL BANKING
Banking is every Wednesday. New accounts for students can be opened by visiting the local Westpac branch.

REMINDER: The canteen is ONLY open on MONDAY and WEDNESDAY.
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 March ~ Bec Smart  
Wednesday 30th March ~ Meredith Tait  
Wednesday 6th April ~ Bec Smart and Pam Crane

The clothing pool has for sale, royal blue track pants, in infants sizes, for $5 each.

CANTEEN NEWS
On special, this Wednesday only, Chocolate Ice Cream (Moosies) $1 each.

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P & C NEWS

EASTER RAFFLE
Donations of Easter Eggs for the Easter raffle can now be sent into school. We will be collecting eggs up until Monday 4th April. The P & C will not be holding an out of uniform day this year for the Easter Raffle.

Raffle tickets for our Easter Raffle have been sent home today. Please use both sides of the raffle book. Tickets and money are due back to school by Wednesday 6th March 2011. Raffle will be drawn on Thursday 7th March. If families have cane baskets they wish to donate, please bring them into school.

BULB FUNDRAISING
Your bulb catalogue is attached to today’s newsletter. Please take the time to look at the catalogue and support this fundraiser. Please share your catalogue with family, friends and neighbours as 50% of funds raised goes to the school. If paying by cheque please make out to Gundagai Public School P & C. Deadline for all orders is Thursday 7th April, with orders being delivered early Term 2.

COMMUNITY NEWS

HOCKEY COACHING CLINIC ~ DEVELOPMENT DAY
Coaches from Wagga’s Southern Sports Academy will be running a FREE Clinic at the Tumut Hockey Fields on Sunday 27th March from 9.00 am – 3.00 pm. Clinic open to all ages male and female and all levels from beginners to advanced. The clinic will be combination of skills, training drills and fitness. All welcome. Sausage sizzle and drinks for sale on the day. To nominate please phone: Nat Wilson 6946 2828; Jodie McMahon 6947 9734.

GUNDAGAI PANTHERS SOCCER
Last minute registrations are available from McAlister and Sanderson.

SNOWY HYDRO SOUTHCARE BASE OPEN DAY
Sunday 27th March from 10.00 am to 3.00 pm. Entry FREE. Base Open Day 2011 presented by The Canberra Good Guys is a great event with activities and fun for the whole family. Come and see the Snowy Hydro Southcare Rescue Helicopter and learn more about this essential service that provides a second chance at life. The Snowy Hydro Southcare Helicopter Base is on the Monaro Highway, 2 kms south of Hindmarsh Drive, Canberra. www.snowyh Hydrosouthcare.com.au
NETBALL REGISTRATION
MODIFIED PLAYERS (Years 2 and 3)

NAME: ............................................................................................................................................................

ADDRESS: .....................................................................................................................................................

D.O.B.: .................................................. SHIRT SIZE($25): .................................................................

CLASS: ................................................ PHONE: ........................................................................................

EMAIL: ..........................................................................................................................................................

If you are in Years 2 or 3 and are interested in playing netball, please:
Complete and email to trace33@westnet.com.au
Also any questions to trace33@westnet.com.au

All other teams (Year 4 up) please organise your team and collect a team pack by contacting Tracey on
0412 806 400 or trace33@westnet.com.au and it will be sent to you at school or home.

A $10 fee will be payable to Gundagai Netball Club in addition to Tumut Netball Fees which are:

- Born 2004/2006..............$30.00
- Born 2004 in Yr2..............$43.00
- Born 2001/2003...............$55.00
- Born 1994/2000..............$70.00
- Born 1993 or before.........$90.00

Registration day will be Saturday 2nd April at Youth Club house (opposite pool), 12.00 to 2.00 pm. All teams
must have a team pack completed and a minimum of seven players with completed registration form and
payment included.