



GULGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL

In Focus

LEARNING TODAY - LEADING TOMORROW

Term 4, Week 7

15 November 2021

Calendar 2021

November

Monday 15th	Last Week of Library Borrowing Intensive Swimming Commences K-2 Postponed ALL WEEK
Tuesday 16th	Swimming For Sport Postponed Year 6 and Year 2
Wednesday 17th	School Banking Swimming For Sport TBA Year 5 and Year 1
Friday 19th	Swimming For Sport TBA MC class, Year 3 and Year 4
Wednesday 24th	School Banking
Friday 26th	Prefect Speeches

December

Wednesday 1st	School Banking - LAST DAY
Thursday 2nd	Girls Rock & Boys Shine
Wednesday 8th	Presentation Day
Thursday 9th	Colour Run
Tuesday 14th	Moving Up Day Year 6 Farewell
Wednesday 15th	Gulgong's Got Talent
Thursday 16th	LAST DAY OF TERM

INTENSIVE

**INTENSIVE SWIMMING
THIS WEEK
Kindergarten - Year 2
POSTPONED MONDAY
AND TUESDAY**

BOOK FAIR

A massive thank you to all who supported our Book Fair last week. We raised enough money to purchase \$1000 worth of new books for our school library.



Thank You

We would also like to thank Teagan Doherty and Blake, Sophie, Fletcher and Jacob Norris for their kind donations to our school library.

A big thank you also to Mrs Dunk and her helpers for running the Book Fair.

BOOK FAIR PARADE WINNERS

A big congratulations also has to go out to school community that got into the spirit of things for our Book Fair and took the opportunity to dress up for the day. There were many wonderful costumes that a lot of effort went into creating.



Principal's Message

STAFFING ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to Mrs Megan Auckett, who has been appointed via interview to the full time position of Assistant Principal at Gulgong Public School. This is the position Mr Steven Haney held until his move into the office to work on attendance. Mr Haney is still a teacher at Gulgong Public School and when his contract runs out, he will return to a classroom teacher position.

Congratulations to Mrs Kristel Barnes-Scales, she will take on the Relieving Assistant Principal Stage 1 and Early Stage 1 role that Mr Howes will vacate to be Principal at Eumungerie in 2022. Mr Howes will re-join us in 2023.

Congratulations to Mrs Gill Armstrong, she will relieve as our Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction in Stages 2 and 3 in 2022.

Congratulations and welcome to Miss Lauren Piccolo. Lauren will join us from her position as Assistant Principal at Pitt Town Public School in 2022. She will be our Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction on Early Stage 1 and Stage 1. Lauren joins us with a wealth of experience in the early years of learning and has implemented and utilised InitialLit which is the Literacy program we use here at Gulgong Public School with great effect. We look forward to introducing Lauren to the school community in 2022.

These 2 Curriculum and Instruction positions are to replace the role that Mrs Tess Lewis has been doing for the past 3 years. Unfortunately for Gulgong Public School and our students, Tess will leave us at the end of the year to take up a new position at Mudgee Public School leading their school through the new curriculum in her role as Assistant Principal, Curriculum and Instruction.

I will speak about our departing staff in a future newsletter to show our appreciation for their hard work and efforts at Gulgong Public School.

We are currently in the process of finalising our teaching staff for 2022 and as soon as we know which staff will be teaching each year level next year we will let the whole school community know. I don't think there is any point waiting as long as possible to let parents know about this. We will try to be as open as possible about this. It may change if we get lots of changes in student numbers, but we won't know that until next year.

INTENSIVE SWIMMING AND SWIMMING FOR SPORT

With the cold weather coming back in, we have decided to hold off on Intensive Swimming and Swimming for Sport. The earliest they will start is Wednesday this week, weather permitting. I don't want to place any of our younger students in the position where they are in or getting out of the pool freezing and possibly getting sick in the lead up to the end of school. Students have missed so much learning this year I don't want them to miss more.

Keep an eye on our Facebook page each morning to see if Intensive Swimming and Swimming for Sport are on that day.

Intensive Swimming is for all student from Kindergarten to Year 2 every day.

Swimming for Sport is on Tuesday for Year 6 and Year 2, Wednesday for Year 5 and Year 1 and Friday for our MC Classes and Year 3 and Year 4.

BOOK FARE PHOTOS

We had so much fun with our Book Fair Parade!



Class in Focus 4W

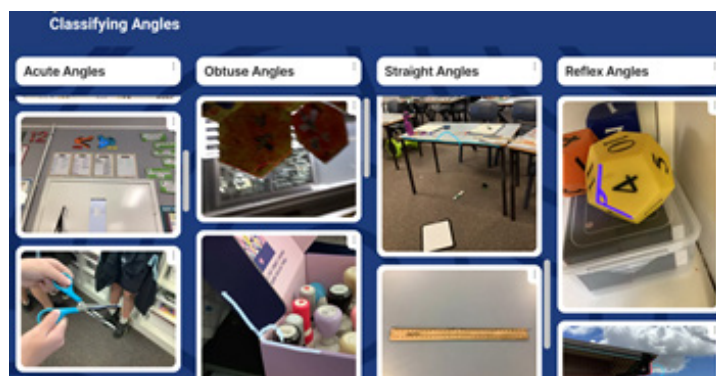
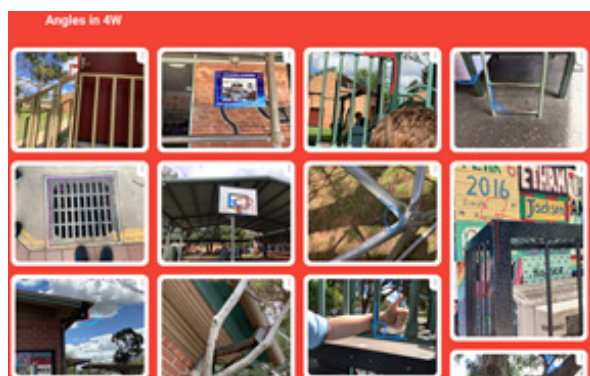
4W this term we were so happy to finally be able to present our soap box theatre speeches that were delayed by the covid break. Everyone did an amazing job dressing as their convict characters to present their speeches. We also focused on providing peer feedback to each other, outlining two elements done well and one element to work on for next time, which we call 2 glows and a grow.



In Science we have been exploring the topic Forces and have enjoyed investigating non-contact and contact forces. We experimented by making balloon thrusted cars, balloon rockets, along with observing the movement of magnetic forces using iron filings, paperclips and magnets.



During our Maths sessions we have consolidated our learning of Angles using technology and made self to world connections through our investigations. Students were able to use the ipad applications 'Padlet' and take photos of different types of angles found in our classroom and around our playground. Students then edited the photo to identify the type of angles they had found. Accessing Padlet using a QR code students then uploaded each picture into its correct category of acute, right, obtuse, straight, reflex or revolution.



Congratulations



Refresher on School Zone Road

Rules # 7

MOBILE PHONE USE

WHIST DRIVING



Only fully licensed drivers may make or receive audio calls on a mobile phone whilst driving if it is secured in a commercially designed mount fixed to the vehicle or being used hands-free. Holders of all other license types are not permitted to use a mobile phone whilst driving. Children and young people are extremely vulnerable in the road environment. They need you to take extra care when driving and parking around schools. Penalties are greater for breaking the road rules in a school zone. Find out more, <https://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/stayingsafe/mobilephones/know-the-rules.html> *Produced with the support of Mid-Western Regional Council, NSW Police and Transport for NSW.

SUGAR FREE-ZIES DAY

26 NOVEMBER 2021

Donating **1 MILLION** Icy Stix to raise **\$1 MILLION**

It's been an incredibly hard year for our kids so we are making a difference by donating 1 million Sugar FREE-zies Icy stix to schools and youth sports clubs so they can turbocharge their fundraising efforts this term.

On the 26th November 2021 over two thousand Australian schools and Sports Clubs will celebrate summer and host their own Sugar FREE-zies Day to raise funds for a cause of their choice. Sugar FREE-zies Icy Stix Day is a day where everyone is a champion and where fun, laughs and spectacular times are the order of the day.

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FOR ALL AGES

Merit Award Winners Week 6



Uniform Winner

Madelyn Brown 5/6H

