



Gillwinga Public School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Over the past few weeks teachers have been busily assessing and reporting on the students in their classes. The reports will be sent home this Friday, 18th June. Information in regards to parent teacher interviews was sent home last week and many parents have already arranged an interview time with their child's class teacher. We thank them for their commitment to ensuring the education of their child is a shared partnership between home and school. We encourage all parents to make an interview time with the class teacher; however if the specific date does not suit please don't hesitate to contact the school to arrange a mutually convenient time. Following are interview dates:

Mon 21st June – Ms Cross (2C)

Tues 22nd June – Mr White 5/6W

Mrs Perl & Mrs Wyborn (K)

Mr Cavanagh (3/4C)

Wed 23rd June – Mrs Brookes & Miss Watters (3/4W)

Mrs Baker (5/6B)

Thurs 24th June – Mrs Carrigan (1C)

Handball Championship

Our students really shape up when it comes to handball and this was most evident at the recent Clarence Valley Council handball championships. With six of our children competing, five of them made it through to the finals. With excitement plus, they displayed great hand eye coordination, diving as the balls flew fast and low. At the end of the day we were extremely proud of their achievements with Brooke Lilley, Josh Tajber, Megan Tillman and Jesse Ross placed in the top three in the finals with each awarded a

consolation prize. Matt Vermeulen Smith and Isaiah Thornton both fought hard, playing with great determination and sportsmanship. Our thanks are extended to Clarence Valley Council and Tim Shearer for organising such a wonderful day.



School Photos

Please be reminded that school photos will be taken on Thursday, 17th June. All envelopes need to be returned by this day. Please ensure that your child/children are dressed in full school uniform.

Bronze Award winners: Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded a bronze award through our welfare and discipline system: Joseph Skinner, Letisha Stirling and Matisse Morrissey



Kind Regards
Colette Abrahall

REMINDERS

Life Education NSW is returning to our school on the 22nd of June. The cost to attend this valuable program is \$6.50; however the cost is included with the school fees if they have already been paid. Please return the tear off slip below with the money if you wish your child to attend and the school fees have not yet been paid.

The Leaping Loonies

These two larrikins will be performing at school this Friday 18th June. All students who have paid their Term 2 school fees will be attending. If you have not paid the fees and would like your child/children to attend the cost will be \$5.50. Please return the note and cost to the school by this date if you wish your child/children to attend.

If term 2 fees of \$12.50 have been paid there will be no cost to attend either of these shows. We thank the many parents who have already paid.

Gymnastics Program

This program was very popular with students last year and the opportunity is again offered to students during Term 3. The P&C's generous contribution of 50% of the normal cost has reduced the cost to \$17 per student for the 9 week program. The two payment options available are:

1. The total \$17 per student up front
2. Pay in two 5 weekly instalments of \$8.50 per student

Writer of the Week: Jaiden Berry
Tables champion of the Week: Madison Beilby



Week 8 weekly award winners: Shayla Holloway, Ryan Fallon, Reese Russell, Zye Smith, Kathryn Boyd-Skinner, Jessica Cooper, Tegan Fallon, Bailey Chalker, Hollie Montgomery, Lex Bagster, Letisha Stirling, Tennaya Bellette, Georgia Nagle, Lionel Johnson, Ashton Brown and Kristian Fletcher.



Parents needed for online survey!

Researchers from the Queensland University of Technology are investigating parenting in the 21st Century and the relationship between parenting and children's and parent's wellbeing. We are looking for parents of primary school children in Australia to complete a 15 minute survey anonymously. Participants will go into the draw to win one of six \$100 Westfield or Coles gift certificates. To participate go to:
<http://survey.qut.edu.au/survey/169580/1ae7/>

For more information please contact Dr Geneva Ohan on 07 3138 4544

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You must have a current Centrelink Card to be eligible. Call 1800 112 205 or visit www.workventures.com.au/connect or get a flyer from any Centrelink site.

Dates to Remember:

Clarence Science Initiative (CSI): 16th, 23rd, 30th June

School Photos: Thur 17th June

School show – Leaping Loonies: Fri 18th June

School Reports home: Fri, 18th June

Life Education: Tues 22nd June; Mon 28th June

Parent/Teacher interviews: Mon 21st, June to Fri 25th June

Spelling International Assessment: Tues 22nd June

Writing International Assessment: Tues 22nd June

Eisteddfod choir to perform: Thurs 1st July

John Phillip's retirement lunch: Thurs 1st July

Athletic Carnival: Thursday, 22nd July (TERM 3).

Leaping Loonies

Please find enclosed the cost of \$5.50, for the Leaping Loonies acrobatic show.

Student's name: _____

Class: _____

Life Education Program

Please find enclosed the cost of \$6.50 for the Life Education program which will take place on 22nd June.

Student's name: _____

Class: _____

Please note: If school fees have been paid for this term you do not need to pay for these two shows.

School Gymnastics Program

I _____
give permission for my child

_____ of

class _____ to take part in the School's gymnastics program next term.

Medical conditions that we should be aware of:

Signed: _____ (Parent/
guardian)

Total Amount enclosed:

\$ _____

Positive Parenting Workshops

We all know how difficult it can be managing our homes and families! We have been extremely lucky to be able to host a series of Parenting Workshops run by Mary Cutts from Community Programs right here at Gillwinga. These sessions will be aimed at parents of our infants students and will run on Tuesday mornings from 9am-11am, for three weeks starting on August 3rd. It is about helping us gain confidence; establish clear and consistent expectations, rules and consequences; develop listening and communication skills and managing difficult behaviour. It will also be a fantastic chance to meet other parents and get to know people in our school community. Childcare for preschool aged children will be provided as well as morning tea at the end of each session.

We would love to see you there. Please let us know if you would like more information or if you would like to attend. Numbers are limited – so get in fast! Call Sandra on 66422344 to RSVP.



CANTEEN ROSTER

Wed 16 th June:	Natalie Bullock Tracey Heywood
Thurs 17 th June:	Nolene Chevalley
Fri 18 th June:	Sue Osborn Marjorie Bramble
Mon 21st June:	Deneal Connelly Michaela Kaptein
Tue 22 nd June:	Terrie Duroux Lee Hodge

Community News

Clarence Valley Conservatorium is presenting "Flute Story". Sharon Davidge with Bronwyn Berman, Jayne Logan & Leanne Taylor performing at the Clarence Valley Conservatorium Saturday 19th June at 7.30pm. Tickets available at the door \$15/10/5.
