

# NEWSLETTER



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## DATES FROM THE CALENDAR:

### Term 2

- ✓ **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June**  
Queen's Birthday Holiday
- ✓ **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June**  
HSC Music Day in Albury
- ✓ **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June**  
Year 7 to Monte Cristo Junee
- ✓ **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June**  
Riverina RoboCUP – CSU Wagga
- ✓ **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June**
  - Regional X-Country Gundagai
  - VET IT HSC Enrichment Day – Wagga TAFE
- ✓ **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June**  
Riverina Basketball trials Wagga
- ✓ **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July**  
Staff Development Day
- ✓ **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July**  
Students return

## Principal's Message

### Congratulations

To our successful **Southern Slopes Zone Cross Country** Carnival Representatives:

Jock Lindley for his second place in the 16 years Boys. Well Done!!  
Ellie Sheahan for third place in the 16 years Girls. Well Done!!

To our **Zone Athletic** Participants who have done their very best to reach such a level. Please see the Team Report further in the newsletter.

Well Done Tate Brooke and Tara Mellish who have been successful in reaching the Regional Level of competition.

A big **THANK YOU** to those parents who have been able to help with transport, for such events. The School and the students are so very grateful for your time and support.

### Staff Professional Learning

Key staff members have volunteered to undertake extra professional learning in support of the learning of our students with a particular focus on Literacy and Learning Strategies. The extra events are the two day conference - Riverina Learning Conference with the international presenter Guy Claxton and, three whole school change programs, the Secondary Learning Strategy (2LS), How2Learn and Team Leadership. Thank you to those staff who are involved.

### HSC Study Days

There are many HSC Study Days at this time of year that give students extra advice about how to answer HSC examination questions, study tips and extra information to add to students' knowledge base in support of their achievement in their HSC exams. I highly recommend that all Year 12 students attend these events.

**THANK YOU to ALL those STUDENTS who are in FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM.**

You all look very impressive members of the Gundagai High School Community. Visitors to the school have commented on how fantastic you all look and, how your behaviour is responsible and respectful. These are great compliments. Well Done!!

**Jennifer Miggins**  
Principal



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

*Strive to Serve*

## Deputy Principal's News

### Clothing

The winter uniform worn by the majority of students has looked very smart and it has been extremely pleasing to see the pride the students have taken in their appearance. With cooler weather now upon us, 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.



### Riverina X-Country

Gundagai High School will again host the Riverina X-country carnival (Friday 14th June). This event will be held at the Racecourse, showground and common. Like last year, we will need lots of helpers on the day. Students will be asked to volunteer to help out along the course, as place recorders, judges and also traffic monitors. In 2012 we had over 70 students volunteer and the visitors to Gundagai were very appreciative of the enthusiasm and efforts of our school students.

With over 300 competitors and many more spectators from across the Region it is a fantastic way to display Gundagai's hospitality and ability to run major events.

**The P&C will be running the canteen and will need the assistance of parents. If you can assist for an hour in the canteen please contact Lynda Petty on 69449232 or Lizzie Britt on 0411888097 to put your name on the roster.**

### School Sporting Representation

Gundagai High School has had a large number of School Sporting Representative Team's over the first two Terms of this year. Rugby League, Boy's and Girl's Basketball, Squash, Netball, Soccer, Swimming, Athletics, Cross-Country and for the first time in 10 year's Australian Rules Football.

A team of boys from Year 7, 8 and 9 travelled to Tumbarumba to play the first round of the Swann Shield Football competition. Despite only having three players with previous experience, the eighteen players who donned oversized rugby league jerseys performed above expectations and earned the praise of both Tumbarumba supporters and their coach, who was also the school Principal. Mr David Crelley took time out after the game to let the Dog's players know how impressed he was with their effort, sportsmanship and their determination.

Stand-out performances for the day were from Tate Brooke, who was tireless in the ruck all day, Ricky Wheeler, who provided much needed starch and defensive presence and our on-ballers Simon Shipley, Chae Smith, Chaz Bishop and Josh Bawden. Jhon Paul Magdayao and Rhys Murray were the smaller players who got numerous touches and the Best on Ground Performance from the Dog's was B J Salmon.

The side will only lose three players from the squad next year and are looking forward to the challenge of another game. Special thanks to all the parents who took time out of their day and supplied transport to the Tumbarumba show grounds.



**Matthew Bishop**  
Relieving Deputy Principal



## Front Office News

### Uniform

Track Jackets and Track Pants have now arrived.

All sizes are available with Track Jackets priced at \$61 and Track Pants priced at \$48.

### Important Family Details Update

Due to program changes within the department it is very important that mailing address details are correct on your Family Details Form; which was sent home several weeks ago.

Mailing address details should include the following-

Property Name, **Street/Road Number and Street/Road Name** and Town; to confirm this information please check your **Shire Rates Notice** or **Rental Property Receipt**. The address displayed on these forms is the correct information.

Could you ***please*** check these details carefully and return to school as soon as possible. If you are uncertain about any of this information please contact the school.

To those parents who have returned the information sheet to school thank you again.



## Careers News

The **My Skills** website aims to connect students with the training that best suits their needs.

It is a single point where students can find information on nationally recognised training courses, RTOs, campus services, training delivery modes and VET-FEE HELP loan availability.

The **MyUniversity** website offers students a broad range of information about Australian universities and other higher education providers, including student satisfaction and graduate outcome surveys. Students can search a database of thousands of courses and compare details such as fee and entry requirements.

The **Study Assist** website provides information to students about the Higher Education Loan Program (HELP). The HELP schemes assist eligible students to pay their student contributions (HECS-HELP), tuition fees (FEE-HELP or VET FEE-HELP), overseas study expenses (OS-HELP) and student services and amenities fees (SA-HELP). *Study Assist* also provides information about student income support payments available such as Youth Allowance, Austudy and ABSTUDY. This is a key website for students to visit for up-to-date information about financing their tertiary studies

## Sport

### Zone Athletics - Temora

A very enthusiastic but small group of GHS students attended the Zone Athletics carnival at Temora recently. Despite the slight number there was great participation and mighty performances in some events.

#### Results were:

- Tate Brooke first in the 13ys Boys Shot-put and 13ys Boys Javelin.
- Jake Elphick 3<sup>rd</sup> 13ys Boys Discuss
- Tara Mellish 3<sup>rd</sup> in 17+ Girls Long Jump
- Rhys Murray 3<sup>rd</sup> 12ys Long Jump
- James Franklin 3<sup>rd</sup> 13ys Boys 100m
- Lily Bowditch 3<sup>rd</sup> 14ys Girls 1500m



Mr Crane and Mr Hall would like to thank the parents that drove to Temora to support their children and the school. The day was warm and quite successful and all students were fantastic ambassadors for the school. The next carnival is the regional event in Albury early term 3.





## Zone Cross - Country Harden

On Friday 31<sup>st</sup> of May, Mr Hall and 12 students participated in the Zone Cross- Country in Harden. A cold day saw our students struggle in the conditions but all finished the event in good spirit. Best results were a second place from Jock Lindley in 16 year old boys and fourth places by Lily Bowditch and Rhys Murray. Don't forget the regional cross country event will be held in Gundagai on Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> of June; our school will be assisting in the running of this event which proved to be highly successful last year. Again thanks to all parents that attended.

## Mr R Crane Sport Adviser







**build a bridge**  
**... & get over it!**

**If you like problem solving,  
maths, science & design ...  
Then this camp is for you!**

**Dates 19, 20 & 21 August 2013**

A 3 day Camp at Borambola for students in Years 10, 11 & 12  
who are interested in a career in Civil Engineering.

Students compete in teams to design and build a real bridge.  
Participate in hands-on workshops in laser levelling,  
soil compaction testing, spatial co-ordinates and surveying  
plus Borambola's great outdoor activities.

Entries open to all students in the  
Central Murrumbidgee and REROC areas.

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