



## Upcoming Events

### OCTOBER

29 Pink Day

### NOVEMBER

3 Kindy transition 1

18 Kindy transition 2

18 Yass High School  
small schools year  
6 transition day  
1—3 PM

30 Kindy transition 3



# Gunning Public School Grapevine

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Term 4 Week 4

## Principal's Message

Our students have made a great start to Term 4 with lots of interesting learning happening in classrooms. Please read about the excellent digital incursion that 2D went on further in this newsletter and we have a K/1 author writing an interesting narrative. Thank you to our school staff and teachers who have been amazing with supporting our students with the ever-changing restrictions and changes.

A reminder that we are currently still on level 3 restrictions in schools which means teachers are wearing masks inside and students are encouraged to do so too. Students need a drink bottle every day as we are still unable to use bubblers. We still have our staggered break times and minimal mixing of cohorts as well. Many thanks to our school community for supporting our pickup routines which remain the same. We will let you know if there are any changes.

Please remember non-essential visitors are not permitted in schools. Some visitors are permitted in schools based on the guidelines that follow:

- Parents and carers must follow their school's advice regarding changes to drop off and pick up including staying in the car when dropping off and picking up children if safe to do so.
- Parents should maintain physical distancing by avoiding gathering outside of school gates.
- Parents need to remain outside of school grounds (note some exceptions may apply regarding schools for specific purposes, vulnerable students or students with disability)
- Parents and carers need to

follow mask-wearing requirements and sign in using the Service NSW QR code when entering the school.

Please ring the office first if you need to visit the school office.

Thank you to P&C and Stevie our canteen manager for bringing canteen back on Fridays. We have a Covid Safe plan in place. Please remember to make orders online.

We warmly welcome back the Singers family with Mackenzie, Darcy and Clancy joining us.

Next week on Friday the 29th of October, we will be supporting 'Gunning Goes Pink Day for Breast Cancer' along with Gunning District Community Health. Students can wear something pink and bring a gold coin donation.

Our Year 6 students who are going to Yass High School next year are invited to attend a small schools transition day on Thursday the 18th November from 1pm - 3pm.

In Term 4 we require students to wear school hats with a broad brim due to sun safety. Students who don't have a hat will be directed to play in the shade.

It is that time of the year where we need our kindergarten enrolment forms to be in for future planning. If you have a little person starting next year or know someone who does, please contact our school office for further information regarding kindergarten enrolment.

Stay safe,

**Gabby Dickson**

"Together we are safe, respectful learners working hard to achieve success"

### **K/1R narrative writing**

This term, students in K/1 are focusing on the text type narrative during writing.

As a part of their independent literacy activities, students have begun writing narratives in response to an image. We hope you enjoy some of the narratives from K/1R.



On one murky night a little mouse crept out of his hole, and he was dead thirsty. Then he saw a water trough. He ran over to it but it was empty. He was hungry. He saw all of the water and food troughs. He gave up, he could not find food and water. He thought and he said to himself "you just haven't found it yet!"

He looked and looked and then he saw a lake and it was empty, inside there were cherries but no water. "Too bad" he said, "IT'S NOT FAIR!" he grumbled. He was lucky because he was sad but he did his checklist, he said to himself "have a cry, pick yourself up, dust yourself off, and the show must go on!"

He looked and looked, he knew it was lurking somewhere. He looked all over the farm and then saw a pond AND IT WAS FULL! Once he had what he needed he slept away.

**By Rosie**

One murky night in the barn a tiny mouse looked for food while animals slept deeply. First he crept out from his hole and started searching for food. He used his awesome sniffing nose to sense up something. His nose picked up something, he ran to it, but it was just cow poo. He sniffed and sniffed harder and harder until his nose picked up something again. He ran to it and it was water but it was dirty and in a big trough. He thought he would fall in it, so he sadly walked away.

He sadly sniffed away. But very quickly something grabbed his nose and brought him back. It was food, but one problem, the way to get the food was through an obstacle course. So he said to himself "I can do it!" which in mouse language it sounds like "squeak, squeak, squeak!" So he did it and made it. The food was delicious.

**By Grace**

### Earth Science Week

On Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup> of October, Year 2 had an incursion for Earth Science Week. We had four topics and I had thought that was crazy!

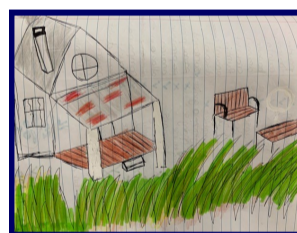
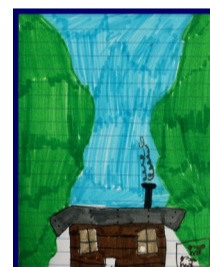
Our first topic was Exciting Earthquakes. We learned about the Earth's crust and how earthquakes form. Our second topic was Australian Dinosaurs, in Australian Dinosaurs archaeologists talked about how they find bones of dinosaurs. After lunch Ms Oke, our relief teacher, handed out colouring in sheets of extinct animals, then the video started. It was called Life on Earth. We learned about extinct animals and fossils and loads of other cool stuff. The last topic was Working with Water. We learned how fragile water is then we all went home!

Written by Charlie Manning, edited by 2D and Ms Oke



### 5/6E drawings

5/6 are studying the book 'A Waltz for Matilda' by Jackie French. During literacy rotations, students have sketched a design for the front cover and drew the property 'Maora' from the description in the text.



### Yass High School Transition

Yass High School is running a small school transition day on Thursday the 18th November from 1-3pm. All Year 6 students who are attending Yass High next year are invited.

Students will meet Marnie Pack, their Year 7 Adviser for 2022, at the front grassed office area. Students will need to be dropped off at the school at approximately 1pm and can organise to catch their school bus home or be picked up at 3.20pm.

Due to level 3 restrictions parents are not allowed on site so we ask that parents must drop off in the designated car parking areas. If you are able to help with transport or need transport for you child, please contact the school.



**GUNNING DISTRICT**  
Community & Health Service Inc

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**FRIDAY 29th OCTOBER**

**GUNNING GOES PINK**

**How can you get involved on the day?**

Dress up in Pink, decorate your home, business or mailbox in pink, donate towards the raffle or purchase tickets in our raffle to support awareness and research of Breast Cancer.

Tickets can be purchased from Katie Yeo or Bec McCamish at Gunning Community Care offices.

Donation bins will be available at businesses in Gunning. All proceeds from the day will be donated to McGrath Foundation.

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GO PINK  
For breast  
Cancer  
On The 29<sup>th</sup> of  
October a Friday  
Wear Pink clothes  
or ACCESSORIES



GO PINK  
FOR BREAST  
CANCER  
29<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER FRIDAY  
BRING A GOLD COIN DONATION  
WEAR PINK CLOTHES OR  
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GO PINK  
FOR BREAST  
CANCER  
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ACCESSORIES  
BRING A GOLD  
COIN DONATION



Bring a gold  
Coin donation  
Breast cancer  
GO PINK for  
Breast Cancer  
Wear Pink  
clothing/accessories  
Friday  
29<sup>th</sup> October



**School Visitor check-in system**

A single School Visitor Check-in system for every school across the state is coming from 18 October!

The Department of Education has partnered with Service NSW to provide a streamlined, digital school sign-in system for visitors and contractors at every NSW government school. Benefits of the new system include:

- Accelerating your check-ins to as fast as 20 seconds!
- Linked to NSW Health's COVID-19 contact tracing ensuring every school is compliant with the NSW COVID-19 mandate.
- Giving every school greater access to streamlined NSW Government services.

**Who can use School Visitor check-in**

- Visitors such as parents and carers, contractors, service providers and volunteers.
- Students or visitors under the age of 18 are not required to use School Visitor Check-in.

School Visitor Check-in will be ready from 18 October at all NSW Government schools. For more information visit School Visitor Check-in on the department website.

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