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TERM 4 WEEK 1 NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Week 1! I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable holiday break. All staff are happy to be back at work to watch and be amazed by Gilgai Public School student progress and development. Learning is a life long journey and doesn't only occur within the school grounds. Parents, carers, friends, family, teachers and peers all play a role in the learning journey. Positive learning behaviours are essential for the best learning to occur. By encouraging the behaviours of active participation, curiosity, goal setting, perseverance, collaboration, reflection, self-regulation, open-mindedness, adaptability and responsibility in educational settings, can significantly enhance student engagement, motivation, and overall success. Being mindful of our own behaviour also assists our children to recognise the best behaviours for optimal learning. Children often mimic adult behaviour as a way of learning and to understand the world around them. This imitation can be a crucial part of their development, helping them to acquire social skills, language, and problem-solving techniques. They observe how adults interact, express emotions, and respond to challenges, and this shapes their own behaviour. Positive role modelling can encourage good habits, while negative behaviours can also be picked up. It's a reminder of how influential our actions can be and a thought trigger as to how a two year old is able to use swear words, for example. Take care and stay positive.

Gina Baker

YEAR 6 TO 7 TRANSITION

The next date for high school transition is **Thursday 14th November**. This is a full day for students to go to their nominated high school for 2025. Students are to make their own way to and from their high school on this day.

THIS WEEK'S CANTEEN MENU

All usual items are available. Please bring in your lunch order before Friday this week.

Thank you to Molly and her team for creating amazing Friday treats. I have heard that there will be a school wide treat this Friday at lunch time, donated by a generous family. We appreciate the work of the P and C more than words can say.



IMPORTANT DATES

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| October 14th | Monday, First Day of Term 4 |
| October 23rd | Kindy Transition 9:30am - 1:30pm |
| October 24th | School Photo Day |
| November 1st | P & C Halloween Disco 6pm—8pm |
| November 5th | Year 6 to 7 Full Day Transition |
| November 6th | Kindy Transition 9:30am - 1:30pm |
| November 14th | Teddy Bear's Picnic Pre-School -Yr 2 |
| November 14th | Year 6 to 7 Full Day Transition to their nominated high school for 2025 |
| November 20th | Kindy Transition Full Day |
| December 11th | Presentation Night 6:00pm |
| December 13th | Year 6 Farewell |
| December 13th | P & C Christmas Disco |

LAKE AINSWORTH EXCURSION

Thank you to parents who have been making payments for the Lake Ainsworth excursion. You can make a payment at the office or online. We will need full payment by **Friday November 1st 2024** for the excursion being Monday 18th to Friday 22nd November.

YEAR 6 PHOTOS

Please bring in a photo of your year 6 child as a baby, in kindergarten and year 3 by Wednesday October 30th. These photos will be used in a slide show for our Year 6 Graduation.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION DATE CHANGE

Due to our Swim School booking being changed, Gilgai Public School has had to alter our Kindergarten Orientation Program dates. The last day of this program is now Wednesday November 20th and this will be a full day of transition. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. All staff look forward to seeing you three times this term and for 2025 and beyond.



Enrolments Now Open

'Little Learners' Orientation to Kindergarten 2025

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| Term 3 | |
| 21st August | 9:30am - 10:30am |
| 28th August | 9:30am - 10:30am |
| 4th September | 9:30am - 10:30am |
| 11th September | 9:30am - 10:30am |
| 18th September | 9:30am - 11:20am |

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| Term 4 | |
| 23rd October | 9:30 - 1:30pm |
| 6th November | 9:30 - 1:30pm |
| 20th November | 9:30 - 3:01pm |

Contact the school office for all inquiries

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SOME OUTSIDE FUN WHILE THE RAIN STAYED AWAY



Healthy doesn't = expensive

Packing everyday foods in the lunchbox can actually save you money.

Try these cost saving ideas:

- Swap from a chocolate muffin to two pikelets and save 60c per serve
- Buy vegetables and fruit that are in season
- Buy a big packet of rice crackers instead of individual serves and save 15c per serve

SWAP FROM



Chocolate muffin



SWAP TO



Pikelets

For more tips on saving money visit: www.swapit.net.au/savemoney

