



GILGANDRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 4 **Success through diversity, participation and care** **10 December, 2013**

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FOR YOUR DIARY

Dec

Wed 11 Fun Frolic - K-2, 5.30-7pm
Fri 13 PBL Award Lunch
Mon 16 Yr 6 Dinner & Social
Tue 17 Presentation Day 10.00am

Wed 18 Last day for all students

2014 Jan

Tue 28 Staff Return
Wed 29 Yrs 1-6 Return

2014 Feb

Mon 3 Kindergarten Start

Award System

Class Awards:

Kinder Owls: Maverick Dennis, Indiana Knight;

K/1 Turtles: Harmonie Djuheric, Sean Crane, Sophie Winterton;

1/2 Caterpillars: Skye Doherty, Cassidy Piggott, Jarryd Greenaway;

2/3 Heroes: Isha Aro, Chloe Mackney, Summa Doherty;

3/4/5 Smiggles: Maddi Reid, Malachi Trudgett, Chloe Griffiths;

3/4 Booris: Callie Chatfield, Ty Sutherland, Jacob Wilson;

5 Rabbits: Robyn Holland;

6 Masters: Tyler Edwards, Emma Bunter, Jack Mudge.

Level 1 Certificates: Cheyenne Ryan, Jack Larkings, Kaydance Wieland.

Level 2 Certificates: Kimberly Astill, Will Wieland, Hayleigh Sutton, Amber Crane, Belladonna Dwight, Luke Mackenzie, Makayla Harland.

Level 3 Certificates: Jardi Naden, Emma Bunter, Tyler Edwards, Owen Foran, Sophie Rogers, Ty Sutherland, Georgia Koch, Kirralah Pracy, Allen Allport, Jordy Roach.

Level 4 Certificates: Jack Louie, Kapene Karaitiana, Christopher Powell, Jaidyn Holswich, .

Level 5 Certificates: Dominic Manusu, Katie Louie, Wyatt Wieland.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

On behalf of Gilgandra Public School staff I would like to express my appreciation to all parents and community members who have supported us throughout 2013. Your support is greatly appreciated and enhances a student's school life experiences. Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and if travelling, please remember to have a break every two hours and arrive safely.

School Resumes in 2014

School will resume for teachers and SASS staff on Tuesday 28th January to undertake Professional Learning on the new National Curriculum and Child Protection Guidelines for Schools. Student in Years 1-6 will return on Wednesday 29th January, 2014.

Kindergarten Best Start Assessment

Kindergarten children will not start school as a whole class until Monday the 3rd February 2014. Wednesday 29th January, Thursday 30th January and Friday 31st January 2014 will be used as Best Start testing days. Individual Best Start testing allows for teachers to understand the students' individual learning needs and enables teachers to cater for each child's needs.

Letters will be sent home in January informing parents of the time and day that their child needs to be at school for the assessment. This will take approximately 35 minutes

School Reports

School reports will be issued on Tuesday 17th December following the School Presentation Day. If you are planning an early holiday with your children and they will be absent, please contact your child's teacher to send their report home earlier. Reports not collected will be posted before the end of school.

Police Talk

On Tuesday 3rd December the Dubbo Youth Liaison Officer Jodie Male and Dubbo PCYC Youth Command Officer Craig Skeene from the Dubbo Police Station attended Gilgandra Public School and gave a presentation to students in Years 5 and 6 on Cyber-bullying and the consequences. The talk was very informative and enabled students to see there are consequences from a legal perspective regarding Cyberbullying. Interestingly the police said even though people erase messages from the internet they can be tracked by their intelligence service-we all leave footprints on mediums like "Facebook" etc.

End of Year Scripture Service

On Wednesday 11th December 2013, Gilgandra Public School students will attend the Catholic Church at 12pm for a combined Christmas Service with other schools across the district. Students will be supervised by staff.

Trade & Save T Shirts

The offer to trade in your old School Shirt for a new one is still available. You will receive between \$5 and \$10 off a new shirt.



Merry Christmas



Teach your Kids to be Waterproof

As temperatures rise, the risk of drowning increases too.

Review these water-safety tips to help keep your family safe this summer.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/water-safety-tips>

Infants Class Awards



Primary Class Awards



Level 1 Lion Certificate Achievers



Level 2 Lion Certificate Achievers



Level 3 Lion Certificate Achievers



Level 4 Lion Certificate Achievers



Level 5 Lion Certificate Achievers



Spreagadh Na Rince – Irish Dance – Central West.

(Performed at the Public School Fete)

Irish Dance Classes for 3years to adult.

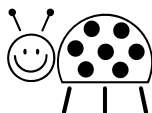
Enrolment Day will be held on Saturday 11th January 2014 at the Narromine USMC, Dandaloo St Narromine from 9:00-11:00am.

Enrolment fee is \$50.00 per child and includes a goody bag. Class lessons are \$10 per hour, plus GST

School uniform order forms will also be available on the day for anyone who wishes to place an order.

Classes are held in Dubbo on Thursdays and Saturdays and Narromine on Sundays. Expressions of interest is being taken for a Gilgandra class.

Phone Kelly Rumble on 0405 448 409



Director Position Vacant Tooraweenah Pre-School Association Inc.

Tooraweenah Pre-School Inc. is a small rural community Pre-School located 44km north east of Gilgandra and 58km south west of Coonabarabran.

We are currently seeking a highly motivated, enthusiastic and dynamic Director to lead our Preschool.

You will be responsible for the day-to-day programming, education and care of up to 19 children, aged between 3 to 5 years old, on a permanent part time basis, one day per week (Wednesday).

Position to commence on Tuesday 28th January 2014.

Essential:

- Applicants must hold an Early Childhood Degree.
- Working with Children Check Clearance.
- Current EC knowledge including the National Quality Framework (Law, Regulations, NQS, EYLF, Code of Ethics)
- Supervisor Certificate.
- Current First Aid, Asthma & Anaphylaxis.

Desirable:

- Director experience of a Preschool service.
- Willingness to support the Preschool working towards offering 2 days per week for students.
- Ability to develop, manage and lead the centre's Quality Improvement Plan and accreditation.
- Ability to work with a Management Committee within the philosophy and policies of the Preschool.
- Demonstrated experience in supporting families and children with special needs and awareness of requirements of relevant funding bodies.
- Ability to lead others as well as form strong relationships with staff, families and children.
- Excellent verbal, written and time management skills.
- A minimum of 12 months experience working in children's services.

Applications Close: Monday 30th December - 5:00pm

Recruitment Officer:

For more information contact Anna Peart - Phone (02) 68254356 or Janine Ferguson (02) 68254225

preschooltooraweenah@gmail.com

An information pack will be forwarded with application details.

Premier's Reading Challenge

The students below successfully completed the Premier's Reading Challenge by reading books from the Challenge booklist, recording the books they had read and tracking their progress in the Challenge. It was not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

Congratulations to all students who took part.

