

GWABEGAR PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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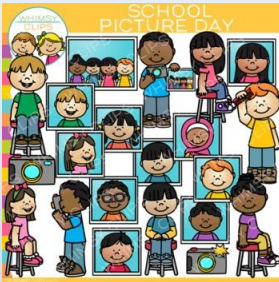
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Week 5 Term 2

17th May 2021

From the Principal's desk...

School Photos



Will take place this Wednesday. All students must be in full winter school uniform, including ties, black shoes, navy stockings for girls and grey socks for boys.

If you haven't returned your order form and money, please do so by Wednesday morning.

Variety bash



This Wednesday sees the Variety Bash make their way to Gwabegar Public School. The cars will start arriving around 11:30 with the last cars to depart at 2:30pm. Parents and community members are invited to come and have a look at the cars.

We will be providing lunch for all the drivers and support crew. If you are able to assist with the preparation of food, there will be a working bee at school tomorrow from 10am. Many hands make light work! The school is in need of eskies to help keep drinks cool and clean storage containers so that we can make larger size salads. We will also need people who can wipe down tables and ensure that any rubbish is put in the bin so that the drivers are in a clean environment. Cleaning wipes and sanitiser will be provided on all tables.

The school has benefited from the Variety Club for many years and it would be great to have as many people as possible turn up to help and support!

Canberra Excursion



All deposits of \$50 per child attending **MUST** be paid by Friday 28th May. The final payments must be made by 4th November.

Canteen

Due to the food preparation there will be NO canteen tomorrow!

Attendance Matters

Please be aware that it is important that students are at school every day. Obviously if your children are sick, please keep them at home, however reasons such as couldn't find shoes, sleeping in and if it is raining are not justifiable. Students who fall under 85% attendance will be referred to the Home School Liaison Officer for follow up. It is anticipated that students should be at school 95% of the time. Please find attached more information about why attendance is important. Students who display exemplary attendance will be rewarded at the end of the year.

Sport on Thursdays

Sport will be held here at school on Thursday afternoons with Pilliga PS. We look forward to them joining us! Students must be wearing their full sports uniform on Thursdays-no football shorts.

School money envelopes

New school payment envelopes are attached. Please place money inside and seal the envelope. Ensure that child's name is written on the front, what the money is for and how much money is in the envelope.

Correct change is preferred. This envelopes are to be used when students are bringing money in to pay for their Canberra excursion.

Radio show

Our next school radio show will take place on Thursday 3rd June around 9:45am.



School Recycling

The school is once again participating in the return and earn recycling program. Please drop any washed out cans and bottles at the school in bags of 10-20. Money raised will go towards school excursions that will occur during the year.

Absence explanations



It is a requirement of the Department of Education, that all absences are explained within 7 days of any absence. You may contact the school directly by phone or email, or send a note in explaining the absence. We are not able to accept verbal absences from students, it must come from a parent or carer. Continued absences may be referred to the Home School Liaison Officer, who will develop an attendance plan and in worse case scenarios end up with legal prosecution. An advice of absence slip is provided in this newsletter.

Visitors to school



Please remember to sign in at the office any time you visit our school. This includes when coming in for the canteen and meetings during school hours. The book is kept on the bench in the school office.

Your assistance will help Gwabegar Public School evaluate parental involvement.

Playgroup and Preschool



Is held every Tuesday from 9:30am. All parents and children are welcome to attend. Remember to bring a hat, enclosed shoes, some fruit and water. If the children wish to ride the school bikes, they must have enclosed shoes on (not thongs).

School Fees

School fees for Term 1 are now due. Fees go towards purchasing resources and books for students in the classroom and are \$20 per family.

Katie

Katie Sullivan
Principal



Gwabegar Public School-Advice of absence

Student Name: _____

Dates Absent: _____

Sick _____ Leave _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

P&C News

CONTRIBUTIONS

A reminder to families that this levy is now payable to the school for this term at a cost of \$20 per family per term.

Uniforms

Uniforms are available for purchase at the school.

Adult sizes are available for purchase as well :)

Sport will be on Thursdays this term

Supervision is provided for students from 8:30 am (30 minutes before school commences).

Staff are not required to be at school before 8.30 am and for their own safety, children should not be arriving at school any earlier. Children who can not sit quietly on the verandah until 8:30am, may have to wait at the school gate until this time.

ALL visitors to the school, must sign in at the office!

For your diary!

- 19/5: School photos and Variety bash
- 28/5: Deposits for Canberra Excursion due
- 16/6: School Counsellor visit
- 17/6: 2 ways athletics carnival—Gwabegar
- 25/6: End of Term 2
- 20/7: 6 ways athletics carnival—Gwabegar
- 4-5/8: Indigenous games Goodooga
- 25/8: Touch footy gala day Narrabri
- 4/11: Final payments of Canberra excursion due.
- 15-19 November: Canberra Excursion
- 3/12: Presentation Day
- 15/12: Last day 2021

Canberra Excursion

Send money in sealed envelopes with the amount written on the front with students names

Playgroup is on Tuesdays from 9:30am



School attendance

Regular attendance at school is important!

Being 10 minutes late to school everyday may not seem like much but it adds to up to losing over 1 hour of learning every week!

Which over a year is over 1 and half weeks and over 13 years of schooling is nearly half a term!

Make sure you are on time all the time!

If your child is absent from school for any reason, parents and carers MUST provide an explanation within 7 days. This can be provided in person, telephone, written note or email.



Quick everyday lunchboxes

It doesn't take a lot of time to pack an everyday lunchbox.

To save time, try:

- Packing the lunchbox the night before
- Using leftovers from dinner in the lunchbox
- Packing whole fruit and vegetables, such as apples, bananas, cherry tomatoes or baby cucumbers



Attendance matters every day!!

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...



When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

Parents and carers can help foster positive attendance habits by:

- helping their child learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- ensuring their child arrives on time from the start of the school day, ready to participate in learning
- reducing disruption to learning where possible, by planning any necessary appointments outside of school time
- promptly communicating any absence to the school (within 7 days of the first day of any absence)
- working with the school to encourage and support regular attendance.

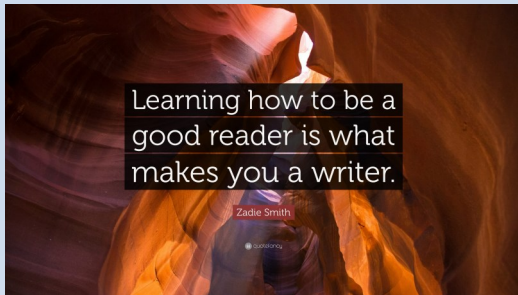
WHY READING EVERY NIGHT MATTERS!!

STUDENT A

- **20 minutes** per day
- **1,800,000 words** per year
- Scores in the **90th percentile** on standardized tests



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STUDENT B

- **5 minutes** per day
- **282,000 words** per year
- Scores in the **50th percentile** on standardized tests



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STUDENT C

- **1 minute** per day
- **8,000 words** per year
- Scores in the **10th percentile** on standardized tests



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10 ways to become a better reader...

1. Read
 2. READ
 3. Read
 4. read
 5. READ
 6. Read
 7. Read
 8. read
 9. Read 😊
 10. READ
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Gwabegar Public School Canteen

Price List

Term 1 2020

Pizza	\$4
Lasagne	\$4
Mac Cheese	\$4
Pie	\$3
Sausage Roll	\$2
Chicken Tenders	\$2.50
Chicken Wings	\$2
Drinks	\$2
Ice cream	\$2
Zooper Dooper	50c

P&C Canteen will operate on Tuesdays.

Nicky will be in touch with all families for the
duty roster

You MUST sign in and out of the office on your rostered day.