A reminder that parents are always welcome in the school whether to assist with school programs or to speak with teachers. If you would like to know how to best assist your child’s education just contact the teacher of your choice or the school office on 63741622.

**This Week**

“Kindy Kapers” Weeks 3 – 6 Monday Tuesday & Wednesdays 1.00 -3.00

**Coming Up**

Joffa’s “Toon School” Monday November 10 $3 each  
Prefect’s Speeches & Elections Friday November 14  
Swimming School November 17 -28  
Ten Dollar Circus “Under the Stars” Saturday 29 November (permission notes required)  
Christmas Disco Thursday 4 December  
Year 6 Farewell Wednesday 10 December  
Presentation day Tuesday 16 December

**Principal’s Message**

**Condolences:**

To: Alison Morrissey and her extended family regarding the tragic accident to grandson Jayden on the weekend.

**Congratulations**

To: staff students, parents for the terrific ZooSnooz excursions for Stage 2 last week. How exciting to see the new baby giraffe and then the cheetahs devouring an unfortunate rabbit which strayed into their pen.

To: staff students, parents and Red Hill staff for the great Bird Camp at Dunns Swamp. We spotted around 30 of our bird list and had a great time walking, swimming and canoeing.

**Thank You**

To: staff, students and parents who assisted with Street Feast at Rylstone on Saturday.

To: those parents who have returned their School Culture Survey. There are still more than 50% out there – please return them ASAP.

**Enrolments for 2015**

Enrolment forms for Kindergarten 2015 are now available at the school office. Enrolment with our school for 2015 in any grade from Kindergarten to Year 6 can be made at the school office at anytime. Please contact the school office on 63741622 if more information about our school is required

**Kindergarten 2015**

The 2015 Kindergarten Programs will continue with Kindy Kapers starting this week. Bookings are essential. Contact the School Office on 63741622 for more information.
Selective High School Year 7 in 2016
Application by current Year 5 students for entry in 2016 are now open.

Go to [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement). Read the application information and submit an application online. Parents without internet access can apply at a public library or contact the school for advice. If parents have a disability and cannot use a computer they can contact the High Performing Student Unit on 1300 880 367 or contact the school for advice.

Applications close on 17 November 2014. No late applications will be accepted.

The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on 12 March 2015.

School Self Evaluation Program
Each year the school evaluates its programs and processes. The usual manner of gathering information is through surveys to parents, staff and students.

This year the major areas for evaluation include School Culture and English.

Surveys will be sent home in the next few weeks. Please assist the school by completing and returning the surveys ASAP.

No names are attached to the surveys so you may be quite frank in your comments.

P&C News
P&C meets on the first Wednesday each month at 5.30pm in the Staffroom. The next meeting is Wednesday November 5th at 5.30 in the Staffroom.

The minutes of each P&C Meeting are posted on the school’s website.

School Web Site
The Gulgong Public School Web Site is at the following address:


Alan Walker
Principal

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STARS OF THE WEEK
1G – Jayden
2L – Sanaya

CANTEEN CORNER
Halloween week went well and we thank Jenny Ringsing for coming in and making the cupcakes.

Volunteers are always sought so if you can spare any time in the canteen it would be greatly appreciated. Please call the canteen on 0263741060 if you are able to volunteer your time.

If you have borrowed any Horse Sports Gear, could you please return to the school ASAP. Thank you.
THIS WEEK’S VIRTUE:
JUSTICE

What is Justice?
Practicing justice is being fair in everything you do. It is seeing with your own eyes and not judging something or someone by what other people tell you. Being just is standing up for your rights and the rights of other people. It is taking responsibility if you make a mistake and making amends. Justice means that every person’s rights are protected.

Why Practice It?
Without justice, people get away with hurting or taking advantage of others and keep on doing it. Without justice, the world can be a cruel and dangerous place. People are judged by their gender, race or religion. When justice is practiced, everyone has a fair chance to be seen for who they are. If someone is accused of something, they get a chance to tell their side. With justice, everyone gets a fair share.

How Do You Practice It?
If someone is hurting you, it is just to stop them. It is never just for strong people to hurt weaker people. If you hurt someone else, fix the problem by making amends. Investigate the truth for yourself instead of listening to others. Instead of prejudging, see people as individuals. Don’t accept it when someone acts like a bully, cheats or lies. Being a champion for justice takes courage. Sometimes when you stand for justice, you stand alone.

Affirmation
“I act with justice. I stand up for the rights of others and myself. I have no need to pretend or defend. I choose to make amends.”

SPORT
Years – K – 1 - have commenced swimming for Sport on a THURSDAY (week 2 – week 6).
Years 2 – 6 – have commenced on a WEDNESDAY (week 2 – week 6).
Please have the Permission Note returned to their class teacher ASAP.

This week’s “Keys to Success”
ORGANISATION
What do we say to reward and encourage organisation?
- “You are organised.”
- “Doesn’t it feel good to be organised!”
- “Being organised is helping you to be successful!”
- “You really planned well.”
- “You really focused on getting your work in on time.”
- “I bet it makes school easier when you have everything ready.”
- You are really keeping your backpack clean and neat.”
- “I can see that you are planning ahead so that you don’t rush your work at the last minute.”
- “When you are prepared, you can do a good job.”
- “You planned well! You finished on time.”
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