



# Gunnedah Public School

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Newsletter - Term 2 Week 1, 1st May, 2013

## Upcoming events

### Thursday clubs

**2<sup>nd</sup> May-** PSSA Netball Knockout

**7<sup>th</sup> May-** Student Leaders Conference Tamworth

**9<sup>th</sup> May-** Mothers Day Stall

**10<sup>TH</sup> May-** **CANTEEN DAY** please be reminded that canteen will be Friday this term.

**14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> May-** NAPLAN Years 3&5

## Principal's message

Welcome back to school. All of us here hope that everyone had a safe and happy break.

We have some great news about engaging students with quality teaching and learning initiatives. We have been able to be flexible with our staffing arrangements allowing us to give Mrs Hewitt some more time to be in class modelling effective literacy strategies to students and teachers. Mrs Hewitt will also be developing our literacy resources so that teachers have greater access to quality learning materials. We will also have extra flexibility in how we deliver effective numeracy strategies. This is great news for our school and it will have positive results with student literacy and numeracy outcomes.

We also welcome Ms Lizzie Stove to our school. Ms Stove will be our Kindergarten teacher for 4 days each week. Mrs Horvat is currently undertaking a Regional role for the rest of the year. She will be developing closer links between Pre-schools and schools. Mrs Hewitt will be teaching Kindergarten on Fridays.

Last Term, I was officially appointed the Principal of this great school. I look forward to working with all of you to keep improving the quality of education here at Gunnedah Public School.

Regards

Stephen de Roos



**Parachute fun to end term one.**



**Everyone enjoyed participating in the activities.**

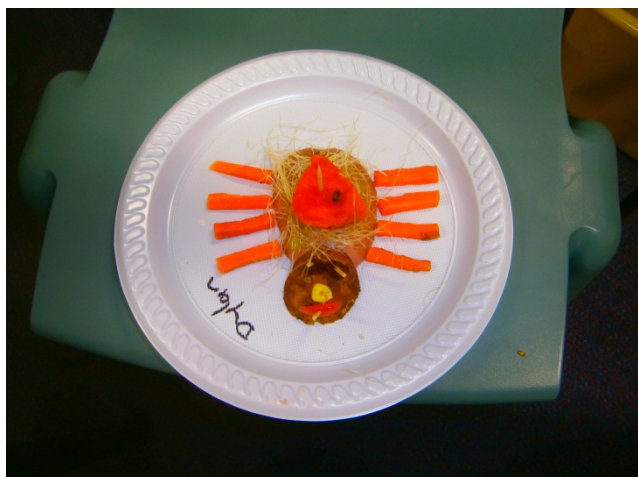
Every week the kids here at Gunnedah Public continue to show everyone that they are confident, organised, persistent, resilient and that they get along with everyone. We look forward to a productive, happy and successful term 2.



**A delicious fruit break to end term one.**

### **Gunnedah Show.**

Congratulations to all students who had entries in the show. KH presented some very interesting vegetable creatures which they enjoyed creating. The school's art display was a magnificent representation of all the wonderful work the students of Gunnedah Public complete.



**A spider!**

### **ANZAC March**

**Our thanks go to the community minded students who turned up in their full school uniforms to represent Gunnedah Public School at the town's annual ANZAC March.** We thank them and their parents/carers for giving their time to not only do Gunnedah Public proud, but to honour the men and women who made so many sacrifices for us all.

Thank you: Amber Sands, Rita Gillard, Helena Pease, Lydia McInnes, Courtney Whitton, Noah Taylor, Serenity Taylor, Izaiah Talbott Hatch, Jack Randall, Kaitlyn MacAulay, Madisyn Rumbel, Jazmyn Rumbel, Jordan Holley, Dylan Holley-Dunn, Ebony Herbert, Tanika Herbert,

Cody MacAulay, Jaymie Dawe, Nathan Dawe, Matthew Dawe, Brittany Sheumack, Brandon Sheumack, Blake Kemsley, Cody Kemsley O'Connor. The staff members of GPS are very proud of all of you.



**Lining ready to march on ANZAC Day.**

### **Uniform**

**Colder weather is creeping up on us. Please be advised that all students should be wearing their full winter uniforms by week 3, May 13<sup>th</sup>. Please be reminded that jumpers and jackets must be green.** If you are having trouble in obtaining appropriate uniform please contact the office or Aunty Sue.

Green school hats are still required during the colder terms.



**Wearing their winter uniforms already are Sebastian, Lydia, Sharon and Luke.**

### **Mother's Day Stall**

The P&C has purchased gifts to sell for Mothers Day. These will be on sale for \$2, \$3 or \$4. The stall will be held on Thursday 9th May. Students



are encouraged to bring in their money on the day and buy a gift. Further information next week.

## Canteen

A big thank you goes to the family members who answered the call for canteen helpers last term. We welcome Pam Adams, Jenny MacAulay, Tracey Baird and Wayne Griffiths into the band of regulars; Chris Pease, Jenny Randall, Alana Hatch. Please be reminded that canteen day has been moved to FRIDAYS this term. **If you are able to come along on a Friday to assist with providing a delicious lunch for the students of Gunnedah Public please contact the office.** Coming up this term we have chicken and gravy rolls, hot dogs and nuggets. All lunches are scrumptious and just \$4.00. Please support our school through the purchase of a canteen lunch.



**An elephant!**

## NAPLAN

Students in Years 3&5 will be completing the NAPLAN on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May. These tests are completed by all Year 3&5 students across the country. If you are seeking further information about these tests please contact your child's teacher.

## School Calendar Term 2

	<i><b>Monday</b></i>	<i><b>Tuesday</b></i>	<i><b>Wednesday</b></i>	<i><b>Thursday</b></i>	<i><b>Friday</b></i>
<i><b>Week 1</b></i>	<b>29/4</b> <b>SDD</b>	<b>30/4</b> <b>SDD</b>	<b>1/5</b>	<b>2/5</b> <b>Breaky Club</b>  <b>PSSA Netball</b>  <b>Interest groups/clubs</b>	<b>3/5</b>  <b>Assembly 2.30</b>
<i><b>Week 2</b></i>	<b>6/5</b>	<b>7/5</b> <b>Breaky Club</b>  <b>Student Leaders Conference Tamworth</b>	<b>8/5</b>	<b>9/5</b> <b>Breaky Club</b>  <b>Mothers Day Stall</b>  <b>Interest groups/clubs</b>	<b>10/5</b> <b>CANTEEN</b> <b>Chicken burger+popper</b>  <b>Assembly 2.30</b>
<i><b>Week 3</b></i>	<b>13/5</b> <b>Winter Uniform please</b>	<b>14/5</b> <b>Breaky Club</b>  <b>NAPLAN years 3&amp;5</b>	<b>15/5</b>  <b>NAPLAN years 3&amp;5</b>	<b>16/5</b> <b>Breaky Club</b>  <b>NAPLAN years 3&amp;5</b>  <b>Interest groups/clubs</b>	<b>17/5</b> <b>CANTEEN</b> <b>Hot dog+popper</b>  <b>Assembly 2.30</b>



***Gunnedah Shire Council***

***Homework Centre***

***Tuesdays only***

*during school term*

*3.00-4.30pm*

Free pick up from school

*Red Chief Local Aboriginal*

*Land Council*

*26 Chandos Street*

***GUNNEDAH***

All ages, indigenous and  
non-indigenous welcome

*Afternoon tea provided*

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