Dear Parents,

This week sees five of our students enjoying the opportunity to attend Broken Bay Sport and Recreation Camp together with Miss Reynolds who was extremely excited to be setting off on another wonderful experience. Thanks Miss Reynolds.

Transition to School and New Enrolments

Letters have been sent out to individual families and the advertisement has appeared in the paper inviting everyone who is considering enrolment at Gundagai South for 2016 to come along to the first of our Transition/Orientation Days which will take place this Tuesday – tomorrow. Parents are invited to bring their children to school at 9.15am and to enjoy spending time in the Open classroom watching the children learning in their new big school setting with the current students in the classroom. All parents are invited to morning tea at 10.30am to have an informal chat about starting school and to ask any questions. We are all very excited to see our new students at school and I’m sure they will have a very enjoyable morning.

It is planned to have a welcome BBQ evening for all parents of new students as well as our current parents later in the term, so that our new parents have the opportunity to meet our current families.

If anyone knows of any other families who are not aware of our transition dates, please lend them a helping hand and encourage them to come along on Tuesday.

Touring Regional Orchestra

Our school is especially lucky to have been chosen to host a performance by students in Years 7 & 8 from combined schools who will be performing at our school from 10.15-11.00am on Wednesday this week. It will be a wonderful opportunity for our students to see the results of hard work and perseverance required to learn a musical instrument, especially with our current students just beginning this amazing journey.

Head Lice

Please be vigilant with child/children by checking their hair EVERYDAY and treating if necessary

Birdie’s After School Lessons

If anyone else would like to take advantage of this opportunity, lessons will
Commence next Monday for 6 weeks at a cost of $45.00 for the 6 lessons. If you know of someone from the High School or one of the other Local schools who would like to be involved, please let me know.

Next Tuesday week, Mrs Wheeler will be attending a special Live Life Well Healthy Lifestyle day at Yass.

Special Tennis – Half Court Completion

The following students have been selected to participate in the tennis competition in Tumut on Wednesday 28th October:
Claire Lievens, Alauralee Bowditch, Harri Ralph, Rylee Byrne, Jordan Paton, Brydon Harvey, Chris Afuang, Kynan Crossley, Destiny Cooper, Riley Manns, Isaac Ford, Jess Crooks.

Time and venue details will be included in next week’s newsletter as I don’t have them yet. Please sign and return the attached permission note and return to school by next Monday indicating if you are able to assist with transport.

I have a PSSA meeting in Tumut following the conclusion of the tennis – at 4.00pm, so cannot take students back to school.

Year 6 Gala Day

Gundagai High school will be hosting a special Gala Day for all students in Year 6 as part of their transition program. This will be held on October 29th and should be a fun day for everyone. See attached note. A special transition program will also operate for our boys in Year 6 with a note about the transition attached to your newsletter. Parents are required to phone the High School to organise a time for the first transition meeting which will commence next week (Week 4). Mrs Lu is the Year 7 Advisor and is organising the Gala Day, with Miss Carr organising the additional transition opportunities.

P & C Meeting

Thank you to those parents who attended our P & C meeting last Wednesday evening. It is wonderful to have such an enthusiastic group of parents who are committed to supporting our school in such a positive and worthwhile manner. Your discussions and contributions are truly valued and it is amazing to be working together with such a motivated and interested team. Please see attached minutes from the meeting.

Out of School Hours Care

We are currently investigating the possible establishment of an Out Of School Hours care based here at Gundagai South Public School. To determine whether there is a need for an OOSH centre, we ask that you please complete the attached survey. Please return the survey to school by Friday 23rd October. Thank you.

School Banking

Don’t forget to send in your Westpac School Banking.

Woolworths Stickers

Thank you to everyone who contributed their Woolworths stickers to support our school. We had a fantastic response with over 18000 points amassed. After consultation with the staff, the main equipment for our rewards is for Infant’s maths and science material, including hand held microscopes, bug catchers, objects to do with light, magnetism, and electricity as well as double sided coloured counters and magnetic counters. Everyone should be very excited when we receive our goodies. Thank you again to everyone in the community who helped to support our school.
Banking will be collected every Wednesday.

**Radio News**

Week 4: Destiny & Gina  
Week 5: Harri & Tiara  
Week 6: Angel & Daniel  
Week 7: Lizzie & Kynan  
Week 8: Chloe & Gabby  
Week 9: Rylee & Adam  
Week 10: Meg & Riley  
Week 11: Isaac & Alauralee

**PBL Weekly Focus Area**

This week our focus areas for PBL will be “All settings” in the playground and “Moving around the room” for our Classroom.

- **Playground – All Settings**
  - **Respect:** Look after equipment. Follow teacher instructions. Respect others’ right to work.
  - **Responsibility:** Do your best. Be prepared.
  - **Care:** Neat bookwork. Careful work.

- **Classroom – Moving around the room.**
  - **Respect:** Move quietly.
  - **Responsibility:** Walk in the classroom.

**Care:** Move without touching others.

Please discuss our focus areas with your children this week.

**PBL- Uniform Winners**

Congratulations to our weekly uniform award winners for Week 2: Hayden Crossley, Teelah Smith and Jess Crooks. Well done.

**PBL Awards**

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved the following levels in our PBL welfare system.

- **GREEN:** Hayley Booby
- **PINK:** Isaac Ford
- **BLUE:** Daniel Anderson, Gina Wheeler, Charlie Tresize, Hayden Crossley, Makena Hourn, Aiden Morris
- **ORANGE:** Claire Lievens, Kayla Byrne, Kynan Paton, Sam Crooks

**Home Reading**

Congratulations to the following students who have reached 20 and 40 nights Home Reading.

- **20 Nights**
  - Isaac Ford, Rylee Byrne

- **40 Nights**
  - Jess Crooks, Claire Lievens, Dylan Manns, Kynan Paton, David Foster, Josie Warren

**Healthy Recess and Lunch**

Congratulations to our healthy recess and lunch awards winners for Week 2  
Recess award: **Brandy McGrath**  
Lunch award – **Kayla Byrne**

**Student of the Week**

**4/5/6 – Rylee Byrne**  
Enthusiastic participation and effort in music – particularly band.

**2/3- Braith Winner**  
Using great strategies when reading.
K/1 – Chase Anderson – For his effort in learning his spelling and having 100% correct in his test.

K/1 – Sam Crooks – For always following our PBL values and willingly helps others in need.

Catch of the Week

4/5/6 - Riley Manns – Working with a positive attitude and following our PBL rules.

2/3 - Michael Monaghan – Contributing sensibly to discussions about our “Learning muscle”.

Pip 😊

CANTEEN

Wednesday 21st October - Rebecca Morris & Jenna Morris

Friday 23rd - Erin Batt & Sharon Batt

Monday 26th – October – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED PLEASE

PARTY PIES ARE NO LONGER AVAILABLE

THERE IS ONLY A LIMITED SUPPLY OF CHICKEN CHIPPIES, NUGGETS, SAUSAGE ROLLS AND PIZZA POCKETS - ONCE GONE THEY WILL NO LONGER BE AVAILABLE AS WELL