



# Gunnedah Public School

## Quality Education in a Caring Environment

**Newsletter**  
Term 4 - Week 10  
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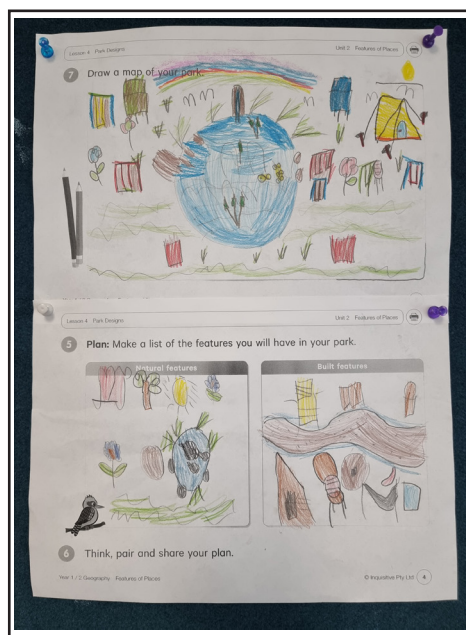
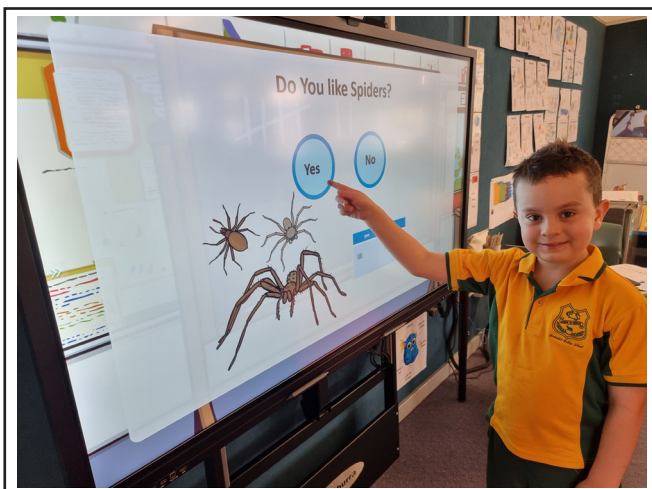
### Class Corner - K/1S A Busy Term of Learning!

K/1S have had an amazing term of learning. In our English sessions, we have been learning about the features of texts that inform and writing lots of procedures. We have been really enjoying collecting our ingredients for 'Wombat Stew' and writing a recipe book. Later in the term, we were focusing on fairy tales. We have learnt about the different parts in a story and have been busy writing our own fairy tales.

In Mathematics, we have enjoyed learning about two-dimensional and three-dimensional shapes. We also learned how to collect and interpret data. K/1S are getting really clever with their addition and subtraction! Many have begun learning how to add and subtract two-digit numbers! Last week, we learned how to read 'o'clock' and 'half-past' times on digital and analog clocks.



In our Geography lessons we learned about built and natural environments. We had lots of fun designing our own parks! In History, we have learnt about how families are different in the past and the different types of families in our class.



## Class Corner - K/1S

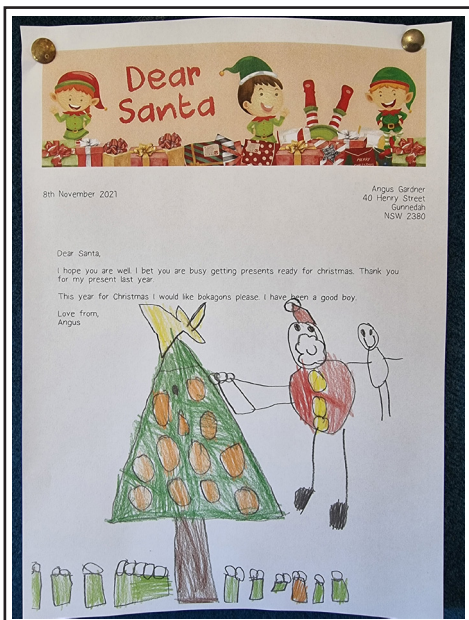
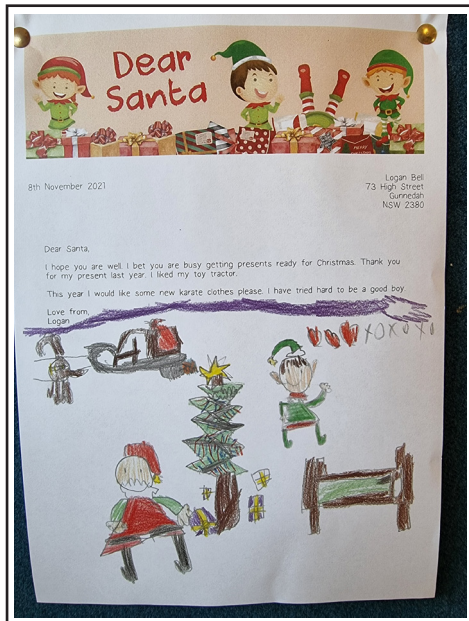
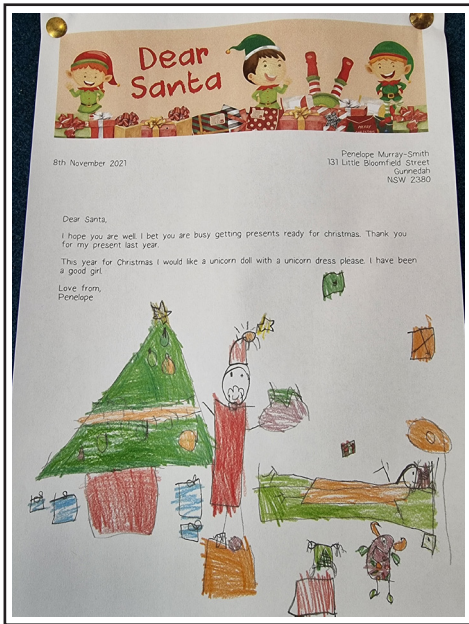
We have really enjoyed finishing off our athletics program for sport. Our favourite lessons were learning how to do high jump on the mats and learning how to do shot put.



The students from K/1S have been getting into the festive spirit! We have been busy making Christmas craft to decorate our classroom. We enjoyed writing a letter to Santa and look forward to getting a reply in our mail boxes sometime soon.



## Class Corner - K/1S



## What K/1S have enjoyed most this year...

- Peter, Chais, Faith, Sharlett and Harley enjoyed learning how to use computers with Mrs Dowdell.
- Baxter and Penelope enjoyed learning how to blend sounds to read and write words.
- Logan, Jax and Harry enjoyed going outside for sport and learning how to do long jump and high jump.
- Laila, Nevaeh, Dusty and Angus enjoyed making Christmas craft.
- Harley enjoyed learning how to throw and catch a cricket ball.
- Jeremiha enjoyed our morning circles and sharing what has gone well so far for him, for the day.
- Penelope enjoyed visiting the Library to borrow and read books.
- Delray enjoyed learning how to read analog times in Maths.
- Michael enjoyed playing with his friends on the equipment.
- The whole class have enjoyed the 5 for 5 and 10 for 10 reward activities this year.

## Positive Behaviour in Learning





## Week 10 PBL Focus: Cyber Safety

### Infants

We read the story Fabulous Friend Machine and discussed how to stay safe online. We had lots of fun role-playing the story, showing how we would help a friend who is making bad choices online because we know – not everyone is to be trusted... they might turn out to be a wolf!



### Primary

Students in Years 3-6 watched the short film #gameon from the Department of Education's website to learn about their digital reflection and the possible risks of sharing personal information within their digital reflection. They then completed a task to help students identify their own digital reflection. In addition to these activities, students completed a Venn diagram to compare the qualities of 'in-person friends' and 'online friends'.



## Merit Awards



Charlie Barwick received his Merit Award for being awesome and caring with the MC class. Well done Charlie!



## Library Prize Winners



### 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.

A big thank  
 you to everyone  
 who came to enjoy  
 Presentation Day with  
 our students!  
 The students and staff  
 were very excited to be  
 able to welcome some  
 official guests into  
 the school again!



## Gunnedah Public School 2021 School Calendar Term 4

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Week 10</b>	6/12	7/12	8/12 Presentation Day	9/12 NO CANTEEN DAY	10/12
<b>Week 11</b>	13/12 Year 6 Farewell	14/12	15/12	16/12 LAST DAY OF TERM 4 FOR STUDENTS	17/12 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

### **2022 DATES TO REMEMBER**

**FRIDAY, 28 & MONDAY, 31 JANUARY** - Staff Development Days

**TUESDAY, 1 FEBRUARY** - Years 1 - 6 students return to school

**TUESDAY, 1 FEBRUARY to FRIDAY, 4 FEBRUARY** - Best Start meetings for Kinder students

**MONDAY, 7 FEBRUARY** - Kindergarten starts

(Further information will be sent out during the holidays regarding Kindergarten for 2022)

**THURSDAY, 10 FEBRUARY** - Swimming Carnival

## Baking with the A Team

Last week, the A Team baked biscuits. They were delicious! We can't wait for them to be baking again.



### Weekly Dad Tips

#### *Making the most of the time with your kids over the festive season*

The festive season is right around the corner. It's been another challenging year, but there is light at the end of the tunnel.

With some time off work, the kids on holidays, and everyone in a more relaxed frame of mind, it's a great time to spend quality time together.

School holidays are also a fantastic time to build some meaningful memories with your children. Make the most of this time to build the bond you have with your child.

#### *Top tips for making the most of the school holidays*

1. Create a bucket list. List things that you and your children want to do before the holidays are over.
2. Playing is important. Children who play with their fathers are more confident and better at coping with challenges, setbacks or problems.
3. Try new things with your kids. New things encourage them to step out of their comfort zone and get accustomed to healthy risk taking.

## Some Presentation Day snapshots



# More Presentation Day snapshots



**Just a Friendly Reminder....**  
Our office/administration area will be relocating to the small building next to our school hall over the holidays so from the start of our 2022 school year, you will need to enter the school through the gate on the Shire Council side of our school (not Bloomfield Street).

**SCHOOL OFFICE**  
**ENTRANCE**  
Due to building work,  
please call (02) 6742 2266  
and we will meet you here  
at the gate.  
*Thank you for your co-operation*

