



GILGANDRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 4

Success through diversity, participation and care

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FOR YOUR DIARY

Nov	
Wed	11 Remembrance Day
Sat	14 Muscular Dystrophy Craft Market
Fri	20 SRC 2016 Speeches
Wed	25 Domestic Violence Awareness

Remembrance Day

On Wednesday 11th November Mrs Morris will accompany the two School Captains from Gilgandra Public School and four School Leaders from Gilgandra High School to Sydney for the Remembrance Day Service in Martin Place to acknowledge the contribution of the Coe-ee Marchers and centenary of the Gallipoli Landing.

The Gilgandra Public School Prefects with Mrs Howard will represent the school at the local Remembrance Service at 11am to lay a wreath.

Domestic Violence Awareness Day

The Gilgandra Domestic Violence Advocacy Group have invited Gilgandra Public School students to participate in the annual Gilgandra community Domestic Violence Awareness Day to be held on Wednesday November 25th.

While Gilgandra Public School supports the stance on speaking out about violence and challenging attitudes that allow violence to continue in our society, parents/carers will be given the option of attending the march with their child/children rather than the school participating.

Senior students will be visited by the Police prior to the march to provide information around Domestic Violence.

Further information regarding the march is available on the attached flyer or from Jackie Ritchie on 68470857.

Shoes with Roller Blades

Parents/Carers are reminded that shoes with roller blades in the heels are unsafe for school use under the Work, Health and Safety Act. We seek your support in this matter to ensure your child/children comply with Department of Education guidelines. Covered shoes or joggers are acceptable with a proper sole.

Student Representative Council (SRC) 2016

Year 5 students who have nominated for the 2016 SRC (Captains and Prefects) will deliver their speeches at the Week 7 (Friday 20th November) assembly to the school and staff before voting. Voting is restricted to Kindergarten to Year 5 students and staff to determine the outcome of the elections. Students have been informed that they may seek assistance with their speeches from Ms Stephens and Mrs Howard to discuss the content after they write their draft first.

Principal's Conference

On 29th-30th October Executive staff attended the Western Plains Term 4 Principal Conference in Dubbo. The two days consisted of updates to the new Work, Health and Safety Policy, Local Schools, Local Decisions, The Wellbeing Framework and the School Excellence Framework. The two days were very informative and will guide planning for 2016 at Gilgandra Public School. The school is currently reviewing the 2015 School Plan in conjunction with writing the 2015 Annual School Report.

Voluntary Contribution Fees

As the school year quickly comes to a close a reminder that school fees are due. If you are not sure whether you have paid or not please check with the front office.

Fees are \$35 per child. These fees enable the school to purchase equipment and resources, which would otherwise not be affordable, to benefit your child's education.

Direct deposits can be made to the school's bank account: BSB 032-001, Account no. 151616

Tips For How To Improve Communication Skills at Home

Turn Off the TV

We know life's hectic, there are great shows for kids, and it gives you much needed breaks but...

...try to have it off as much as possible.

Just remember the less time you have the TV on, the less time your child will expect it to be on. This can help with behavior in the long run too.

This will help your child expand their imagination, learn to entertain themselves, and consequently strengthen their language skills.

Read, Read, Read

I'm not just talking about books.

Read the back of the cereal box, people's shirts, and signs on the street.

The more exposure your child has to speech sounds and language structure, the sooner they will begin to understand it.

When reading books, keep in mind you don't have to read them word for word.

Instead...simply look at the pictures and talk about what you see. For example...

When reading Cinderella, you might say "Oh no she lost her shoe" or "those mice turned into horses", etc.

This accomplishes two things.

1. Your child learns to use their imagination.
2. Your child builds/strengthens their receptive and expressive language skills.

Try to read at least one book a day.

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Class Awards:

Astronauts: Shane Debritt, Madeleine Duncan;
Panthers: Preston Griffiths, Kaleb Trudgett;
Kinder Cows: Jarvis Budworth-Louie, Trae Bamblett, Lorelai Hawke, Holly Barrett;
Kinder Geckos: Le-Lo Priddis, Maddison Bush, Dallas Carr, Liam Tamsett;
1 Fish: Cale McEwen, Wyatt Johnson, Courtney Harland, Jai Ashby, Lochy Nolan, Sarah Keogh;
2 Frogs: Zachary Root, Yindi Naden, Katie Smith, Tillie Dezius, Josh Louie, Lori Thurston;
3/4 Ninjas: Sophie Winterton, Montana Reid, Jardi Naden, Sam Fox, Aurora Fairley, Yindi Carney;
3/4/5 Knights: Isaiah Knox, Tyler Wieland, Tyrone Manusu-Sandry;
4/5 Einsteins: Danika Brown, Isha Aro, Tamara Harland, Georgia Briggs, Jackson Wieland.

Level 1 Lion Certificate: Zachary Root.

Level 2 Lion Certificates: Cameren Hawke, Wally Gray.

Level 3 Lion Certificates: Caleb Reid, Tyler Wieland, Ainsley Louie, Cheyanne Ryan, Tyrell Barwick, Jake Stubbs, Brandon Walsh, Hayley Riley.

Level 4 Lion Certificates: Josh Louie, Isha Aro, Wyatt Johnson, Maverick Dennis, Abbey Millard, Chloe Mackney, Jessy-Lea Ryan, Dallas Carr, Lorelai Hawke, Domanic Field, Isaiah Marchant, Ava Duffy, Emmaline Diamond, Jackson Wieland, Lochy Nolan, Stephanie Fardell, Shae Reid.

Level 5 Lion Certificates: Sebastian Manusu, Micah Tamsett, Dominic Manusu, Joshua Reid, Kailee Edwards, Yindi Naden.

MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY NSW - CRAFT MARKET - GILGANDRA SHIRE HALL

SATURDAY 14TH November, 2015 - 9:30am - 4:00pm FREE ADMISSION

Stalls: Woodwork, Christmas Cakes & Puddings, Cakes & Biscuits, Baby Knitting, Craft Supplies, Plants & Garden Art, Homemade Candles, Christmas Gift Items, And Much More!

EVERYONE WELCOME

Centre for Hope

During NAIDOC week, one activity which students undertook was completing an artwork with Centre for Hope. Each student had their hand painted and placed onto the canvas. The finished artwork called 'Hands of Hope' is currently travelling to Nepal with the Umbrella Foundation where it will be hung as an encouragement to earthquake survivors that there is still hope.

Centre for Hope students have made magnet replicas of this artwork and every student shall be receiving one this week.

Thankyou to all students who participated in this activity and thankyou to Centre for Hope for your generosity.



'Hands of Hope' completed by Gilgandra Primary School students. 2015

Rugby League

Students from Gilgandra Public School are participating in a Rugby League clinic for 3 weeks with Country Rugby League. This week the students played games such as stuck in the mud, tug of war with a footy and focused on skills that are needed when playing football. These skills included running, passing and tagging whilst demonstrating good sportsmanship. Well done to all the students this week and we can't wait for our next clinic with Daniel from CRL.



Year 1 Fish

What a busy term we have had so far.

In maths we have been looking at Australian money, thinking about its value and different ways of adding up coins. We've also been working with length and area.

In Art, we used Google to search for information about an artist called Kandinsky who did abstract art. We liked his artwork using circles and made some of our own.



This week we've been talking about our favourite games in news, describing how to play them, when and where we play them and giving reasons why we like them. Our class likes to play Minecraft, hide and seek, tips, farming simulator on the ipad, football and many other games.

We are learning lots and looking forward to the fun that comes at the end of the school year.

