

GILGANDRA PUBLIC SCHOOL GRAPEVINE

Term 4

Success through diversity, participation and care

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FOR YOUR DIARY TERM 4

Nov Thu

15 P & C Meeting, 2pm

Wed 21 Deadly Australians Mon

26 Early Birds Program Ends

Thu 29 School Concert

Dec Thu

Fri

Wed

13 Yr 6 Farewell

14 Reports Home

PBL Rewards Day

17 Presentation Day Mon

19 Last Day for Students

Award System - PBL News **Awards**

Koalas - Montana Reid, Tyreece Ewers

Rainbows - Bailey Kaltenbacher, Skye Doherty, Chloe Mackney

Goannas - Ashdyn Smith, Jackson Wieland, Araiterangi Karaitiana

Superstars - Ty Sutherland, Jiah Watson, Monique McEwen-Reid

Legends - Eric Addley, Nikia Cain, Jarryd Hempel

Skittles - Reagan Chatfield, Abbie Fogg, Toni-Leigh Madgwick

Comets - Chris Holland, Kane Marchant, Taylor Grant

Stars - Jaidyn Holswich

Level 2 Certificates - Breanna Woodford, Kaitlyn Brown

Level 3 Certificates - James Fogg, Jardi Naden, Emily Walsh-Morris, Blake White, Jarryd Hempel, Zac Jackson, Tanisha Millard, Owen Foran, Marlee Cain

Level 4 Certificates - Jacob Wilson, Korrani Reid, Brianna Madgwick, Zac Sandry

Caltex Stars of the Week: Allen Allport, Chloe Griffiths, Eric Addley

Changing schools

Research shows that when parents take the time to get children ready for a change of school they settle in quickly. Find out what to do if you're planning to make the move, whether across town or interstate.

Go to: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/ development/smoothing-the-way-when-your-childchanges-schools

To assist with planning for 2013 would you please notify the school as soon as possible if you know that your child will not be returning in 2013. This of course does not include students who are moving on to High School next year.

Holiday planning

Holiday camps are a great way for kids—7-12 years or 13 and over—to have an adventure and make new friends in a supervised environment. Packages include accommodation, activities and meals. Bookings are now open at camps across NSW.

Find out more: http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps/

5/6 Skittles

Mr Darcy will be on Sick Leave for approximately two weeks following surgery. Miss Aimee Fitzgerald will be Mr Darcy's replacement.

PUTTING STUDENTS FIRST

STOP THE FUNDING CUTS TO YOUR SCHOOL!

COMMUNITY DAY OF ACTION

SUNDAY 18 NOVEMBER FROM 11 AM TARONGA WESTERN PLAINS ZOO (GIRAFFE ROOM) **OBLEY ROAD, DUBBO** CAFÉ/BBQ AREA/ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS/ENTERTAINMENT BYO LUNCH + SUNSCREEN MORE INFORMATION: www.puttingstudentsfirst.org.au/dayofaction

Western Region Band TourOn Wednesday 7th November, the Western Region Touring Band performed at Gilgandra Public School. The band is a group of selected Year 6 to 12 students from public schools across the Western Region, highly skilled in their instrument of choice. The students are selected and gather together to train for a week on a selection of songs. before performing at various schools during a week's tour. The Western Region Band is managed by Di Reichelt, Arts Consultant for Western Region Schools. Gilgandra Public School students and staff enjoyed the performance especially the variety of music performed.

Deadly Australians

This show was voted one of the best by the students when it visited our school a couple of years ago so we have invited them back. The students are given a hands-on experience with some of Australia's non-venomous creatures and will also learn about many of our venomous wildlife.

The cost will be \$4 per child or \$8 for a family of three or more. Notes will go home later this week.

Level 4 Certificate Achievers



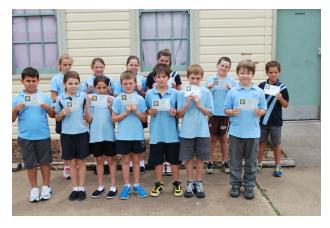
Caltex Stars of the Week



Infants Class Award Winners



Primary Class Award Winners



Level 2 Certificate Achievers



Level 3 Certificate Achievers



Making Metaphors with 5/6 Comets

Just a snippet of our wonderful work with words

Soft rain is a sprinkler of hundreds and thousands

Heavy rain is loud drums playing

Marlee Cain

Hayleigh Sutton

The sun is a hot bonfire The sun is a huge warm blanket

The wind is a wild raging bull

Taylor Smith

Tiara Brown

Emma Bunter

The wind is a cool fan

The frost is a large ice-skating rink

Soft rain is a cool shower

Connor Whiteman

Tyler Edwards

Owen Foran

The sun is a warm Mothes hug

The clouds are white smoke

The soft rain is a relaxing massage

James Priestlen

Chris Holland

Will Pankhurst

The clouds are white fairyfloss

The soft rain is falling tear drops

The cloud is a soft furry rabbit

Emilee Dezius

Tiffany Barwick

Shalana Walsh — Morris

The frost is a white tissue

The heavy rain are hard rocks

The clouds are soft pillows

Fred Griffiths

Taylor Grant

Tahliah Madgwick

The heavy rain is a rushing water fall

The sun is a warm fire

The snow is a soft bed

Kane Marchant

Cheyanne Riches

Lilly Green

SOFT RAIN IS A WARM SHOWER

The soft rain is the pitter-patter of a cat in the night

JOSH MASLING

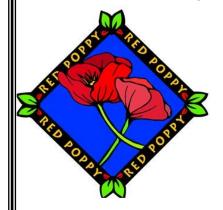
Ray-Lynn Davison

Remembrance Day, 2012

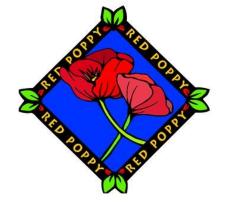
This year, Year 2 Goannas was part of the **Read2Remember** project. This project had more than 120,000 students saying the Pledge of Remembrance across Australia on Friday 9th November for Remembrance Day on Sunday 11th November – the day where people stop at the eleventh hour to remember the brave men and women who fought for our country.

During the week Year 2 Goannas painted the Remembrance Poppies.

We read the book - The Quest for Courage - a book about a boy called Sam who is bullied and a friend called Jess who helps him discover that courage is found in your heart and once found can help you be brave in many situations. Our class talked about finding courage in our own hearts:



Courage to be a friend
Courage to be ourselves
Courage to lend a hand
Courage to be kind
Courage to speak up



Courage to never give up

Courage to be the best that we can be!

Thank you Mrs Dunn for letting us borrow the book from our school library. Year 2 Goannas are enjoying re-visiting the book and its important message in our classroom.

