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Term 4 – Week 7

Monday, 21 November

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

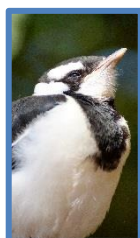
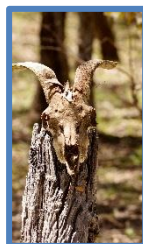
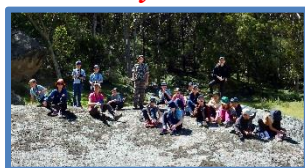
This Week

- ✚ Christmas Scripture at school Thursday November 24th
- ✚ Prefects Elections Friday November 25th from 10.00am SHARP in the Hall. Parents welcome
- ✚ Primary Years 3-6 will be having a fun Swimming Carnival on Friday
- ✚ Coronation Park Markets 8.30-1.00pm Saturday November 26th - Paparazzi & Circus (no Phantoms Softball)



Coming Up

- ✚ Commencing next Monday, 28th November, a Swimming Program to run across K – 6
- ✚ Year 6 Farewell Tuesday December 6th at the RSL
- ✚ Gulgong Town Xmas Memorial Hall/ANZAC Park Saturday December 10th 4.00-6.00pm Paparazzi & Circus
- ✚ Presentation Day Tuesday December 13th 10.30 in the GHS Gym
- ✚ Xmas Disco Thursday December 15th
- ✚ Last day for 2016 Friday December 16th
- ✚ **First day back in 2017 for students Monday January 30th**



"RIP PETE"



"The most valuable antiques are dear old friends"



Principal's Message

Congratulations

To: P&C, staff and students for the Twilight Markets. and especially a very big thank you to Kellie Griffiths and Paul Meek for the for huge efforts in making this event possible.

Thank You

To: The Gulgong Community, P&C, staff and students for an enjoyable Twilight Markets on Saturday. We tried a new thing and learnt a lot about the organizational structures for next time. We hope to make it an annual event at this time each year.



To: The many people who donated time and goods for our Twilight Markets. It is very much appreciated.

Enrolments for 2017

Enrolment forms for 2017 are now available at the school office.

Enrolment with our school for 2017 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 intending to either enrol or leave our school, now is the time to let us know.

Kindergarten 2017

Kindy Kapers has finished now and what a wonderfully positive program it was. Congratulations to all staff, students and parents for providing such a marvellous advantage to the children. The new 2017 Kindergarten classes will commence on **February 2nd in 2017**. We look forward to sharing the exciting start of schooling with your children. For any questions at all please contact the School Office on 63741622



Prefects Elections

Prefects speeches will be held on Friday November 25th at 9.45am in the Hall. Parents are welcome to attend. Voting will take place after that.

Gulgong Public School Prefects Policy & Procedures

Student leaders play a very important role in a school. They lead by example in class and in the playground and provide stability in the organization of the many school events that students engage in.

The criteria for potential student leaders in our school includes the following examples:

- *Demonstrates exemplary behaviour and respect for the school and the people in it*
- *Acts with honesty, integrity and respect at all times*
- *Demonstrates positive school spirit at all times*
- *Displays initiative and willingness to participate*
- *Demonstrates pride in our school through behaviour, attitude and wearing of school uniform*
- *Is able to communicate effectively with students and teachers*
- *Gives full effort to all areas of academic, sporting and cultural endeavours*
- *Displays friendliness and charity towards fellow students at all times*
- *Possesses a genuine desire to help improve the school and the environment*
- *Possesses a satisfactory discipline record at school*

Year 5 students will nominate for prefect in Term 4 of each year.

The students are permitted to post 2 x A4 size posters on the school walls or windows, detailing their virtues as a potential prefect.

A date will be set aside for each nominee to address the students from Year 2 to Year 6 for 1 - 2 minutes, detailing how they believe they will be worthy school leaders.

The students will then vote for 10 prefects. The votes will be tallied and the first ranked boy and girl shall be named school captains. The next ranked eight students of either gender shall be named prefects.

The successful group of 10 will be announced immediately but the announcement of school captains and the pinning on of badges takes place at Presentation Day.

Consultation Survey - School Self Evaluation Program

Each year the school evaluates its programs and processes. The usual manner of gathering information is through surveys to parents, staff and students.

Consultation surveys have been sent home which will give us some feedback about our school's operation. Your opinions and ideas are valued. Please take the time to respond ASAP.

No names are attached to the surveys so you may be quite frank in your comments.

Playground Kapers

- **LISTEN TO EACH OTHER AND RESPECT THE OTHER POINT OF VIEW**



All students in the school are allowed access to circus equipment at lunchtimes. This equipment must be used sensibly, responsibly and respectfully and returned intact to where it came from. Too many students are breaking equipment through carelessness or leaving it out. It will remain locked up if this doesn't improve.

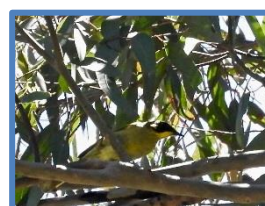
After school circus training on Mondays 3.30 -5.00. After school circus needs more students to remain a viable activity.

THERE WILL BE NO CIRCUS IF IT IS RAINING AT 3.30 PM



All students in the school are allowed access to the Paparazzi Club cameras if they ask. They must be used responsibly and with care and returned at the end of each break. If they don't come back or if they are broken through carelessness, this spoils it for everyone else.

We are building a nice collection of historical cameras. These provide interest for students as well as research projects. If there are old cameras no longer wanted, please send them our way. We will take very good care of them.



Coming Up:

- *Australian Junior Photography Competition – go to <http://www.australianphotography.com/poty> to see our “Junior U/18” entries so far*
- *Entries in the 2017 Sydney Royal Easter Show are being collected in Term 4. See Mr Walker now to discuss your potential entry.*
- *The Paparazzi Club has been booked to take Santa Photos at this year’s Gulgong Christmas Party at the Memorial Hall on Saturday December 10th from 4.30 – 6.30pm. Help is required.*



The Ten Dollar Bird Team, Eco-Kids and Wiradjuri Kids went to

Munghorn and Moolarben last week in search of the uncommon Yellow-tufted Honeyeater. Well, it was spotted and photographed by some but being so elusive not everyone managed to get a look.

We also visited Mr Campbell’s Cooyal property for a close up look at some newly hatched dusky wood swallows. This was fantastic.

Along with our Wiradjuri kids we all connected to the country we were exploring. We gained understanding and respect for the land and its denizens. We all agreed it’s up to us, the younger generation, to look after and cherish our country if we want it to last.

We had great fun making damper twists and bushwalking. Many thanks to Mrs Fuller, Mrs McGlenn, Mr Walker and Brad our bus driver.



Ten Dollar Phantoms Softball Club plays Saturday mornings from 8.30 – 10.30 at Billy Dunn Soccer Fields. (set up at 8.30 – some help required)

All ages welcome - T Ball to adults. More players are welcome. We can accommodate almost any number but we need a minimum of 10—12 in each age/skill range. If you are coming to play please turn up before 9.00am so we can get teams better organized for the day.

There is **no cost** for this Ten Dollar Kids Club sporting activity but a permission note **MUST** be handed in before play and a mouth guard is advisable.

There is no play when the Gulgong Markets are on the 4th Saturday each month as we can’t be in two places at once. Thank you for your understanding.



P&C News

The Twilight Markets were a moderate success for the P&C and the funds raised will be enough to augment the purchase of more laptops for students. Many thanks to workers and customers who supported the new idea.

P&C meets on the first Wednesday each month at 5.30pm in the Staffroom. The next meeting is the annual Christmas Dinner meeting on Wednesday December 7th at 6.00pm at “Thai to You.”

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

Many thanks to all members of the P&C for your on-going support of the school.

Canteen

The Canteen operates on a volunteer basis under Managers Maree Papworth & Julie Power.

More volunteers are always sought. If you can spare any time to help in the canteen just contact Maree or Julie on 63 741 060. 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. There is a wealth of information about programs, policies and activities at the school.

You can also follow us on **Facebook**.

Alan Walker

Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

Kindy Kapers

Thank you **Kindy Kapers** students and parents. We have had 4 wonderful Wednesday’s with our new Kindergarten children and are looking forward to welcoming them into school in 2017.

A big Thank you to Miss Wade, Miss Honeysett, Mrs Leotta, Miss Cuthel & Mrs O’Connell for all their hard work over the past 4 weeks to ensure our **Kindy Kapers** program was a success.

We had a **ROARsome** time!

Thank you

COMMUNITY NOTICES

SWIMMING LESSONS

When: Wednesday/Thursday

Time: 4pm – 6pm

Age: 2 – 10years

Cost: \$12.00 per hour

Places are filling fast

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