



Gunnedah Public School

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Newsletter
Term 4 - Week 8
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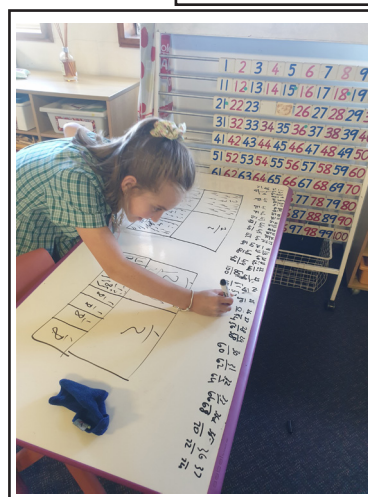
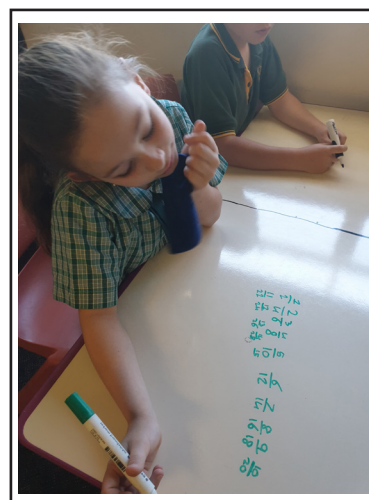
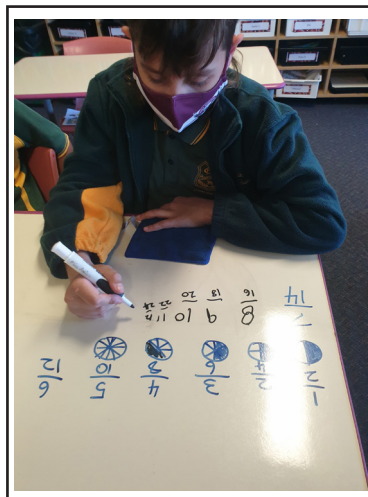
Class Corner - 3/4A

Commitment to Learning

The students in 3/4A have been working hard this term, in all areas, especially Mathematics. Students have been making good use of our whiteboard tables in 3/4A, during their fractions unit. This resource is a safe space for students to make mistakes with the complex task of creating equivalent fractions. Xavier, Mia, Sydney and Ruby especially enjoyed the challenge of multiplying fractions to make others of the same size – they particularly liked finding patterns and shortcuts to help them out.

Over the last week, the class moved on to learning about angles, in particular: acute, right, and obtuse angles. Students took the time to differentiate each of these angles and found where they naturally occur in our environment. Jayden even wrote a small song, with actions to help him remember. The class then took the next step to measure and draw angles of different sizes using a protractor – this was done with both our trusty whiteboard tables and on the laptops. If you wanted to explore this at home, you can go to:

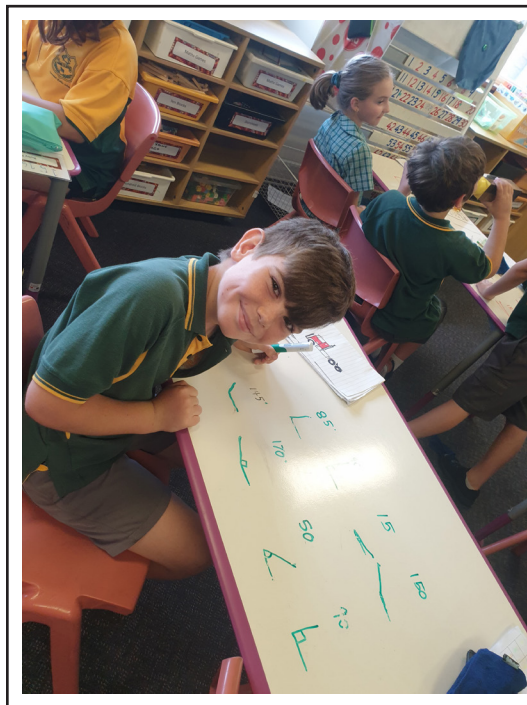
<https://www.mathplayground.com/measuringangles.html> or
<https://www.mathplayground.com/alienangles.html>



THURSDAY CANTEEN DAY

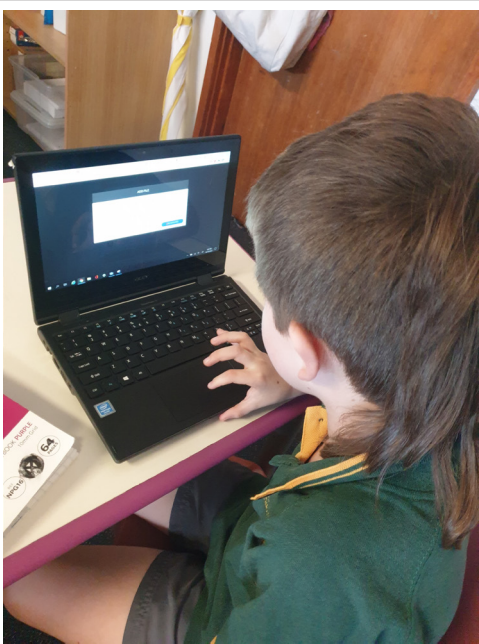
Beef Nachos & sour cream
with popper or water

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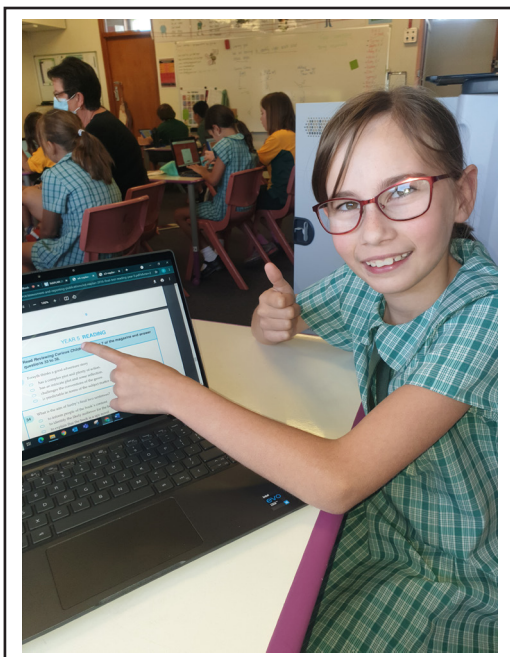


Class Corner - 3/4A

Since coming back from home learning students have been dedicated to setting and achieving their individual literacy and numeracy goals on goalhub.com. Throughout the week students check-in with Miss Austin to review their goals and assess the evidence that they have collected to provide proof of their achievements and new knowledge. With each achieved goal they receive a Positive Behaviour for Learning sticker for their commitment to their own learning, then review their personal data and set a new goal.

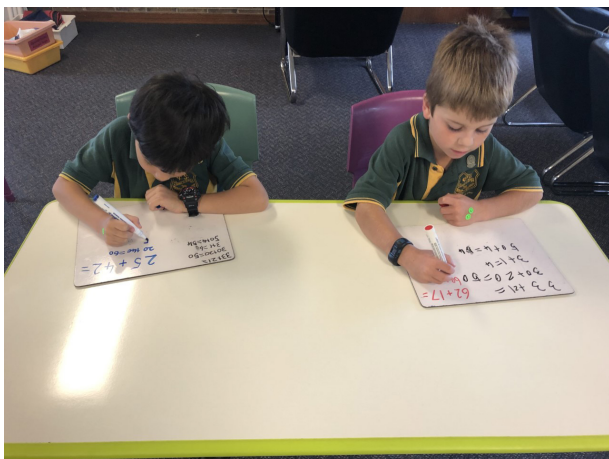
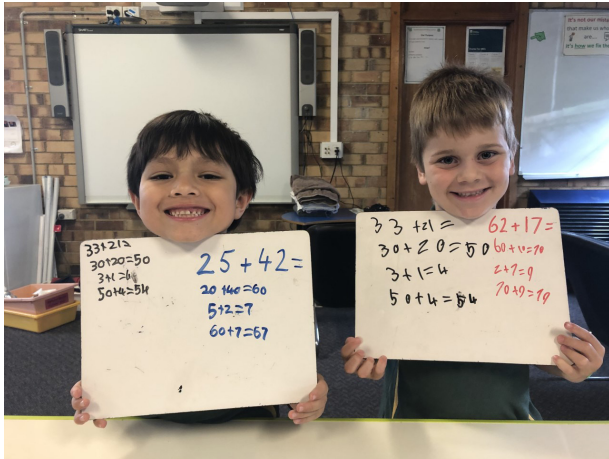


With the wet weather that we have been blessed with over the last few weeks, 3/4A have been enjoying movement through dance. We have discovered that Kobe is very skilled at freeze, and was undefeated. These dances and activities have been an extension of the dance unit that we completed earlier in the term with Mrs Dowdell.



Visiting Mr Dowe

Peter and Baxter from K/1 called in to see Mr Dowe to show him their split strategy in maths.



SCHOOL MOBILE NUMBERS

**For all COVID test results -
0472 620 978**

For contacting the school anytime

- 0472 662 698
- 0472 620 978
- 0472 660 730
- 0472 638 567

Please feel free to save any of these numbers into your phone.

Leadership Speeches

Last Thursday, seven of our Year 5 students made the brave move to nominate themselves for School Captain 2022.

Each of them presented a well-written, well-rehearsed speech to convince their peers to vote for them. Mrs McMaster, Miss Riordan and myself were blown-away with the quality of speech and presentation. Each student would be a fine representative of our wonderful school.

The four students who received the most votes will be announced this Wednesday at our Presentation Day rehearsal.

A big thank you to all their wonderful parents that helped them from home.



BEFORE: Seven very anxious Year 5 candidates!

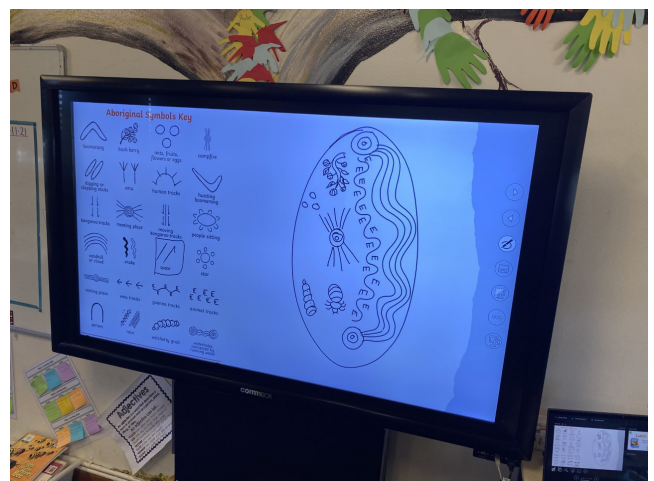
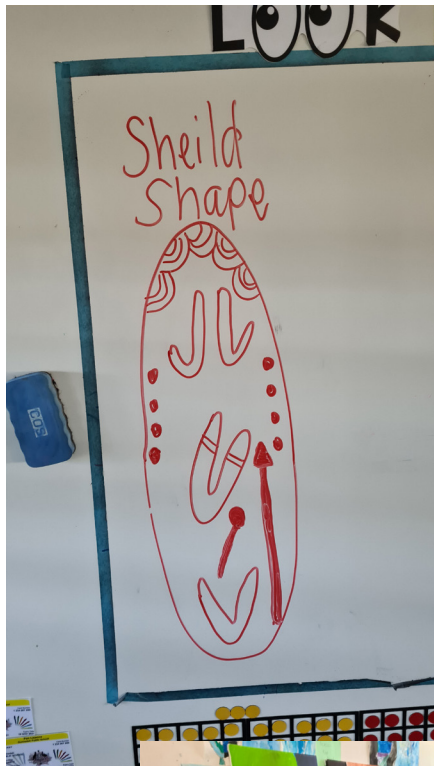


AFTER: Seven very relieved Year 5 candidates!

Culture

Symbols and shields

In 3S, Miss Renee has been sharing her knowledge of traditional Aboriginal symbols and what they mean. We also got to hold and talk about a battle shield during our Yarning circle. Then, 3S got to make a shield out of clay and mark it with their own symbols and story.



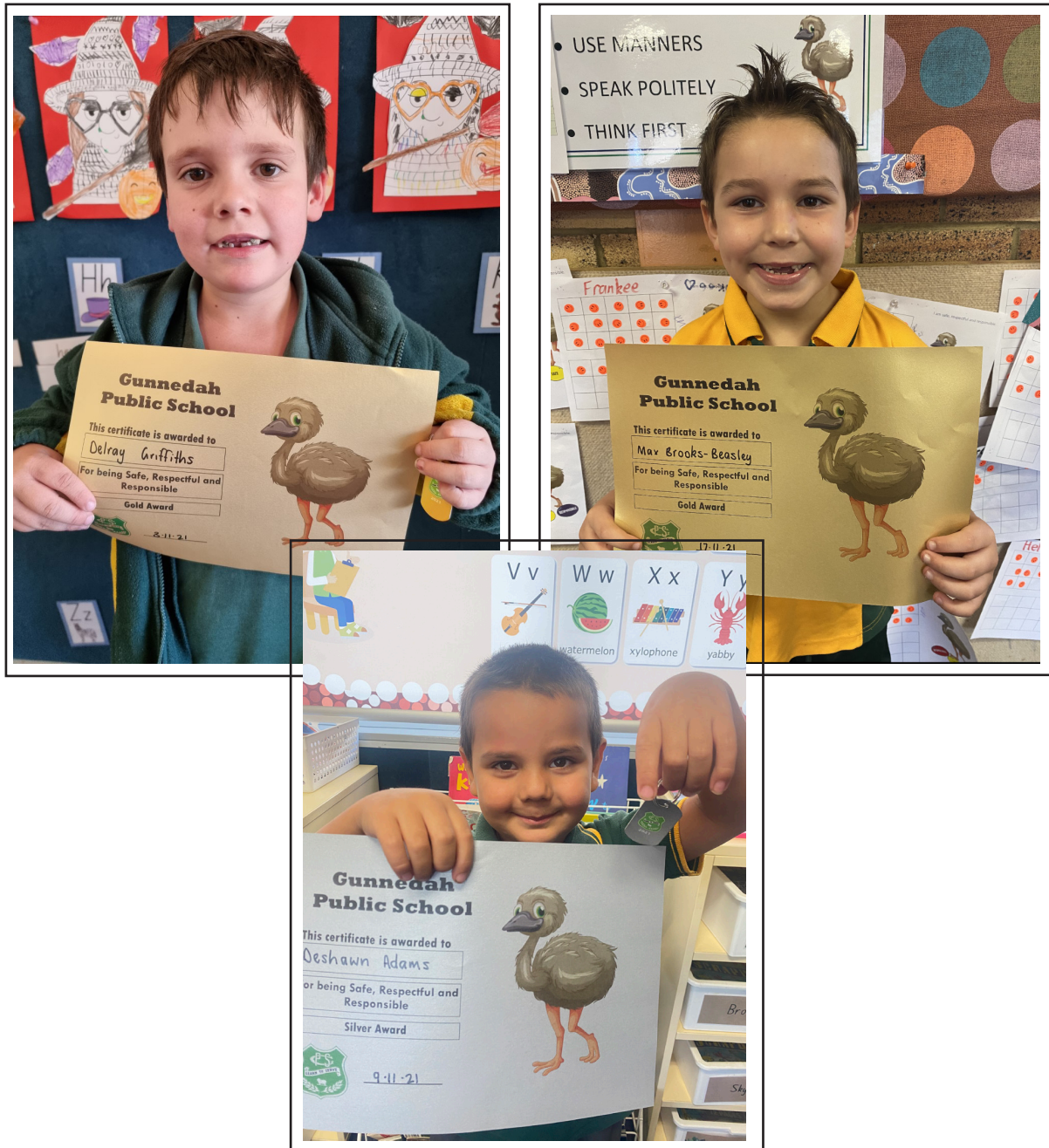
PBL

During middle session of Monday 8th November, 111 students were rewarded for demonstrating that they are safe, respectful and responsible learners. These students have earned 5 value stickers within the first 5 weeks of term. This is no easy feat - to earn a value sticker students need to earn 15 mini stickers. This can be done by walking sensibly around the school, trying their best to complete classroom tasks, showing initiative, being kind to others, following instructions the first time and using their manners just to name a few.

As their reward students had 'Cold Rock' style ice-cream with a variety of toppings, including: mnm's, smarties, gummy bears, nerds, red frogs, raspberries, sprinkles, freckles, chocolate syrup and strawberry syrup.

Students then got a choice of having free play or watching a movie in the classrooms.

PBL Awards



CONNECTED COMMUNITIES



Bringing schools and community closer

Connected Communities Strategy

As you are aware, our school has been selected to implement the NSW Government's Connected Communities Strategy. This is a significantly beneficial strategy for Gunnedah Public School.

Key Features of the Connected Communities Strategy include:

- co-leadership and co-decision making with the local Aboriginal Community through a unique governance structure led by the Local School Reference Group
- cultural awareness (Connecting to Country) delivered locally for all staff by the local AECG
- the teaching of Aboriginal language and culture
- Executive Principal leadership
- additional school executive position – Leader: Community Engagement
- early years focus through to further learning and employment
- personalised learning plans for all students
- schools as a hub for service delivery
- early intervention and prevention focus

Additional Resources:

Leader Community Engagement

The Connected Communities strategy in schools is supported by a Leader Community engagement officer. This position supports the implementation of strategic initiatives and programs in Connected Communities schools, and provides a communication link between the school, Aboriginal families, local agencies and the community. The Leader Community Engagement provides administration support for the Local School Reference Group and is a member of the school's executive.

Early Childhood Teacher

Where a school is implementing the Connected Communities strategy and does not boast a DoE preschool, an Early Childhood teaching position is allocated to lead the school's early years transition program.

Languages and Cultural Education

A community member (or members) endorsed by the local AECG, will be engaged to teach Aboriginal languages and culture in relation to the school's Cultural education stream.

WHEN WILL THESE POSITIONS BECOME AVAILABLE?

These additional positions within the school will be advertised early Term 1 2022.

More information about the Strategy can be found at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/connected-communities>

Cathie McMaster

Executive Principal

School Success & Direction

Talented Young Man

Alex Prider has written the music and lyrics for a new Christmas song.

Alex has been teaching Mr Hutley his song on guitar. Hopefully they will allow us to video them to share with everyone through on our face book page.



Library News

Thank you to all students who have returned their overdue library books. We still, however, have quite a few that need to be returned to the school as soon as possible. A book replacement fee is on the overdue notice that has been sent home with your child. These books would all be covered in clear contact and have a Gunnedah Public School barcode on them.

Each week until the end of term, one lucky student will be in the draw to win a prize for returning or paying for their books. Stay tuned for the first draw coming soon! Thank you to all and we appreciate your ongoing assistance.

P&C Meeting

was postponed yesterday.

It will now be held
this Thursday @
5.30pm.

A Zoom link will
be available before
Thursday.

ALL WELCOME!!

Merit Awards



Gunnedah Public School 2021 School Calendar Term 4

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 8	22/11 5.30pm P&C meeting	23/11 GHS Orientation Day for Year 7 2022	24/11	25/11 CANTEEN DAY (Beef Nachos & sour cream with popper or water)	26/11
Week 9	29/11	30/11	1/12	2/12 CANTEEN DAY (Pizza Rolls with popper or water)	3/12
Week 10	6/12	7/12	8/12 Presentation Day	9/12 CANTEEN DAY (Meat pies with popper or water)	10/12
Week 11	13/12 Year 6 Farewell	14/12	15/12	16/12 LAST DAY OF TERM 4 FOR STUDENTS	17/12 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

CRANE IN ACTION FOR ROOFING PROJECT



Jobs for local electricians are available at our school now!

The LED Lighting Upgrade Program needs local electricians to install upgraded lighting at our school and potentially others in our local area. The Department is hiring electricians to do this work right now.

If we have electricians in our school community, register for the Local Trades Scheme, which is where jobs are posted. Registration is free.

To find out more visit [Local Trades Scheme](#).



Local Trades Scheme

Local tradies looking after local public schools

Learn to Sail



Lake Keepit Sailing Club Inc

Summer Camp

Starting from Tuesday 4/1/2022 to Thursday 6/1/2022

- The primary focus would be on learning skills and building confidence with tailored programmes to fit new and continuing students
- This course provides both theory and practical sailing sessions
- Attend as many days as you have available or come every day
- All participants to be self-catering with fridge space and cooking facilities available
- COVID-19 restrictions to be always adhered to. All over the age of 12 years to be double vaccinated.
- Pre-booking is essential to provide the correct level of training for you
- Low cost course with family rates available. \$50 per family per day. \$25 per day for individual adults
- Payment via direct deposit BSB 032625 Account 560151(ref surname+camp) (Preferred) or in cash on the day
- Contact Kevin 67 663642 (Preferred) or 0419 178817 or email lakekeepitsailing@gmail.com
- Website for more details www.lakekeepitsailing.com.au
- Club boats and safety jackets available for use or bring your own
- Qualified instructors with working with children clearance to conduct the course
- Open to all ages and skill level, great for all the family to learn together
- Camping and cabins available at Reflections Holidays Park. Phone 02 67697605
- Come and check out Lake Keepit Sailing Club and have fun
- Children need to be accompanied by an adult, and we encourage the adults to participate in the activities



Nutrition Snippet

SENSATIONAL SUMMER VEG.



Try these summer sizzlers:

- [Veggie and black bean tacos](#)
- [Fattoush salad](#)
- [Veggie filo cups](#)

Check out our [blog](#) to find out more about what's in season.

For these recipes and more visit:

healthylunchbox.com.au



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