IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER!!!!

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| Friday 21st March     | CRAZY HAIR DAY!!
|                       | Gold coin donation                                    |
| Friday 21st March     | CAPA Assembly - 2pm
|                       | Greatest shave - Mrs Harris gets shaved               |

Dear Parents

What a wonderful night we all had on Saturday night at the Bush Dance!

Thank you so much, parents, for your wonderful organisation and hard work. The kids’ games were great fun, the horse managed to “poo” on cue, the food was great and the band and cakes were phenomenal! Thank you so much!

Sue Kominek

BIRTHDAYS

Ella - Today 18th March
Henry - Wednesday 19th March
Brodie - Sunday 23rd March

MATHS & HANDWRITING BOOKS

We’ve all started using our Maths and Handwriting books in class. Invoices have gone home and we’d appreciate payment for them. The cost is $30 per child. Thank you so much to the people that have already paid.
International (ICAS) Competition: Yrs 3-6

The annual ICAS Competitions are just around the corner. I encourage everyone in Years 3-6 to “have a go”.

The competitions are expensive, but we generally do extremely well and the children experience another type of assessment.

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ALL ENTRIES AND PAYMENT TO SCHOOL BY WEDNESDAY 2ND APRIL

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Each Departmentally recognised religion is allowed to take their children for religious instruction for 1/2 hour per week. This is incredibly disruptive because we have to have a teacher with that group of children. This kind of instruction is also very divisive in our lovely, little school community. As a result, the school organises a couple of blocks of Christian religious lessons each year prior to the Easter and Christmas holidays. It means our classes aren’t fragmented nor causing division. Of course you may withdraw your children during these sessions. We timetable lessons from 9am-10am so you could bring your children later if you wish.

CAPA ASSEMBLY

21st March at 2pm

Ensure you put this on your calendar. On 21st March we’ll be having a special assembly to mark the end of our first cycle of CAPA (Creative And Performing Arts). We’ll be starting earlier than usual (at 2pm) because all the classes will be performing.

Kinder: Drama
3/4: Marimba Band
1/2: Craft
5/6: Circus skills

Don’t forget Mrs Harris is shaving her hair at the end of assembly in aid of the Leukaemia Foundation.

Online Educational Program

Each year our school subscribes to 3 excellent online educational programs. It costs the school about $4,500 per year, but it means that your child can use the programs at home. The programs are “Mathletics”, “Spellodrome” and “Reading Eggs” (K-2) or “Reading Eggsspress” (Yrs 3-6).

Please encourage your child to use these programs at home. If your child doesn’t remember their sign on, make sure you get it from their teacher.
Before School Care
Before school care is now open and places are still available.
Operating hours are 7.00am—8.30am.
Please contact Elissa at gundaroogosh@gmail.com

Gundaroo Social Soccer
Registration Day: Saturday 5th April
$35 per player ($60 cap per family)
Registration at 9.00am
All ages welcome!
Saturday games @ 10.00am

Bush Dance and Bake Off!
What fantastic fun did we all have at the Bush Dance on Saturday night. A big thankyou to the helpers and organizing team that made the event run so smoothly.
To all who baked the most wonderful array of sweet and savoury delights, Thankyou for your contribution.
A special mention also to the many businesses that donated goods to raffle or give away as prizes.

Yass Firewood Supplies
Poacher’s Pantry
Leanne Percival Pottery
Gundaroo Grocer
Dickson Butchery
The Cake Lady

Jenny Thorne
Cec Burgess
Jimmy Finn
Roger Meischke
National Zoo & Aquarium
Wrapped Wonder’s

Garden club news
We have had our first three tomatoes ripen and more will be on the way soon. This week we will be doing some odd jobs around the garden. If anyone has something that will protect our plants from the frost they would be greatly appreciated, just contact Imogene or Taylor in the school yard. Thankyou, again to all the wonderful people that have donated pots and seeds.

Imogene and Taylor

BOOK CLUB
DUE TOMORROW
WEDNESDAY 19TH MARCH

HOT LUNCHES
Unfortunately the school staff is extremely busy at lunch time. One is on First Aid, one is on duty one is doing guitar, one is doing band and the last one is about to go out on duty. It is really quite unmanageable for us to heat lunches because each of the 82 think they’re the only one. A thermos flask is a good way to overcome this. Thanks for your help.

LUNCH ORDERS
Please have all lunch orders in a paper bag, clearly marked with name and order and placed in the basket at the office by 9.00am.
Meeting notice:
First meeting to start organising our fabulous Quiz Night for 2014 this Thursday, 20 March at 7.30pm at Liz Harris’s house, 18 Lind Street. We welcome anyone who is interested in helping with this great fundraising event. Contact Liza Davis on 0418 164 231 for more information or just show up at the meeting on Thursday.

Save the date:
Quiz Night will be held on Saturday 31 May 2014.

Prize donations:
If you are able to donate a prize to this important school fundraising event, please get in contact with Liza Davis on 6236 8885 or 0418 164 231. All businesses and individuals who donate a prize receive a certificate and letter of thanks. The details of businesses and individuals who donate are also publicised in the school newsletter and Gundaroo Gazette.

If you know someone who runs a business and may be able to donate a prize to the Quiz Night, please approach them on behalf of Gundaroo Public School. A letter will soon be distributed that can be provided to businesses and explains about the Quiz Night and the school’s fundraising activities.
APPROX. 2014 COSTS FOR THE YEAR

Term 1

AIS School Swimming Carnival (3-6) $5.00
AIS District School Swimming Carnival (selected 3-6) $7.00
History Excursion (3-6) $10.00
Textbooks K-6 $30.00
ICAS tests (all) (3-6) $60.00

Term 2

Musica Viva Concert $8.00
Choral festival Bus (3-6) $20.00
Gymnastics (K-6) $20.00
Leadership Course (Yr6) $15.00
District Cross Country (selected 3-6) $5.00

Term 3

Camp Mogo (5&6) $260.00
Dance (K-6) $20.00
District Athletics (selected 3-6) $5.00
Performing Arts buses $20.00
Book Week Excursion (K-2) $10.00

Term 4

Musica Viva Concert $8.00
Swim School (K-6) $110.00
Year 6 Farewell (3-6) $10.00
Dear Parents

Yrs 3-6 are invited on a Special History Excursion to Bungendore on Thursday 20th March. A special tour has been arranged from the State Library to study early British colonisation. We have been most fortunate in being invited. Travel is by bus, and the cost is $10.00.

Sue Kominek

________________________________________________________
I give my child/ren permission to attend the history Excursion to Bungendore on Thursday 20th March, leaving school at 8.45am SHARP and returning by approximately 12.00am. I understand travel is by bus.

☐ I enclose ________________________ ($10.00 per child to attend the excursion.)

Signed: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________
Dear Year 3-6 Parents
Should you wish your child to enter, we would like payments by **Wednesday, 2nd April.**
We encourage as many children as possible to enter these competitions as they provide a totally different type of experience for them. We also sometimes get a very pleasant surprise when some children win an award.

These are the dates for sitting the tests and related costs:
- **Computer Skills:** 20th May $8
- **Science:** 4th June $8
- **Writing:** 16th June $17
- **Spelling:** 17th June $11
- **English:** 29th July $8
- **Maths:** 12th August $8

Yours in anticipation,

Sue Kominek

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**Please return to school by Wednesday, 2nd April**

*International Competition & Assessment – Yrs 3-6*

Yes, my child ___________________ of Year ___ would like to sit for the:

- [ ] Science Competition $8.00
- [ ] English Competition $8.00
- [ ] Maths Competition $8.00
- [ ] Computer Competition $8.00
- [ ] Writing Competition $17.00
- [ ] Spelling Competition $11.00

Total cost of all competitions - $60 per student
(Cheques payable to Gundaroo Public School please)

I enclose $____

Signed: ____________________________________________
Crazy Hair Day

on the 21\textsuperscript{st} of March at school

Bring a gold coin donation to go towards Leukaemia Foundation.

For another gold coin donation you can get your hair coloured by Stella and Bree.
GOSH are currently reviewing the GOSH newsletter and we would like your help. Can you please complete our very short survey by clicking this link https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/TT3S63R

From the GOSH Room

The children are absolutely loving their Friday afternoon dance lessons. There are still some places available and the cost is only $10 if you pick your children up by 4:30pm (this includes afternoon tea).

From The GOSH Kitchen

**THIS WEEK’S MENU**

- Fruit and Veggie Platter Served Every Day
- Monday – Cabanossi/Cheese/Crackers
- Tuesday – Fruit/Jelly/Custard
- Wednesday – Brownies/Milk
- Thursday – Party Pies/Spring Rolls
- Friday – Scones with jam and cream

**CASUAL STAFF REQUIRED**

GOSH are currently seeking casual staff. GOSH operates from 3pm to 6pm Monday to Friday (except school and public holidays). Staff are required to hold a current Senior First Aid Certificate and will need to undertake a Working with Vulnerable People Check. If you are interested in part time work with GOSH, please contact Elissa or Nicky at gundaroogosh@gmail.com or pop into the GOSH room for a chat with Keryn or Bev.