



# Gunnedah South Public School

*"With oar and sail"*

**Thursday**  
**20th October 2016**  
**TERM 4 WEEK 2**

## Special points of interest:

- 26th September Kindergarten Transition 9.00am –11.30am
- 2nd November Kindergarten Transition 9.00am –2.00am
- 9th November Kindergarten Transition 9.00am –2.00am

**Principal:** Mrs Emma Jeffery

**Assistant Principals:** Mr William Dowe

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Mrs Judy McGowan

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**Skool Bag App ;** Gunnedah South Public School skoolbag

(available from the iTunes store and Google play store)

School Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 October	24	25 <b>Yr 3 Excursion Group 3</b>  Adam Hill Performance	26  Kindergarten Transition 9.00am –11.30am	27	28
4 October/ November	31	1	2  Kindergarten Transition 9.00am –2.00pm	3	4  Year 1 Excursion  Kindy Excursion
5 October/ November	7	8	9  Kindergarten Transition 9.00am –2.00pm	10	11
6 November	14 <b>Year 5 Canberra</b>	15 <b>Year 5 Canberra</b>	16 <b>Year 5 Canberra</b>	17 <b>Year 5 Canberra</b>	18 <b>Year 5 Canberra</b>



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School*

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# **A few words from our Assistant Principal...**

**Dear Parents and Carers,**



## **Excursions**

Many grades have their major excursions coming up in the next few weeks. Two groups of Yr 3 students have visited Gulgong this week with another set to depart next Tuesday.

Year 6 are also off to Sydney for their week long excursion next Monday where they will be visiting a huge range of attractions, as well as going to 'surf school' and flying to Melbourne to see Matilda the Musical!

The following week will see Kindergarten visiting Lake Keepit and Year 1 travelling to Tamworth. Year 5 will be visiting Canberra during week 6 and then Year 4 to Lake Keepit in week 8.

A huge amount of preparation goes into the organisation of excursions and we are thankful that we have such dedicated members of staff willing to give up their own time to travel away in order to provide our students with such amazing learning opportunities.

## **Boys Touch Football State Carnival**

Our boy's touch football team travelled to Sydney on Monday to participate as the North West champions in the state touch football knockout. The boys played extremely well and took such a huge occasion in their stride. Unfortunately they went down to Harbord Public School, however it was neck and neck until the final 5 mins, with Harbord scoring two quick tries in the end to come out victors 7 tries to 5.

Thank you to Mrs Tash Fisher for giving her time and expertise as the team's coach and to Miss Martin for her organisation as the team manager. A huge thank you also to Mr William Heath who drove the boys and parents safely to and from Sydney and the parents who came along in support.

## **Kindergarten Transition**

There was a great deal of excitement on Wednesday morning as the new Kindergarten students for 2017 were able to stay at school for the whole morning and recess! The new kindergarten students were separated into 4 classes and the morning ran very smoothly with craft, singing and very few tears! Thank you to Mrs Ross for her organisation of this very important program. Thanks also to Mrs McGowan who held an information session in the hall for parents.

## **Parent Survey**

This week we are asking that you complete a Partners in Learning parent survey. We would really appreciate your feedback concerning the programs that we are running at school and to ensure that quality learning opportunities for your children continue. The survey is completed online and will take approximately 15mins. To complete the survey log onto the following site and complete the survey questions.

<https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/rqkc6>

## **Important dates to remember:**

30th November Yr 6 Farewell

6th November Presentation Day

9th December Kindergarten Graduation

9th December Xmas Concert

12th December Reports go home

16th December Last day of the year

**Kind regards,**

**Nicki Walsh**



## SCHOOL NEWS...



### YEAR 4 EXCURSION REMINDER

The \$50 Non-refundable deposit  
for the Yr 4 Excursion  
to Lake Keepit, should be paid  
by this Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> October.

### Reminder:

**Office hours:**  
8.30am-3.00pm

**Student Messages:**  
before 2.30pm

(for change to normal routine)

**Clothing pools:**  
available between  
8.30am-2.00pm

We thank you for your  
understanding and continued  
support.



### **YEAR 5 CANBERRA EXCURSION**



Students from our school will soon be undertaking an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

The excursion will take place during Week 6, departing at 8am on Monday, the 14th November. Final permission notes and medical forms will be sent home shortly. Please complete all necessary documentation and return to your class teacher as soon as possible.

# Merit Certificates

<b>KH</b>	Aiden Flannery, Dakota Turner, Eliose O'Donnell
<b>KM</b>	Olivia Welsh, Dylan Emmerson, Blake Garratley
<b>KR</b>	Liam Snelson, Ruby Locke <b>AP Bronze:</b> Liam Jaeger
<b>KS</b>	Ruby Newman, Sam Dew, Shanelle Ryan, Lucy Hannaford, John Demmery, Ella
<b>5D</b>	Alannah Skuthorpe, Toby Bartlett, Kerri-Ann Murray
<b>5M</b>	Rosie Snape, Lucy Reid, Wesley Dundas
<b>5/6S</b>	Tristan Poeschl, Emmy Barr, Matlida Burns, Clarease Chapman
<b>6D</b>	Corey Mallia, Zeb Dillon, Taylor McDonald
<b>6P</b>	Alison Preston, Max Hancox, Sarah Demmery, Sienna Miller, Callie Jeffrey

## Silver

Annie Walsh, Aleisha Doolan, Cobie Jolliffe, Matthew Poss, Caitlyn O'Hara, Drew Shepard, Jessie Harris, Van Jordan, Levi Porter, Lachlan Swain, Lillian Jeffery, Charlotte McDonald, Kassidy Hunt, Max Mainey, Keith Morris, Ashley Riley, Heidi Tull, Harry Ryman, Hollie Johnstone, Darcy Mills, Kye Perrett-Scott, Chacane Amaral, Lukke Lumsden, Tom Sheedy, Thomas Donaldson, Ava Bartlett, John Demmery, Jay Hancox, Kye Ruttley, Abby Withers, Emily Hunt, Lincoln Howarth, Zahlia Milne, Georgia Oliver, Imogen Riley, Eli Talbott, Laura Demmery, Macey Carlyon, Cooper Doweset, Wyatt Dorrington, Hayley Gardner, Rebecca Sams, Jayla Suey, Kirra Talbot, Harry Thomson, Chloe Newman, Brook Rennick, Peter Davison, Savannah Eather, Mason Guest Lennox, Deakyn Laws, Emily McKenzie, Emily Williams, Ben Neale, Annie Walsh, Noah Beasley, Callie Fordham, Mackenzie Leader, Jaylyn Bartlett, Hayden Riley

## Gold

Drew Shepard, Jay Hancox, Kye Ruttley, Abby Withers, Emily Hunt, Deakyn Laws, Emily McKenzie, Emily Williams, Ben Neale

## Titanium

Ben Neale,  
Mackenzie Leader

# Gunnedah Local AECG

Involvement in Aboriginal Education Determines our Future!



## Open Invitation to Aboriginal Parents

Gunnedah Local AECG would like to invite all parents to join our local Group. This is a great opportunity for parents to have a voice about all schools in our area and the future for Aboriginal Students.

The idea of the Gunnedah Local AECG is to work closely with School Staff as a team to improve educational outcomes for all students. We provide advice and ideas to address educational needs and social disadvantages in our community.

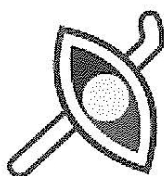
Our AGM will be on **Friday 28th of October** at **11am** at Go Co Community Centre, 8 Marquis St Gunnedah . Light refreshments provided.

**All Welcome!**

If you are interested or would like to know more please contact:

Gwen Griffen

(President Gunnedah NSW AECG) 02 6742 3093



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A start date is expected by Week 4 and details of how to register will be provided in the Newsletter once the system is ready to go.

Online ordering is so convenient for parents and more efficient in the Canteen.

You will find it quick and easy to use. It will save you time fumbling around for coins and paper bags in the morning when you don't want to make lunches yourself.

The daily cut-off for orders will remain at 9am.

However you will be able to order days in advance if you wish.

Thankyou for your patience,

Sharon Tydd

CANTEEN MANAGER



## Interest Groups

Last term, Year 6 boys and some lucky infants boys trialled an Interest Group Program to improve engagement and role-modelling across the school. Year 6 boys take turns in running various activities for selected Infants students. This program is set to continue throughout Term 4. Below are some pics from our activities last term.

