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
Rugby League trials will be held in Mudgee this Friday.

Principal’s Message
I have had a busy week filling in the role as Principal while Mr Walker has been on leave.

I am asking students and parents to talk about bullying and the effects it can have on a child’s life. I encourage students at Gulgong Public School to have a positive learning environment and I will not tolerate any students who consistently disrupt others from having the opportunity to learn.

Thank You:
To: K-2 teachers and support staff for holding very successful parent / teacher interviews. Special thank you to those parents who also attended the information sessions prior to the interviews.

Thank you to the students, staff and parents for attending the markets on Saturday.

To: Mrs Leotta, staff, parent helpers and students for an excellent Senior Citizen’s Day last week.

ANZAC Day
ANZAC Day will be during the holidays this year. Students are invited to attend the town march on ANZAC Day. Meet Mr Walker at the Fire Station at around 10.00am.

In full school uniform winter/summer depending on the weather.
Our school ANZAC ceremony will be on Wednesday April 30; the first week after the holidays.

**Congratulations**
Congratulation to the boy’s cricket team on a very successful game vs Dunedoo. Special mention to Emma and Michelle for cooking the BBQ.

**Easter Hat Parade**
This year’s Easter Hat Parade will be on Thursday April 10 starting at 12 noon. The children will make their hats at school again this year. Teachers may send home notes with details for each class.

Parents please bring along a picnic lunch to have with your child/children once the parade has finished.

Many thanks in anticipation of your assistance with this fun event.

**Easter Egg Raffle**
Over the next few weeks, our school students will be holding a fundraising Easter Raffle.

We would appreciate donations of Easter eggs etc for this raffle.

Tickets have been sent home and each family will be asked to sell 10 raffle tickets at $1 each.

Could you please leave donations at the front office or with your child’s teacher.

Many thanks for your help.

**P&C News**
P&C meets on the first Wednesday each month at 5.30pm in the Staffroom. The next meeting is Wednesday April 2nd at 5.30 in the “Gingerbread House”.

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

**Canteen**
The Canteen operates on a volunteer basis under Manager Julie Shearer and Tina Doherty. More volunteers are always sought. If you can spare any time to help in the canteen just contact the canteen on 63 741060.

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**Entry to the School**
At 9.25 the Nandoura Street gate will be locked so all visitors and late-comers will need to enter via the front Belmore Street gate and report to the office.

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

Please feel free to visit the site for information and photos of activities going on in our school for and with your children. There is a wealth of information about programs, policies and activities at the school.

**Steven Haney**
Relieving Principal

**SCHOOL NEWS**

**Year 6 Moving into Year 7- 2015**
Please complete this form and return to school as soon as possible.

Thank you to all helpers and those who helped with supplying morning tea.

**School Contributions Fees**
Your school contributions are a vital part of our school’s endeavour to provide equitable resources for your children.

If fees are paid in full during Term 1 your contribution will be reduced to $30.00 per student.

**Update of School Records**
We are seeking to update our school records of family information such as addresses, phone numbers, emergency contacts etc. Please ensure that any relevant changes to family or student information is passed on to the school if it concerns the care and education of your children. I'm sure that you can appreciate the need for us to have accurate and up-to-date information. Updated information is vital for our
contact with you. Many thanks for your anticipated cooperation.

THIS WEEK’S VIRTUE:
ASSERTIVENESS

What is Assertiveness?
Being assertive means being positive and confident. It begins by being aware that you are a worthy person with your own special gifts. When you are assertive you think for yourself and ask for what you need. You have the confidence to tell the truth about what is just.

Why Practice It?
Without assertiveness, we would be passive, allowing others to bully us or lead us into trouble. We would have a hard time saying no. We would be afraid to tell if someone is hurting us. Without assertiveness, we might be too aggressive, bullying, fighting or trying to control others. When we are assertive, others respect us and we respect others. We stand up for what is right.

How Do You Practice It?
When you are assertive, you are your own leader. You stand up and speak out. You don’t accept unfair or hurtful treatment. You set boundaries about what you will and will not do, and get help when you need it. You share your true feelings - tactfully. You express your one-of-a-kind ideas, opinions and talents. You make a difference in the world in your own special way.

“Affirmation”

I am assertive. I think for myself and do what I feel is right. I am my own leader. I expect respect at all times. I freely express my own ideas.

P & C Fundraiser
Our P & C are helping to raise money for the air conditioning in the school canteen.

Stickybeaks lunch bags can be used as everyday lunch boxes or as lunch order bags.

2 sizes are available:

Small $10.50
Large: $12.50

Sample lunch bags are at the school office.

COMMUNITY EVENTS
Gulgong Mini Hoops (Basketball)
When: Registration Day – Tuesday 8th April, 2014.
Where: Gulgong High School Gym
Time: 3.30 – 4.30pm
Season commencing Term 2 running through to the end of Term 3.
Games will be held on Tuesdays from 4.00 – 5.00pm
For more information phone: Sonya Hamson -0417 407 877
Ages: Kinder – Year 6.

After School or School Tutoring/Childcare
Do you require after School or School Holiday Tutoring or Childcare in your own home?
Please contact Lisa Byfield on 63759 240 to discuss your after School Tuition/childcare needs.

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