

G.S.KIDD MEMORIAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 1, Week 8 18th March, 2020



Above is one of our new Positive Behaviour for Learning signs that we have proudly displayed at the front of our school.

As promised, we are proud to continue to publish a feature article in our Newsletter written by our students. This week we feature an article by Rebekah Thomson and Damian Bindley from the Kangaroo Room.



From The Kangaroo Room

Our Morning Literacy

We are in the Kangaroo Room and we are enjoying our intense literacy sessions each morning with Miss Blake. We are concentrating on story writing and neat handwriting. When we finish our stories we type them on the computer with our personal details, including the date underneath it. We were both presented with the Olympic Spirit sporting award this week.

By
Rebekah Thomson
& Damian Bindley.

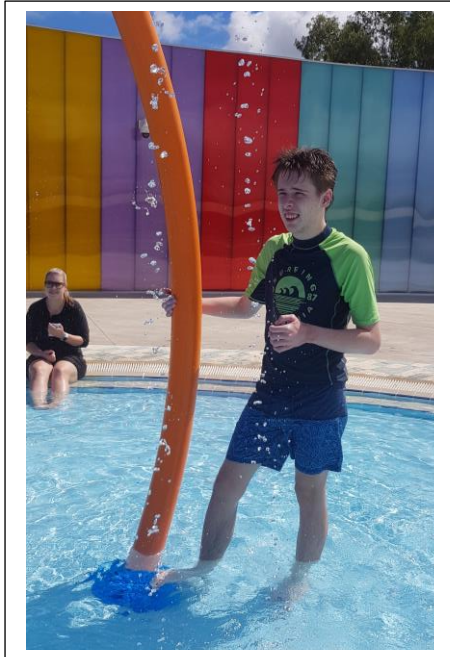


Swimming Carnival 2020

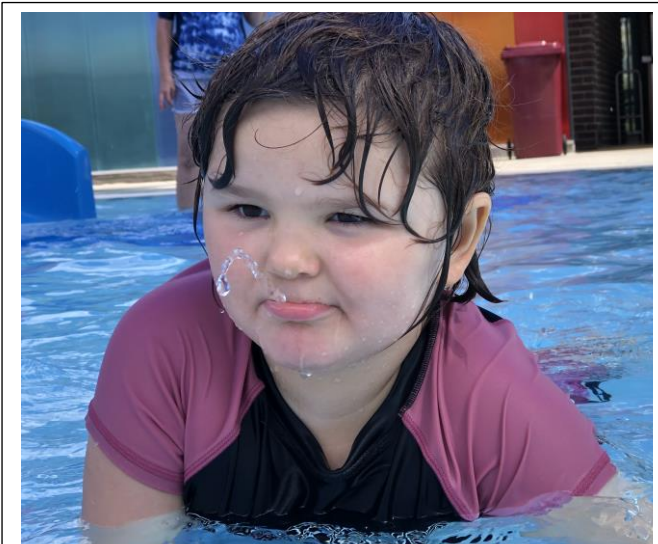
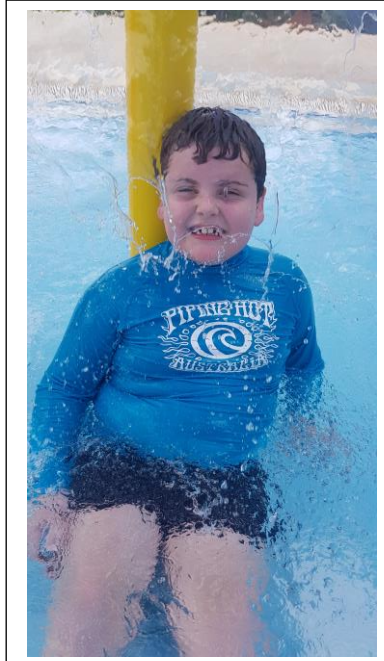
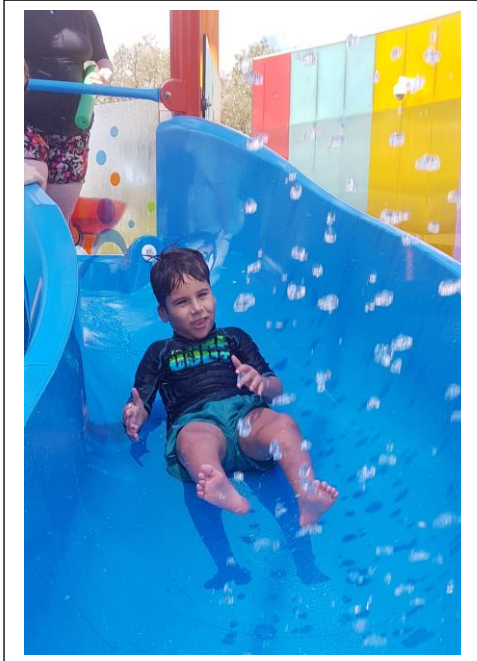
Our annual swimming carnival was held on Friday 6th March. It was a huge success enjoyed by many people. Due to weather conditions, it was relocated from the 50m pool to the indoor heated pool. We welcomed students from Gunnedah South School and also Gunnedah Public School. A huge congratulations to all students who participated, cheered their team mates on, enjoyed the day and displayed great sportsmanship! You should all be very proud of your efforts. We would like to thank all the staff and families who helped make the day a success. It was wonderful to see so many families supporting our school and students. There was great excitement as students, staff and some parents took to the water for a combined race. A very special thank you to our wonderful P & C for providing a beautiful lunch for everyone on our arrival back at school after the action packed carnival.



Fish and Friends



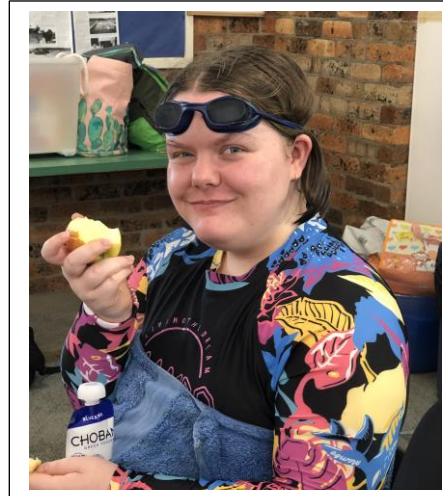
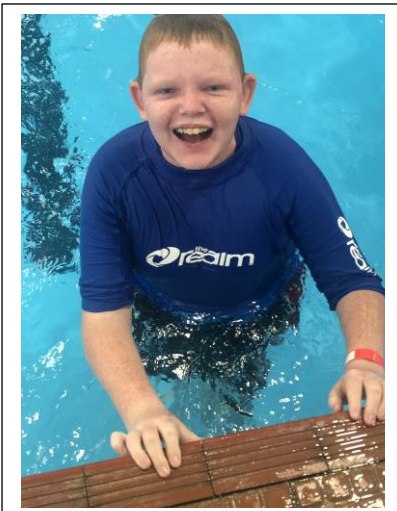
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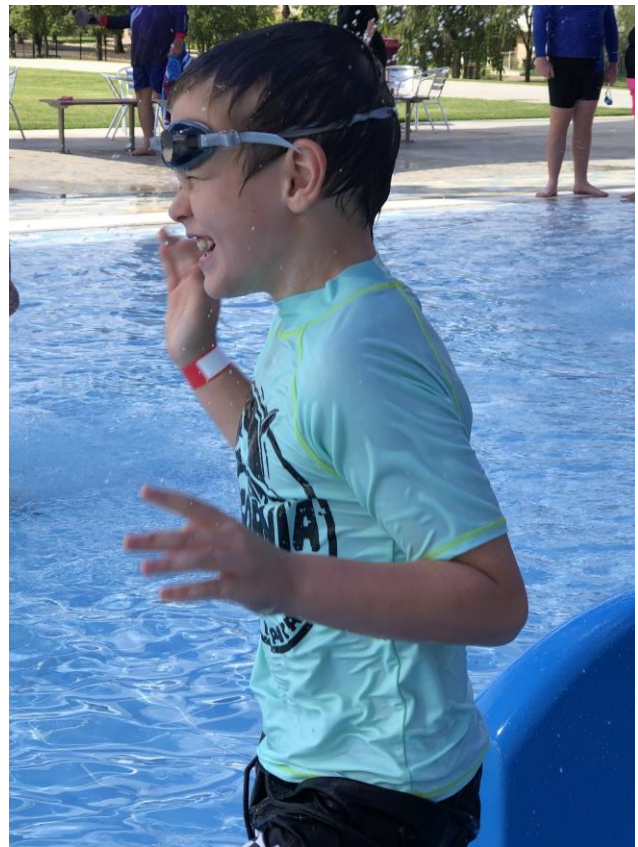
Goannas and Friends



Kangaroos and Friends



Emus and Friends



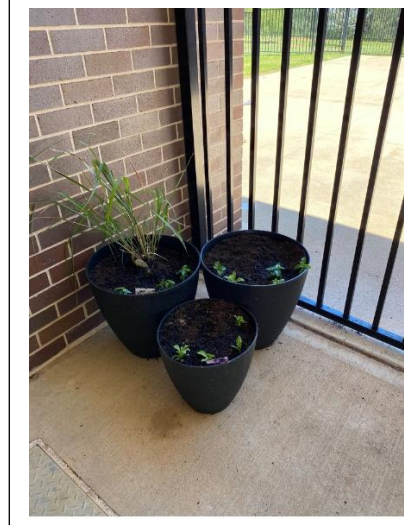
From the Garden



Students from all classes enjoy spending time in our school garden. It's a great team effort from all students and staff from planting, watering, weeding to picking the fresh produce that is regularly used in our school cooking program. They are all very proud of their garden!



Garden Herbs and Vegetables



COVID-19

We are following the advice of the Department of Education and have implemented extra precautions here at school. We will continue to monitor the guidelines provided and keep families updated.

Three actions you can take to help manage the spread:

1. **Wash your hands regularly and thoroughly, and/or use a hand sanitiser.**
2. **Sneeze into your elbow or a tissue, disposing of the tissue straight away and then washing your hands.**
3. **Stay home if you are unwell and in schools, send home staff or students who show signs of being unwell through the day.**

Protect yourself from viruses

-  **Clean** your hands with soap and water, or hand sanitiser.
-  **Cover** your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze.
-  **Avoid** close contact with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms.
-  **Stay home** if you are sick.

 **Find the facts**
health.nsw.gov.au/coronavirus

Please see CALENDAR on page 11 for all updates on CHANGES and CANCELLATIONS to activities as at 18/03/2020



Commencing
23
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Pathway to a career in **Support Services**

A career in community support services covers many occupations. Workers who provide services and support in the community play an important role in changing people's lives for the better.

If you're a caring person looking for a fulfilling career, then this interactive pathways course might be just the thing for you! This hands-on training introduces some of the key skills required by support workers across the community services sector. Learn:

- practical skills in infection control;
- how to provide a first aid response in a range of situations, including community and workplace settings;
- to assist clients to identify their rights, voice their needs and concerns..

This pre-course training introduces students to subjects in the **Community Services Training Package**. Find out if a support services career is right for you by enrolling in the **Pathway to a Career in Support Services** now!



HLTINF001 Comply with infection prevention and control policies and procedures
HLTAID003 Provide first aid
CHCADV001 Facilitate the interests and rights of clients

- When:** Starting 23 March 2020
Two days/week from 9:00am to 3:00pm
- Where:** Gunnedah Community College
39 Chandos Street, Gunnedah
- Max:** 15 students
- Cost:** **This training is subsidised by the NSW government. Eligibility rules apply.**
- RTO:** This training will be delivered by Community College Northern Inland Inc. (CCNI) – RTO 90027. Statements of Attainment will be issued to students assessed as competent by CCNI.



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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Our annual swimming carnival was held in Week 6 and what a wonderful event it was. The students proudly represented G. S. Kidd Memorial School while having a fun time. It was great to see parents and family members join us on the day to cheer on the students and to see the dads jump in and swim. It was also marvellous to have the two MC Classes from the Gunnedah Public Schools join us. Thank you to the P&C for providing lunch upon our return to school. It was a great day – thank you everyone.

Over the last week I have been approached by some parents asking for various changes to be implemented. While I am willing to listen to these approaches and understand that you are advocating for your child, please also understand that there are 34 students at G. S. Kidd Memorial School and my job, in consultation with Vicki as the Assistant Principal, is to balance the needs of all students while also supporting staff. ***Please be assured that I do not make these decisions lightly and a variety of options are considered before a decision is made. The best outcomes are achieved by people working together.***

Bec Maybury
Principal

CANCELLED P & C AGM Meeting Thursday 26/03/2020

G.S. Kidd P & C usually meet on the third Thursday of the month during school term. The meetings take place in the school library and commence at 5pm. All parents and families are most welcome to come along. **All P & C Meetings postponed UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

For any enquiries please contact the P & C President Mrs Bec Dridan on 0428 377 137.

CALENDAR

<u>WEEK</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>VENUE</u>
8	18/03/2020	Wednesday	Newsletter	GSK
8	19/03/2020	Thursday	African Experience CANCELLED	GSK
8	20/03/2020	Friday	Sport- Basketball CANCELLED	GDH BASKETBALL STADIUM
9	26/03/2020	Thursday	P & C Meeting AGM 5pm CANCELLED	GSK LIBRARY
9	27/03/2020	Friday	Sport- Basketball CANCELLED	GDH BASKETBALL STADIUM
10	01/04/2020	Wednesday	Newsletter	GSK
10	03/04/2020	Friday	Sport	GSK
11	7/04, 8/04/20	Tuesday Wednesday	School Photos POSTPONED	GSK
11	09/04/2020	Thursday	Last Day Of Term	GSK

Our whole school Assembly now takes place every Monday afternoon. During this time we present our weekly PBL Awards.

For all regular updates, highlights and photos please visit our Website
gskiddmem-s.school.gov.au
or follow us on Facebook.

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TODAY'S THOUGHT:

"You must be the change you wish to see in the world."

Mahatma Gandhi



Positive Behaviour For Learning

