

Gunnedah Public School Quality Education in a Caring Environment

Newsletter

Term 2 - Week 7 Tuesday, 7 June 2022

Class Corner - 1/2A Area and Measurement

Last week, 1/2A used geoboards to make shapes of a specific area. Students were able to stretch rubber bands around pegs and count the squares within the shape. By doing this, students were able to explore a variety of shapes that have the same area.

Learning tasks such as this are building blocks to students being able to use area in real life situations, such as calculating measurements for floor covering, painting or reading floor plans.



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Class Corner - 4/5 Science

Last week, the students in 4/5R donned their lab coats and conducted an experiment to test the strength of red resin as a glue. The students softened the resin with candles and then applied it to two paddlepop sticks where they then hung various weights to test strength. They were highly enthusiastic and surprised by their outcomes.





COVID reminder

Please remember to continue to contact the school to advise of any positive results, close contacts or with any questions you might have.



Culture -1/2A Writing

Over the last term, the students in 1/2A have been learning about quality second sentences. In honour of World Environment Day, this week students have been reading 'The mess we made' by Michelle Lord. To link this to Reconciliation Week students were encouraged to write a second sentence that related to how traditional living had respect for the environment. For example, one student wrote about plastic bags filling the ocean and harming animals. Their second sentence was about traditional tribes using baskets made of natural elements that would either disintegrate in the weather or animals wouldn't confuse it with food.



The Treetroff

On 1st of June 2022 a treetroff was installed in the outfield of GPS. It has been placed in a yellow box tree (bibble). We decided to do this so we can learn about the animals in our habitat. This was a project assembled by six lucky 5/6D students as well as people from the Warrumbungle Education Centre. This will go for around three years! We have put this in our school to help animals and record data on where to find these animals and their habitat.

The process of setting up included getting parts off the trailer, digging, using a level, connecting parts, drilling, videoing and lots more which the students had a great time doing. Our school is only the third school in NSW to get a treetroff.

The outcome of this will hopefully result in data collection about the native animals around this area. If we have koala sightings, they can be reported to scientists. The treetroff will record this important information.

We think the treetroff is a great thing for the animals and our environment and we're very happy to have this in our school. Every 5-6 weeks the Warrumbungle Education Centre will come fill it up and check what animals have been there. Gunnedah Public School is extremely lucky to have this experience. *By Edie Mackley-Handsaker*















Culture -Stage 1 Weaving

Last week, Stage 1 had a culture lesson with Miss Renee. During this time, students learned to do a blanket stitch which they used to make a bracelet. Students learned that this stitch was used by women to make baskets to gather berries for the tribe or fish traps. They also learned that traditionally, women would use grasses to make these items.





Guessing Competition for SRC

Mrs Robinson has donated a jar of lollies and a jar of gumballs to the SRC for a Guessing Competition.

SRC students will be informing their classmates and taking names and guesses for \$1 per guess.

The student (or students) with the closest guess will win the loot!!



From the Deputy Principal's desk....



Chill Out Zone

The Chill Out Zone is the perfect place to play with your friends in a safe, quiet and constructive environment! These kids are enjoying playing with blocks, drawing and colouring in!







PBL - 5 for 5 rewards

Last week on Monday 30th June, over 100 students took part in our Term 2 5-for-5 Rewards session. Students who were eligible had the chance to choose their own activity, ranging from robotics in the science room to free craft time in the classroom. Students were also lucky to receive a yummy biscuit and a warm milo – perfect for the cold weather! A big thank you to our support staff superstars who helped to prepare and serve the food. We are looking forward to our exciting 10-for-10 Rewards Day coming up in Week 10 and hope even more students can join in the fun!









Library Comer....

A friendly reminder that Book Club issue 4 is due on Monday, 13th June 2022. Parents/Carers have the option to set up an account through Scholastic online by downloading the LOOP app. The order will be electronically linked to the rest of our school's order and sent directly to the school. We do however still accept cash orders. Thanking you for your support.

Library days are Mondays Tuesdays Wednesdays

Kindergarten and MC Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 Years 1 and 2

Boonalla Aboriginal Area

Over the weekend, Mrs Robinson went out on country at Boonalla Aboriginal Area to attend Gunnedah's Cultural Immersion Cultural Workshop Weekend. She learned about and immersed herself in bush tucker, weavng of possum skins into useful resources, cultural cooking including kangaroo stew, crocodile and vegetable skewers, lemon mertyl cakes and wattleseed damper. She found it absolutely fascinating learning how to make medicine from natural resourcs and the ancestors' way of life. Along with her daughter, grandchildren and local youth, she thoroughly enjoyed interacting with the local indigenous community as they engaed in activities including making and using ochre on country and respect of the sacred Aboriginal area. Mrs Robinson is excited to bring some of the new cultural knowledge, resources and community links into the Gunnedah Public School community. Mrs Robinson also enjoyed listening and connecting with some great leaders and looking forward to continuing those connections made. Having elders like these passing on some valuable knowledge and encouraging her to do the same for our younger students is what it's all about. Bringing it all back.







Gunnedah Public School





NAIDOC WEEK CELEBRATIONS 2022 GUNNEDAH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Wednesday, 29th June

Gunnedah Public School warmly invites you to attend our annual NAIDOC Week celebration.

Our gathering will begin at 11:45am with a Smoking Ceremony. The assembly will also include performances from our students, special guest speakers and dancers. This will be followed by a Kupp Murri lunch which you are welcome to share with our students and staff. Classrooms will be open to parents and community members from 2pm-3pm (pending Covid restrictions).

Please RSVP (with an indication of numbers for the Kupp Murri) by phoning our school office on 6742 2266. Alternatively, please email your RSVP to gunnedah-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

We hope to see you there.

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Kindergarten Lesson on Procedures

Kindergarten recently learnt how important instructions are. Kindergarten explained to Mrs Sheedy how to make a vegemite sandwich. One of the instructions from Kindergarten was to put the vegemite on the bread and then put the other piece of bread on top.

When Mrs Sheedy performed this task, kindergarten erupted into laughter!!

The result was that Kindergarten students adjusted their instructions to ensure the sandwich was made correctly.

Meet & Greet with Joe

Thank you to those that were able to give up their time today to meet our new Senior Leader, Community Engagement Officer, Joe Miller. Joe told us a little about where he had come from and some of the achievements he has had throughout his career. Joe then went around and had a yarn with all those there. It was a wonderful afternoon.

A huge thank you to all the staff who cooked up a storm over the weekend. The slices, cakes and biscuits were delicious.







Top tips for Role Modelling Resilience

1. Demonstrate a positive attitude towards your own challenges. Talk about them as opportunities to learn and improve.

2. Build coping skills. Talk to your child about how to develop strategies for dealing with difficult situations.

3. Allow them to take on healthy challenges and risks. Provide opportunities for them to build confidence by taking on challenges and encourage them to work through problems and dilemmas.

If you or someone you know is struggling, there is support available. Call Lifeline 13 11 14, Beyond blue 1300 22 4636 or kids helpline 1800 55 180

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| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
| Week 7 | 6/6 | 7/6 | 8/6 Pop-Up Restaurant 4/5R | 9/6 CANTEEN DAY (Gravy Beef roll with popper or water) PSSA Girls Soccer | 10/6 |
| Week 8 | 13/6 PUBLIC HOLIDAY | 14/6 | 15/6 | 16/6 CANTEEN DAY (Chicken Stew & rice with popper or water) PSSA Boys Soccer | 17/6 |
| Week 9 | 20/6 | 21/6 5.30pm Fathering Project (furniture restoration) | 22/6 SRC Pyjama & Crazy Sock Day | 23/6 CANTEEN DAY (Pork Burrito with popper or water) | 24/6 |
| Week 10 NAIDOC WEEK | 27/6 | 28/6 | 29/6 11.30am NAIDOC Assembly | 30/6 10 for 10 Rewards | 1/7 LAST DAY OF TERM 2 |



We're hiring School Crossing Supervisors

Help protect our vibrant Gunn school communities.

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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 15th June 2022

Visit jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au and search for **Reference** <u>Number: 66647</u> or search 'School Crossing Supervisors' for a full list or vacancies or scan the QR code to apply.

For further information, contact Sandhini Chaudhary E: <u>Sandhini.chaudhary@transport.nsw.gov.au</u> P: 0466 343 704

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3-10 JULY 2022

NAIDOC SHIRTS MONDAY 4TH JULY

The children will be using vinyl and fabric markers to design their own NAIDOC 2022 shirts.

TUESDAY 5TH JULY

MOVIE DAY - EXCURSION

We are off for a trip to the civic to watch a new release movie. Popcorn and drink included (Movie TBA)

MULTICULTURAL STACKING DOLLS WEDNESDAY 6TH JULY

Everyone will make their own design on a set of stacking dolls to take home. Create your own family or a bunch of school friends.

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EXCURSION TO PENSIONERS HIL

THURSDAY 7TH JULY

explore the heritage sculptures and learn a little more about the Gamilaroi traditions. We will be leaving at 10am to head up to Pensioners Hill where we will

HARMA BEAD DAY FRIDAY 8TH JULY

of designs for the children to look at or just run with their own creations. The world is your oyster on Harma bead day. We have a bunch



Book by Friday 17th June to access Early Bird Price

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EARLY BIRD \$65 NORMAL \$70 CRAZY HAIR AND TEMPORARY TATTOO DAY MONDAY 11TH JULY

some temporary tattoos. (Don't worry Mums and Dads it all washes off) Come along ready for some crazy coloured hair dos and

EGO COMPETITION

TUESDAY 12TH JULY

EARLY BIRD \$80 NORMAL \$85

creations of the day (prizes will be awarded at the end of each section) Bring your creative minds and battle it out to make the best



EARLY BIRD \$60 NORMAL \$65

PCYC WORLD RECORD DAY – SPECIAL EVENT WEDNESDAY 13TH JULY

Back by popular demand, we are competing in PCYC World Record Day again! We will be competing against all PCYC OOSH's in fun and exciting record attempts. Lets bring the awards to Bateau Bay!

CREATE A WATCH THURSDAY 14TH JULY

Build your own watch then spend the day designing it, set the time and away you go.



EARLY BIRD \$60 NORMAL \$65

PAPER AEROPLANE FLYING COMPETITION FRIDAY 15TH JULY

the best design and whos will fly the furthest distance, lets find out! Everyone love to make a fly a paper plane, but who will make

OUR FAVOURITE THINGS MONDAY 18TH JULY

A scrapbooking day based on some of our favourite things

