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**

Swimming School continues this week

**Coming Up**

CLC Awards Dinner Friday November 28
Ten Dollar Circus “Cinema Under the Stars” Saturday 29 November
Christmas Disco Thursday 4 December
Year 6 Farewell Wednesday 10 December
Presentation Day Tuesday 16 December
Last Day Wednesday 17 December – Pool Party
First Day back in 2015 Thursday January 29

**Principal’s Message**

**Congratulations**

To: the Paparazzi Team who won several prizes in the “My Country Photo” Competition at Hargraves on Sunday.

1st prize U/16 Ella Hawkins
2nd prize U/16 Jack Egan
3rd Prize U/16 Hayley Mullette
4th Prize U/16 Mark Germon
Special Award – “Guest Choice” Hayley Mullette
2nd Prize U/12 Aiden Barnes

**Thank You**

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

**Consultation Survey**

In order to assist our planning for the next three years I need parent and community ideas. This week I have attached to the newsletter a one-page “Consultation Survey” which will give me some feedback about our school’s operation. Your opinions and ideas are valued. Please take the time to respond ASAP.

**Ten Dollar Circus**

The Ten Dollar Circus has been booked for a variety of jobs coming up. It is very pleasing to see the high level of community involvement of our students, parents and staff in a wide variety of community and charity events. Many thanks to parents, staff and students for help with community events.

Coming up:

- **Saturday November 29** – “Cinema Under the Stars” Glen Willow Mudgee 5.00-6.00pm
- **Saturday December 13** – Gulgong Christmas Party in ANZAC Park
- **Saturday Sunday December 27-28** Folk Festival TBA
Notes with specific details about these events have sent home. Many thanks in anticipation of your support in getting your children along to these events, especially on the weekends.

**Presentation Day**
This year’s Presentation Day will be held in the high school gym on Tuesday December 16 and will be one event, K-6. Estimated duration is around 90 -100 minutes and we will commence around 11.00am.

**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.

If you know of anyone thinking about enrolling at our school or leaving our school please encourage them to contact us ASAP so our planning can be more effective.

**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.

The Literacy and Numeracy Survey will be sent home today. 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 December 3rd and will be the Christmas Party. Venue TBA

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

**Canteen**
The Canteen operates on a volunteer basis under Managers Tina Doherty & Maree Papworth. More volunteers are always sought. If you can spare any time to help in the canteen just contact Tina or Maree on 63 741060. You can also just walk in and make yourself known at any time.

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**School Web Site**
The Gulgong Public School Web Site is at the following address:  
www.gulgong-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

**Alan Walker**
Principal

**SCHOOL NEWS**

**Healthy Bites**
Strawberry fruit bars

**Ingredients:**
- 200g dried strawberries
- 50g pitted dates
- 80g desiccated coconut

**Method:**
Place everything into food processor and blitz on high speed until combined. Line a small loaf tin with baking paper. Spoon mixture in and smooth out using the back of a glass that has been covered with a little baking paper to avoid sticking. Refrigerate for 1 hour. Remove from tin and slice into 10-12 bar shapes.

Store in an airtight container in the fridge.

*Daphne Brooks from the P&C*
THIS WEEK’S VIRTUE:

HONOR

What is Honor?
Honor is living with a sense of respect for what you believe is right. It is living by the virtues, showing great respect for yourself, other people, and the rules you live by. When you are honorable, you don’t have to feel ashamed of who you are or what you are doing. You are worthy of respect. You set a good example.

Why Practice It?
Without honor, people act disrespectfully and do things which make them and others feel ashamed. They just do what they want without caring about the virtues or whether it is right or wrong. When someone is honorable, other people trust them to do what is right. Their word of honor means they will do exactly what they promise. People respect and look up to someone who is honorable.

How Do You Practice It?
When you act with honor, you do the right thing regardless of what others are doing. You keep your promises, without anyone reminding or nagging you. You honor your elders by speaking respectfully to them. You honor yourself by being your best, practicing your virtues every day. When you act with honor, you set a good example, not to be admired, but just because it is the right thing to do.

Affirmation
“I am honorable. I keep my agreements and treat others with respect. I live by the virtues. I care about doing the right thing.”

This week’s “Keys to Success”

GETTING ALONG

How can I get along with others?

- Work well with classmates
- Take turns
- Listen when someone is talking
- Respect important school rules
- Help someone with their work
- When faced with a problem, talk rather than fight
- Share things with others
- Include someone in a group activity or a game
- Be kind and courteous to teachers, classmates and parents
- Help others in need
- Be sensitive to the feelings of others
- Tell the truth
- Do things to make the community a better place to live and learn

Community Announcements

Mudgee Girl Guides invite you to
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