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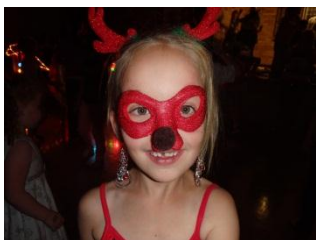
Term 4 – Week 10

Monday, 9 December

A reminder that parents are always welcome in the school whether to assist with school programs or to speak with teachers. If you would like to know how to best assist your child's education just contact the teacher of your choice or the school office on 63741622.

This Week

Year 6 Farewell December 12



Coming Up

Presentation Day December 17

Last day of Term 4 Wednesday December 18 – also

Pool Party Day – **K - 6**

First Day back in 2014 Wednesday January 29th
Kindergarten first day Monday- February 3rd 2014

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Principal's Message

Congratulations

To: The teachers and community members who were award winners at the CLC Dinner last Friday. The awards were for "Outstanding Service to Gulgong Public School" and were given to: *Steven Haney* for his leadership in the school; *Kristy Wilson* for outstanding teaching across a variety of classes and situations; *Belinda Woods* for outstanding teaching; *Karen Harby* for outstanding teaching, *Belinda Davies* for volunteer work at P&C events and for painting the infants washrooms and *Kim Cairncross* for volunteer work and painting the infants playground.



Thank You

To: Kellie and Alison in the front office for work on the CLC Awards Dinner as well as Swimming School and all the other administration tasks at this time of year.

Brian Cooke Update

Brian is still in Sydney stoically fighting on towards recovery. He will be happy to receive Christmas cards which can be dropped into the school office before December 18th.



Ten Dollar Circus

The Ten Dollar Circus has been booked for a variety of jobs coming up. I appreciate the support parents give to this program in our school and say thank you for getting your children to our gigs.

Coming up:

- *Saturday December 21 – Gulgong Christmas Party in ANZAC Park from 5.00pm*
- *Saturday Sunday December 28-29 Folk Festival TBA*

Notes with specific details about these events have sent home. Many thanks in anticipation of your support in getting your children along to these events, especially on the weekends.



Presentation Day

This year's Presentation Day will be held in the high school gym and will be one event, K-6. Estimated duration is around 90 -120 minutes and we will commence at 11.00am.

Attendance

We are seeking a 100% attendance record from all students this term. Please help to give your child every chance for educational success by ensuring that they attend every day possible.

If your child is sick or you have a compelling family reason for them to miss school, please provide an explanatory note within three days.

Enrolments for 2014

Enrolment forms for Kindergarten 2014 are now available at the school office.

Enrolment with our school for 2014 in any grade from Kindergarten to Year 6 can be made at the school office at any time. Please contact the school office on 63741622 if more information about our school is required.

If you know of anyone thinking about enrolling at our school or leaving our school please encourage them to contact us ASAP so our planning can be more effective.



P&C News

P&C meets on the first Wednesday each month at 5.30pm in the Gingerbread House. **The next meeting is next year February 5th 2014.**

The minutes of meetings are available for download from the school website.

All parents are welcome to attend P&C meetings and to contact the committee on matters to do with the school.

Canteen

The Canteen operates on a volunteer basis under Manager Julie Shearer. More volunteers are always sought. If you can spare any time to help in the canteen just contact Julie on 6374 1060. You can also just walk in and make yourself known at any time.

School Web Site

The Gulgong Public School Web Site is at the following address:

www.gulgong-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Please feel free to visit the site for information and photos of activities going on in our school for and with your children.

Alan Walker

Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

Christmas in the Churches

On Thursday 12th December 2013, students from K-6 will participate in their final Scripture event for the year with interdenominational Christmas services held at the various churches in Gulgong (Catholic, Anglican, Presbyterian).

Students whose parents/carers have listed the above denominations will attend the Christmas service at that Church. Please note students who have nominated Uniting Church will attend the Presbyterian Church.

Those students whose parents have not listed a preferred denomination and who attend Scripture regularly will be divided between the three Churches holding services.

The Christmas services are to celebrate the Christmas season and will not involve other religious doctrine. If you have concerns where your student will attend the Christmas service please contact the school.

Non Scripture students will remain at school with a supervising teacher.



STARS of the WEEK**KG – Kodie** – Always trying to do his best**1/2W- Nateisha** – Consistent effort in all areas**1/2KH – Lachlan** – Trying his best in maths**Summer School Uniform**

Summer uniforms are available at the school office, if available sizes do not fit you can obtain a custom made uniform buy calling Claudette Elliott on 6374 2352.

THIS WEEK'S VIRTUE:**Respect****What is Respect?**

Respect is an attitude of caring about people and treating them with dignity. Respect is valuing ourselves and others. We show respect by speaking and acting with courtesy. When we are respectful we treat others as we want to be treated.

Respect includes honouring the rules of our family or school, which make life more orderly and peaceful. It is knowing that every man, woman and child deserves respect, including you.

Why Practice It?

Without respect for rules, we would have confusion. People would treat each other rudely and violate each other's privacy and other rights. Respect helps people to feel valued. Elders deserve special respect because they have lived longer and learned many of life's lessons. Self respect is making sure no one hurts you or abuses you, even an elder. When you respect yourself, others respect you, too.

How Do You Practice It?

Think about how you would like others to treat you and treat them with the same dignity. How would you like others to speak to you, treat your belongings, and your right to privacy? If you want to use someone else's things, ask, and then take good care of them. Express even your strongest feelings in a peaceful way. Treat yourself as you feel others deserve to be treated. You deserve it too.

"Affirmation"

I am respectful. I treat others and myself as we deserve to be treated. I show courtesy to everyone. I learn from the wisdom of my elders.

Gulgong Public School & Gulgong Playgroup Christmas Raffle.**Tickets are \$1.00 each.***1st Apple Mini I-pad**2nd Personalised Embroidered Towel Set**3rd Hair Accessory Pack**4th Personalised Stamped necklace from 'Precious Keepsake Jewellery'*

Please return to school all sold or unsold by 11th December, 2013.

**Safe and Happy Holidays****COMMUNITY EVENTS****Music & Dancing Lessons**

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