



Gunnedah South Public School

"With oar and sail"

**Thursday
3rd September 2015
TERM 3 WEEK 8**

Special points of interest:

- Week 9 Book Week
- Jump Rope for Heart 16th Sept
- School Holidays 21 Sept– 5 Oct

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School Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9 September	7 Book Week Year 3 Farm Excursion Parent Cooking Session 5pm	8 Book Week	9 Book Week Year 4 Farm excursion	10 Book Week	11 Book Week Parade
10 September	14 PSSA Golf	15 PSSA Boys Softball	16 Jump Rope for Heart	17	18 Last Day Term 3
September/ October Holidays	School Holidays Term 4, Tuesday 6th October 2015				



Gunnedah South Public School

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A few words from our Principal...

Dear Parents and Carers



Tell Them From Me ~ survey

The Department of Education has designed a system for schools to gather data about how students, parents and carers and teachers feel about how the school is performing. In the near future we will be asking parents and carers to participate in a survey called "Tell them from me". The survey is designed to give school s meaningful information about the way all stakeholders feel about all aspects of the school. Earlier in the year our students participated in the first run of the survey. In the survey window parents and carers, students and teachers will all be able to participate.

The survey is voluntary but I would encourage everyone to participate to ensure your voice is heard. The vast majority of the data obtained from the previous survey was extremely positive but we are always looking for ways to improve and refine things at our tremendous school.

The link is:

https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/j_acegi_security_check?_username=parent18637&j_password=Gun4018

Year 1 ~ on the move!

One more sleep and year 1 are heading on an adventure to Tamworth. The year 1 teachers have organised visiting Endeavour Park, Calala cottage, Westpac helicopter, Tamworth airport terminal and the Qantas hanger. This certainly will be a day filled with excitement. The excursion is departing @ 8:30am and due to return to school by 4:30pm.

Before School Supervision

The Department of Education requires schools to regularly remind parents and carers of supervision arrangements for students prior to the school day.

The school's supervision roster starts from 8.30 am. There is no adult staff available to ensure the safety of children in the playground prior to that time. Staff who voluntarily arrive at work prior to 8:30am, are often involved in staff meetings, lessons preparations, phoning parents, parent meetings and programing and therefore are not available to provide supervision to students.

Parents and carers need to understand that you remain legally responsible for the child prior to 8.30 am when supervision begins.

I would therefore ask that you ensure that your child is not left unsupervised at the school before 8.30 am.

If your child walks to school, please ensure that they arrive at school no earlier than 8:30am.

Thank you for helping keep our students safe.

A few words from our Principal- Continued



NSW Cricket

Yesterday we had a visit from cricket NSW Blues player Ben Rohrer and Will Sommerville. Students were involved in a skills session where the NSW players interacted with the students giving advice and tips. This was a great opportunity for our students to receive coaching from the best. The NSW players were highly impressed by the engagement and standard of behaviour from South students.

Book Week

One week and the school will be filled with students and staff dressed up in costumes as our annual celebration of book week. Next Friday 11th September from 11:30am will be our parade on the oval.

Voluntary School Contributions

Voluntary school contributions of \$40 per child and \$20 for each additional child in the same family help support the school with classroom resources, stationary etc. Paying these contributions puts families in an automatic draw to win a 42" LED LEC TV. The prize will be drawn after the book week parade on Friday 11th September. There is still time to be in the draw.

Summer Uniform

Students are able to begin to wear summer uniform from Monday 7th September. During these last 2 weeks of school students are able to wear summer or winter uniform

Kindest Regards

Emma Jeffery

Principal



SCHOOL NEWS...

Canteen Roster

Term 3 Week 8

Friday 4th Sep: Jodie Moore
Hope Rennick

New Canteen Menu Coming Soon!

If you are able to volunteer your time for a few hours in our school canteen please contact Sharon Tydd.



Dear Parents,

The Earn & Learn Sticker campaign finishes on Wednesday 9th September 2015.

Be sure and send in all stickers so they count towards the final tally!

Thank you for your support!



Stage 3 Rotations 2015

Term 3

Week 8-B	Monday - 31/8	Tuesday - 1/9	Wednesday - 2/9	Thursday-3/9	Friday - 4/9
Mr Sumpter - Tech	6F	6C	HOME CLASS		S
Mrs Conn -Science	5M	6F	Catch Up Rotations		P
Miss Flannery - CAPA	5S	5M	Y.C.D.I.		O
Mrs Michelsen-PD/H/PE	5/6S	5S	Child Protection		R
Miss Small -HSIE	6C	5/6S	Pers. Dev.		T

Merit Certificates

Silver

Josh Casey, Kadence Milne, Jamirrakai Binge, Isla Wise, Callum Anderson, Amia Beasley, Jasmine Bilsborough, Michael Walsh, Ella Hancox, Deekirah Rowlands, Courtney Lee Penfold, Josh Langdon, Callie Jeffrey, Jay Fouracre, Jack Heath, Hollie Eveleigh, Charlotte Eather, Steph Mitchell-Roberts, Max Mainey, Gracie-Lee O'Donnell, Tyrone Winsor, Ben Hall, Braydon Morgan, Finn Leader, Taylah McAllan, Tom Carlyon, Holly Sheedy, Mitchell Slee, Cley Durrant, Casey Honeysett, Caitlyn O'Hara, Justin Pung, Charlie Duff, Eli Rankmore, Braithen Winsor

Gold

Kadence Milne, Isla Wise, Callum Anderson, Nicole Castle, Josh Langdon, Jack Heath, Tyrone Winsor, Holly Sheedy, Cley Durrant

THE MORE THAT YOU **READ,**
THE MORE THINGS YOU WILL **KNOW.**
THE MORE THAT YOU **LEARN,**
THE MORE PLACES YOU'LL **GO.**
—Dr. Seuss

2015 SOUTH SCHOOL FETE It's on again!

Friday 30 October
Week 4, Term 4

FETE COMMITTEE

Facilitator: Judi Sheedy
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HOW CAN I BE INVOLVED?

RAFFLE: Each year one of our major Fete Fundraisers is the raffle. First prize is \$1000 Coles Voucher.

We need:

DONATIONS for 2nd and 3rd prize. If you know of someone or have something fabulous to donate please let Judi know.

RAFFLE SELLERS! We are planning to sell the raffle tickets at the Sept and Oct Council Markets, as well as Thursdays and Saturday mornings in October. You only need to commit to sell for an hour – bring the kids... it's a great easy way to be involved!



Stage Three Excursions

A friendly reminder that all payments for both Year 5 and 6 excursions MUST be finalised before the end of the term.

Schedules, reminders and newsletter updates have been sent home many times reminding parents of this. We would hate to see your child miss out on these wonderful opportunities.

If you envisage any difficulties paying for these please speak with your classroom teacher immediately.

Library News

Book Week

To celebrate Book Week the library will be holding a **Scholastic Book Fair** in the library. The fair will be open from 8:30-9am every morning and will reopen 3-3:30pm after school for all to come along to. The profits made from the fair will go directly into buying new books for the library.

I hope everyone is thinking of great costume ideas for our annual parade which will be held on **Friday 11th September** at 11:30am. The theme is come as your favourite book character. The book week competition winners will be announced during the parade. Parents are encouraged to come along. I think it is as much fun for parents as it is for the students.

If there are any **parents that would like to volunteer** some of their time to help sell books at the Book Fair on Friday 11th September could you please contact me in the library. Any help will be greatly appreciated. The times help will be appreciated is 8:30-9am and 12:15-1:15pm.

Book Reviewers

I have had great success finding students to become Library Book Reviewers this week. It is amazing to see the enthusiasm of students getting involved. Here is one of our reviews below. Keep up the great work reviewers!



Pencil of Doom by Andy Griffith

Book Reviewer: Lucy Robertson

Pencil of Doom is a really funny book about a boy, Henry McThrottle, who has a cursed pencil. Whenever it is used, someone gets hurt.


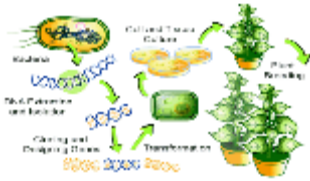




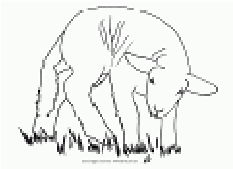
Book reviews usually talk about a favourite bit and a disliked bit, but honestly I can't think of any bad bits in this book.

My favourite part is when Jack Japes, Henry's best mate, draws a picture of Fred, the school bully, and his idiot brother Clive in a plane crash. Then the next day there's news that they are both in hospital because they fell off the roof trying to launch a model aeroplane.

Even though the book looks quite big, it is actually really easy to read. I recommend this book for Year 3 and up. I'm sure you'll love this book; it even has a cool little test on the back cover.

This book is very funny and I enjoyed reading it very much. If you like the Pencil of Doom then another Andy Griffiths read you may like is mascot madness, where Henry's teacher becomes a bit too obsessed with a banana costume. I hope you enjoy this book as much as I did.

Agriculture, Food and Fibre week

Monday 7th	Tuesday 8th	Wednesday 9th	Thursday 10th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3H, 3S and 3/4M farm excursion—please return notes and money to your classroom teacher.  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Years 5 & 6 presentation by Agronomist—11.15am  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent cooking session— 5pm in the kitchen. Please return notes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children making morning tea for public speaking judges and the visiting teachers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4D, 4M and 4P farm excursion—please return note and money to your classroom teacher.  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Years 1 & 2 presentation by Mr Finlay from Wholegrain Milling 11.15am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kindergarten presentation by year 6 girls on raising lambs 



SPRING HOLIDAY CAMPS

DON'T MISS OUT

- ✓ New friendships
- ✓ Fun
- ✓ Great value
- ✓ Safe

Our popular Spring Kids' and Family Holiday Camps are filling fast. Find out what's on including our popular Cooking 4 Kids, Adventurer, Kids' Club and Duke of Edinburgh camps plus lots more.

Led by qualified instructors, you can rest easy knowing your kids are in safe hands. Our Kids' Camps are suitable for kids aged 7 and over and range from 1 to 5 days.



Residential Kids' Camps include:

- 24 hour supervision
- Instructor led activities
- Accommodation
- Meals
- Supervised transport

Family Camps include:

- Instructor led activities
- Meals
- Accommodation
- Use of all facilities i.e. BBQ area, pool, tennis courts etc.

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