From the Principal’s Desk

Attendance

Please remember that attendance at school is mandatory and can only be excused in certain circumstances. There has been an increase in the number of students who are regularly arriving at school after the bell for no justifiable reason. These absences will be recorded as unjustified. Any students falling below 85% attendance rate (unjustified absences) will not be allowed to represent the school in any sporting and/or cultural events.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

MONDAY

Please ensure that students are wearing RED POLO SHIRTS OR DRESSES

School Assembly

Last Friday, Year 4/5 led our school assembly. Congratulations to the following students who received a Bronze Award at the assembly.

Swimming for Sport
Swimming for sport is each Friday for students in Year 4, 5 and 6. Students are to bring their swimmers, rash shirt, towel and sunscreen. Entry to the pool will be covered by the sporting school program.

Sporting Schools Swimming K-3
This term we will be in the utilising the Sporting Schools program by participating in water confidence, swimming lessons and stroke correction. Due to the pools opening times only K-3 students will be able to attend on Wednesday, the older students will continue to swim on Friday. Entry to the pool is covered by the sporting school program for all students.
Kindergarten – 1.30 – 2.00pm
Year 3 – 2.00 – 2.30pm
Year 1/2 P – 12.00 – 12.30pm
Year 1/2 C – 12.30 – 1.00pm
Students are to bring their swimmers, rash shirt, towel and sunscreen. Students do not need money.

School Fees Smarties to Year 6
School fees are now being received at the front office. They are voluntary but are greatly appreciated to assist the school in paying for supplies. Fees are $40 for the first child (smarties to year 6) and $10 for any additional children.

School Excursion Expression of Interest
We are asking for expression of interest for students in Years 4/5/6 to attend an excursion to the Gold Coast. Notes need to be returned to school by Friday 18th March.

PSSA Regional Swimming Carnival
Congratulations to all the students that represented Boggabri Public School at the PSSA Regional Swimming carnival last week in Armidale. You are all to be commended on your behaviour and sportsmanship.
Homework Club
Homework club is on each Monday. If you have indicated that your child will be attending homework club they will need to bring extra food for afternoon tea and their homework. Homework club will begin straight after school and students will need to be collected by 4pm. Mrs Wood will be running the homework club.

Year 6 Expression of Interest
Year 6 students have been given expression of interest forms for moving into year 7 in a NSW Government school in 2016. These forms need to be returned to the school office NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 18 MARCH 2016.

Student School Banking
Every Wednesday Student School Banking is held. New account forms are available from the school office.

Uniform
Thank you to all those students who were in the correct uniform today. The percentage of students in uniform was 99%. We would really like to make it to 100% so we can have our school party. Please remember that school shoes need to be plain black and socks plain navy or white. Notes will be sent home if students are not in uniform, requesting an explanation and offering assistance if required. If your child is not in school uniform for any reason please contact Mrs Wood or your class teacher.

Charna Wood
Principal

P&C
P&C AGM meeting
The P&C AGM meeting will be held tomorrow Tuesday 15th March commencing at 3.15pm. Everyone most welcome to attend.

Canteen Roster for this week
Tuesday 15th March – Cherie Tumbers
Wednesday 16th March – Smart Chef Menu Only
Thursday 17th March – Bec McMillan & Tammy Hodge
Friday 18th March – Charmaine Waters
Monday 21st March – Kylie Grace

Only the Smart Chef Menu is available on Wednesdays
NO NORMAL MENU

PSSA Trials
Gunnedah PSSA will hold trials for different sports during the year. If your child would like to attend these trials please write a permission note and hand it into the school office. Parents will need to provide transport and students are to be 8 years or older to attend.
Our school photos will be taken on Monday the 21st March 2016.

For the convenience of our school community, school photos can be ordered and paid for online using a secure online platform. Orders placed online DO NOT require an envelope, cash/cheques or paperwork returned to school.

Envelope Orders: photos can also be purchased in the traditional manner using an envelope, with cash/cheque enclosed.

The preference of our school is that orders and payments be made online, as this reduces the administration and associated security issues related to the return of cash & envelopes on photo day.

To place your order visit www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the code [ZKV 4CZ 6QQ]. This code can also be found printed on your envelope. Please be aware that:

1. Sibling/Family Photos can be ordered online or via envelope. To ensure a smoothly run photo day, online orders for Sibling/Family Photos will be cut off at 12.00 a.m. the night before our photo day to allow a list of students that require Sibling/Family Photographs taken to be compiled. Sibling photos can still be ordered after the online cut off date by collecting an envelope from the office and returning the envelope on photo day with your payment enclosed.
2. All online orders should be placed on or before our day of photography.
3. The online code above may also be used to order sports and other group photos.

All orders placed online will be delivered to the school for collection.

EASTER DISCO & EGG HUNT

The P&C will be holding an Easter Disco and Egg Hunt for all enrolled children (Smarties to Year 6) on Wednesday 23rd March. Siblings are welcome to attend as long as they are accompanied by a supervising adult. The night will begin with a sausage sizzle ($2) dinner at 6.30pm followed by the disco from 7pm to 8.15pm. The egg hunt ($4/child) will be carried out in year groups throughout the night and children are encouraged to bring a torch along. Costumes and hats are more than welcome but we have decided to forgo the usual parade and prizes this year and just focus on a fun night!! Drinks and snacks will be available from the canteen during the disco. As per usual, the doors to the hall will be locked during the disco and no children will be allowed to enter or leave. Any and all help would be appreciated, either on the night with supervision or in the form of donations of ‘easter themed’ goodies to sell or small hunting eggs to add to the hunt. Please return the attached BBQ order form by Monday 21st March.

Community News

Busy Little Hands at Play

Busy Little Hands at Play is held every second Tuesday of the month. Next session will be held Tuesday 22nd March at 10.00am-12noon in the Smart Start room. You can always check dates & times on Facebook –Busy Little Hands at Play. For more information Phone Kate 67923562 Tue & Fridays or email playgroup@ndcas.com

Boggabri Community Church

Kid’s Church is held at the Boggabri Community Church every Sunday at 9.00am during the school term. Children of all ages and their families are welcome. Each week we learn about God through games, stories, craft and song. The Community Church can be found at the corner of Dalton and Laidlaw Streets.
For more information please call: Sarah Cooper 6743 4337.

Spirit of Anzac

The Spirit of Anzac Centenary Experience is a FREE travelling exhibition that tells the story of Australia's involvement in the First World War and the ensuing century of service.
TAMWORTH REGIONAL ENTERTAINMENT CONFERENCE CENTRE
26 April - 1 May 2016
Open Daily from 9am - 6pm
Book your FREE tickets now at: www.spiritofanzac.gov.au
Boggabri Girl Guides
Girl Guides is held each Tuesday afternoon in the Tennis Club Hall.
5 years – 9 years  3.30pm – 4.30pm
10 years – 14 years  4.45pm – 6.00pm
For more information please contact Stephanie Hancock 0402 539 031.

Learn basic drills and skills playing Rugby with
the
Venue: Narrabri Rugby Club – Dangar Park
Date: 2 nights: Wednesday 30th March & 6th April
Time: 5.15 – 6.30pm
Age Groups: Boys & Girls 5-14 years
Under 6’s, Under 8’s, Under 10’s,
Under 12’s and Under 14’s
Cost: $10 per player
Free BBQ available
New players registering for the full season receive a Junior Blue Boar rugby bag, cap, water bottle & other merchandise.
2016 Full Season registration is $60
$55 for 2nd & 3rd family members
Enquiries: Jason Elms 0403 136 449
Amanda Goulden 0408 455 018

GUNNEDAH JUNIOR RUGBY
Come and Try Day
Friday 18th March, 2016
5pm – 7pm
Sausage Sizzle provided.
ALL NEW PLAYERS WELCOME
Under 6, 8, 10, 12 and 14’s
First Training Sessions:
Thursday 31st March 4pm – 5pm
Thursday 7th April 4pm – 5pm
Enquiries:
Matt Carter (President)
0428433525
Tim Walsh (Vice President)
0427256049

Good for Kids good for life
START THE DAY RIGHT WITH BREAKFAST
We’ve all heard that breakfast is the most important meal of the day and it’s true! Research has shown that children who eat breakfast before school have higher levels of concentration and are less likely to feel lethargic.
Below are some ideas for a nutritious breakfast:
- Wholegrain cereals such as Weetbix, Cheerios and Sultana Bran
- Untoasted muesli topped with low fat yoghurt
- Wholegrain toast topped with avocado, tomato or low fat cheese
- Raisin toast
- Fruit & vegetable smoothies

If you’re short on time, some quick ideas to send to school with your child includes:
- A tub of low fat yoghurt, cereal to munch such as fruity bites, breakfast drinks such as Up & Go or some fruit.

NSW Health Hunter New England Local Health District
PHONE 4924 6499
**WANT TO BE A BETTER READER? SIMPLY READ.**

If they start reading for 20 minutes per night in Kindergarten, by the end of 6th grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 school days, and Student C will have read for 3.

(May and Hanus, 1997)

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**What’s on in the SMART Chef kitchen this week………**

**WEDNESDAY 16/03/2016**

**Morning Tea**

Raspberry Muffins - $1.00 ea

**LUNCH**

Apricot pork hot pot - $3.50

**THURSDAY 17/03/2016**

**Morning Tea**

Choc Raspberry brownies - $1.00 ea

**LUNCH**

Creamy ham and mushroom pasta - $3.50