Gilgandra Public School Honesty & Courtesy



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Guest Speakers - Sam and Jenny Bailey

Year 5 and 6 students have been invited to the Gilgandra High School Hall on Friday, 6th September to be part of a presentation with guest speakers, Sam and Jenny Bailey. Students are required to wear full school uniform. This presentation will go from 10:45am - 12:05pm. We will leave our school at 10:30am to be seated and ready for the presentation.

Sam Bailey suffered a spinal injury in a car accident while jackerooing in the Northern Territory at 19-years-of -age, leaving him a C6/C7 quadriplegic.

From a childhood growing up in the Australian bush to a car accident in the outback that turned his life upside down and its aftermath, Sam tells his story in his own down-to-earth laconic style that captures the great Australian spirit of 'having a go'.

He relates how he beat the odds to fulfil his life-long dream to be a farmer, learning to ride a four-wheel bike; devising a hoist to get into farm machinery and ultimately learning to fly an ultralight.

Sam then found his soul mate in former Tamworth-based ABC radio Rural Reporter, Jenny Black – who he proposed to "live" on regional radio. The real-life proposal jammed the phone lines and the fax ran out of paper.

Laura Nelson

Classroom Teacher