



Gunnedah South Public School

"With oar and sail"

Thursday
26th Feb 2015
TERM 1 WEEK 5

Special points of interest:

- AECG Meeting 4pm @ Gunnedah Public 26th Feb
- Grandparents day 27th Mar
- Easter Hat Parade 2nd Feb

Principal: Mrs Emma Jeffery

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School Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
6 March	2	3 NW Area Swimming Armidale	4	5 Zone Rugby League trials GSPS 3.30pm	6
7 March	9 NW Area tennis	10	11 Zone boys & girls football trials	12 Forensic Science Activities Yrs 3-6	13
8 March	16	17 Southern Area Rugby league trials	18	19	20 NW football trials (southern)
9 March	23 NW Area tennis	24	25 State Swimming	26 State Swimming	27 Grandparents Day 



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"You Can Do It" Program

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Supporting & caring
for your children.

A few words from our Principal...



Dear Parents,

Parent Volunteers

Parent and community volunteers are always welcome here at Gunnedah South and help to enrich the programs we have on offer. If you can spare some time or you know someone who has some hours free and they are looking to make a difference to young people ~ please come in. Areas that support could be used:

- Classroom reading
- Cooking classes
- Garden classes
- Art lessons
- Maths groups
- Farm

Sunnyside farm is an integral part of Gunnedah South and we currently have one lamb "Buster" who is getting to know the students and enjoying the vast area to wander around. Mr Humphries is taking leave prior to retirement and is still helping to support our Ag farm at school. There are a number of students who revel in the responsibility of caring for our animals ~ however they need the guidance and support from adults. This is an area that we would love to have some parent or community volunteer support. Please contact the school if you can offer assistance.

When older kids struggle with reading

Should you let your reluctant teen reader choose magazines over books? If your child is still struggling to read and write, and they're heading into high school, there are ways to get them on the right page.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/when-older-kids-struggle-with-reading>

Multiplication times tables

Does your child need encouragement? Explain to them that learning times tables = instant, painless recall in exams. Here's School A to Z's help sheet:

<https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eppcontent/glossary/app/resource/factsheet/4024.pdf>

Sorting fact from fiction

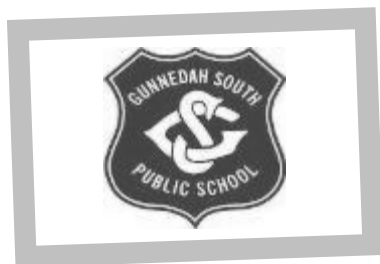
Help your child develop their "dodgy website" antennae when doing homework. Here are ways your child can tell a good website – or any document – from a bad one.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/sorting-fact-from-fiction>

Regards

Emma Jeffery
Principal





SCHOOL NEWS...



Canteen Roster

Friday 27th Feb: Ashleigh Pennell
Jo Forrester-McKeowen

Monday 2nd Mar: Laura Reeves

Tuesday 3rd Mar: -

Wednesday 4th Mar: Christina Jones

Thursday 5th Mar: Kim Street

Friday 6th Mar: Hope Rennick
Jodie Moore

If you are interested in helping in the Canteen please contact Sharon Tydd or leave a message with the office.

Year Six Shirts

Year Six t-shirts are being ordered *NOW*. Order forms were due in *TODAY* (Thursday 26/2/2015). If your child has not ordered a t-shirt and would like to please fill out an order form immediately. Cost is \$30 each.

Sizes are available to try on in Mrs Conn's room.

Kind regards,

Miss Flannery

Stage 3 Rotations

Week 6-A	Monday-2/3	Tuesday- 3/3	Wednesday-4/3	Thursday -5/3	Friday- 6/3
Mr Sumpter Tech	5/6S	5S	5M		S P O R T
Mrs Conn Science	6C	5/6S	5S		
Miss Flannery CAPA	6F	6C	5/6S		
Mrs Michelson PD/PE	5M	6F	6C		
Miss Small HSIE	5S	5M	6F		

Merit Certificates

Silver

Denzel Wortley, Claire Barnes, Jack Trappel, Dylan White, Dakota Milne, Peter Marquett, Abby Withers, Daisy White, Zena Burwood, Clive Donnelly, Cruize Moore-Duff, Ashley Riley, Hugh Ditchfield, Cley Durrant x2, Mackenzie Leader, Jennifer Logan, Emmy Torrens, Cameron Griffin, Heidi Tull, Amber Welch, Callie Jeffrey, Leighana Clark, Chloe Hicks, Jade Stark, Hayden Sawyer, Cooper Williams, Kiarni Mallia

Gold

Denzel Wortley, Claire Barnes, Jack Trappel, Mackenzie Leader, Callie Jeffrey, Cooper Williams

Titanium

Paris Thompson

Leukaemia Foundation

**WORLD'S
GREATEST
SHAVE**

Emily Hunt in 4M is doing World's Greatest Shave on March 13th. She is having 10 inches cut off her hair which made me nervous given she has beautiful long hair. People can make donation at the office? Anything over \$2 is tax deductible. Great initiative from a community minded student.





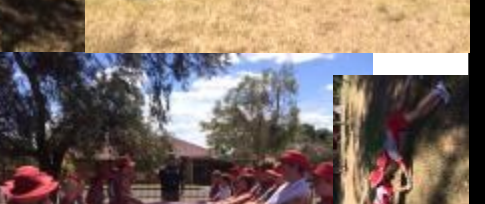
P.D.H.P.E Rotations



In P.D.H.P.E this term for rotations, students are exploring and learning about relationships with a focus on **TEAMWORK**. As well as understanding the importance of personal health as it is vital for our general wellbeing.

Over the past two weeks, Greg Sams from Battle PT 2380 has been working with the Stage 3 students. Check out the photos...





Fairy Garden

The Fairy Garden has opened this week for use by K-2 students during lunchtimes. The children of KA have arranged the fairy houses and fairy furniture beautifully and I am sure the fairies will be moving into their homes again soon.

This year will see a generous extension to the Fairy Garden to complement the existing area. Last year garden blocks were ordered to create a lovely retaining wall to extend the fairy Garden area to outside the Year 2 classrooms. A working bee is planned for late March and enthusiastic members of our school community are most welcome to assist in assembling our new wall.

The gardens are in need of some new additions. Spare bulbs and plants in gardens, such as seaside daisies, agapanthus, and herbs, would be appreciated greatly and can be left at KA to be planted soon. If you would still like to make a contribution and do not have any excess plants in your garden, the following varieties would make our Fairy Garden even more special than it already is: any type of annual seedlings, Buxus plants such as Japanese or Korean box, star jasmine, lavender, salvia, seaside daisies, blossom trees, Echinacea, and small shrubs will an appealing bloom.

After a class brain storming session, KA students have also requested any wooden dolls house furniture and unwanted pots to revamp into Fairy Garden accessories.

Thank you and we look forward to showing off our hard work and creativity as the year progresses.

KA and Miss Morison.



