



# Gunnedah South Public School

*"With oar and sail"*

**Thursday  
2nd April 2015  
TERM 1 WEEK 10**

## Special points of interest:

- Easter Hat Parade 2nd April
- Term 2 Starts Tuesday 21st April
- Cross Country 1st May

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School Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
 <h1>Happy Holidays</h1>					
Term 2 <b>1</b> April	20 <b>Pupil Free Day</b>	21 First Day Back Term 2	22	23 North West Girls Cricket Trials	24 Southern Boys Cricket Trials
<b>2</b> April/May	27	28	29 State Tennis	30	1 Cross Country
<b>3</b> May	4 North West Boys Cricket Trials	5 NRL Legends Narrabri	6 Zone Touch Girls & Boys GSPS	7	8



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## CONFIDENCE

Supporting & caring  
for your children.

# A few words from our Principal...



**Dear Parents and Carers**

## **Grandparents Day**

This very special annual event was again highly successful.

Grandparents Day is an opportunity for Gunnedah South to join together with our community and celebrate the valuable contributions of older people.

This year marks 57 years of celebrating the contributions made to communities right across Australia by our treasured seniors.

The theme for seniors week is “Be Inspired – Live, Laugh and Enjoy the Journey

Grandparent’s day to me personally is a very special time and one which I cherish.

My Grandmother recently celebrated her 99th birthday on March 3rd with family and friends having a scrumptious lunch in Coffs Harbour. She is counting the days till she turns 100 = 341 to go. When we last visited nan, my children asked whether she would get a letter from the queen when she turns 100 – her response was “well of course – that is the least she could do!” She still has a great sense of humour.

To this day I am incredibly proud of her strength and her unwavering optimism. She certainly does fit the theme of seniors week – she inspires me, she laughs all the time, and is certainly enjoying her life’s journey. She doesn’t dwell on unhappy times or think negatively – but always finds the good in everything. She embraces all that life has to offer.

The school captains also shared on the assembly some special memories that they have with their grandparents and the positive impact it has had on their lives.

Being a grandparent is a very important role in which you share your love, experiences, knowledge, patience and wisdom.

To all our grandparents, thank you for being a positive influence in the lives of our students. This support helps to build strong values, respect, knowledge and skills in our students which will help them become not only the leaders of tomorrow but caring social citizens.

The assembly was a showcase of our students paying respect to our elders. All students performed in front of a huge crowd—over 500+ some who travelled across the boarder to spend time with us at school. It was lovely to see the audience seeing along to the songs and the smiles on everyone's faces ~ students, teachers and grandparents.

## **Winter Uniform**

The transition period for winter uniform begins from week 1 next term. During this time students are able to wear either winter or summer uniform. The official date all students must be wearing winter uniform is Monday 11th May.

## **P&C meeting**

The next P&C meeting is on next Tuesday 12th May @ 7pm in our kitchen. All parents and carers are encouraged and welcomed to attend.

## **AECG Meeting**

The next AECG meeting is on Thursday 7th May @ 4pm and will be held at Gunnedah South Public School. These meetings are rotated around schools and is a great way to see the wonderful opportunities and innovative programs on offer to the students in the Gunnedah district.  
into the draw.

# A few words from our Principal...



## Easter Activities

I arrived at school this morning to find...



Some little fluffy friend had been spending the night hopping through classrooms!!

The Easter parade was very colourful and the students hat creations were amazing.

This year the parade was held outside creating a little outdoor theatre ~ the weather was lovely.

Once again our furry friend made an appearance and who was the highlight of the day. It wouldn't be Easter without a visit from the Easter Bunny and of course some chocolate eggs!!

Thank you to Mrs Ross and Miss Zerner for organising a fun filled day ~ it was a lovely end to term 1.

## Easter Raffle Winners

**1st Lachie Ellison**

**2nd Donna Austin**

**3rd Paula Jones**

To all our families, have a happy and safe Easter.

**Students return for Term 2 on Tuesday 21st April.**

Kindest Regards

Emma Jeffery

Principal



## **Canteen Roster**

**Volunteers are needed  
for term 2.**

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

## **School Banking**

Bank books are still being audited, hopefully we will have them back early in term 2.

## **HELP NEEDED!!!**

Gunnedah South School P&C have been again offered a highly productive fund-raising opportunity. For the past couple of years groups of parents have banded together to do the clean-up at the Gunnedah Show. Given the contribution to the P&C for the work required, this is one of our better value fund raising activities given the brief nature of the activity.

This year we'll be required to do early morning clean-ups on Friday 17th, Saturday 18th, Sunday 19th, Monday 20th April. We are desperately keen to seek the assistance of a couple of parents who may have an open tray ute to help co-ordinate this year's clean-up. We also need an army of parents/kids who can come and lend a hand. If we manage to get lots of helpers, we usually get this job knocked over very quickly. If you're only able to help the P&C with one event during the year, this is the one!

If you're able to help co-ordinate or join the balmy army of helpers, please make contact with P&C President Scott Clarke on 0409 534 781 or by email to [SOClarkey@icloud.com](mailto:SOClarkey@icloud.com)

## *Merit Certificates*

### *Silver*

Malakai Briggs, Indiella Bryers, Chad Fisher, Charlotte Jeffery, Matthew Donnelly, Angus Eather, Julian Heath, Darcy Mills, Keaton Walters, Merrie-Lee Middleton, Bridee Weekes, Hannah Beasley, Rhianna McAlpine, Ted Pease, Jadya Toms, Chantel Vaughan, Myah Irwin, Kade Garrett, Annie Lyne, Chance Moore-Duff, Hope Sankey, Kurt Fisher, Bella Barr, Zac Clarke

### *Gold*

Indiella Bryers, Charleigh McArthur, Charlotte Jeffery, Keaton Walters

## Year 4 Excursion 2015

2nd - 4th December 2015

At Lake Keepit Sport and Recreation Camp

The estimated cost at this stage will be approximately \$230.00 (this is subject to change depending on numbers)

If you wish to make payment instalments see the office ladies or make payments online.

# Gamilaroi Dance Workshop.

Students from Stage Three were lucky enough to take part in a dance workshop run by local Aboriginal dancers from Tamworth. The children enjoyed learning the local language and dance routines.

The children and their families were also invited to an evening performance at Pensioner's Hill. They participated in cultural discussions, watched the dance company perform, performed their dances and enjoyed a sausage sizzle.

All children had a wonderful time.







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## Cross Country



**When:** Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2015 (Week 2)

**Start:** 12.45pm on the netball courts

**Finish:** Primary Oval

**Wear:** Sports uniform.

**Distances:**

5/6/7 Year Old Boys and Girls- 500mts

8/9/10 Year Old Boys and Girls - 2000mts

11/12/13 Year Old Girls and Boys- 3000mts



*Any parents wishing to help please leave a message for Miss Hickey at the front office and I will get back to you. Thanks in advance for your support!*