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Term 2 Week 7 Newsletter

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As we head into another fortnight at Gilgai Public School, I am looking forward to a continuation of the positivity and focus on effective student learning opportunities.



Congratulations to Lacey, Seth, Rhyley, and Will, who represented our school at the Zone Cross Country in Bingara. Although they did not advance to the next level, we are super proud of their achievements.

This week, our primary students are competing in Small Schools Knockout events for soccer and netball. We wish them the best of luck!

Looking ahead, we have the Small Schools Athletics Carnival on June 26th. Students will have the opportunity to participate in some practise sessions in the lead up to this event. This will assist them to understand the event expectations before the carnival date.

We thank our enthusiastic P&C who are catering for this event. Lunch order forms went home last week. Please return these with the required money by the expected date. If you as a parent wish to order food add this to your child's order form. This will ensure you are catered for as well.

This year, to recognise NAIDOC Week, our classes have created artworks that have been entered into the Sapphire Community of Schools NAIDOC Week Art Competition. The 2025 theme for NAIDOC Week is *"The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy"*. Artworks will be displayed at the Inverell Shire Library. The official opening of this event is Thursday 26th June, and all students and parents are invited to attend. As NAIDOC Week falls in the first week of the school holidays, staff and parents are working together to plan activities for Week 10 to recognise this significant week on the national calendar.

Our staff are currently working on Semester One student reports which will be issued to parents at the end of this term. The template and language used has been

simplified to make the reports more parent friendly. Parent teacher interviews will be held in Term 3. This will provide parents the opportunity to further discuss their child's progress with their class teacher.

Thank you to the parents and carers who provided feedback to the survey sent out earlier this term. Please know I have collated this information and will use this for future school planning. I do pride myself on being open to suggestions so if you didn't get a chance to complete the survey and have some ideas, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

As we move into the colder weather, please ensure your child has a jumper or jacket to stay warm. It's also important to label their clothing so it can be returned if left behind.

I am looking excited to see what the next fortnight brings for Gilgai Public School!!

Melinda Partridge

Principal



IMPORTANT DATES

11/6 Smalls Schools Soccer & Netball Knockout
19/6 Small Schools Soccer @ Barraba
25/6 Principal Assembly
26/6 Small Schools Athletics Carnival
29/6 IHS Year 6-7 Information Session
3/7 End of semester reports issued
4/7 End of Term
21/7 Staff Development Day
22/7 Students return for Term 3
28/7 to 1/8 Book Fair
30/7 Book Week Dress Up
4/8 to 8/8 Education Week
12/8 100 days of Kindergarten

DON'T FORGET CANTEEN OPERATES EVERY TUESDAY AND FRIDAY



Canteen's opening an extra day!

Gilgai Public School and P&C are happy to announce the canteen will now run Tuesday and Friday each week. This will begin Tuesday the 3rd of June 2025. Flexi school online ordering options will now be available for both days.

Please ensure you carefully select the correct day to avoid any orders getting missed.

Menu- 🍴

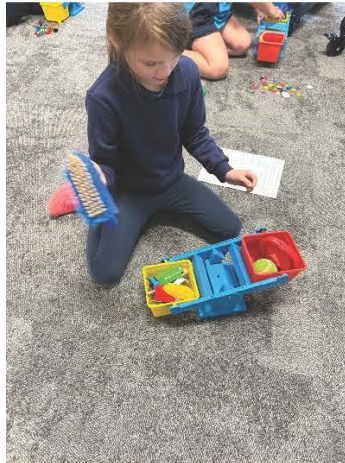
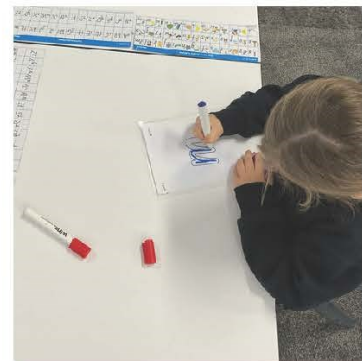
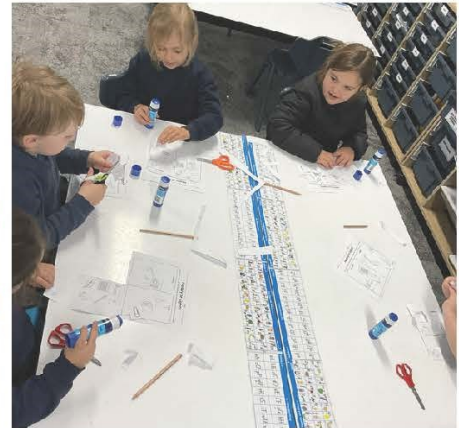
Chicken burger	\$5.00
Cheese & bacon pie	\$6.00
Plain pie	\$5.00
Pizza	\$4.00
Sausage roll	\$4.00
Ham & cheese toastie	\$3.00
Strawberry milk	\$2.50
Chocolate milk	\$2.50
Sunshine popper	\$1.50
Tropical popper	\$1.50
Zooper dooper	\$0.50
Tomato and BBQ sauce	\$0.20



Infants Spotlight

English

Over the past week, K/1 have been learning all about the letters 'm' and 's'. They have engaged in a range of activities to investigate these letters and the sounds they make. K/1 would love to share their learning with you at home by talking about words that start with these letters.



Maths

Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 have all been focusing on mass.

Students in Kindergarten were introduced to 'hefting' where they held a collection of items to determine which was heavier. Year 1 and 2 used an equal-arm balance to compare the weight of items around the classroom.

Sport

This term, K/1/2 have been focusing on improving their skipping skills. Students' confidence in their abilities has been improving and they have all shown persistence in continuing to do their best without giving up.



Art

Over the last three weeks, K/1/2 have been completing an artwork to enter into the 2025 Sapphire Community of Schools NAIDOC Week Art Competition.

The theme for this year is 'The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy'. K/1/2 completed this artwork using their hands to represent themselves as young leaders working together. The dots around the hands show their bright vision for the future. The symbols around the outside of the artwork acknowledges the legacy of their ancestors.

We had a lot of fun creating our class painting, with every student contributing to the artwork.