Dear Parents,

A huge thankyou to those parents who volunteered to assist with the canteen at the Regional Cross Country on Thursday. Thankyou to Jacinta Warren who was our main organiser and helper at 7.30am; Georgina Marshall, Jessica Butcher, Jodie Dean, Kristie Cooper-Rainbow, Anthea Cooper and a special thankyou to Cheryl Lanyon and Shan Bowditch who volunteered to assist for the first shift as well as the last shift of the day. It was a fantastic effort for those people to volunteer their time, so thankyou so much. I have not yet heard how much money was taken on the day.

Cross Country Success

To our two runners who qualified to participate in the Regional event. A fantastic effort from both girls saw Jess Crooks finish 10th and Rylee Byrne finish 15th in the 10 years Girls events. Aside from Hunter Lee from Tumut who finish 3rd in the 12yrs Boys event, Jess’s placing was the next best from all the Highlands’ School representatives which is a wonderful achievement. Both girls are to be congratulated on their commitment and personal dedication to training during the past few months. Well done girls, we are very proud of you both.

Public Speaking

Congratulations to our three contestants Claire Lievens, Lizzie Byron and Jess Crooks who participated in the District finals of the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking competition. A special congratulations to Lizzie Byron who was awarded a Highly Commended certificate. Adjudicator Mrs Zita Denholm congratulated all students who had participated, commenting that the senior section (Yrs 5 & 6) had been of particularly high quality with all students worthy of receiving awards. For our two participants – Claire and Lizzie, she commented that these two students were the best she had seen at Gundagai South in her years of coming to adjudicate at these finals. Well done everyone.
A huge thankyou to Jacinta, Shan and Cheryl who represented the P & C and helped to serve the guests for both morning and afternoon tea. Thankyou to those parents and grandparents who provided food and the staff who contributed a significant amount to the success to the day.

**Early Years Engagement**

Thanks to Mrs Hillier, another very successful and fun visit to the Kinder room was enjoyed by an excited group of preschoolers and children from Gumnut last Wednesday. The next visit will be on Monday 27th July.

**University Exams**

This week is Writing week for those students who have chosen to complete this exam. Spelling will also be held this week. Good luck to all those students who will be participating.

**From the Easel**

Congratulations to Chase Anderson, Amy Myers & Rylee Byrne who all have their art work showcased in the newsletter this week.

**Footsteps Dance**

This week will be the last week for Dance lessons. Two lessons will be held for each of the groups on Wednesday morning. Please pay your final amounts.

**Disco**

Don’t forget to send in your money for the disco meal deal by tomorrow. If you do not wish to have the meal deal, it will cost you $1.00 entry to the disco. This disco will operate from 6.00pm (no earlier please) until 7.30pm. Please be on time to collect your children. The disco will be held in the 4/5/6 room. Students may buy drinks and chips etc. throughout the evening. Parents are needed to help for the evening. Thankyou.

**Regional Touch Football**

Best wishes to Claire Lievens and Alauralee Bowditch who
On Monday 22nd June, the whole school will travel to Tumut to participate in a fun day of cultural activities being held at Gadara Special School. We will be travelling by bus, leaving school at 8.45am and returning by 3.15pm. Every student will receive a T-shirt which they will individually screen print on the day as a memento of their participation and lunch will also be provided. The cost of the day's activities will be $10.00. The school will pay for the bus cost to Tumut. Please complete and return the attached permission note by Friday.

**Motivational Media Presentation**

Students in Years 5 & 6 have been invited to attend a Motivational Media presentation which is being held at the High School on Tuesday 23rd June from 10.00am. Students will travel by bus to the High School leaving school at 9.45 and returning at 11.30am. The school will again pay the cost of the bus. This presentation is all about encouraging our young people to believe that anything is possible if we want to achieve it. Should be a great presentation. Please sign the attached permission note and return school by Friday.

**Soccer Day - Cootamundra**

The following students have been selected to participate in the PSSA Primary Small Schools Soccer Knockout Gala day to be held at Cootamundra on Thursday 25th June. Claire Lievens, Alauralee Bowditch, Harri Ralph, Jordan Paton, Chris Afuang, Zak Anderson, Rylee Byrne, Opal Kothe-Champion, Lizzie Bryon, Gina Wheeler, Meg Wheeler, Destiny Cooper, Jess Crooks, Isaac Ford, Kynan Paton and Greg Clarke. Travel will be by private car – please let me know if you are able to assist with transport on the day. Please let me know if you cannot participate for some reason. The day will commence at 10.30am, so we will be leaving school at 9.15am and leaving Coota at 2.30pm for the return to Gundagai. The students will be playing 3 games during the day which covers three rounds of the competition A canteen will be operating on the day and lunch can be purchased.

**Broken Bay Sport & Recreation Camp (Years 5 & 6)**

This year the Broken Bay Camp will be held at the beginning of Term 4 from Sunday 18th October to Friday 23rd October. Students travel by bus together with students from Adelong, Nangus and Bongongo schools for the week of fantastic activities. If you are interested in your child attending, please complete the attached Expression of Interest and return before the end of term. Cost will be $380 for the camp and the school will contribute towards the bus costs. The opportunity to participate in this excursion is only offered every second year.

**Assembly**

Our final assembly for this term will be held on Wednesday 24th June commencing at 2.00pm. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come along.

**End of Practicum**

Today is Miss Wells’s final day of her final practicum. I’m sure she has enjoyed her teaching experience here at Gundagai South and I know that she has learnt many valuable lessons about teaching which will stand her in good stead as the moves into the teaching community. We thank her for her commitment and interest and...
wish her will. Thankyou Miss Wells.

**Bethune Family**

On behalf of the school community our thoughts are extended to Riley, Kasey, Cooper and Kohbi Bethune on the sudden loss of their home last Friday.

**Gundagai Community Choir**

Gundagai Community Choir
Mid-Year Concert
Friday 26th June
7.30pm
St Pat’s Hall
Supper provided $15 per person

**Radio News**

Week 10: Angel & Gabby

**School Banking**

Don’t forget to send in your Westpac School Banking. Banking will be collected every Wednesday.

**PBL Weekly Focus Area**

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

**Playground – Out of Bounds**

*Respect:* Follow teacher instructions.

*Responsibility:* Right place, right time. Stay in the playground.

*Care:* Report problems.

**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 8: Charlie Hourn, Greg Clarke, Hayley Booby, Kynan Crossley. Well done everyone.

**Healthy Recess and Lunch**

Congratulations to our healthy recess and lunch awards winners for Week 8
Recess award – Josie Warren
Lunch award – Charlie Hourn

**Student of the Week**

4/5/6 – Angel Clark – Making great contributions to class discussions.

2/3 – Charlie Tresize – Settling back into school routines in a positive manner.

K/1 – Aiden Morris – For lining up and showing respect walking to class.
4/5/6 - Lizzie Byron – Showing responsibility and maturity when working at computers.

2/3 - Shanti Kothe-Champion – Improved attitude towards positive school behaviour.

K/1 – Riley Foster – His consistent effort in learning to count.

Pip 😊

**Catch of the Week**

**CANTEEN**

**Wednesday 17th June** – Rebecca Morris & Jenna Morris

**Friday 19th June** – Tiki Paton & Alex Butcher

**Monday 22nd June** – Erica Manns & Viviana Tyson