



# GYMPIE CENTRAL STATE SCHOOL

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## THURSDAY'S TIDINGS

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*Turning young children into lifelong learners...*

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 10!

Only four days next week and we have our Easter holidays. This week has been super busy with the Year 7 camp to Luther Heights, the Year 5 camp to Barambah Environmental Education Centre and 4W going to the Planetarium Botanical Gardens. It's very strange being at school when so many of our students aren't. It will be very exciting hearing about their stories in next weeks newsletter.

Thank you for supporting all three of these highly educational excursions. The children will have many memories and stories to tell for a long time to come.

### **CONSTABLE JASON & CONSTABLE ROLLY**

Constable Jason and Constable Rolly visited our assembly last Friday to speak about how to 'keep safe' and using common sense when looking after yourself.

Jason and Rolly also helped captains, Elyse and Owen, hand out this weeks awards and tokens.

To complete their visit, both officers visited Prep, where they introduced themselves, talked about what police officers do and about rules and safety.

Constable Jason is our Adopt-a-Cop and both Jason and Rolly, visit our school on a regular basis. It's wonderful to have such great support from our local police.

### **THE CENT AUCTION!!**

What a raging success. The Senior Citizens Hall was full!! I couldn't believe the number of people sitting there tearing up their tickets. I haven't been to a Cent Auction since I was in primary school.

Expertly run by our P and C, a truck load of kids (past and present students), Cheryl Wight, Scott Gate, Jodi Cartwright, Nicky McIntosh and Ros Wilson. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! Adam Tralka, a student from One Mile, worked ALL NIGHT! Thank you Adam!

Some people were exceptionally lucky getting prize after prize. Please share your opinion about the Cent Auction with our P and C members to let them know what you thought!!

P and C Members - Andrew Hosking, Leanne Sullivan, Adielle Blok, Julie Jones, Julie Austin, Lesley Nissen, Stephanie Butler, Melita Lee and Leah Hosking.

Regards,  
Sandra.

### **YEAR 2 PICASSO DISPLAY**

The Year 2 children have completed a study of Picasso and were invited to display their work in the Gympie Regional Art Gallery, in Nash Street. The Gallery is open to view the children's artwork during the week until 4pm (excluding Monday) and on Saturdays until midday. Please come along and have a look. They have done a great job!

### **HOT CROSS BUN DRIVE**

Please remember to return all order forms, including money by next **Tuesday 7 April**. Don't forget, as the buns will be ready to collect that afternoon, just in time for Easter! Recently Baker's Delight has supported us with our Cent Auction, so get in and help them out by supporting the Hot Cross Bun Drive!!

### **UPCOMING EVENTS—TERM 1**

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| Wed-Fri, 1-3 April | Barambah Environmental Education Centre Camp—Yr 5 |
| Wed-Fri, 1-3 April | Luther Heights Camp—Year 7                        |
| Friday, 3 April    | Mt Cootha Planetarium—Year 4W                     |
| Tuesday, 7 April   | Hot Cross Bun Form & Payment Due                  |
| Friday, 10 April   | GOOD FRIDAY—Public Holiday                        |
| Monday, 20 April   | Pupil Free Day                                    |
| Tuesday, 21 April  | School resumes                                    |

## **LIBRARY NEWS**

**Caring for our Library** - It is very close to the end of term one and I have thoroughly enjoyed my first term in the library here at Central School. Apart from encouraging regular reading and an interest in books, my big goal for next term is to encourage all students to take ownership of *their* library. I would like all students to take responsibility for caring for all of our books and for keeping the Central School Library environment and resources in the best possible condition. We are very fortunate to have a great library and a very large range of resources. All students can get the best from our library by taking the following simple steps:

- ❖ Using library bags when borrowing books
- ❖ Keeping hands clean and books away from food other substances which can damage them
- ❖ Returning books carefully, spine out, to the shelves after looking at them
- ❖ Putting things back where they came from when finished with them.

**Voices on the Coast** - I was very excited to receive news that the 'Voices on the Coast' program is soon to be published and tickets will go on sale at the beginning of May. This local 'Youth Literature Festival' which will be held on Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup> of July at the University of the Sunshine Coast is an amazing opportunity for our upper school students to meet and hear talks from many famous Australian children's authors. I hope to distribute information to teachers and families early in term 2, keep a look out, this is an opportunity not to miss.

**Holiday Borrowing** - Students will continue borrowing in the last week of school and will keep their book selection over the holidays, returning or renewing them at their first library lesson in term 2. A great idea is to create a special 'library book space' to house student's library books, so they don't get mixed up with books from home. If your child or children are enthusiastic readers and finish books before the holidays are over, don't forget to make use of our local town library which has free membership and a huge selection of books, CDs & DVDs for loan.

Happy Reading,  
Emma Green (Teacher/Librarian)

## **PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS**



**Swimming** - Swimming for children in year 2F and 3P finished this week. Most students have continued to progress well. Regular practice is required to continue and improve their skills. Parents wanting to continue swimming lessons for their child through the winter should contact Liz Manthey at Deep Blue

Aquatic Centre on 54825588. Liz has an indoor heated swimming pool and several learn to swim coaches. A special big thank you to all our parent volunteers. Thankyou also to all the parents who made sure children had sun safe shirts for their child to wear at lessons. Without your support and encouragement our program would not be as successful.

**Rugby League** - Darren Burns visited year 2-7 classes this week for some rugby league skill workshops. Darren provides the opportunity for children to do small games and the social skills of team work and sportsmanship.

During the Easter vacation Gympie Rugby League is offering a free come and try session at Jack Stokes Oval on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2009. Start time is 4:00pm and finish time is 6:00pm. School children are welcome to attend but parents must be there to supervise. Children will have the chance to meet children from other schools and practice some Rugby League skills.

**Term 2 2009** - After the Easter holiday period Physical Education will be focused on preparation for the annual "Sports Day". Children are reminded that if they need medication (ventolin etc) to make sure they bring it along to each lesson. Children will also be offered the opportunity for lunch time practice in preparation for the annual fun run (cross country). A team of children will soon be selected to represent our school at the Gympie Zone cross country trials.

Until next week, keep playing sport.  
Anthony Schofield (PE teacher)

## **SPORTING REPRESENTATIVES**

Congratulations to the following students on their selection into Gympie Zone representative sporting teams.

**Hockey:** Madeline Austin, Gabby Rogers, Sumira Bouraga, Taillah Henwood. They will attend the Wide Bay trials at Hervey Bay on 30 April & 1 May.

**Basketball:** Sumira Bouraga. The Wide Bay trials will be held in Bundaberg on 6 & 7 May.

**Special congratulations to Brad Nissen**, who has been selected into the Wide Bay Boys Softball team. Brad was a member of the Gympie Zone team competing at Wide Bay trials in Bundaberg last week. Brad will participate in the State Championship later this year at Ipswich.

## **CORRECT SCRIPT**

As a guide to support parents in helping their child learn how to do appropriate print, we have included a template.

### TENNIS COACHING

Tennis coaching will be on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April and also Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April to complete term 1 coaching as some students will be absent on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April due to camps etc. All participants are welcome to attend Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April.

### EASTER HOLIDAY JUNIOR TENNIS FUN TOURNAMENT

Gympie Junior Tennis will be conducting a fun tournament for any junior players from beginner to advanced level on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April** at The Reg English Memorial Tennis Centre. All events will be played in a round robin format and modified rules used for beginner level players. **Great prizes** and a **lucky player prize** drawn at the tournament. Members and non members welcome. The tournament will run from **8.30am until 12.30pm** and cost will be **\$20.00 / player including morning tea and lunch. Family Discounts Apply. Entries close 10.00am on the day prior to the event with Matt Watkins 0417 070129.**



### UNIFORMS

We now have all sizes in stock.

### HEAD LICE

**Head lice have been reported at the school. Please regularly check your children's hair and apply treatment. Thank you for your support.**



Canteen on site for drinks, chips and munchies  
Rainbow Glow Rings for sale \$3.00  
A great family night out for everyone  
Please support Gympie Special School by  
attending this event  
Tickets available at the door

# TUCKSHOP TALK



**Hello Everyone,**

*I had a great time at last weeks Cent Auction. Congratulations to our P&C and all involved.*

*It seems to be very quiet at school with the Year 5s and Year 7s away at their camps - I hope they are all having a great time.*

*Please find attached Roster for Term 2 - I can't believe how quickly Term 1 has flown by.*

*Bye 'til next week... Lesley*

## ROSTER

### FRIDAY, 3 April

Vicki Hutley

#### GROCERIES

Michelle Brook  
Cheryl Glover

### MONDAY, 6 April

Ken Thorburn

#### GROCERIES

Chris Henwood  
Tanya Goody

### WEDNESDAY, 8 April

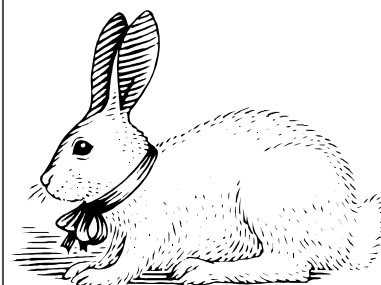
Cheryl Wight

#### GROCERIES

Julie Austin  
Leanne Sullivan  
Colleen Lilley

### FRIDAY, 10 April

Good Friday



### Grocery Ideas

Jatz/ Saos  
2 Minute Noodles  
Tinned Pineapple/  
Corn/ Beetroot  
Lettuce  
Alfoil

## SPECIALS TOMORROW

Hot Dog & Cheese \$2

Jelly & Ice Cream 50c

Ice Cream Cone 50c

## School Resumes

Tuesday,  
21st April

## SPECIALS

### Monday ONLY

Sausage Sizzle \$1

Buttered Hot Cross

Bun \$1

### Wednesday ONLY

Nachos - Large \$3

- Small \$1

Buttered Hot Cross

Bun \$1