

Gunnedah Public School NEWSLETTER

Term 4, Week 2

Thursday, October 20, 2022

Nymber knowledge focus

Every Monday, KA have been working with Mrs Evans to consolidate their knowledge of numbers. This week we have focused on numbers before and after.

During these lessons students have whole class activities on the floor, before heading to independently complete different hands-on activities and games.

KA have shown responsibility and enthusiasm during these lessons, which in turn has seen so much improvement!









Quality Education in a Caring Environment

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Merit award winners











This week's hews with Mrs Mac



NEW COVID ISOLATION RULES

As from Friday 14 October COVID positive cases no longer need to self-isolate for five or seven days.

What this means for the school:

- All positive COVID cases in students and staff still need to be reported to the school
- Students and staff must stay home if they show ANY symptoms of COVID
- When students or staff are symptom-free they can return to school, but MUST wear a mask at all times for 3 days
- Students will continue to be sent home if they present with any COVID symptoms, and parents will be asked to take a RAT.

The school is continuing our COVID safe measures of cleaning tables and equipment between breaks, having sanitiser readily available in all classrooms, and hand washing when entering and leaving the classroom.

With the lines of communication always open between parents and the school, we will be able to monitor and adjust according to the needs of our school.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW AP TEACHER MENTOR

A huge congratulations to Donna Austin who was successful in gaining the Assistant Principal Mentor role at our school. This role is about ensuring that all our new teachers and early career teachers have someone that can help them in all aspects of their role. Although we will be

sad to lose Donna as a classroom teacher, in this role Donna will be able to stand shoulder to shoulder with other teachers.

OUR NEW SSO

We welcome Caitlin Goodwin who is with us 5 days per week as a Student Support Officer. Caitlin has a background working with youth and is also completing her Bachelor of Psychological Science. Caitlin will be chatting to our students and their families, helping them with any issues they may have. She has started talking with our Year 6 students and will be helping to ensure a smooth transition through to high school. If you would like to chat with Caitlin, please contact her through the school office on 6742 2266.



Our new Student Support Officer, Caitlin Goodwin.

EXCURSIONS

Our Year 3 and 4 students are extremely excited about heading off overnight to Echidna Gully. The excursion is set to be so much fun with lots of activities and events planned. Please ensure that you have read the packing list and that your child has all that they need.

Year 5 and 6 are also getting organised to visit the Cascades Environmental Centre in a few weeks time. If you have not finalised payments for this excursion please do so by November 11.

CHECK-IN ASSESSMENTS FOR YEARS 3, 4 AND 5

During Term 4 students will participate in the Check-in Assessment. The assessment is a NSW Department of Education online literacy and numeracy assessment available to support schools to assess and monitor student learning.

The assessment can supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs. Students with a disability may receive the same level of support during the assessment that they would normally receive in the classroom.

The assessment is scheduled for our Year 3, 4 and 5 students during Week 2. All students complete a reading assessment and a numeracy assessment.





Yarn Up Support Group

Come along for an informal yarn and link in with the services available in our community whilst enjoying a BBQ lunch.

SATURDAY 22ND OCTOBER

11AM-1PM GUNNEDAH PUBLIC SCHOOL

These organisations will be in attendance:

- Joblink Plus
- Health Stroke OT
- Rotary
- Salvation Army
- Gunnedah Family
 Support
- Headspace
- PCYC
- General Practitioner

BBQ lunch provided.





Changing Children's Lives

TOP TIPS FOR DADS

- 1. Give yourself time. Try not to put pressure on yourself to feel better straight away. It can take time to accept and then learn to live with what has happened.
- 2. Talk about the event to someone you trust. Even though it may be difficult, research has shown that talking about the situation or event and your feelings can help you to recover and ultimately be more resilient.
- 3. Pay attention to how you are feeling each day. If you don't find you are feeling any better over the months, or you are struggling emotionally you should speak to your GP who can arrange professional mental health support to help you through this stage.

DAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

I taught a wolf to meditate. Now he's aware wolf...

LIBRARY CORNER



Holly and Skylar eagerly looking at the new book club catalogue.

Welcome back to Term 4.
All of our new books have arrived and Mrs Dunn has been busy covering them.
Mrs Dunn was our Librarian for many years and we are very grateful that she has offered to come in and help out.

Book Club catalogues have been sent home and are due back on Monday 24th October. Books can be ordered online or with cash through the school. There are some wonderful specials on offer and would make great Christmas gifts.

Just a friendly reminder that we still have quite a few overdue books.

Students are encouraged to find and return them so they are able to borrow again.



Axl, Adam and Connor enjoying their time in the library.

Library days

MONDAYS
Kindergarten and MC

TUESDAYS Years 3, 4, 5, & 6

WEDNESDAYS
Years 1 & 2



Mrs Dunn has been busy covering new books.



Brooke and Nevaeh.



Hudson, Toby and Reece

123 Magic and Emotion Coaching

1-2-3 Magic® & Emotion Coaching is a one-day professional learning course to equips you with the skills to manage children's difficult behaviour.



Call Gunnedah Family Support to book 6742 1515

10:00 am - 2:00 pm



Lunch and morning tea provided.

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NORTHERN INLAND BASKETBALL LEAGUE





- FUN
- LOW COST
- PERFECT FOR NEW PLAYERS

The season consists of a Mega Gala Day and three rounds of NIBL across various locations through October and November 2022



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Ph: 6742 1515 info@gfsi.org.au



Information for applicants

For entry to selective high schools in Year 7 in 2024

Ready to apply?

shsoc.education.nsw.gov.au

Note: there may be changes to the dates and procedures in this document.

For the latest updates visit: education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc

education.nsw.gov.au

Key Dates

18 October 2022

Application website closes

16 November 2022

11 May 2023

Test centre and test authority advice released

Selective High School Placement Test 4 May 2023

Mid-August 2023





The Australian Air League is running both a fun and educational programme that is making fine citizens out of our young Australians.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE AUSTRALIAN AIR LEAGUE AND YOUR CLOSEST SQUADRON PLEASE CONTACT

Email: development.nsw@airleague.com.au www.airleague.com.au Email: info@airleague.com.au

Free Call: 1800 502 175

Cakes & Biscuits \$1 each

Face Painting \$1



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NSW Group

Transport for NSW Careers We're hiring School Crossing Supervisors

Help protect our vibrant school communities.



Be a road safety hero for school kids, caregivers, and school staff.



Be a second set of eyes for local motorists at busy times.



Earn an income and still have time to live your life to the fullest.



Number: 66647 or search 'School Crossing Supervisors for a full list or vacancies or scan the QR code to apply.

Casual roles available Gunnedah Local Government Area - 66647 Does this sound like you? • Willing to work outdoors in all weather conditions. Able to communicate with different groups and give clear instructions. Community-minded · Friendly and positive manner. Days and hours Shifts will fall between 8:00 am - 9:30 am and 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm, Monday to Friday during school terms with a minimum of one hour shift as required Apply today Applications close Wednesday 26th October 2022 Visit jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au and search for Reference MONDAY, OCTOBER 31ST Bring your money for a treat and support For further information, contact Sandhini Chaudhary E: Sandhini.chaudhary@transport.nsw.gov.au P: 0466 343 704 Year 6 fundraising!



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A.G.M Community Meeting

Date: 27th October 2022 (Thurs)

Time: 4pm.

Place: Gunnedah Public School

Entry via hall gate in Elgin Street - near Council chambers car park.

Please sign in upon arrival.

Everyone is welcome

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