



TERM 2 WEEK 2

05 MAY 2025

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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ST GEORGE DRAGONS INSPIRE GULGONG STUDENTS WITH FOOTY FUN

Gulgong Public School had a very special visit on Friday, 2nd May, when players from the St George Illawarra Dragons stopped by to run footy skills sessions with our students. Students in Years 3–6 were thrilled to take part in two energetic and engaging sessions, learning new skills and building confidence while having loads of fun. The Dragons team brought a great sense of enthusiasm and encouragement that really connected with our students. A heartfelt thank you goes to Adam Bezzina, Blake Wallace, Joel Beaton, and Keele Browne for giving their time to support our students. Their visit not only boosted students' sporting skills but also left a lasting impression with their positive messages and team spirit. It was a fantastic day of fun, learning and inspiration — one our students won't soon forget!





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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT





ANZAC MARCH

We are incredibly proud of the students who represented Gulgong Public School during the Anzac Day March on the 25th of April. Their respectful participation showed our school's deep commitment to honouring those who have served and sacrificed for our country. We extend our heartfelt thanks to our school community, students, and teachers for their participation and to the Gulgong RSL Sub-Branch for inviting us to be part of this important commemoration.



Our 4Rs Have a Fresh New Look

We're excited to share the updated Gulgong Public School 4Rs—Resilience, Responsibility, Respect, and Reasoning! Students are learning what each R means through explicit lessons, with a focus class presenting one of the 4Rs each week at assembly. Ask your child what they've learnt! A big thank you to Mrs Barnes-Scales for her wonderful work in bringing our 4Rs to life.

4Rs Gulgong Public School Learners:		
 RESILIENT	We jump back in to learning, even when it is hard.	RESILIENT LEARNERS: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Are persistent• Use feedback to improve• Have a positive attitude• Have a go at different ways to get the right answer• Take time to do something properly
 RESPONSIBLE	We are trusted to make appropriate choices.	RESPONSIBLE LEARNERS: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work effectively as part of a team• Listen to and use feedback• Get on with our work• Act in the right way• Learn in different ways
 RESPECTFUL	We notice how what we do affects ourselves and other people.	RESPECTFUL LEARNERS: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stay calm and listen carefully• Show good manners to everyone• Give feedback in a respectful way• Treat each other kindly• Treat equipment well
 REASONING	We think about and explain our choices, strategies and understandings.	REASONING LEARNERS: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use their imagination to take risks• Ask relevant questions and gather evidence• Choose the best method and explain why• Learn from mistakes• Consider different opinions

What's on this Term

Term 2 at Gulgong Public School is shaping up to be a vibrant and busy one, filled with wonderful opportunities for learning, growth, and community connection. From exciting excursions to Red Hill, to cultural experiences such as the Gulgong Eisteddfod and Choir Compass Festival, there's something for everyone. Our students will also take part in various sports events including soccer trials, netball and touch gala days, and Zone cross country. We're looking forward to celebrating our amazing mums at the Combined Schools Mother's Day Breakfast, and focusing on wellbeing during our special themed week in June. A huge thank you to our dedicated staff, supportive families, and enthusiastic students for making all of this possible. Let's make it a fantastic term together!

4 R'S - RESPECTFUL, REASONING, RESPONSIBLE AND RESILIENT

Each week at Gulgong Public School students learn about being Resilient, Responsible, Respectful and Reasoning learners in the classroom and playground. The 4 R focus for this week is "Being Resilient - in the classroom". This means that the students should jump back in to learning, even when it is hard. When the students are resilient it helps them grow, learn and handle challenges in life. It makes them stronger and more confident. Resilient learners are persistent, use feedback to improve, have a positive attitude, have a go at different ways to get the right answer and take time to do things properly.

ATTENDANCE

Families will receive a text message from the school if their child is away, can you please reply to this message ASAP. Alternatively, you can add an attendance note on the Parent Portal on Sentral.





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TINY STEPS

Tiny Steps runs every Fridays this term and will be on in our school library from 10-11am. All families with children who have not started school are welcome to attend.



2026 KINDERGARTEN PARENT LEARNING WALKS

Exciting things are happening at Gulgong Public School and we invite all 2026 Kindergarten families to be part of the journey! Join us for the Kindergarten Parent Learning Walk this Thursday, 8th May 2025 from 3:30pm to 4:30pm, where you can tour the school, explore interactive learning activities and see first hand the incredible experiences from Kindergarten to Year 6. Later in the year, our Kindergarten 2026 Information Evening on Wednesday, 30th July 2025, will provide families with everything they need to know about our transition programs, school initiatives and what to expect in Kindergarten. We look forward to welcoming our future GPS learners and sharing the wonderful opportunities that await them at our school!

2026 KINDERGARTEN PARENT LEARNING WALKS

We look forward to showcasing the fantastic initiatives and opportunities Gulgong Public School provide for your children.

Term 2 Week 2, Thursday 8 May 2025

3:30pm - 4:30pm

School Library

ENROLL NOW

RED HILL EXCURSION

Tomorrow, Tuesday 6th May 2025, our 3R class will take a hands-on journey into History as they explore the topic of First Contacts at Red Hill Environmental Education Centre. This exciting excursion will give students the chance to deepen their understanding of early encounters between First Nations peoples and European explorers in an engaging and interactive setting.

STAGE 2 EXCURSION TERM 2

**FIRST CONTACTS
ABORIGINAL AUSTRALIA**

3R - Week 2 - Tuesday 6 May 2025
3/4H - Week 3 - Tuesday 13 May 2025
4A - Week 7 - Tuesday 10 June 2025

\$7.50

MANDATORY ITEMS TO BRING:

- Hat
- School uniform
- Sunscreen
- Appropriate walking shoes
- Water bottle
- Lunch and tip
- Packaged lunch and recess

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GULGONG HOLTERMANN MUSEUM

Tomorrow, Tuesday 6th May, 5/6A will visit the Gulgong Holtermann Museum to explore life in colonial times. Students will walk to the museum at 2pm and return by 3pm.

CLASS 5/6A - EXCURSION

Gulgong Holtermann Museum

TUESDAY 6 MAY 2025



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MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Join us on Friday, 9th May for a special Combined Schools Mother's Day Celebration under Gulgong High School COLA from 8:15am, with pancakes, coffee, and tea to enjoy. All mothers, grandmothers, and carers are warmly invited! The GPS P&C Mother's Day Stall will also be open on Thursday, 8th May and Friday, 9th May, offering gifts for \$5 and \$10, along with a raffle (\$2 per ticket). Let's celebrate the wonderful women in our lives together!



DO IT FOR DOLLY DAY

This Friday, students are encouraged to wear blue in support of Do It For Dolly Day and to stand against bullying. We kindly ask families to send in a gold coin donation, with all funds going towards anti-bullying programs. Zooper Doopers (50c) and butterfly face painting (gold coin) will also be available on the day. Thank you for supporting this important cause.



BIKE BUS

Our first ever Bike Bus was held in Week 11, Term 1 and was a huge hit with our students and staff. Just over 40 students joined in and rode to and from school accompanied by staff, with music pumping and bike bells ringing. There was a real buzz in the air, with both participants and other students asking if they could bring their bike the next day to join in. Bike Bus for this term will be held on Thursday 15th May 2025. A note will go home via Sentral and must be returned by Monday 12th May for students to participate. Please remember, students need to be able to ride a push bike independently (no training wheels), have an Australian

standard helmet, and carry a puncture repair kit in their school bag. The Bike Bus promotes physical activity, boosts mental health, supports social skills and teamwork, teaches safe cycling skills, increases school attendance, builds community connections, encourages sustainable habits — and most of all, it's fun!



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Week 3 Monday 12th May - 2025 GRIP Leadership Day
- Week 4 Friday 23rd May - Boys Basketball Mudgee
- Week 6 Wednesday & Thursday 4th & 5th June -Kindy Red Hill Excursion
- Week 8 Wednesday to Friday - 18th to 20th June - Stage 1 Red Hill Excursion

PAYMENTS:

- Stage 3 Canberra Excursion - 4th Instalment - \$100 - Due by 30 May 2025
- Year 4 Tea Gardens Excursion - 2nd Instalment - \$50 - Due by 30 May 25



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4Rs

Gulgong Public School Learners are:

Resilient



We jump back in to learning, even when it is hard.

When we are resilient it helps us grow, learn and handle challenges in life. It makes us stronger and more confident.

RESILIENT LEARNERS:

- Are persistent
- Use feedback to improve
- Have a positive attitude
- Have a go at different ways to get the right answer
- Take time to do something properly



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Gulgong Public School Learners are:

Responsible



We are trusted to make appropriate choices.

When we are responsible, people know they can trust us. It helps us become more independent and makes our school a better place.

RESPONSIBLE LEARNERS:

- Work effectively as part of a team
- Listen to and use feedback
- Get on with my work
- Know right from wrong
- Learn in different ways



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4Rs

Gulgong Public School Learners are:

Respectful



We notice how what we do affects ourselves and other people.

When we are respectful, everyone feels safe and equally important. It makes friendships, families and our community stronger.

RESPECTFUL LEARNERS:

- Stay calm and listen carefully
- Show good manners to everyone
- Give feedback in a respectful way
- Treat each other kindly
- Treat equipment well



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4Rs

Gulgong Public School Learners use:

Reasoning



We think about and explain our choices, strategies and understandings.

When we reason, it helps us make smart choices, solve problems, understand the world around us and shows other people what we know.

REASONING LEARNERS:

- Use my imagination to take risks
- Assess ourselves against the Success Criteria
- Choose the best method and say why
- Learn from mistakes
- Listen to different opinions



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BIKE BUS

RIDE, SMILE, ARRIVE!



SAVE THE DATE

THURSDAY, 15TH MAY 2025

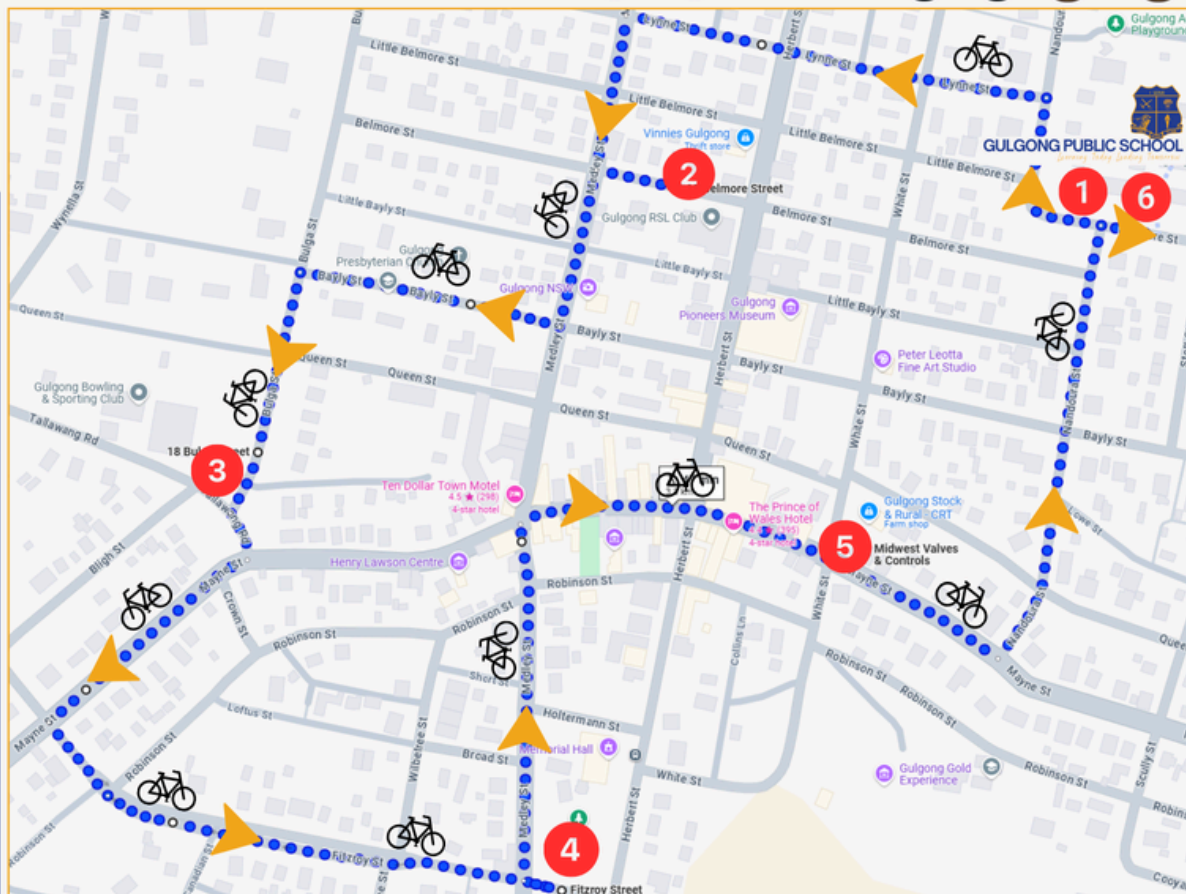
BIKE BUS



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		Pick Up Time (AM)	Drop Off Time (PM)
1	GPS	8:30	3:40
2	RSL Car Park	8:35	3:45
3	Gulgong Bowling Club Car Park	8:40	3:50
4	ANZAC Park	8:50	4:00
5	Midwest Vales & Controls	8:55	4:05
6	GPS	Arrive at school	4:30 Arrive back at school





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COMBINED SCHOOL *Mother's Day* CELEBRATION

FRIDAY 9 MAY 2025
GHS COLA - 8:15AM





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P&C MOTHER'S DAY STALL

Gulgong Public School's P&C
will be holding it's annual Mothers Day Stall
again this year on

THURSDAY 8TH MAY

GIFTS WILL BE AVAILABLE
FOR \$5 & \$10



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PRINCE of WALES
OPERA HOUSE

GULGONG EISTEDDFOD SPEECH

THURSDAY 22 MAY 2025



**LET'S START
THE SPEECH**



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CHOIR COMPASS MUSIC FESTIVAL

Wednesday 28 May 2025



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SCHOOL CANTEN MENU

SANDWICHES AND ROLLS

Meat and salad	\$7.00
Meat and salad roll	\$7.50
Salad sandwich	\$6.50
Salad roll	\$7.00
Ham	\$4.00
Chicken	\$5.00
Ham, cheese and tomato	\$5.50
Chicken, lettuce and mayo	\$6.00
Meat and pickles	\$4.00
Tomato	\$2.00
Cheese and tomato	\$2.50
Egg, lettuce and mayo	\$5.00
Egg	\$4.00
Cheese	\$2.00
Bread rolls	\$1.50
Spaghetti	\$3.00
Baked beans	\$3.00
Vegemite	\$2.50
Cheese and vegemite	\$3.00
Toasted	+\$0.50

SALADS

Salad bowl	\$9.00
Meat and salad bowl	\$10.00

WRAPS

Salad	\$8.00
Chicken and salad	\$9.00
Ham and salad	\$9.00
Tender wrap	\$10.00

WRAPS

Sauce	\$0.50
Fork/spoon	\$0.20
Lunch bag	\$0.20

HOT FOOD

Hot dog	\$4.50
Hamburger with salad	\$7.00
Cheeseburger	\$6.00
Flame grilled chicken burger	\$7.00
Sausage roll	\$4.50
Pie	\$5.00
Beef/Chicken noodles	\$3.00
Hot cheese roll	\$2.50
Mac and cheese	\$5.00
Lasagna	\$5.00
Tempura nuggets tray	\$5.00

DESSERT

Frozen juice cups	\$1.50
Mony (Blue/raspberry)	\$1.50
Quelch sticks	\$1.00

DRINKS

Water	\$3.00
Large milk 500ml (High School)	\$4.50
Small milk 300ml	\$3.50
99% juice popper	\$2.50
Glee	\$3.00

SNACKS

Sugar free jelly	\$1.00
Rice cracker and cheese	\$2.50
Custard	\$2.00
Sultanas	\$1.00
Airpopped popcorn	\$2.00
Grain waves	\$2.00
Cheese sticks	\$1.00
Fruit salad cup	\$2.00
Yoghurt	\$3.00





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COMMUNITY EVENTS

MUDGEES GULGONG WOLVES FC 2025 LOCAL REGISTRATION OPTIONS



MINI ROOS

(Players turning 3 and 4)

- Mini Roos is for players turning 3 and 4 years old in 2025.
- A fun, relaxed and informal program.
- Focus on fun and basic skill development.
- **ALL GAMES IN MUDGEES.**
- Saturday mornings.

COST:

\$100 per player

JUNIORS

(U5 to U15)

- Junior soccer is for players 5 to 15 years old in 2025.
- 15 games during season.
- Non-competitive up to U11.
- Competitive from U12+.
- Volunteer coaches/managers.
- **ALL GAMES IN MUDGEES.**
- Saturday mornings.

COST:

\$155 per player

M-LEAGUE

(U16+)

- For players aged 16+.
- Open - male and female.
- 9 v 9 format, competitive.
- 15 week comp including semi finals and grand final.
- All ability levels welcome.
- **ALL GAMES IN MUDGEES.**
- Saturday afternoons.

COST:

\$190 (16-18) / \$230 (18+)
(includes shorts and socks)

REGISTRATIONS:

mgwfc.com.au/play

or scan the QR code



IMPORTANT DATES:

Registrations close: Friday, 11 April

Introduction day: Saturday, 10 May

Season start: Saturday, 17 May



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COMMUNITY EVENTS



**Barnardos
Australia**

Gulgong Supported Playgroup

Tuesday Morning's

10am to 12pm

fortnightly

Tuesdays

Presbyterian Church Hall

BAYLY Street

Come and enjoy a morning with your children!

**A great way for your children 0-5yrs to socialise
and make new friends.**

**Lots of play, craft story time, and morning tea are
provided for all children.**

Tea & coffee for the adults.



Cost FREE

ALL WELCOME Facilitator: Caroline + Mel

Contact Phone: 0477858599 or office 5319 8100



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COMMUNITY EVENTS



TRADITIONAL NON- CONTACT KARATE

For Kids



AGE
5 YEARS & OVER

DAY
WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS

TIME
06:00 PM TO 7:00 PM

VENUE
**GULGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL
SMALL HALL**

\$ 3.50 per class



Dento Ryu Karate-Do

COACH
**HARVEY
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