

Term 4 - Week 9

Monday, 1 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

P&C Christmas Dinner this Wednesday – Gulgong Bowling Club 5.30pm

Christmas Disco Thursday 4 December \$3 entry 6.30 – 8.30pm



Coming Up

Year 6 Farewell Wednesday 10 December Presentation Day Tuesday 16 December Last Day Wednesday 17 December – Pool Party First Day back in 2015 Thursday January 29



Principal's Message

Congratulations

To: the Gulgong High dancers who performed as part of the School Spectacular. What a marvellous showcase of talent!



Thank You

To: students & parents who attended the TDC "Cinema Under the Stars" event. Particular thanks to Jessica Holt and Anastasia Germon who worked tirelessly without a break for the full three hours.

To: those families who have returned School Self Evaluation Surveys so far. We have sent out three surveys – School satisfaction, Consultation Survey and Literacy/Numeracy Survey. There will be no more this year. If you still have one or more outstanding, please complete them and send them in.

To: Gulgong Junior League for their kind donation of football jerseys for our school.

Gum Trees

The large Blue Gum trees in the playground have been re-assessed following the branch collapse on Thursday night. One will be removed ASAP and the others trimmed.

Paparazzi Team

The Paparazzi Club Program at Gulgong PS is a "not for profit" program. The students sell photos to gain funding to replace cameras, batteries, chargers, connector cords, photo paper, toner etc. The program is run to provide learning in a number of areas: photography and design, teamwork and co-operation, confidence and creativity as well as fun ways to learn about the environment and our home town. The students also learn about marketing and customer satisfaction issue so it is a very useful experience, which they may come back to in later life.

The Paparazzi have a number of commissions underway. If you would like a particular photo done just contact the school office to provide the details. Options are A3 or A4 photos in the following styles: "roll up" – just the photo, no frame or mount \$5 Black Perspex frame - \$35 Brown Wooden frame - \$50 Multiple of 4 photos in the one A3 frame - \$50

Greeting card - \$2.50 each or 5 for \$10

We have copies of many of the historical and interesting buildings of Gulgong as well as scenery.

Old cameras are always of interest to us as we have a display cabinet of cameras which the students research. Rather than throw anything out, throw it our way instead. This includes any photographic memorabilia – films, flashbulbs, sales brochures, light meters etc.

Ten Dollar Circus

The Ten Dollar Circus has been booked for a variety of jobs coming up. We had around 20 students work the "Cinema Under the Stars" event in Mudgee – thank you very much.

Many thanks to parents, staff and students for help with community events.

Coming up:

- Saturday December 13 Gulgong Christmas Party in ANZAC Park
- Saturday Sunday December 27-28 Folk Festival TBA

Notes with specific details about these events have or will be sent home prior to each event. 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 on Tuesday December 16 and will be one event, K-6. Estimated duration is around 90 -100 minutes and we will commence around 11.00am.

Enrolments for 2015

Enrolment forms for Kindergarten 2015 are now available at the school office.

Enrolment with our school for 2015 in any grade from Kindergarten to Year 6 can be made at the school office at anytime. 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

The P&C Presentation day raffle is 3 paparazzi photos – one a beautiful shot of The Drip; one an atmospheric photo of the Mayne St corner in the rain and one a multiple of 4 shots of the pubs in the one frame. These all sell for \$50 each so they are well worth buying a ticket.



Tickets have been sent home with all newsletter takers today. All tickets must be returned by Friday 12th Dec. This raffle will be drawn at Presentation Day 16th Dec.

P&C meets on the first Wednesday each month at 5.30pm in the Staffroom. The next meeting is Wednesday December 3rd and will be the Christmas Party at the Bowling Club at 5.30pm.

The minutes of each P&C Meeting are posted on the school's website.

CANTEEN

The Canteen operates on a volunteer basis under Managers Tina Doherty & Maree Papworth. More volunteers are always sought. If you can spare any time to help in the canteen just contact Tina or Maree on 63 741060. 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

Alan Walker Principal





SCHOOL NEWS

Library News

All Library books are to be returned this week. The first class to return all their outstanding books will be given an ice block. If your child has received a letter from Ms Ryan in the last two weeks please finalise these accounts as soon as possible.

THIS WEEK'S VIRTUE:

IDEALISM

What is Idealism?

A person with ideals is a person who really cares about what is right and meaningful in life. When you practice idealism, you have beliefs that mean something to you and you follow them. You don't just accept things the way they are. You want to make a difference. Idealists dare to have big dreams and then act as if they are possible.

Why Practice It?

People without ideals or dreams live as if nothing matters very much. They have no dreams of what is possible. They settle for whatever happens. Without idealism, the world's problems would never change. When you practice idealism, you trust that tomorrow can be better than today. You see what is possible and act to make it happen.

How Do You Practice It?

Idealism begins by picturing what you would ideally like to see happen. It could be a vision of what you will do when you grow up or of something you want to achieve now. It could be a dream of having the best friend ever, or a new invention, or making the world a better place. When you practice idealism, you have dreams and then act to make the ideal real. You make a plan and step by step, your dream can come true.

Affirmation

"I live by my ideals. I believe in my dreams. I have faith that anything is possible."



This week's "Keys to Success"

ORGANISATION How can I be organised?



Get Yourself

Organised

Take home my homework

- Bring my completed homework to school
- Get started on class work straight away
- Make sure I understand instructions
- Keep my desk and school bag neat
- Have my school supplies ready
- Finish one activity and then begin the next
- Listen to instructions
- Know when special events are on at school

ORGANISATION What do we say to reward and encourage organisation?

- "You are organised."
- "Doesn't it feel good to be organised!"
- "Being organised is helping you to be successful!"
- "You really planned well."
- "You really focused on getting your work in on time."
- "I bet it makes school easier when you have everything ready.
- You are really keeping your backpack clean and neat."
- "I can see that you are planning ahead so that you don't rush your work at the last minute.
- "When you are prepared, you can do a good
- "You planned well! You finished on time."

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