



# Gunnedah Public School NEWSLETTER

Term 4, Week 3

Thursday, October 27, 2022



## Getting ready for Kindergarten

Our Early Birds students have been very busy this term getting ready for Kindergarten next year. So far this term, we have been picking and eating mulberries, learning new games, doing lots of fun craft activities and playing with new friends.

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**Quality Education in a Caring Environment**

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**FLOOD RELIEF**

**PCYC**  
**GUNNEDAH**  
**FREE COMMUNITY**  
**BBQ**  
**BREAKFAST**

**ALL WELCOME**  
**FLOOD**  
**AFFECTED**  
**FAMILIES,**  
**VOLUNTEERS**  
**AND**  
**COMMUNITY**

**PCYC**  
**8:00AM**  
**SATURDAY**  
**29TH OCT**

**BBQ BRAEKFEST**

**CARE PACKAGES**

**MEAL VOUCHERS**

**JUMPING CASTLE**

**CLEANING PRODUCTS**

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## NEED HELP AFTER THE FLOOD?

Now that the flood waters have receded, the challenging task of cleaning-up can begin.

Council have placed skip bins in a number of locations for the disposal of flood-affected items.

Bin locations:

- Opposite 127 Maitland Street on gravel pad;
- Opposite 100 Maitland Street on town side near vacant lot;
- Opposite 163 Marquis Street near vacant lot;
- Tempest Street near Palmer's Landscapes, opposite white house near Council vacant land;
- Out the front of 46 Tempest Street;
- Rosemary Street near Brown's Tyre Service on Brown's Tyre Service side; and
- Warrumbungle Street just past number 20.

Follow the Gunnedah Shire Council and the New England NSW SES Facebook pages for more information.

Gunnedah Family Support can help individuals and families navigate their next steps. Funding will be available for counselling and more. Call GFS on 6742 1515.

**NSW GOVERNMENT**

### Flood Clean Up Advice

- If using disinfectants and/or other cleaners, follow safety advice on labels and do not touch eyes and face.
- Be alert to snakes, spiders, rats and other wildlife that may have taken refuge in the building, structure or furniture.
- Wall and floor cavities should be checked for mud, debris and floodwater. If items are not completely dry mould or mildew may develop.
- When collecting and removing rotting material such as spoiled food or vegetation, always wear a nose and mouth guard or dust mask.

For support and recovery services call 13 77 88 or visit [nsw.gov.au/floods](http://nsw.gov.au/floods)

**NSW GOVERNMENT**

### Flood Clean Up Advice

- Do not enter a damaged building or structure, unless deemed safe to do so by authorities.
- Contact your insurance company directly and take plenty of photos of any property and contents damage before removing and disposing of items.
- If your house was built before 1987, it is likely to contain asbestos. Find out what asbestos looks like and where it could be at [asbestos.nsw.gov.au](http://asbestos.nsw.gov.au). Keep asbestos waste separated from other waste you are removing, and do not put it in red bins or skip bins.
- If removing/moving waste, remember to practice basic hygiene and use appropriate personal protective equipment, including dust mask, gloves, covered shoes/boots and full-length clothing cover for arms and legs.

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# This week's news

## with Mrs Mac



### FLOODING

We have a number of families who have been affected by the recent flooding and our thoughts go out to you all. Our school community is here to help, so please do not hesitate to contact the school if there is anything we can do to assist you.

### NEW WORKS

During the holidays we had Pat Warren working hard to complete the new wet area and storage in the Early Birds room, as well as lifting and lengthening our stage in the hall. Both these spaces look amazing. Our little Early Birds are just loving the extra area for water play and the staff are loving the extra storage! The stage in the hall is now aligned with the centre of the room, raised and lengthened, which is going to make productions and performances not only easier to perform but easier for the audience to see everything that is going on. There is also work starting on the

bus shelter and the shed behind the hall. Hopefully concrete will be poured this week and the shed will be completed within the next few weeks.

### COOLER CLASSROOMS AND LED LIGHTING

All inside air-conditioners are installed and we are just waiting for the delivery of the outside units. They will then need to be connected and the old air-conditioning units and framework inside removed. Then hopefully we will have cool air in all our learning spaces!

### STAGE 3 EXCURSION

The Stage 3 excursion to Cascades Environmental Centre is not far away now and the students are starting to get excited. If you have not completed payment for this excursion, please do so as soon as possible. As always make an appointment with me if you are having difficulties.

### YEAR 5/6

5/6F are excited to be collaborating with local Elders Aunty Helen, Aunty Dianne and Aunty Carol every Thursday afternoon to learn the story of the local Gamilaroi dreaming story "Buubumurr" as told to Aunty Helen.

It's a play about a shy Platypus who finds his sense of belonging in community. Students have written a script with Aunty Helen and have been learning their lines.

We are now in the stages of painting, building and creating costumes, props and backdrops. Please keep us in mind if you have any large boxes we could use.

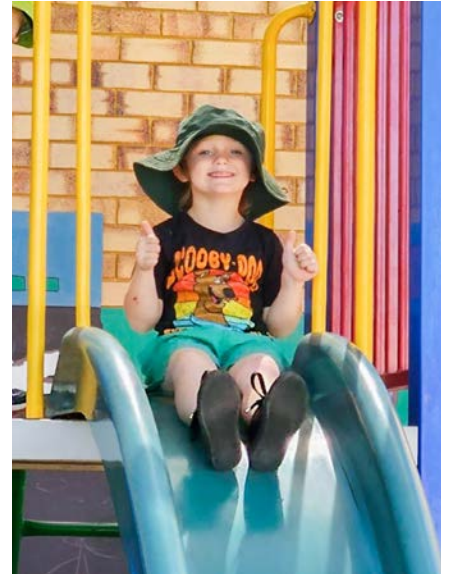
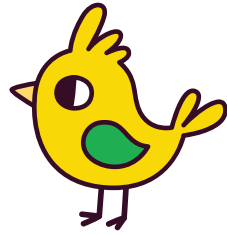
Buubumurr will be performed on presentation day.

Year 6 have also started a weaving wall hanging to be displayed in the office as a gift of thanks to our lovely office ladies for all they have done for us over our years at GPS.



*A section of the new wet area and storage in the Early Birds room, and the upgraded stage in our hall.*

# Early Birds



# Library corner



## Library days

**MONDAYS**  
Kindergarten and MC

**TUESDAYS**  
Years 3, 4, 5, & 6

**WEDNESDAYS**  
Years 1 & 2



*Nevaeh and Kayleb are excited about the 200 Minute Books. The books comprise of 10 stories each with 10 dangerous or mysterious situations with 10 brave kids and 20 minutes to escape or find clues. These are new to our library and have been very popular with the older students.*



*We have some wonderful fiction collections and these ones are very popular with the girls.*



*Our younger students are enjoying the non fiction section with these pet stories and the mighty machine books.*

## canteen mehu

**WEEK 4**  
**NOVEMBER 3**

Sausage Stew and Rice  
w/ popper or water

**WEEK 5**  
**NOVEMBER 10**

Pork Burrito Wrap  
w/ popper or water

**WEEK 6**  
**NOVEMBER 17**

Mac and Cheese  
w/ popper or water

**WEEK 7**  
**NOVEMBER 24**

Chicken Burger  
w/ popper or water

**WEEK 8**  
**DECEMBER 1**

Pizza Rolls  
w/ popper or water

**WEEK 9**  
**DECEMBER 8**

Meat Pies  
w/ popper or water

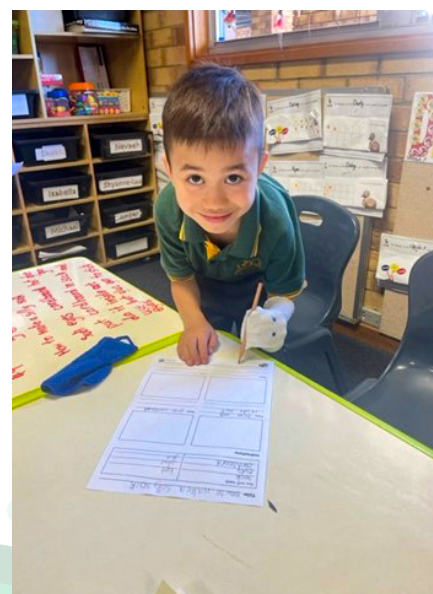
**WEEK 10**  
**DECEMBER 15**

No canteen

# SOCK PUPPET FUN

1/2A have been studying procedure writing in English with Mrs Leys.

We wrote procedures for making sock puppets and then made them. How exciting!



# MC CLASS



Our MC students have been working on making music using musical bells. They have been practicing Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star for the past week and are excited to perform it at the school assembly.

## Nutrition Snippet

HEALTHY HALLOWEEN SNACKS.

Healthy snacks don't have to be boring!



Swap out the usual snacks for these healthier ideas:

- Banana ghost and mandarin lanterns
- Witchy guacamole face
- Vegie and tzatziki skeleton



For these recipes and more visit: [healthyinbox.com.au](http://healthyinbox.com.au)  **Cancer Council**  
Healthy Lunch Box



# CRAFT CLUB

WEDNESDAY 4:00PM

6 yrs up

\$90

9 week term

CALL 6742 15 86 TO SECURE YOUR SPOT



Must be a member of PCYC NSW

Child \$15    Adult \$30



REGISTERED PROVIDER



## Information for applicants

For entry to selective high schools in Year 7 in 2024

### Ready to apply?

Apply online at:

[shsoc.education.nsw.gov.au](https://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](https://education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc)

### Key Dates

- Application website opens 18 October 2022
- Application website closes 16 November 2022
- Test centre and test authority advice released 20 April 2023
- Selective High School Placement Test 4 May 2023
- Illness/misadventure requests submitted 11 May 2023
- Placement outcome expected to be released Mid-August 2023



# No Scaredy Cats

No Scaredy Cats is a child development course that aims to support you and your child through the ups and downs of life. It is what we call a 'parent-led' approach, meaning that you take on the role of the coach in your child's life, and are able to guide them through emotionally distressing episodes.

Running

**27th October 2022**

**10.00 am - 2.00 pm**

At

Gunnedah Family Support



Lunch and morning tea provided



Call Gunnedah Family Support Service to register

206 Conadilly Street Gunnedah

Ph: 6742 1515

[info@gfsi.org.au](mailto:info@gfsi.org.au)

**PCYC GUNNEDAH**

# HALLOWEEN FANCY DRESS DISCO

PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED GAMES AND MORE!

FRIDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2022  
6 PM - 8 PM, 5 - 12 YRS  
\$8 ENTRY INCLUDES PIZZA!  
CANTEEN OPEN  
PCYC - VIEW ST GUNEDAH

PRIZES PROUDLY SPONSORED BY Winanga-Li  
Aboriginal Child & Family Centre

## JOIN NOW

**Australian Air League**  
NSW Group

### NSW GROUP IS NOW ENROLLING MEMBERS FOR OUR NEW ONLINE SQUADRON

Since 1934 the Australian Air League has been teaching young boys and girls nationwide all about aviation, while helping them develop important life skills like leadership, discipline, self confidence and teamwork. When you join the league you will make new friends and take part in fun and exciting activities, on the ground and in the air.

NSW Group is now running an online Squadron for those interested in joining the Air League but there is no Squadrons currently in their area. We welcome boys and girls from the age of 8 years old from all different cultures and backgrounds. Parents and families are welcome to join or volunteer their time. All adult members and volunteers are Working with Children Checked.

Each week you will attend your online squadron where you will learn valuable skills and take part in fun and interesting activities and classes. Some of our classes include Meteorology, Navigation, Photography and Community Service. The Online Squadron may also attend group activities.

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](mailto:development.nsw@airleague.com.au)  
[www.airleague.com.au](http://www.airleague.com.au) Email: [info@airleague.com.au](mailto:info@airleague.com.au)  
Free Call: 1800 502 175



# 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.



**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 26<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Visit [jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au](https://jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au) and search for **Reference Number: 66647** or search 'School Crossing Supervisors' for a full list of vacancies or scan the QR code to apply.

For further information, contact Sandhini Chaudhary  
E: [Sandhini.chaudhary@transport.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Sandhini.chaudhary@transport.nsw.gov.au)  
P: 0466 343 704



[jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au](https://jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au)

**Cakes & Biscuits \$1 each**  
**Face Painting \$1**

# HALLOWEEN Cake Stall

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 31ST**  
Bring your money for a treat and support  
Year 6 fundraising!

## TERM 4 ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

Day	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	
Monday	BoxFit 6yrs + 4 -5pm	Brazilian Jui-jitsu 6:30 -8pm	<b>TERM COST: \$90</b> <b>CASUAL SESSION: \$12</b> <b>SQUASH COMP: \$100 player</b> <b>DODGEBALL COMP: \$100 player</b> <b>FUTSAL TEAM: \$100 player</b> <b>BRAZILIAN JIU- JITSU: \$180 Term (Mon &amp; Wed)</b> Casual sessions \$12. Saturday \$12 Session <b>WHAT TO BRING:</b> Water bottle, enclosed shoes		
Tuesday	Archery 6yrs + 6:30 - 8pm				
Wednesday	Mini Movers 10:30-11:30 am	Craft Club 4-5pm	Squash Comp - Jnr 5pm	Brazilian Jui-jitsu 6:30 -8pm	
Thursday	Dodgeball Comp - Jnr 4:30pm	<b>YOUTH HUB</b> <b>12yrs +</b> Club Opening Hours <i>Free</i>			
Friday	Mini Movers 10:30-11:30 am				
Saturday	Futsal Comp - Jnr 9am	Brazilian Jui-jitsu 10:30 -12pm			

**Club Opening Hours**

Monday	12pm - 8pm
Tuesday	12pm - 8pm
Wednesday	9am - 8pm
Thursday	12pm - 6pm
Friday	9am - 8pm
Saturday	9am - 1:30pm

**12 Month Memberships:**

\$15 Child  
\$30 Adults

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# In class with KA

