



Week 4 Term 2:

23 May 2018

Newsletter

Gillwinga Public School

A Leader in Excellence, Innovation + Opportunity

Farewell to Mrs Perl

It is with regret that I inform you that Mrs Kim Perl is taking leave and then retiring. Her last day at Gillwinga Public School will be Thursday May 31. Mrs Perl has been a wonderful staff member and terrific teacher at Gillwinga Public School for a long time and I am sure you will join me in wishing her all the best in the next stage of her life.

Jump Off Day

Students had a terrific day on Monday participating in their Jump Off Day to raise money for the Heart Foundation. Each class enjoyed 45 minutes of skipping activities run by Mrs Carrigan and the Gillwinga's Skipping Team.

Netball

Our netball girls competed on Friday against Corindi Public School and represented the Gillwinga with pride and sportsmanship. Thanks to Ms Martin for providing the students with this opportunity.

Teacher Initiatives

Teachers are currently focussing on explicit instruction where students are provided with a very clear understanding of the lessons objective and what they are learning. Teachers also provide students with specific criteria and examples of what they need to do to demonstrate their learning. This is current best practise to help all students be successful learners.





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Review of School Policies

At Gillwinga we are aiming to build a Positive School culture where all students and staff are respected and feel safe to do their best. To assist in this we are currently reviewing our Bullying Policy and all students are being surveyed, so we can then put a plan into place to prevent bullying and support students who have been bullied or are doing the bullying. Please take this opportunity to talk to your child about what bullying is and what to do if they see bullying or are being bullied.

The destiny of the nation will unfold once we can see the potential in all of our children. As parents, as peoples, we are the guardians of the future through infant dreaming. Our greatest assets are our children. Our greatest achievement is bringing about their wellbeing throughout life and development. We can be caught up looking ahead when we should be taking care of the present. Together we must gaze upon the infant with love and understanding, watch the child grow with encouragement and admiration, and stand beside our youth with humility and pride. Above all we must respect their fundamental right to live out their story as it should be. Protected, nurtured yet free to dream dreams and achieve brilliance.

Dr Helen Milroy

Dance Fundraiser

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

On **Thursday 31st May 2018** the Dance Team will be having a fundraiser to help pay for their bus to the Mid North Coast Dance Festival. On this day students will be able to wear mufti, crazy hair and socks, receive a sausage sandwich and a bottle of water for **\$5**. Money is due **Wednesday 30th May 2018**.

Please note that appropriate mufti clothes need to be worn, this means no singlets, crop tops or midriff shirts are to be worn. Appropriate footwear also needs to be considered.

There will be prizes for best crazy hair and socks.

We look forward to your support.





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P & C News

**We have some great fundraisers
going on this term.....**

**Hotdog day don't forget your
lunch is made for you on Monday
28th May if you have ordered....**

And

BBQ SAUSAGE SANDWICH DAY

Thanks to Bunnings South Grafton

On: Sunday 3rd June

From: 9am to 4pm

Sausage Sandwich.....\$2.50

Drinks\$1.50

Come and enjoy a nice Sanga.

TRIVIA NIGHT

Where: Roches Hotel

On: 16th June

From: 6pm

**Tables are selling so get in so you
don't miss out on the Fun.**

CANTEEN NEWS

The last of the Calippos and
Paddle Pops still available this
Friday 25th After which will be
replaced by our NEW Ice
Blocks.....

99%Fruit Juice Quelch 4
Flavors available \$0.50ea

&

3.5 Star Ice Mony
Choc/Strawberry and
Bubblegum \$1.00ea

And don't forget we still have
frozen Pineapple slices \$0.50ea

Can you spare any time next Sunday
to help with the Bunnings BBQ?
Please contact the office with a time
you are able to assist.

Mother's Day Raffle

Congratulations to Christine Mitchell from Maclean who was the lucky winner of our Mother's Day Raffle. Thank you to all who supported us. Thank you also to the P&C helpers who sold raffle tickets and a special thank you to Michelle Tainsh and family for once again supplying the majority of gifts sold at the Mother's Day stall.



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Uniform items

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After the school assembly this Friday, there will be a table of uniforms from clothing pool if anyone needs any uniform items.

The office also has new jumpers and track pants if you require any of these now the weather is cooling off. Please remember to put your child's name on jumpers as they are often misplaced throughout the day.

School Contributions

Thank you to those parents/carers who have paid the school contribution for the year. These payments assist us with providing extra materials for our students. Payment is \$40 per child for the year and can be paid in instalments if necessary.



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CYBER-SAFETY

Vital Information for All Families

Presentation by
Snr Constable Jo Brooker

TOPICS COVERED

- What is cyber-bullying and how to avoid it
- Sexting and the law
- The effects of excessive social media
- What young people see and do online
- How to report and get help if there is a problem
- Hot topics and current issues related to the internet
- How to talk to young people about technology and the internet

To register please text name
and number of adults
attending to
0436 666 578

Monday 28 May
St Joseph's Primary
School, Hyde St,
South Grafton

6pm Refreshments
6.30 - 7.30 pm Session



**A FREE WORKSHOP FOR ALL PARENTS AND
CARERS IN OUR COMMUNITY**



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RED DUST HEALING WORKSHOP

Red Dust Healing Workshop

"When the dust has settled on our lives, all we get to keep and take with us is our dignity, our integrity and the love and respect we shared with people"

We invite you to join us in this highly recommended program

Red Dust Healing uses an ancient Aboriginal perspective to support individuals to explore and heal unresolved hurt, anger, grief, loss and issues in their lives

This full day workshop uses holistic tools in a way to empower individuals towards making better choices in their lives



Red Dust Healing is for all community members and service providers



Everyone is welcome

Venue: Grafton Services Club
When: Thursday 31st May 2018
Time: 9-00am — 4-00pm
Moring tea and lunch provided

To register or for further information please contact Janelle Brown on (02) 6642 8103 or 0423 918 602

This event is sponsored by the PHN, Gurelham, The Healing Centre and Bulgar Ngaru



Bulgarr Ngaru
Medical Aboriginal Corporation

