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## Newsletter

# Gillwinga Public School

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### REMEMBRANCE DAY

Last Saturday was Remembrance Day and I would like to thank Rhys, Adam and Miss Watters for giving up part of their weekend to attend the ceremony and lay a wreath on behalf of the students, staff and community at this important occasion.

## **NURSING HOME VISITS**

Last week our band, choir and dance groups all visited a number of local nursing homes and we have received some excellent feedback. It is wonderful to see our students being recognised for the positive contribution they are making to our local community. Thank you to all those students involved and to Miss Watters and Mr Duroux for all their hard work in providing the students with these opportunities.

#### SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Parents/carers are reminded that our next whole school assembly will be held on Friday 17th November commencing at approximately 9 o'clock and everyone is welcome to attend. This week 2W will be sharing some of the work they have been doing in class.

#### KINDER ORIENTATION AND GOLD MORNING TEA

Monday was a very busy day at Gillwinga with Kinder Orientation and a Gold morning tea. I would really like to thank all those parents (present and past) who were able to come in and lend a hand to make sure that everything ran smoothly. Well done to everyone involved.

Thank you to Mrs Perl for all her work throughout the year with the 'Ready Set Go Program' and organising and running an informative information session for our new Kinder parents.

## **SWIM SCHOOL**

Next week a large number of students will be participating in Swim School. Swim School will run for ten consecutive school days from Monday 20th November through until Friday 30th November. Thank you to all those families who have returned their notes. Miss Watters has informed me that all notes have been returned which is extremely pleasing. Parents/carers are reminded that students will be required to pay a \$3 entry fee into the pool each day they attend. It is much preferable that this is paid daily rather than in bulk so as to avoid any confusion over refunds if students happen to be absent on a particular day. The school will be paying for the buses to and from swim school.

#### YEAR 5 LEADERSHIP

Next week year five students will start delivering their leadership speeches for 2018 and students and staff will be voting on Thursday 23rd November. At this stage it is envisaged that we will have a School Captain and two Vice Captains for 2018. Thank you to all those year five students who demonstrated confidence in themselves by nominating for Leadership positions in 2018 and I would like to wish them all the best.

## LIBRARY NEWS

Mrs Davis has started stocktake in the Library. Could families have a search for any outstanding library books and if they happen to find any library books in rooms, cupboards or under beds could they please return them to school as soon as possible. Each year we lose quite a number of books for a



variety of reasons and these need to be replaced. Obviously the more books that are returned, the less the school has to spend on replacing those that have been lost.

## YEAR 3/4 EXCURSION

The Year 3/4 excursion is a fantastic opportunity for students to experience our beautiful river system in a safe and supervised manner. Permission notes and money need to be returned to school by Monday 4th December.

## **UPCOMING DATES:**

The end of the year is fast approaching and it is important that parents and carers make note of the following dates:

Monday 27th November: Last day of school banking

Monday 4th December: Last day of canteen

Tuesday 5th December: Presentation Morning

Wednesday 6th December: Year Six Farewell

Friday 8th December: Final Year Six Assembly

Thursday 14th December: 3/4 Excursion

Thursday 14th December: Year 5 Leadership (More information to follow shortly)

Friday 15th December: Final day for students

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

'Some people dream of success while people get up every morning and make it happen' – Wayne Huizenga

#### **CANTEEN ROSTER:**

Monday 20th November: Kylie Kelly



