From the Principal’s Desk

Assembly
Congratulations to our Award winners. The following students received their:

**Bronze Award** – Will Vowels, Jett Wilson, Leath Readett,


Regional Athletics Carnival
We wish all our students who are competing in the Regional Carnival all the best for this Friday 29th August in Tamworth.

Father’s Day Stall
Year 6 will once again run a Father’s Day Stall this year. We will hold the stall on Thursday 4th September. Gifts will range in price from $2 - $10. If you would like to send your child/ren’s money in an envelope before this date, please send it to the front office.

The Great Aussie Bush Camp
Permission notes to the Great Aussie Bush Camp were sent home recently. Please return these notes as soon as possible with your $20 deposit. If your child is interested in attending and didn’t receive a note please contact the school office. If you would like more information about the camp it is available by looking up the following website: [www.bushcamp.com.au](http://www.bushcamp.com.au) or googling The Great Aussie Bush Camp, we are attending the camp in Tea Gardens. An information afternoon will be held next term.

Science Fair
Our annual Science Fair will be held on Thursday the 18th of September starting at 11:30. Our Kindergarten class is preparing a class experiment and other students will prepare their project at home.

Football Ban
All footballs and football games have been banned at school.
Steam Train
All seats have now been taken for the steam train ride on Friday 29th August. We do have a waiting list in case some students change their mind. All students who are attending this excursion will need to be at school ready to get on the bus at 8.45am. Children who are on the waiting list should be here ready to go, so if there is a spot due to illness or the athletics carnival, they can come with us. For those families on the waiting list wanting to take younger children, you will also need to be ready to leave immediately if a spot becomes available and we call you.

SpeakFest 2014
The Gunnedah and District Public Schools will be holding the inaugural ‘SpeakFest’ at Gunnedah Public School on Friday 5th September, 2014. Cost is $3.00 per student. Students can compete in the following categories:

1). Infant Section – Free Choice
Students may use a small prop e.g. book, toy, etc while speaking.
Infant Max time allowed – 1 minute

2). Prepared Speech – Year 3 to Year 6 – Free choice
Students may dress in costume or use a prop
Year 3 & 4 Max Time Allowed – 2 minutes
Year 5 & 6 Max Time Allowed – 3 minutes

3). Impromptu Speech – Year 3 to Year 6
Max Time Allowed – 45 seconds

Our students will be working on their speeches at school and may use these or write another speech at home. At this stage transport will be the responsibility of parents and carers.
If you would like your child to compete in this event please send the $3 entry fee into the front office.

Gunnedah Schools on Stage
We have 20 students who will be participating in the Schools on Stage production in Gunnedah. Mrs Bird has kindly volunteered her time to coach our students with their dance and song. There will be a matinee performance on Wednesday 10th September commencing at 12.30pm and the evening performance will be held on Thursday from 6.00pm to 9.00pm. Tickets are available from the Second Edition Bookshop at 276 Conadilly Street Gunnedah. Cost is $2.00 for students and $8.00 per adults.

Fruit and Veg Month Sculptures
Fruit and veg Month begins on 25th August until the 19th September, 2014.
Once again this year, we will be highlighting the importance of healthy eating. This will be looked at in more detail during Pd/H lessons.

To promote the variety of fruits and vegetables available, we are holding a, ‘Fruit and vegetable sculpture’ competition. Students are asked to use a variety of different fruits and vegetables to construct a sculpture and bring it to school on Friday 12th September. These will be displayed at our assembly held that morning. There will also be certificates and prizes awarded.
Join in the fun and enter our ‘Fruit and vegetable sculpture’ competition.
Active After School

Active After School activities are going well, Kinder to Year 2 participate in basketball on Wednesday from 3pm to 4pm and the Years 3 – 6 are doing Hip Hop on a Thursday from 3pm to 4.15pm. If your children would like to participate in the Active After School program, you are required to complete a Parent Consent Form. These are now available from the front office.

Have a great week.
Charna Wood
Principal

Up Coming Events

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Stewart House Hand Balls

Stewart House Hand balls are available for purchase for $3.00 from the front office. This is a wonderful opportunity that students from our school access every year. By purchasing these balls you are assisting the continuation of this very worthwhile program.

Community News

Busy Little Hands at Play

Busy Little Hands at Play will be held on 2nd & 16th September at 9.45am – 11.45am in the Smart Start room. For further enquires please phone 67923299.

BreastScreen

BreastScreen NSW Hunter New England’s mobile breast cancer screening unit is scheduled to commence screening in Boggabri, in the grounds of the Boggabri MPS, Oakham Street on Monday 8th September 2014. While the target group is women aged 50 to 74, appointments will also be available for women aged 40-49 and 75 years and over. Book your free breast screening mammogram. Call 13 20 50.

Legal Aid

A solicitor from Legal Aid will be attending Gunnedah and Narrabri on Wednesday 27 August, 2014 when he will be available to provide Family Law advice and assistance. Appointments are necessary and can be made by contacting this Legal Aid on 6766 6322.

Gunnedah and Surrounding Schools Proudly Invite You To A Matinee Performance Of SCHOOLS ON STAGE

Wednesday 10th September, 2014. Commencing at 12.30pm – 2pm. Gunnedah Town Hall
Tickets: $2.00 per student $8.00 per adult

Tickets available either at the door or the Second Edition Bookshop, 276 Conadilly Street, Gunnedah.