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## **Term 1 Week 9 Newsletter**

### **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

As we approach the end of this term, I would like to take a moment to reflect on our recent Harmony Day celebrations. It was truly a cooperative and colourful event that showcased the acceptance and diversity within our school community. Thank you to everyone who participated and made the day so special. With Easter just around the corner, I would like to remind everyone to please donate any chocolate eggs or return your raffle tickets to support our school initiatives. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and makes a significant difference. As the weather cools down, please remember to bring a jumper to school to stay warm. It's important that our students are comfortable as we continue with our learning activities. I also want to encourage everyone to read every day at home. Reading is a vital part of our students' development, and your support at home is invaluable. Additionally, we welcome reading volunteers to join us at school every day at 9am. If you are interested in helping out, please contact the office. Thank you for your continued support, and let's make every week count.

Warm regards,

Gina Baker

Relieving School Principal

### **EASTER HATS**

Please send in Easter hat decorations as soon as possible. We are creating our Easter hats next week.



### **EASTER RAFFLE**



Thank you to the families who have donated some Easter raffle items. The office is still collecting donations. Raffle tickets went home last week; please contact the office for more tickets to sell if needed.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

<b>March 28th</b>	Food Bank 'Food Fight' - plain clothes
<b>April 1st</b>	Principal's Award Assembly at 12:45pm in the school hall
<b>April 9th</b>	Easter Hat Parade 12:30pm under the COLA
<b>April 11th</b>	Last day of Term 1
<b>April 25th</b>	ANZAC Day service at Gilgai and school leaders also attend the Inverell ANZAC Day ceremony and luncheon
<b>April 30th</b>	First day of Term 2

### **FOOD BANK FOOD FIGHT**

This Friday 28th March, students are to wear plain clothes that can get dirty, and bring another outfit to change into after the messy Food Fight. Sunglasses or goggles can be worn on the day. Parents, carers and family friends are invited to attend on the day and we may need some volunteers helpers to assist also.



### **READING VOLUNTEERS**

If you are interested in becoming a 'reading buddy', please contact the office and drop in a copy of your working with children check. Come as soon as we have your working with children check, at 9am. Thank you to all volunteers who have registered an interest.

### **CONTACT THE SCHOOL**

If you have any concerns about your child or school related issues, contact the office to make an appointment to talk to school staff. Together we can find a solution or ask for further assistance.

### **THANK YOU MRS BAKER**



A special thank you to Mrs Baker for being our relieving principal for over two years. She has made many positive changes to Gilgai Public School; her commitment and dedication towards our students, staff and school community is highly appreciated.

## **GILGAI PUBLIC SCHOOL P AND C MEETING**

The next P and C meeting is Tuesday 25th March at 3:30pm in the school staffroom. This will be an Annual General Meeting where all positions will become available. Come and vote and see the amazing work the P and C carry out while working alongside school staff.



## **CONTAINERS AND SPOONS**

We kindly ask that you please pack food in containers or packages that your child can easily open by themselves. This will help ensure that they can access their snacks and lunch without needing to wait for assistance from the teacher on duty. If a yoghurt or tinned fruit is in a lunch box, please add a spoon. Thank you for your cooperation and support in fostering independence in our students.

## **NAMES ON CLOTHING**

To help ensure that our students' clothing items, such as jumpers, are returned home, please make sure to label your child's name on all their clothing.

## **GILGAI PUBLIC P & C SCHOOL CANTEEN**

Thanks to Molly and her team of helpers from the P & C for creating yummy lunches for Gilgai Public School every Friday. There is an app for parents/carers to order lunch and uniforms online. When you go onto the app, go to Gilgai Public School. There is a transaction charge added on to online orders. You can still order lunches using the brown bag system and cash through our school office.

### **Canteen Menu**

Sausage Roll	\$4.00
Meat Pie	\$5.00
Cheese & Bacon Pie	\$6.00
Pizza Ham & Pineapple	\$4.00
Chicken Burger	\$5.00
Ham & Cheese Toastie	\$3.00
Popper	\$1.50
Nippy's Flavoured Milk	\$2.50



If paying at the office, please have your order in a bag with your child's name and class on the bag and the correct change. No money is held at the office.

**School Uniforms** can be ordered through the app and collected on Fridays when the P and C are in to do lunches.

## **HARMONY DAY- RESPECT, UNDERSTANDING AND BELONGING**



## **SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

### **Gilgai Public School Newsletter Preference Slip**

If you would like to continue receiving a printed copy of the school newsletter, please fill out the slip below and return it to the office.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, would like to keep receiving a printed version of Gilgai Public School's Newsletter.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_