



Gunnedah Public School

Quality Education in a Caring Environment

Newsletter - Term 4 Week 4, 29th October, 2013

Upcoming events

1st November- Grandparents & Special Friends Assembly

8th November- Mid Term Reward- Fishing

11th-14th November- Lake Keepit Excursion

11th-22nd November- Swimming School

18th November- P&C Meeting

28th November- Volunteers Morning Tea

28th November- Year 5 Leadership Speeches & Voting

28th November- Kinder Orientation

Gunnedah Public School Chess Champs

Last Tuesday, the Stage Three Chess players were invited to attend a Gunnedah interschool Chess Competition organised by Mr Benji Trieger from Gunnedah High School. Participating schools were Gunnedah Public School, Gunnedah High School and Gunnedah South Public School. Our players enjoyed swapping strategies with others during the day, playing games against high school students and the added challenge of games with a time limit. All students showed excellent sportsmanship and definite improvement in competition play. Luke Ellis was awarded the Champion of Gunnedah Public School.



Jack, Izaiah, Lochlan, Emily, Liam, Ebony, Tyson, Izaack & Luke.

Ipads Inspire Student Learning!

Students in 3/4/5C have been learning how to create books using the latest in Ipad technology. After being inspired to use more of their imaginations, students are learning how to combine their knowledge of language with the right technology. Students helping students ensures that the values of sharing and encouraging others also remains a focus. A bit of fun allows students to develop their skills. Students in all classes, including KS, use ipads on a regular basis



Jayden & Rheyce deeply engaged with an ipad.



Reagan, Ryan & Chloe with ipads.

Teachers as Learners Too.

On Friday mornings, teachers attend 'Breaky with a Techy' where Mr Clark upskills them on the use of different apps.

Positive Feedback about our App!

We have had many positive comments regarding our school app so don't forget to download and install **our FREE app**. You will be up to date on all school happenings including the newsletter, upcoming events and other great information.

Merit Awards!

William Murray-Smith, Emily Davis,
Shantaya Connolly, Matthew
Williams, Mathew Adams, Jessie-
James Murray-Smith, Kaitlyn
MacAulay, Rheyce Adams, Tara
O'Dell, Dylan Peters, Shakeem
Bartman, Izaiah Talbott Hatch,
Lynden Keating, Chris Morton,
Matthew Lysaght, Sky Fortier.
Congratulations!



Proud award recipients with Mr Williams

Ms Secombe: Sport Star!

On the weekend Ms Tatiana Secombe, our 5/6 teacher, played in the Australian Horseball Championships against Great Britain. She contested the first match of the two test series and was named 'Best Lady Horse & Rider' of the series.



Our congratulations go to Ms Secombe on her achievements representing Australia. The final of the series will be held at Sydney Olympic Park, on Thursday, 7th November, at Equitana, the largest horse festival in Australia. Ms Secombe will be away all next week preparing with her team mates. We wish her every success.

Garden Gets a Makeover

Thanks to a small group of volunteers our students and visitors can see the beginnings of a nice new garden as they come through the front gates. Having more volunteers would be helpful to keep the improvements going through to the other gardens.

Grandparents & Special Friends Invited to School!

In honour of Grandparents Week, Stage 1 will be hosting an **assembly this Friday, 1st November at 12.30 in the hall. This will be followed by a picnic lunch.** Chicken & salad wraps can be ordered or bring your own picnic.

Please come along and be entertained by KS, K/1D & 2B. All welcome!

Students Preparing for End of Year

Mr Jamie Brown is giving expert tuition to our choir students as they prepare for another amazing performance at our 2013 presentation ceremony.



This week we farewell Mrs Lizzie Stove. Mrs Stove has worked with Kindergarten this year and will be off on maternity leave as of next week. We wish her all the best for her next journey and thank her for her valued contributions to the education of the students in KS.

Raymond Smith, Izaack Foran, Lynden Keating, Montana Fortier and Camilla Brett received sports awards at our last assembly. Our school provides students with a variety of sporting opportunities each week in the form of weekly sport and participation in PSSA competitions and knock outs.

Swimming School

Our annual swimming school begins on Monday, 11th November and runs for 10 days. This gives our Year 2&3 students the opportunity to participate in free swimming lessons so they can learn to be safe in and around water.

Eligible students will receive permission notes this week.



Students Look Amazing

Our students continue to show how proud they are of themselves and their school.

The commitment by all students to our You Can Do it core values continues to be impressive. Well done to all of our students and families.

Last week we had visits from two Educational Consultants; Ms Cathy Welsford, who worked with 5/6S, 3/4/5C & 2B and Mrs Kerrie Betts, who visited all classes. Both ladies were very impressed by the students' work ethic and engagement, their manners and confidence as well as how they looked in full school uniform.

School Calendar Term 4

	Monday 28/10 <i>Photos</i>	Tuesday 29/10 <i>Breakfast Club Photos</i>	Wednesday 30/10	Thursday 31/10 <i>Breakfast Club</i> <i>Early Birds</i>	Friday 1/11 <i>Grandparents & Special Friends Assembly 12.30</i> <i>Capers excursion</i> CANTEEN <i>chicken & salad wrap+popper</i> <i>Final payment due for Lake Keepit Excursion (with deposit)</i>
Week 4					
Week 5	4/11	5/11 <i>Breakfast Club</i>	6/11	7/11 <i>Breakfast Club</i> <i>Early Birds</i>	8/11 <i>Fishing Fun!</i> CANTEEN <i>sausage sizzle+popper</i>
Week 6 <i>Lake Keepit Excursion & Swimming School</i> all week	11/11 <i>Book Fair</i>	12/11 <i>Breakfast Club</i>	13/11 <i>Book Fair</i>	14/11 <i>Breakfast Club</i> <i>Early Birds</i>	15/11 CANTEEN <i>chicken & gravy roll+ popper</i> <i>Music Performance-\$5</i>
Week 7 <i>Swimming School</i> all week	18/11 <i>P&C Meeting 6pm staffroom</i>	19/11 <i>Breakfast Club</i>	20/11	21/11 <i>Breakfast Club</i> <i>Early Birds</i>	22/11 CANTEEN <i>Pizza+popper</i>

Gunnedah Public School's
Annual Presentation Day
Thursday, 5th December
9.30 in the hall
All welcome

Note this important event on your calendar now!

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