



Gunnedah South Public School

"With oar and sail"

Thursday
28th August 2014
TERM 3 WEEK 8

Special points of interest:

- 8th September Yr6 High School Visit
- 9th September P&C @ 7pm
- 10th Sep Kindy Transition
- 12th Sep Book Week Parade
- 17th, 18th & 19th Sep Stage 3 Trek

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School Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9 Sept	8 Year 6 High School Visit Book Week Starts	9 P&C Meeting @ 7pm	10 Kindy Transition 1.30pm	11	12 Book Week Parade Miners' Cup R.L & Girls Oz-Tag
10 Sept	15 Yr 6 Sydney Excursion Meeting	16 Boys PSSA- Softball	17 Stage 3 Trek Boys PSSA- Softball	18  Stage 3 Trek Boys PSSA- Softball	19 Stage 3 Trek
Term 4 1 Oct	6 Labour Day Public Holiday	7	8 Infants Movie Night 6pm 	9 Primary Movie Night 6pm 	10
2 Oct	13	14 Yr3 Three Excursion Group 1 	15 Yr3 Three Excursion Group 1 	16  Yr3 Three Excursion Group 2	17  Yr3 Three Excursion Group 2



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A few words from our Principal...



Dear Parents and Carers,

High School Transition

Next Tuesday 9th September, Mr Shane Kelly, Principal and Miss Rowena Singleton, Year 7 advisor from Gunnedah High School will be visiting South school working with Year 6 teachers to plan extra transition lessons and ensure our students receive a smooth transition to high school.

Dorper National Show

A group of 10 students are representing the school at the Dorper national Show held in Dubbo with Mr Finlay. The students have spent considerable time preparing for this event and learning new skills in sheep handling. Results hot of the press from last night!!

Josh Egan received 2nd place, Charlotte Cooper received 3rd and Kurt Rennick 5th in the junior sheep handling in a field of 30 students including students from high school. This is an exceptional result for our first involvement in this area. Thank you to Mr Finlay for providing this opportunity to our students.

Dorothea MacKellar

A large number of students entered the Dorothea MacKellar poetry competition during Term 2. This is a very significant cultural event held Gunnedah each year. Mrs Merlehan dedicates her time to encouraging and supporting students to enter this competition each year. This year one of our students received a commendation, Amia Beasley. We might see your name as a published author soon! Thank you to Mrs Merlehan for continuing to promote and support this valuable event.

Artworks on display

Around 20 GSPS students were fortunate enough to be involved in an art workshop over 2 days with our own resident artist Shirley Urquhart, and an expert in dry point etching, Bernhardine Mueller. The resulting works of art from this workshop will be placed on display in the Mooki Room at the Creative Arts Gallery from next week.

This is a particularly proud moment for our school and community to have such talent work with our students. Their artworks are extremely impressive and are definitely worth seeing.

A huge thank you to Shirley Urquhart.

Book Week

The time is fast approaching when the crazy costumes come out. The book week parade is just over a week away, Friday 12th September and I have had a sneak preview of a few of the teachers costumes!!! Boys and girls you don't want to miss out on this day!

Working Bee

The school is holding a working bee on Sunday 14th September. There are a number of jobs around the school, which will help us to keep the school looking fantastic.

We would appreciate any help. If you can spare a few hours, from 9-1pm with lunch provided.

Warm Regards

Emma Jeffery

Principal



Rugby Skill Sessions in Term 4

Each Tuesday in term 4 Garry Walsh from the Australian Rugby Union Development team will be coming to Gunnedah South. Sessions will run from 3pm to 4.30pm. This will be a great opportunity for those players who are considering playing for the school rugby team in 2015 or trialling for the North West PSSA Team.

The skill workshops will cover all aspects of rugby including catch & pass, track and tackle, ruck & maul as well as the scrum and lineout. All participants who nominate for the sessions will be required to return a permission note and a permission to play contact sport note. These will be issued early in term 4.

Sessions commence **Tuesday 14th October** and will run for the remaining Tuesdays of the term **except for Tuesday 4th November**. There will be no session run that day. The sessions will be open to students in years 3 to 6. For more information please contact Mr Conn at school.

Thank You.

Mr Graham Conn

Book Week is here again!

Here are a few things happening around our school during Book Week:

* Scholastic **Book Fair** from Monday 8th to Friday 12th September. Come along to see all the new and exciting books on offer. It might even be a great opportunity to start your Christmas shopping.

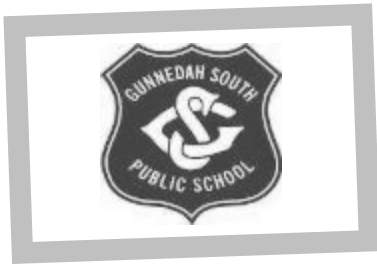
* Kindergarten- Year 2 Colouring Competition and Year 3-6 Book Cover Design Competition. The winners will be announced during the Book Parade.

* **Dress up Parade** will be held on Friday 12th September. The parade will start at 11:15am on the school oval. Everyone is welcome so come along to see everyone parade their costumes around proudly. The parade will be followed by an outside disco which will then lead us into lunchtime where visitors are welcome to pack a picnic lunch and enjoy lunch with their child.



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SCHOOL NEWS...



Year 6 Students

Please return enrolment forms to Gunnedah High ASAP to secure your place

Year 6 excursion is fast approaching please finalise your payments ASAP



Canteen Helpers

Monday 8th September: Need Help
 Tuesday 9th September: Laura Reeves
 Wednesday 10th September: Ebony Cope
 Thursday 11th September: Ashley Pennell
 Friday 12th September: Christina Jones
 Need Help



Stage 3 Rotations Week 9-B

Week A	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Miss Small PE/PD	Year 6 Transition	6S	6H	Miners Shield	
Mr Sumpter Tech		6L	6S		
Mr Humphries Science		5Z	6L		
Miss Hickey M/D/D		5S	5Z		
MRS HEATH HSIE		5/6S	5S		
Miss Zerner Art		6H	5/6S		

Merit Awards	
IF	Riley Price, Jai Read-McInnes, Bronty Snow, Colter Swain, Jack Fouracre, Mason Guest-Lennox, Ally Harris, Kyran Kleinschafer
IM	Liam Reid, Thomas Mainey, Emily McKenzie, Heidi White, Finnegan Leader, Jack McCulloch, Shaniqua Wightman, Aleena Dundas
IPW	Oscar Donoghue, Cj Lim, Ted Pease, Tim Thorning, Melissa Bartlett, Blade Rolands, Ted Pease
IW	Ryley Chaffey, Simone Donnelly, Benjamin Hall,, Tiah Small, Jade Emmerson, Charleigh McArthur, Lucas Passman, Charlotte Semmler
2M	Sandy McArthur, Indiella Bryers, Malakai Briggs, Sophie Bush
2S	Angus Waerea, Thomas Eveleigh, Flynn Harrison
3D	Lucy Robertson, Hayden Riley, Chole Williams
3H	Angel Phillips, Chelsea Webster, Ben Neale
3M	Matilda Snow, Logan Ross, Chicane Amaral
3/4F	Lucy Reid, Laiken Boal, Emily Staughton
4S	Courtney White, Charlie Donaldson, Archie Waerea
4M	Taylor Davison, Byron Donnelly, Jay Fouracre, Jess McIntyre
5S	Macey Friend, Connor Poeschl, Lachlan Moore
5Z	Ryan Kelly-Payne, Harry Mason, Madelin Marmara, Amy Buck
5/6S	Charlotte Eather, Charli Scott, Daniel Wang
6H	Taylor Sams, Lachlan Lennox, Myles Conn, Hope Nicholls
6L	Logan Dries, Nathan Gardner, Hayley Lye, Anaya Boal
6S	Kalila Megson, Shakarra Dorrington, Jarratt Talbott

Anne Singleton Cup

Gunnedah South Netball Team played in a round robin against local school teams on Friday 15th August. The teams were able to include boys this year and some teams did. Our team found this a little disconcerting but after an initial slow start we picked up the pace and defeated all other teams except St Xaviers. This left us in second place on the ladder and meant we were in the final of the Anne Singleton Cup.

On Saturday 23rd August the final was played between St Xaviers and Gunnedah South. St Xaviers' started very strongly with a 12 point to 0 lead in the first quarter. To the credit of the South School Team they showed true determination, dug deep and never gave up. In fact in the last quarter the South School Team outscored the opposition. We are very proud of their effort as they gave it their all. Congratulations to St Xaviers;

Regional Athletes Off to State!

Congratulations to these athletes in qualifying for the state athletics carnival in October. 60 sixty students from all over the Gunnedah zone attended the regional athletics carnival on Friday 29th of August. The following Gunnedah South Public school were successful in gaining a place to the PSSA state carnival.

Emmy Barr– Junior long jump

Kurt Fisher– 10yrs 100m and the junior 800m

Zac Griffin– 11yrs 100m and 200m

Bella Barr– Junior high jump

Anaya Boal– Senior 800m

Zeb Dillon– Junior high jump

Zac Clarke– 11yrs 800m

Angela Dillon– 11yrs High jump

Oliver Thomas– 11yrs High jump

Good Luck to these athletes!



Silver

Annie Elphick, Brittney Smith, Charlie Scott, Byron Donnelly, Jessica McIntyre, Flynn Harrison, Connor Poeschl, Kaleb Hoffmann, Aaron Osmond, Lowanna Davison, Zac Bower, Savanna Cull, Ashley Murray, Alex Letts, Logan Costin

Gold

Brittaney Smith, Jessica McIntyre, Aaron Osmond, Zac Bower,

M/D/D

Alyssa Ferguson, Grace McCulloch, Callum Letts

YCDI

Chloe Southland, Bella Sawyer, Zoe McAlpine, Emily McKenzie Jimmy Memorey,, Ellie Cope, Lincoln Squires, Jack McCulloch, Jack Atkins

Better News! Better News!
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The working bee is on!

When: **September 14th, 2014.**

Starting: **9:00 am**

Until: **1:00 pm**

Come one. Come all.

We have a sheep enclosure to build, a soft fall area to remediate, a pole to stand for a security light, painting and much more.

Morning tea: Of course. We'll provide.

Lunch: Yes. Yes. Yes. Sausage sizzle on us.

Bring your own drinks.

Bring a smile.

Bring the kids.

Bring a hat and gloves if you need them.



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4S Writings

We have been reading a text called “*The Bookwork Mystery*.” We wrote the first paragraph of a description of a book emporium that was mentioned in the story.

When you look at the glass doors they are cracked and smashed. Inside, it looks like an old prison and smells like a garbage tip. There are books scattered everywhere. You can barely walk around. As you try to walk around, you can see a desk and two cobwebs either side. Also, there’s water dripping from the ceiling and the books underneath are saturated. —Taylor Stewart and Charlie Garner

As you walk into Ye Olde Book Emporium, it is so squishy, dirty and dusty. The dark and stuffy room is really scary and smelly. Also, the moth-eaten books are falling off the shelves. It is so messy and cobwebby that no-one can see where they are going. The fascinating bookshop is packed full of weird people who are ripping the books! The Book Emporium is definitely not colourful, in fact, it is quite dull.

- Abby Withers and Leisel Torrens

When you walk through the small, brown door, it is stuffy, scary and dark. Most of the cobwebbed books are laying on the floor. The messy, old bookshelves are leaning over you. All over the floor is dirt and dust. As you take a step, the dirt and dust fly up off the loose floorboards. One book has glass protecting it and the glass has dirt and dust on it, making it almost impossible to see the book.

- Sarah Demmery, Zeb Dillon and Charlie Donaldson

As you walk into the Emporium, it feels humid and dark because of the squishy space. When you look around, you get that musty smell because it’s dusty and cobwebby. There are so many books falling off the shelves that you can hardly walk around. You can see old, moth-eaten books around, crumpled and broken because of the bookworms and dust. Little, big, old and new, there are many types of books in the room— adventure books and romantic ones.

- Claire McGuirk and Annie Lyne

SYDNEY – MELBOURNE EXCURSION MEETING

Parents, Carers and Children,

You are invited to a pre-excursion meeting to discuss arrangements for the upcoming Sydney - Melbourne excursion.

The meeting will be held in the School hall at 6:00 p.m. on Monday September 15, 2014.

The meeting will begin with an outline of the excursion activities, timetable and expected behaviours, followed by a question and answer session. Attendees are welcome to leave the meeting at any time.

Gary Humphries (excursion organiser)

P.S. Some People need to finalise payments.



Year Three Excursion to Gulgong - Reminder

Dear Parents and Carers,

The **\$50 non-refundable deposit** for the Year Three excursion to Red Hill Environmental Education Centre, Gulgong is due this Friday the **5th September 2014**.

The total cost is **\$130** and will need to be paid by **Friday, 19th September**.

Please do not exclude your child without consulting your child's teacher, myself or the Principal. A confidential chat could help alleviate any worries you may have.

Thank you,

Vicki Merlehan

(Organiser)



Kitchen Cook-off #4



On Monday night last week, stage 3 participated in the fourth of six kitchen cook-offs for the year. 6 students were chosen from years 5 and 6 and each 6 were able to choose a sous chef to help them in their endeavour to win this challenge.

Although their nerves were high so was the enthusiasm to do well. Each team worked hard to complete their recipe and present their dish to the judges.

The teams cooked beef chow mein in 40 minutes. This involved plenty of cutting, reading and comprehending the recipe and timing. The end result was amazing.

Well done to all the teams; Chelsea and Mark Storey, Breanna Dunstan and Ashlea Webber, Steph Mitchell Roberts and Stephanie McArthur, Alice Dorington and Sara Baker and Aaron and Mick Osmond

As always, there was only 1 winning team and that team was... **Aaron and his Dad, Mick Osmond.** Well done guys!

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Gunnedah Town Hall

Evening Performance
Thursday September 11,
6:30pm

**Adults - \$10
Students - \$5
Family - \$25**

Matinee - Wednesday
September 10, 12:30pm

**Adults - \$8
Students - \$2**

**Tickets available at Second Edition
Bookshop or at the Door.**

Parent On-Line Payments

Parent On-Line Payments can be made through the \$ Make a Payment icon on the school website www.gunnedahs-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Then follow the prompts to complete your transaction.

Payment Details

Fields marked with an asterisk (*) are mandatory.

The process for making a payment is as follows:

1. Fill out all the required fields on this page.
2. Fill out credit card payment details on the next page.
3. Review and confirm your payment details on the confirmation page.
4. Receive your payment receipt and optionally print it, or send it as an email.

Student Details

Student Registration Number

If this 9 digit number is on the Statement issued by the school it will be to the left of the student's name.

* Given Name

* Surname

Class or Year

Ref. or Invoice Number

This number may be on the top of the invoice or statement issued by the school. It may have the heading Ref.

Payer Details

* Full Name

* Contact Phone Number

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* Contact Email Address

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Payment Amount: \$200.00 AUD

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* Credit Card Number:

* Card Expiry Month: 01

* Card Expiry Year: 2014

* Card Verification Number (CVN):

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Click **Next** to proceed to the confirmation page where you can review your payment details.

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Payment Options

Please select which items you would like to make a payment or donation for:

- Voluntary School Contributions
- Subject Contributions
- Excursions
- Sport
- Creative and Practical Arts
- Sales to Students
- Other

Total Payment Amount \$

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Road safety around your child's school

Your child's safety depends on you

Drop off and pick up by car

Make sure your children are in an appropriate child car seat that is fitted and used correctly.

Stick to the 40km/h speed limit in a school zone as children are about.

Look for buses pulling out – watch for flashing wig wag lights.

Always park and turn legally around schools. Avoid dangerous manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns.

Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.

Drop your children off and pick them up on the school side of the road in your school's designated drop off and pick up area. Calling out to them from across the road is dangerous – they may run to you without checking for traffic.

It's safest for children to get out of the car on the kerb side of the road to be away from passing traffic.

Walking together to and from school

Plan your trip to school so you use pedestrian crossings where possible.

Always hold your child's hand. Children need your help to spot dangers such as vehicles coming out of driveways. They can also be easily distracted and wander into traffic.

Drop off and pick up your child near the school gate and avoid calling them from across the road.

Talk with your children about **Stop, Look, Listen and Think** every time they cross the road.

STOP! one step back from the kerb.

LOOK! for traffic to your right left and right again.

LISTEN! for the sounds of approaching traffic.

THINK! whether it is safe to cross.

Young children can learn these safe pedestrian habits from you and continue them later on when they are old enough to travel alone.



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