Gunnedah South Public School

"With oar and sail"

Thursday
2nd September 2016
TERM 3 WEEK 7

Special points of interest:

- Week 9 12th-16th August Book Fair
- 16th September Book Week Parade 11.00am-12.50pm
- **Term 4 returns: Monday 10th October**

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Mrs Judy McGowan
Mrs Nicole Walsh
Mrs Shanyn Worley

School Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9 September	12 Book Fair	13 Book Fair	14 Book Fair	15 Book Fair	16 Book Fair Book Week Parade 11.00am—12.50pm
10 September	19	20 North West Girls Softball	21 North West Girls Softball	22 North West Girls Softball	23
School Holidays					
Term 4 returns Monday 10th October					
1 October	10 **First Day Back Term 4**	11	12	13	14

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RESILIENCE

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A few words from our Principal…

Dear Parents and Carers,

Zone Athletics

Congratulations to all our South stars who competed in the regional athletics held on Monday in Tamworth.

Here are some amazing results.

⇒ Kurt Fisher 1st 100m final

⇒ Mackenzie Leader 3rd in 800m final

⇒ Jedd Rennick 2nd discus (overall)

⇒ Senior boys relay 1st (Trent White, Kade Garrett, Heath Stark and Kurt Fisher)

⇒ Courtney White 3rd discus (overall)

⇒ Courtney White 1st shot put (overall)

⇒ Kurt Fisher 2nd 200m final

⇒ Emmy Barr 2nd high jump (overall)

⇒ Junior boys relay 4th in final

⇒ Harry Ryman 7th in 100m final

Any competitor who comes 1st, 2nd or 3rd at the regional carnival will be **selected to represent the North West Region at the NSWPSSA Carnival**. The State carnival is to be held at Homebush on October 19th and 20th.

An outstanding result from all students and I must congratulate the students on their sportsmanship and positive behavior while representing the school.

A special thank you to Mrs Davies for accompanying and supporting our athletic stars.

A few words from our Principal Continued...

Book Week Parade

Grab those costumes out of the cupboard its that time of year again where teachers and students get dressed up as their favourite characters!! This year we have also put the challenge out to parents to join in on the fun and come dressed up too. The invitation is open to all family members to enjoy the book week parade out on our oval (in your costumes of course) next **Friday 16th September from 9:30am.**

During this week the school will also be holding a book fair to help raise funds to purchase new books for our little book worms. Our library is a hive of activity each week with eager students perusing the new purchased books as they arrive. We are very fortunate to have many parent volunteers to help in classrooms with reading or classroom activities, but we would also love some volunteers in the library to help with covering of books. If you are able to provide some time please contact Miss Morison on 6742 1899.

Staff School Development Day

This Sunday our dedicated teaching staff will be at school for the day working on developing writing assessment tasks. These will incorporate English syllabus requirements and will be linked to the English continuum.

Assessment is the process of identifying, gathering and interpreting information about students' learning. The central purpose of assessment is to provide information on student achievement and progress and set the direction for ongoing teaching and learning. These writing assessment tasks will incorporate learning goals and success criteria, making the learning visible for students.

Summer Uniform

The spring weather has begun and we are enjoying the warmer days. The students are able to wear summer uniform beginning next week. We have a large amount of lost property in the school, many without student names labelled, and we encourage all parents to check through lost property between now and the end of the term. Items of lost property without names will be donated to charity stores in town during the school holidays.

If over the winter break your cherub has had a growth spurt and has out grown their summer uniform, the school uniform shop offers a large selection of summer uniform pieces and is open during the hours of 8:30am—2.00pm.

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 50" HD Smart SAMSUNG TV valued at $750. The prize will be drawn after the book week parade on Friday 16th September. There is still time to be in the draw.

Kind Regards

Emma Jeffery

SCHOOL NEWS...

Year 6 Sydney/Melbourne Excursion - 24th-28th October, 2016 (Term 4, Week 3)

The Year Six Excursion is fast approaching. Ms. Davies and Mrs. Piggott are busy making final adjustments and arrangements. Students will be doing surfing lessons with Manly Surf School, visiting the Powerhouse Museum and Taronga Zoo, flying to Melbourne and watching the stage show, Matilda.
All payments must be made by Friday, September 23rd.

If there are any concerns regarding payment please contact the school ASAP otherwise your child may miss out on the opportunity to join us. A friendly reminder that this excursion has a non-refundable deposit of $150 and refunds will be issued according to our refund policy.
The teachers are really looking forward to taking the Year Six students away. They will be exposed to and participate in a number of fabulous opportunities and experiences.

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.

MATHLETICS

Week 7
Top Points Scorers

Overall

Jai Read McInnes	54,910
Lewis Donaldson	46,000
Harry Bartlett	45,400

Live Mathletics

Lewis Donaldson	20,340
Thomas Donaldson	16,599
Mason Louis	12,710

Congratulations to our first GOLD winners!!!
What an awesome achievement!!

Lewis Donaldson 5M and
Thomas Donaldson 5D

CONGRATULATIONS WINNERS!!

Here are some of the healthiest kids at Gunnedah South! Their names were pulled out of the Fresh For Kids boxes in Mr Dowe's room. More names will be pulled out at the end of this week to receive a free lunch from the canteen or a $20 voucher for fruit and veg at our local Fruit 'n' Veg shop:
Market Fresh 2 U (85 Conadilly Street).

Hawkesbury Helping Hands

The Hawkesbury area has one of the highest percentage of homeless people per capita in NSW.
Hawkesbury Helping Hands is an organisation that provides much appreciated food, clothing and basic necessities to these homeless and needy people.
One of our GSPS parents (Amy) volunteers with this organisation once a month by serving lunches, distributing necessities to those in need, and talking to the homeless.
To show our consideration of those that are less fortunate than ourselves, we would like to donate some items to this wonderful organisation. We are asking if GSPS families could donate any ***toiletries*** such as toothpaste, lip balm, soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, deodorant, or ***non-perishable food items*** such as ***cans*** of vegetables or fruit (peas, carrots, corn, etc). Also, if people have a thermos that is in good condition that they are happy to part with, the organisation finds these very handy to provide hot drinks or soups to those in need.
If you are able to send in an item like this to school before the end of Term 3 and either leave it with the ladies in the front office, or take it to Mr Dowe's room, it would be much appreciated.
For more information about this organisation, go to their website http://www.hhhands.org.au/

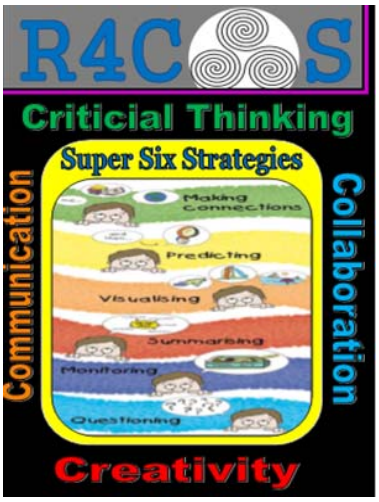
PLP Parent Interviews

Be on the lookout for a note from your child's teacher regarding Parent/Teacher meetings for Term 3. This is a perfect opportunity to touch base and discuss your child's progress, and set some goals to work towards in Term 4.

R4CTripleS

During this term our primary students have been involved in a new initiative called **'R4CTripleS'**. This project focuses on teaching and learning strategies which assist students improve their reading comprehension skills. These specific strategies are extremely important enabling students to learn how to connect and evaluate ideas in texts, interpret, integrate critique, infer and analyse information to establish a clear understanding of what they have read or viewed.

The 'R4CTripleS' project focuses on teaching and learning the 'Super Six Strategies' for Comprehension which are wrapped up in the 4C's (Communication, Collaboration, Critical thinking and Creativity) which are known as the 21st Century skills, hence the project heading and poster. These posters are displayed in all primary classrooms.



The Super Six Strategies

During the first 5 weeks of this term our students have been engaged in the first Cycle of Learning using the strategies. Every 5 weeks a new strategy will be implemented. Our students have already completed the first cycle focusing on **Strategy 1**: Making Connections.

The students had learned how to make personal connections from texts with something in their life (text to self), from one text to another (text to text) or with something occurring in the world (text to world).

When reading try these beginnings to make connections:

- This story reminds of …
- This character has the same problems as …
- I saw a program on television that are similar to …

Currently Primary classes are working on **Strategy 2:** Predicting. Students are learning to use information from graphics, text and experiences to anticipate what will be read/ viewed or heard and to actively adjust comprehension while reading / viewing or listening.

Try answering the questions when reading.
What do I think will happen next?
What words/images do I expect to see or hear in this text?
What might happen next?
Why do I think that?
What helped me make that prediction?

Mrs Passfield explaining how to use the 'making connections' strategy during reading in 4P.

Harry clearly explained his 'text to self' 'text to text' and 'text to world' to his class.

Students are asked to use these strategies whenever they are reading at home. Please ask your child to explain the strategies to you.
Next term **Strategy 3**- Questioning

Boys Touch

The boys had a convincing win over Narrabri Public School on Tuesday. All boys played extremely well.

The final score was 11-2.

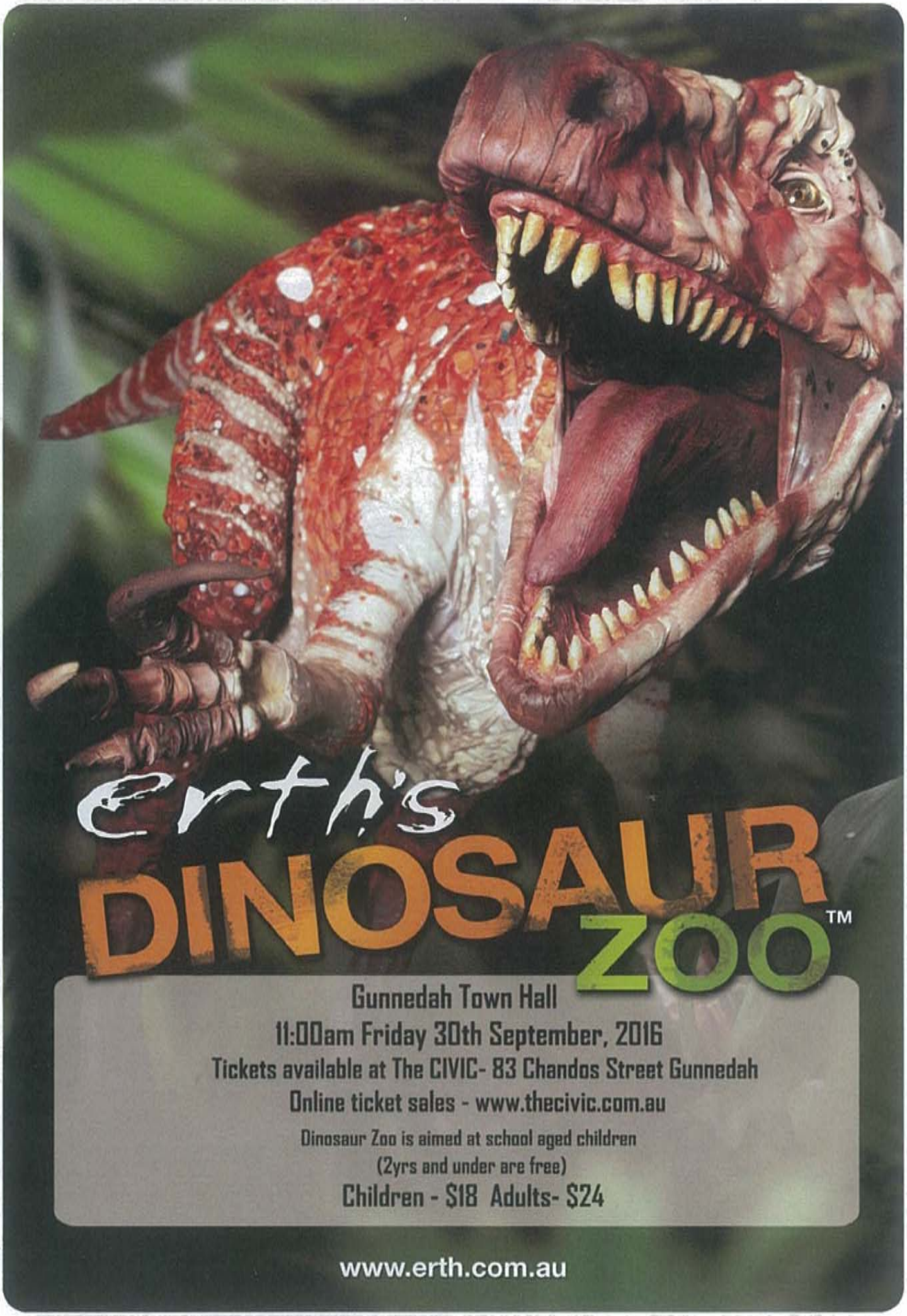
Their next game is against Tamworth South on Monday 19th September. Notes to be sent home tomorrow.

Girls Soccer

On Tuesday the girls soccer team played against South Wallsend Public School. The girls had a tough opposition but fought extremely well. The South School girls displayed tremendous teamwork throughout the game. The final score was 2 to 1 which was decided by playing extra time. Congratulations to all the girls for an outstanding season.

Merit Certificates

KH	Cooper Mitchell, Levii Porter, Quincy Wallace, Zali Beasley, Georgia Dowe, Eli Clark
KM	Edwards Waerea, Ollie Tudgey-Hennessey, Benjamin Marshall, Dustiin Weekes, Maddison Thomson,
KR	Lylah Tindall, Marnee Walters, Liam Snelson, Asher Cameron, Nate Jaeger, Lachlan Young, Chelsea Morgan, Macey Sutherland, Lachlan Young
KS	Hunter O'Neil, Ava Bartlett, John Demmery, Chase Fermor, Ruby Newman, Addy Laws
1C	Byron Eveleigh, Lacie Kleinschafer
1H	Lane O'Donnell, Lily Morton, Matthew Poss
1M	Gavin Sams, Dallas Mills, Olivia Semmler
1Z	Rubee Bendal, Ryder Russell, Ivy Fouracre
1/2R	Emmy Torrens, Lachlan Swain, Lily Jeffery
2J	Darcy Mills, Rhianna McAlpine, Kye Perrett-Scot
2M	Imogen Riley, Louis Cobb, Kailee Gallagher **YCDI:** Cooper O'Neill, Tyrone Winsor
2W	Kirra Talbott, Claire Dowe, Claire Robinson
3J	Nathan Stark, Savannah Eather, Ted Pease
3S	Cooper Blair, Taylah McAllan, Tom Garner, Finnegan Leader
3W	Lincoln Squires, Bronte Snow, Jarvis Cameron
3/4M	Harry Bartlett, Aiden Wise, Grace Honeysett, Noah Wortley, Cooper Williams
4M	Sophie Mainey, Tahlia Newman, Leah Demmery
4P	Jamie-leigh Dean, Claudia Irwin, Ellie Thomas
5D	Nicola Bemet, Josie Gallagher, Maddy Moore, Daisy White, Toby Bartlett, Brittney Smith, Noah Beasley, Thomas Donaldson, Chelsea Webster, Jack Mackay, Heath Stark **YCDI:** Hayden Riley, Heath Stark
5M	Josh Coker, Michael Walsh, Zoe Eather, Josh Coker, Chloe Dorrington, Michael Walsh, Wesley Dundas, Lewis Donaldson, Lilly Street **HSIE:** Kaiden Blair **YCDI:** Sarah McKenzie
5T	Chicane Amarla, Abigal Dwyer, Tom Sheedy, Talea Coulton, Charlotte Cooper, Josh Oliver, Jack Preston
5/6S	Lucy Robertson, Kade Garrett, Mayah Norris Fouracre, Clarease Chapman, Declan Dean-Djuve, Abby Withers, Charlotte Thompson **SCIENCE:** Chole Williams, Josh Coker, Emylie Murrell, Toby Bartlett
6D	Harrison Louis, Jay Fouracre, Mackenzie Leader
6P	Byron Donnelly, Hugh McArthur, Jack Burgess, Brooke Rennick, Shania Mitchel, Allison Preston, Ellie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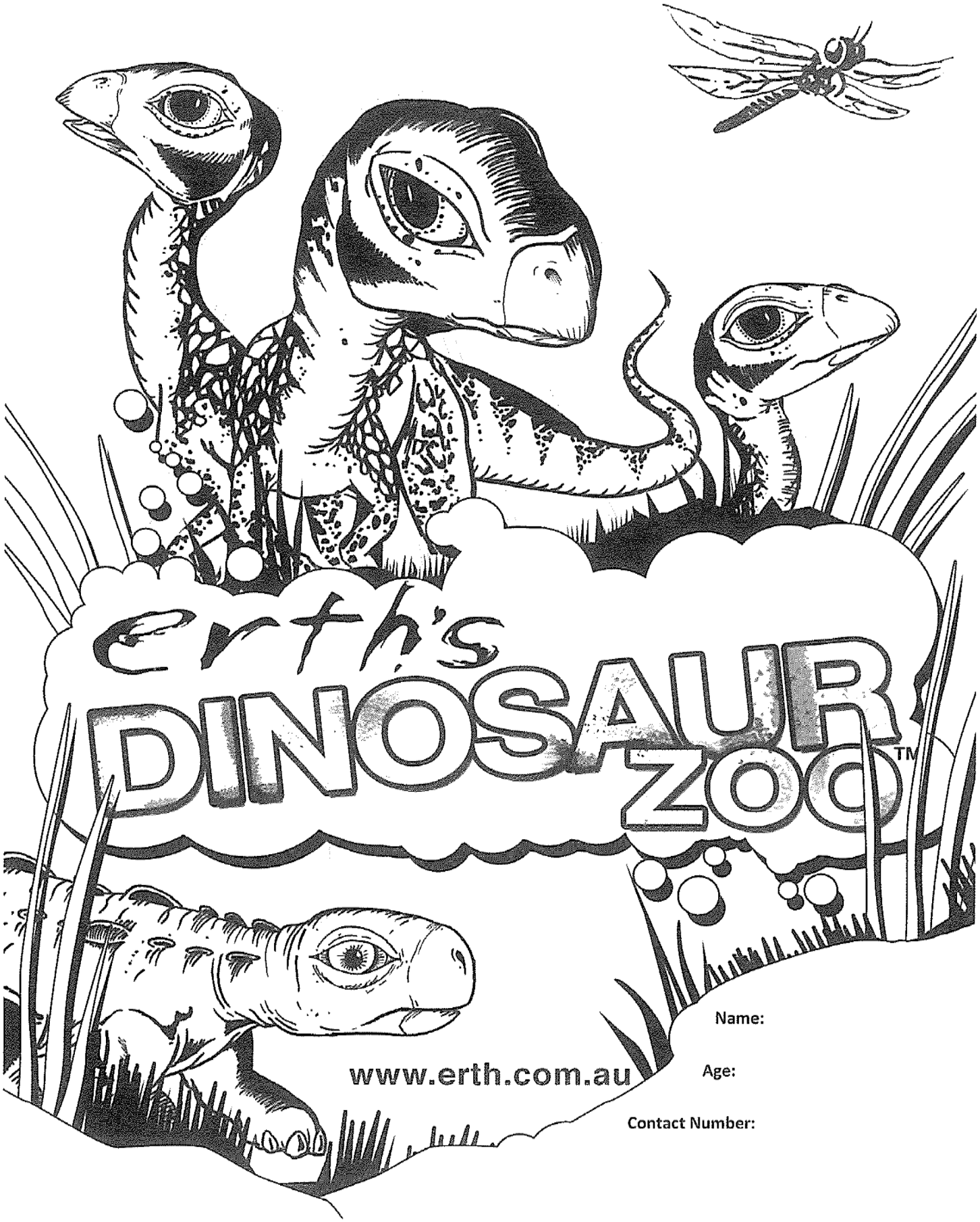
DINOSAUR
ZOO™
Gunnedah Town Hall
11:00am Friday 30th September, 2016
Tickets available at The CIVIC- 83 Chandos Street Gunnedah
Online ticket sales - www.thecivic.com.au
Dinosaur Zoo is aimed at school aged children
(2yrs and under are free)
Children - $18 Adults- $24
www.erth.com.au



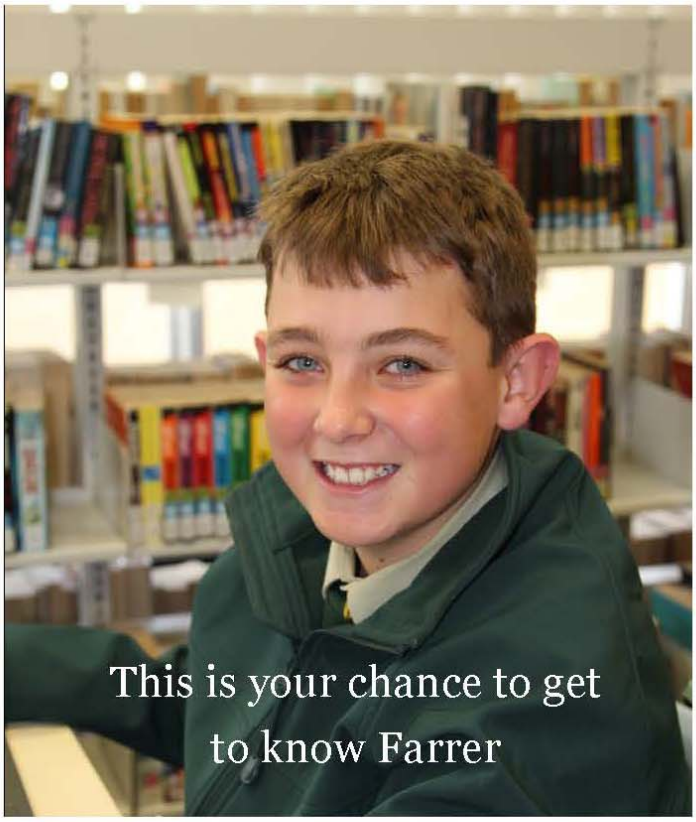
Name:

Age:

Contact Number:

Terms and Conditions: Dinosaur Zoo Colouring in Competition will run Monday 1 September to Friday 16 September 2016. 3 prizes will be awarded, One (1) Winner for each of the following categories: Category 1. **Under 5 yrs.** Category 2. **Infants (5 yrs. - 8 yrs.)** and Category 3 **Primary (9 yrs. - 12 yrs.).** Entries close Friday 16 September at 12 noon. Entries can be sent to Gunnedah Shire Council, 63 Elgin Street Gunnedah. Competition winners will be notified via phone on Monday 19 September 2016.

Entries will be displayed in the Mooki Room at the Civic.



What's your favourite subject?

What are you interested in?

What are you good at?

What do you like most about school?

Come and see if Farrer would be right for you...

Year 5 boys are invited to attend our Experience Day

FRIDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2016

EXPERIENCE DAY

9.30am – 2.30pm

RSVP: farreragri-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Wear your school sports uniform. Bring a hat & water bottle. Morning tea and lunch provided.

Want to know what Farrer's all about? Come and join us on Friday 23 September.

Ask your Mum or Dad to book you in
Tel: 6764-8600

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SEPTEMBER16th

STARTING @ 5.30pm

$5
ENTRY

DRINKS, ICE CREAM & FRESH HOT PIZZA AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

ALL CHILDREN MUST BE SUPERVISED BY A RESPONSIBLE ADULT-THIS IS NOT A SCHOOL EVENT

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE NOW FROM THE FRONT OFFICE & AT THE GATE ON THE NIGHT $5 EACH (PERFORMERS EXEMPT)

THE NIGHT WILL FINISH WITH A SHORT DISCO

GLOWSTICKS WILL BE AVAILABLE