



GILGANDRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

GRAPEVINE

Term 4

Success through diversity, participation and care

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FOR YOUR DIARY

Nov.

Mon	13 Early Birds Continue
Fri	17 Yrs. 3-6 Swimming for Sport
Mon	20 Early Birds "Graduation" Day 12 noon All welcome
Fri	24 Notes/Money for Special Swim School
Mon	27 Swimming School commences

Sporting Houses

Isha Aro, Blair Keogh, Shane Byrne, Rebecca Rogers, Deidrie Naden and Laura Nelson met to discuss the options put forward by students for the new Sporting Houses at Gilgandra Public School. The panel was unable to pick a clear choice so Year 2-6 students voted and again we had no clear winner. The situation was discussed with the AECG and P&C and the decision is to keep Castlereagh, Macquarie and Darling as the three sporting houses. Thank you to all the students who submitted their applications and for the creativity and reasons for their choices.

Multi-Sports Day

On Wednesday 8th November, the Robots and Anacondas travelled to Dubbo to take part in a Multi-Sports Day with other schools from around the region. The students increased their skills and participated in games of soccer, AFL, hockey and bocce. All students involved did a stellar job of representing Gilgandra Public School as safe, respectful learners.



"No Hat, Play in the Shade"

Parents and students are reminded of the Department of Education's policy: "No Hat, Play in the Shade". If students do not have a hat they will be directed to play in the shade or under shelters during breaks.

Student Representative Council (SRC) 2017

Year 5 have been informed that nominations for the 2018 SRC (captains and prefects) are being taken by the school executive and speeches will be delivered at the Week 8 (Friday 1st December) 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 Miss Nelson, Mrs Rogers and Mrs Howard to discuss the content after they write their draft first.

Beach to Bush

On November 22, K-6 students will be given a talk by Surf Life Saving NSW in regards to **water safety not only at the beach but near dams, rivers etc.** This session is provided free to students to ensure the message regarding **water safety** is received by all.

Learn to Swim

This year the School Swimming Scheme will be conducted by Gilgandra Public School staff Jason Root and Rebecca Rogers who are AustSwim trained.

Year Two students and non-swimmers from Year 3-6 will be given a 30 minute group lesson, daily for ten days commencing from Monday 27th November to Friday 8th, December.

The lessons will be conducted from 12pm to 1:30pm at the pool. Students will be supervised by Margeaux Tindale; walking to and from the pool.

The cost for the School Swimming Scheme will be \$10 which includes pool entry for the ten days. The swimming scheme is subsidised by the Department of Education but does not include pool entry. Permission notes have been given out and need to be completed and returned with \$10.00 to the front office before Friday 24th November, 2017.

Remembrance Day

The memorial service held at the town cenotaph on Saturday to remember and pay respects to all those men and women who served in the armed forces was attended by our School Captain, Blair Keogh, and Prefect, Jack Chandler representing the school.

ANZAC Soil Project

Students from Gilgandra Public School, High School and local community members gathered on Friday at Curban Hall and Balladoran to remember all those who left this community to serve in World War 1.

A soil sample was taken from both groups and has been sent to Hyde Park where it will be incorporated into an Anzac War Memorial Wall representing the men and women from 1700 towns who fought for us.

This district had a strong involvement in World War 1, with men coming together from Curban, Gilgandra, Gulargambone, Collie, Tooraweenah, Breealong, Bearbung, Balladoran and Mendooran. Our soil sample and a plaque will be displayed as a public artwork in the Anzac Memorial in Hyde Park, Sydney.

We say thank you to them for their services, "We will remember them. Lest we forget"



PBL AWARDS

Merit Awards:

Robots: Mason Fairley, Domanic Field;

Anacondas: Joshua Louie;

Kinder Chameleons: Kyzan Manus-Chapman, Scott Reid, Micah Aro, Kahu Marshall, Pippa Rogers, Iesha Louie-Widders;

Kinder Penguins: Sienna Holland, Indy Harvey, Dean Sandry, Aylah Barnes, Eli Allen, Destiny Merritt;

Year 1 Snakes: Mason Merritt, Kyjein Louie, Lloyd Hammond, Deklan Kaltenbacher, Jaxson Young, Imogen Johnson;

1/2 Elves: Maddi Peart, Ryan Byrne, Cardi Howard, Peter Knight, Dustin McKenzie, Shekkylah Millgate;

2 Bumblebees: Acacia Reiri-White, Hayden Bennett, Adayna Aro, Gus Howard, Manaaki Diamond;

3 Rabbits: Ariki Karaitiana, Cale McEwen, Maddison Amiet, Deagan Howard, Ella Ward, Courtney Harland;

4/5 Rockstars: Paul Wardman, Kayleb Priddis, Kiesha Bressington, Isla Louie-Wood, Montana Reid, Yindi Carney;

4/5 Rhinos: Halle Smith, Sean Crane, Luka Tamsett, Sophia Moppett, Abbey Millard, Hayley Riley;

6 Explorers: Aurora Fairley, Raymond Milson, Kaydance Wieland, Sam Fox.

Level 2 Lion Certificates: Blake Duff, Sean Crane, Tahlia Bressington, Dustin McKenzie.

Level 3 Lion Certificates: Lillie Bressington, Tealea Ward, Ava Duffy, Daniel Briggs, Billy Hutchison, Sienna Holland, Wyatt Wieland, Cale McEwen, Wyatt Johnson, Halle Smith, Courtney Harland, Emalia Saunders, Tealea Ward, Cooper Anforth, Darius Reid, Manaaki Diamond.

Level 4 Lion Certificates: Dominic Manus, Liam Tamsett, Indiana Knight, Brianna Madgwick, Jairus Root, Maddie Bush.

PBL Focus this fortnight:

Continuing on from our empathy focus, we need to tackle being a PROBLEM SOLVER - addressing small/minor issues before they become bigger problems

The Elves went to the Zoo

Year 1/2 Elves had a wonderful time at the zoo and here are some of the highlights.

On Thursday we went to the zoo at Dubbo. There were zebras, giraffes, elands, elephants, lemurs, hippos, rhinos and more animals. Dustin M

At the zoo we saw the emus, eland, hippo, turtles, giraffes and the siamangs. Peter

We saw wild dogs and we saw giraffes. Lilly

The giraffe was taller than me and it had a very, very long neck. The mother giraffe had a baby with it. Mackenah

At the zoo the elands were being lazy because they were lying down doing nothing. Chayse

My favourite animal was the ringtail lemur. Iziaah

When the cheetahs got up they looked scary because they were going to eat us! They showed their fearsome teeth. Charlie

At the zoo my favourite animal was the siamangs because they were singing and dancing. Cardi

At the zoo my favourite animal was the siamangs because the three gibbons were shaking their bottoms and doing a performance and it was cool. Maddie B

I went to the zoo and my favourite animal was the siamangs because they were showing off and it was funny. Chloe

My favourite animal is called a siamang because it made a funny sound. Cooper

On the zoo excursion my favourite part was when the siamangs were shaking their bottoms at us and one fell in the water. Kendra

The siamangs had an ice block then they threw the ice block in the water. They started a performance and one siamang ran down three times. Sam

The siamangs were making lots of noise and they were showing off. Ruby

I like the siamangs big throats because they made big noises. Tyreek

The siamangs were happy because we were there. Dustin S

The siamangs went like this "ALLLLLLLLL!". Ryan B

When they were singing to us they were really loud and they were also naughty. Shekkylah

The siamangs showed their bottoms and we all laughed and laughed because it was so funny! Dylan

The siamangs did their territorial dance and it was funny. Jairus

When we had lunch a beautiful peacock appeared and its feathers shined in the sun. Taylor

In the Australian cage we saw kangaroos. Kangaroos have short legs and they also have a long tail. Maddi P

We also saw koalas and they were very, very cute. Skyla

The children were so very well behaved and we all had a lovely time. Mrs Dunn and Mrs Leven



The siamangs

