

# G.S.KIDD MEMORIAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 1, Week 8 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2019



It's hard to believe we are already in Week 8 of Term 1. We have had another very busy and productive 2 weeks here at GS Kidd. There have been many varied activities that the students have participated in, including shopping, cooking, the Challenge Swimming Carnival, RDA and GSK Clean Up Australia Day.

We are continually encouraging our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) and with the National Day of Action against Bullying being last Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March, one of our focus topics has been "Bullying. No Way!".

## "BULLYING. NO WAY!"

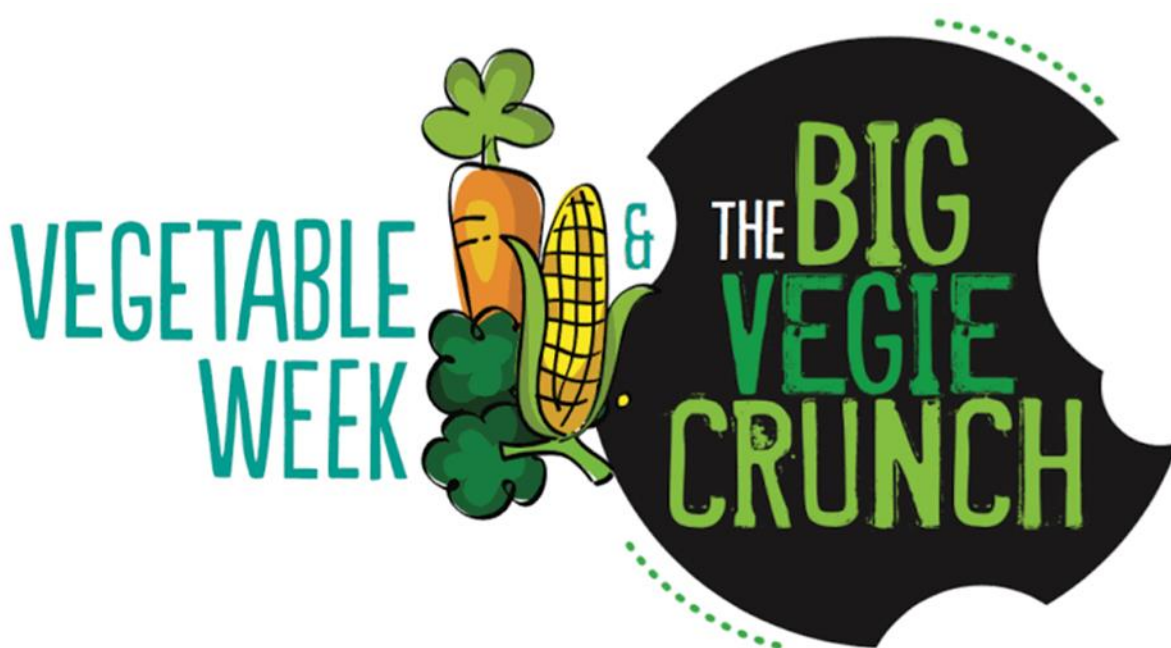
Here at GS Kidd we strive to ensure our school is a safe place for everyone and that students are clear about what constitutes respectful behaviour. As part of our PBL program each class discussed what bullying is and how it makes people feel if they are being bullied. We explained that if you are being bullied it is important to talk to a teacher, parent or other adult. Staff and students wore arm bands in support of "BULLYING. NO WAY!"



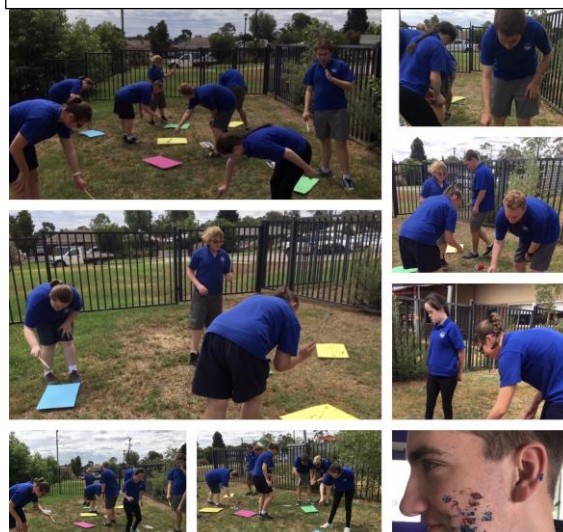
## A collage of six photographs showing students in blue uniforms engaged in various food preparation tasks in a kitchen. The tasks include cutting vegetables, stirring a pot, and handling ingredients.

The Kangaroo Room students enjoyed their shopping trip last week. They returned to school to make chicken wraps which they then sat and enjoyed together.

Vegetable week is from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Here at GS Kidd we will be participating in The Big Veggie Crunch on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April. All students will be involved in the event as they learn more about the importance of eating more fresh fruit and vegetables in their diet during classes. The purpose of the Big Crunch is to break the record for the most number of children simultaneously eating fresh vegetables at the one time across the state.



# ART WITH THE EMUS



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## RDA NSW

*Turning dreams into achievements.....*

RDA NSW is a volunteer organisation providing equine assisted activities for people with disabilities to develop and enhance abilities.

We are very fortunate in Gunnedah to have the wonderful local volunteers that make it possible for our students to have this great opportunity.

The students really enjoy this experience. We are all very grateful for the time and efforts that so many of our community members give.



# C L E A N U P A U S T R A L I A



On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March staff and students participated in Clean Up Australia Day. They were all supplied with the official gloves and bags to do their part to be involved. The students worked hard and were very proud of their efforts in such an important community event.



### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

As always, in the last fortnight there have been many wonderful learning opportunities and extra-curricular activities happening across our school.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) lessons have been focusing on an anti-bullying message linked to the *National Day for Action* which was held on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March.

This leads us to a timely reminder that this year the Department of Education introduced the ***School Community Charter***, a copy of which was sent home in the welcome pack in Week 1 of this term. The Charter outlines the responsibilities of parents, carers and educators in NSW Public Schools. A copy of the Charter can be found by the following the link below.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/media/documents/school-community-charter.pdf>

Next Thursday is ***Harmony Day***. Students are invited to participate in an out of uniform day. Orange is the colour chosen to represent Harmony Day. Traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. It also relates to the freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect. Our staff will be providing morning tea for the students which will include fruit and jelly.

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### CALENDAR:

Date	Day	Activity	Venue
21/03/2019	Thursday	Harmony Day	GS Kidd
21/03/2019	Thursday	P & C AGM 5pm	GS Kidd Library
22/03/2019	Friday	RDA	Showground
26/03/2019	Tuesday	Jack Wilson & Timana Tahu	GS Kidd
26/03/2019	Tuesday	School Photos	GS Kidd
27/03/2019	Wednesday	School Photos	GS Kidd
3/04/2019	Wednesday	Newsletter	
4/04/2019	Thursday	The Big Vegie Crunch	GS Kidd
12/04/2019	Friday	Last day of Term 1	

### TODAY'S THOUGHT:

*"No act of kindness, no matter how small,  
is ever wasted." Aesop*

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Students in the Fish Room have been very busy. In their Maths lessons they have been learning to tell the time and they are now working on their unit on money. They have a new cash register and are all enjoying setting up their shop and using their class money.



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HARMONY DAY



Out Of Uniform Day.....Wear **Orange** to Celebrate Harmony Day.

# CHALLENGE SWIMMING CARNIVAL



Since 2002 Challenge has been hosting the annual swimming carnival for people over the age of 16 with disabilities to come together in a community environment. This year participants travelled from Orange, Muswellbrook, Bathurst, Quirindi and Moree. Our students had a wonderful day, competing and catching up with ex-students from our school. They also enjoyed a barbeque lunch, provided by Challenge. A big thank you to everyone at Challenge!

Through the power of community, the aunties of our student Lucy Enks, are raising money to assist their sister, Amy, purchase a modified vehicle capable of accommodating a wheel-chair for Lucy, their much-loved niece.

Your donation will help Amy continue to do the great work she does with Lucy and assist the family for years into the future.

To donate please go to the link below....

<https://www.gofundme.com/hands-up-for-lucy>



**TWO RIVERS ARTS COUNCIL  
DANCE COLLECTIVE  
PRESENTS**

# MAD HATTER'S TEA PARTY

**AN INTERACTIVE  
PANTOMIME**

**2 SHOWS ONLY  
SATURDAY  
30 MARCH 2019**

**Gunnedah South School Hall**  
via Bridge Street Entrance

**10.30am & 2.30pm**

Tickets include Morning/Afternoon Tea

**Tickets**  
- \$15.00 each  
- \$50 family of 4  
- Group booking of 10+ are welcome

Tickets will be available at the Markets Sat 16 March or call 0407899536 to arrange purchases. Due to catering there will not be tickets available at the door.

## Good for Kids good for life

### WHAT ARE FUNDAMENTAL MOVEMENT SKILLS?

Fundamental movement skills are the building blocks for movement. They are the skills which children need to participate successfully in all types of games, physical activities and sports. Examples of these skills can be frequently seen in popular games and activities played by children in the school playground.

These twelve skills represent a solid foundation for the development of specialised skills, enabling children to participate in a wide range of physical activities. They are:

1. Static balance
2. Sprint run
3. Vertical jump
4. Catch
5. Hop
6. Side gallop
7. Skip
8. Overarm throw
9. Leap
10. Kick
11. Two-hand strike
12. Dodge



Source: GET SKILLED OET ACTIVE  
A K-6 resource to support the teaching of fundamental movement skills  
NSW Department of Education and Training 2016.



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### ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER

The NSW Government is helping kids get active with the new Active Kids program.

Parents, guardians and carers can apply for a voucher valued up to \$100 per calendar year for each student enrolled in school.

The voucher may be used with a registered activity provider for registration, participation and membership costs for sport, fitness and active recreation activities.

The voucher can be used at any time during the calendar year it was issued.

To use the voucher, find a registered activity provider and present your voucher when you sign up.

The program runs year round, so kids can get active at any time!  
Visit [www.service.nsw.gov.au/active-kids](http://www.service.nsw.gov.au/active-kids) to apply



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