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# Newsletter

# Gillwinga Public School

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COMMUNITY OF SCHOOLS CHOIR

Congratulations to those students who were part of the Community of Schools Choir that performed at the Venetian Carnival on Friday night. The feedback we have received from the community has been very positive. Well done to everyone involved.

#### SWIM SCHOOL

Swim School will commence on Monday 16th November. All those students who are attending are asked to have their notes returned by Thursday 12th November. Parents/carers are reminded to carefully read the bottom section of the note concerning the use of the water slide on the last day.

#### FRUIT SALAD DAY

Unfortunately the Fruit Salad day had to be cancelled due to a lack of orders. All those students who did order a fruit salad will have their money refunded. Thank you to the canteen committee and volunteers for their perseverance and effort in keeping the canteen operating throughout this year.

### YEAR 6 FAREWELL

Parents/carers of students in years 5 & 6 should have received invitations to the

year 6 farewell which is to be held at the Golf Club on Thursday 10th December. This year parents are invited to attend the dinner and an adult menu and cost has been included in the invitation. As in past years parents are invited to attend the awards section of the night and a program providing more information will be sent home closer to the date of the event. Payment and menu choice for students and any adults wishing to attend needs to be handed to Ms Cross by Friday 27th November. Congratulations to year 6 and Ms Cross for their fundraising efforts throughout the year which has kept the cost down to \$10 for those students attending the farewell.

#### LEADERSHIP SKILLS

Last week Mr Simpson started working with year 5 students to develop their leadership skills in preparation for 2016. A Leadership day has been planned for the 2nd December at the Nymboida Canoe Centre and will incorporate a number of team building and decision making activities for students to be involved in. More information regarding this day will be coming home shortly. Nomination forms from those year 5 students who are interested in taking on leadership roles in 2016 are due to be returned to Mr Simpson by Monday 16th November.





#### KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

Parents/carers are reminded about the up-coming Kindergarten Orientation day to be held on Monday 16th November in the Community Room commencing at 9:10am. It is important that a parent/carer of students commencing Kindergarten in 2016 is able to attend the information session. Those students commencing school in 2016 are invited to come along and spend some time in the Kindergarten room during the information session.

## LIBRARY STOCKTAKE

Mrs Davis will be completing a stocktake of the Library in the very near future and it is important that all Library books are returned so we can include them in the stocktake. It would be appreciated if students, parents/carers could please check that there are no library books at home.

#### RUGBY LEAGUE CLINIC

The Rugby League clinics that have been running over the last few weeks have proven to be very popular with students. The next session will be held on Friday 13th November.

## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Last week we postponed our assembly until this coming Friday 13th November. Parents/carers and community members are invited to come along and share in the activities that 4/5S have been doing in class.

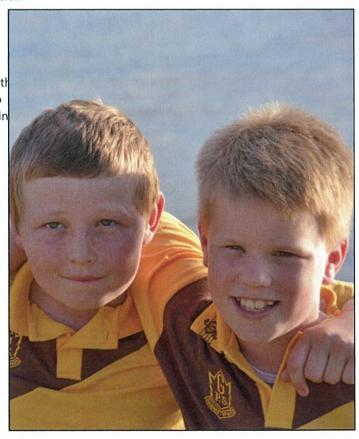
## YEAR 4/5/6 SCHOOL CAMP

4-5-6 Camp payments and medical forms are due this Friday 13th November.

#### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'It is not how much we have, but how much we enjoy, that makes happiness' - Charles Spurgeon











# Come and Try BMX Racing

At the Clarence Valley BMX Club's race track located at the corner of Abbott and Vere Streets in South Grafton.

The Clarence Valley BMX Club is offering a 4 month BMX Australia racing Licence of \$40 The licence allows riders to race on all BMX tracks in Australia. You can start racing straight away once you have a licence or just come along and have look and enjoy the racing.

This is a great opportunity for anyone who riders a bike and is interested in racing on a BMX track to learn new bike skills. Coaches and trainers are always available to help new riders.

BMX is not just for the boy's as there is a number of girls are racing BMX ranging in age for 2 to 50+ years old.

The great thing about BMX as a sport is that the whole family can get involved, no matter what age the kids are they all can do the same sport at the one time and place.

The BMX Club has practice and training nights most Wednesday's and racing most Saturday afternoons.

Bring along a good working order bike. Bikes sizes can be from a 16 inch BMX to 26 inch mountain bike. For your protection you will also need a good bike helmet (preferred full face) long pants and long sleeve shirt, shoes and socks that cover the ankle, gloves (any type will do). If you do not have some of the safety gear just ask at the canteen on the day. The club will have someone on hand to checkout your bike and help with making it safe to ride.

If you cannot make it this year the BMX Club will be holding a Free Come & Try BMX Day at the beginning of February 2016.

More information is available at the

Clarence Valley BMX Club website or the Facebook page.

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