

# NEWSLETTER



**Friday, 5 April 2013**

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## **DATES FROM THE CALENDAR:**

### **Term 1 - 2013**

#### **Week 11**

- ✓ **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April**  
Year 12 Exams commence
- ✓ **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April**  
Year 7 head to Questacon
- ✓ **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April**  
Athletics Carnival – all day
- ✓ **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April**  
Boys & Girls Squash to Wagga

### **Term 2**

#### **Week 1**

- ✓ **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April**  
Staff Development Day
- ✓ **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April**  
Staff Development Day
- ✓ **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May**  
**All students return to school**

## **Principal's Message**

### **Congratulations**

To Christopher Lewin who was promoted to Level 1, at our Welfare Assembly on Tuesday. Well done Christopher, he joins an elite group of students at this welfare level of the school's *On the Level* Welfare system.

Level 2 Promotions >>>> Stacey Lewin, Elle Anderson and Jeana Bell

Level 3 Promotions >>>> Elise Hughes and Jade Smith

Level 4 Promotions >>>> Max Murray and Jade Elliott on their promotion up the welfare levels.

Thank you to those parents who were able to attend.

I look forward to congratulating more students to these levels, which is in recognition of student's commitment to their learning, the school, and their local community while taking up opportunities to be involved and extend themselves as a result.

Well Done !

### **On the Level Information Booklet**

The updated Booklet outlining this program will be distributed to students next week.

### **Year 11**

Students received their Preliminary Assessment Booklet this week. It is **VERY IMPORTANT** that this book is read carefully, as it contains the rules and regulations set down by the NSW Board of Studies and Gundagai High School which must be followed as part of the assessment process for all preliminary courses.

If you or your child has any questions please don't hesitate to contact the class teacher or Head Teacher for specific subject information or Year 11 Year Adviser, Ms Appleby or myself on 6944 1233.



We acknowledge the Wiradjuri people who are the traditional custodians of this Land.

*Strive to Serve*

### School Development Days

Reminder to parents and students that there are two School Development days at the beginning of term 2 – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April. Staff will have a focus on the implementation of the new NSW syllabuses which incorporate the Australian Curriculum. **Students begin back on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May.**

### ANZAC Day

Students and families are reminded that Gundagai High School will be marching on Anzac Day. Mr Crane is taking names of students who know they will be attending at this stage, but you can turn up on the day. We look forward to a large group as we always do on this day.

### Safe Holidays

I hope you all have a safe and restful holiday and students return ready and focused on their learning for Term 2.

Jennifer Miggins  
Principal

## Deputy Principal's News

### Assignment starters A-Z

What projects or essays does your child have that are due by the end of term? One of them could be among the School A-Z website's assignment starters – resources designed to point you in the right direction.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-assignments>

### Buying an e-reader or tablet

E-readers may be a good way to get reluctant readers into books, plus they let you carry your library around with you wherever you go.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/using-technology/e-book-re-kindle-love-of-reading>

### Clothing

With cooler weather approaching, please ensure that students have jumpers, jackets and tracksuits labelled so we can return any lost clothing. Unmarked clothing that is sent to the front office and isn't claimed by its owner is sent to the op-shop at the end of each term.

Simon Bridgeman  
Deputy Principal



## Gundagai High Students Success in Rescheduled School Show Cattle Paraders

On Saturday 23rd February, 25 students from Gundagai and Tumut High Schools competed in the rescheduled School Cattle Parader competition of the Gundagai Show. Gundagai High School students put in a strong effort on the day with success at the Year 7, 8 and 10 level of the competition.

Mitchell Luff was awarded Year 7 Champion Parader which is determined solely on their skills in the ring. In fact it was a 3 way tie with Mitchell, Hayden Smart and Logan Elphick. Judge Sandy Mellis was then required to separate them into their final positions. Hayden and Logan were subsequently placed equal second with Harry McDonnell a close fourth.

Gundagai High again dominated in the Year 8 section with Harrison Daley receiving the blue champion ribbon closely followed by Clay Willshire in second and Joseph Carberry equal third.

Billie-Joe Carberry and Amelia French (Year 10) won a place in the finals of their year group through their general knowledge of cattle and their parading skills. From this final event against the 2 Year 10 students from Tumut, Billie-Joe Carberry was awarded Year 10 Champion Parader.

Joseph Carberry (Year 8) of Gundagai High School was awarded the Encouragement Award by Judge Sandy Mellis. It was unfortunate that no Year 9 competitors from GHS were available.

The Champion Parader ribbon was won by Kiahana Bellchamber (year 9) from Tumut. All scores for both teams are then averaged to decide the champion Parader School and this was won by Tumut High School outscoring Gundagai High by just 1 point.

Mr Sandy Mellis (judge) was impressed with the level of skill displayed by students from both schools and found it difficult to split them up. He especially commented on the level of enjoyment the students displayed as they participated in this event.

This is another fantastic result for a group of hard working students who give up their lunchtimes to prepare for the show. It is also pleasing to see the large number of parents who attended to support their children. I would also like to thank the trophy sponsors and Tiffany Smart who was the Steward for the day. Also thanks to my fellow staff members Anna Streckfuss and Veronica Thake for their assistance on the day on the scorer's desk.

Results for School Parader Competition.

Year 7: Mitchell Luff (GHS) 1<sup>st</sup>, Hayden Smart & Logan Elphick (GHS) =2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 8: Harrison Daley (GHS) 1<sup>st</sup>, Clay Willshire (GHS) 2<sup>nd</sup>. Joseph Carberry (GHS) =3<sup>rd</sup>

Year 9: Kiahana Bellchambers (THS) 1<sup>st</sup>, Madeline Casey (THS) 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Year 10: Billie-Joe Carberry (GHS) 1<sup>st</sup>, Amelia French (GHS) 2<sup>nd</sup>, Angela McGrath (THS) 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Champion School Parader

and Gundagai Real Estate Trophy: Kiahana Bellchambers (THS).

Reserve Champion School Parader: Madeline Casey (THS).

Champion Parader School and Gundagai Meat Processors Trophy: Tumut High School.

Encouragement Award and A & G Schultz Trophy: Joseph Carberry (GHS).



**Hayden Smart (Yr. 7) keeps a keen eye on the Judge during his heat.**



**Joseph Carberry (Yr. 8) shows his skills which won him the Encouragement award.**





**Major Prize winners L to R Back: Billie-Joe Carberry, Mitchell Luff, Sandy Mellis, Joseph Carberry, Harrison Daley. Front: Madeline Casey, Justin Day and Kiahna Bellchambers**

## **Gundagai High Agriculture Receives Gift of Charolais Heifer**

The Agriculture Department at Gundagai High School was the recipient of a surprise gift of a pure bred Charolais heifer at the rescheduled School Cattle Parader competition on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. The heifer was donated by the Rural Youth Cattle Enrichment Inc. (RYCE) based on a partnership between Weemaru Murray Grey Stud, Adelong, Rising Sun Rural and Tumut High School.

RYCE was the recipient of the 2012 NAB National Schools First Impact award winning some \$200,000 for their initiatives in developing rural youth agricultural skills. Part of the submission included the contributions made by Gundagai High students participating in the Local Show circuit and nationally at the Royal Melbourne Show. "It was 18 years ago that Dale Chadwick from Gundagai High, Sarah Nicholls from Batlow Central and myself got together and established the School Parader competitions at our local shows. Dale's valuable support and dedication to Gundagai High's show parader program has assisted RYCE to be the success that it is and we would like to recognise his efforts by donating this heifer to Gundagai High School," said Tumut High School teacher Tony Butler.

A very surprised group of Gundagai High students and Dale Chadwick thanked RYCE for their very generous

gift. "It has been a very satisfying and rewarding journey to see students achieve and develop skills that may assist them in their future lives.

Their development is also evident on a personal level with improved self-esteem, peer interaction and school and community spirit. I wish to express my sincere thanks and gratitude to RYCE for their very generous donation and support of Agriculture at Gundagai High School. I would also like to thank those major supporters who have assisted Gundagai High over the years with our Show Parader program, Bill Graham: Bongongo Angus, Garry Williamson and Paul Ferry: Abingdon Station, Jamie and David Elworthy: Tarabandra, McAlister, Saunderson and Stubbs: Gundagai, Gundagai Meat Processors and Gloria and Anthony Nicholls: Gundagai. There are many others who have also provided support along the way and I wish to again extend my gratitude to them," said Dale.

The 6 month old heifer is PALGROVE REFINE 236 bred by D & P Bondfield of the Palgrove Charolais stud at Dalveen.



**Tony Butler of Tumut High School presents Dale Chadwick with the heifer  
PALGROVE REFINE 236.**





Excited Gundagai High School Cattle Parading Students with their new heifer.



Cattle Paraders

## Gundagai Panthers Soccer Registration Days

**Wednesday 3 April**  
**District Services Club**  
**4 – 5:30pm**

&

**Friday 5 April**  
**Owen Vincent Oval**  
**Kick around for kids and**  
**final registration**  
**4 - 5:30pm**

**\$50 per player**  
**socks for sale \$15 each**

**If unable to make it to either**  
**registration but intending to play please**  
**contact Meredith Tait on 0438 835 658**  
**as we must have numbers in**  
**by Friday 5 April.**

**1st game will be Saturday 11 May.**

## 2013 HOLIDAY DEVELOPMENT CAMP



**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2013**

*Specialist coaching catering for all skill levels of players 12 to 16 years.*

### All players receive:-

- Top class coaching and instruction from NRL Development Staff, guest coaches and the opportunity to meet current NRL players (subject to availability).
- Dormitory room accommodation with dining, recreation, video, seminar rooms and use of the Borambola Camp's facilities
- All meals from dinner Monday to lunch Wednesday
- 2 nights' accommodation, CRL Football, 1 training shirt, Cap, Water bottle, Camp Photo and Certificate of Attendance

The Camp cost is \$220.00. There are no additional costs and the three-day camp provides the players with an invaluable Rugby League experience they will always remember. Throughout the duration of the camp, players will follow a carefully balanced program designed to promote skill development, sportsmanship, fun and enjoyment. All players are fully supervised throughout the duration of the camp by trained NRL Staff and NSW Sport and Recreation Staff.

For further information, email:

[dskinner@crlnsw.com.au](mailto:dskinner@crlnsw.com.au)

[or register online](#)

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**Happy Holidays, travel safe if you're heading off anywhere.**

**See you all next term.**

