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Newsletter Week 4 Term 1 2019

Bushfire

We are pleased to know that our students and families are all safe, despite the recent bushfire. If you need any assistance, the school has details of relevant support agencies that we can connect you with. We also have our school counsellor available if students need someone to talk to.

Asthma Concerns

If any parent is concerned about their child's asthma with the poor air quality due to the bushfires, we advise you to keep your child at home so they can be monitored.

ABC Bushfire Interview

The ABC has taken a great interest in our school, and how we as a school and community are faring after the bushfire. As a result, they will be conducting an interview with Mr Stewart tomorrow morning.

AFL Orientation Information Day

Tomorrow, **Wednesday 20th February 2019**, our infants and primary students will be attending Ross Hill Primary School to take part in an AFL session. Both schools will be fortunate enough to be able to have a kick with two current Sydney Swans players. A huge thank you to Mick Migheli from Ross Hill Public School for the invite! A Permission Note was sent home with your child today. Please return it to school in the morning.

Drop Off/School Entry Procedures

A reminder that if you need to enter the school grounds you are required to present yourself to the office to let the office staff know why, and sign in as a school visitor. If you do not need to enter the school grounds, please drop your child off and pick up from the school gate. **Please note that the school bus has priority.**

Pre—school students need to be dropped off at the pre-school gate so they don't walk through the playground. If you wish to pick up your older children from that gate, please notify us and we can ensure your child is waiting there in the afternoon. Please inform extended family and friends, who may be dropping off or collecting your children, of this procedure. We thank you for your co-operation with this policy.

Small School's Swimming Carnival

As you are aware, our Small School's Swimming Carnival was cancelled due to the school closure over recent days. We will advise you when we have a new date.

Bus Bay Parking Feedback Form

Following our school closure, it is important to return to our normal procedures. A reminder that there are Bus Bay Parking Feedback forms available in the office to allow you to give suggestions and feedback regarding our new bus bay/parking bay. We would welcome your input so that we can optimise the safety and efficiency of this area.

Student Concerns

Please note that if your have any concerns with a student, we would appreciate you speak to a staff member and not approach the student in question. This allows our staff to deal with your concerns in an appropriate manner.

GA Position

Our GA, Mr Rob Aitkin, has decided to take some leave this year. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Rob for his dedication, hard work and the contribution he has made to this school both as GA and his role as a teacher's aide. Mr Peter Mather will be filling the GA position in Rob's absence. We would like to welcome Peter to our school and look forward to working with him.

School Uniform

Gilgai Public School takes great pride in our school uniform, and we often receive very positive feedback from the public about how great our students look. We encourage all students to wear our school uniform with pride, and be aware of the reflection it has on our school. To make it more affordable for our families we have a unisex uniform, enabling them to be passed down to younger siblings.

Our school uniform and costs are as follows:

Summer-	- Short sleeve school polo shirt	\$30.00	
	Unisex rugby knit shorts	\$16.50 up to size 14	\$19.50 size 16 and up
Winter—	Long sleeve school shirt	\$33.00	
	Jacket Size 4—14Y	\$17.00	
	Jacket Size S—3XL	\$22.50	
	Tracksuit pants	\$16.00	
	Dry & Cosy jacket	\$30.00 up to size 16Y	\$35.00 size S to 3XL
All Year—	Bucket hat	\$ 7.50	
	Navy socks	\$ 3.50	
	Black shoes		

Please note that all items, apart from the black shoes, are available to purchase at the school.

Inverell Show

The Inverell Show Society has generously offered the students of Gilgai Public School free rides at the Inverell Show. For further information of how to avail yourself of this offer, please see Mandy at the office.

Book Fair

Our annual Book Fair will be held in Week 7 of this term. This is a great opportunity to purchase a fantastic selection of books, whilst helping our school obtain new resources for our Library with the commission earned.

Small School's Cross Country

Our Small School's Cross Country will be held at Tingha Public School in Week 10 of this term. More details will be given as the time draws closer.

School Photos

Our School photos will take place in Week 10 of this Term. More details will be sent home closer to the date.



T1 Wk 4	Monday 18th Feb	Tuesday 19th Feb	Wednesday 20th Feb	Thursday 21st Feb	Friday 22nd Feb		
		Library	AFL Orientation Day—		P&C Lunch		
			Ross Hill Public				
T1 Wk 5	Monday 25th Feb	Tuesday 26th Feb	Wednesday 27th Feb	Thursday 28th Feb	Friday 29th Feb		
		Library			P&C Lunch		