Happy Fathers Day
Happy Fathers Day to our dads, carers, uncles and granddads for this Sunday!
The regular adults in our children’s lives make such a difference in how they view the world and solve problems. To the special men out there, who are responsible for the well-being and care of their children, never underestimate your importance or your influence. You are loved and valued!

Book Week Assembly
Thank you to the parents and carers who came to our special book week assembly on Monday. The student work in the library was a credit to them (and the grown-ups who assisted them). Many students went home with a second hand book. It is always good to share special memories and treasures with the next generation and what greater treasure is there than love and knowledge?

Activities and Events
Please take time to read about the special events that have taken place and are taking place over the following weeks. None of this would be possible without the extra time and effort by our dedicated staff who are always taking on additional responsibilities in order to give our students – your children – a variety of experiences and opportunities as they grow and learn about themselves and the world in which they live.

Mrs Merydyth Raue, (Relieving Principal)

Responsible Pet Education Visit K – 2
Last Friday the students in K-2 were delighted with the presentation by Belinda Pryor, and her dog, Luke, as part of the NSW Responsible Pet Education program. Her lesson used multimedia, role play, song and story to provide the students with a variety of activities to teach a wide range of concepts relating to responsible pet ownership.
The lesson focused on teaching students about dog safety incorporating:
• When dogs should be left alone
• Things we should not do to dogs
• How can you tell if a dog is happy, frightened or angry
• A safe way to approach and greet a dog
• What to do if approached by an unknown or aggressive dog.

Upcoming Events
2nd September – Fathers Day stall
7th September – Kadul with Ryka Ali
15th & 16th September – School Photos

Sarah McInerney with Belinda & Luke
Life Education Visit
The students were very happy that Healthy Harold and the Life Education Program visited our school last week. The lessons focused on issues around food and nutrition, personal safety, physical activity, cyber safety, safety with medicine and legal drugs; tobacco, alcohol and caffeine. The messages in each lesson helped children to develop relationship skills, positive communication, problem solving and decision making skills. Harold was his usual cheeky self and the students loved the interaction they had with him.

No BREAKFAST CLUB this Thursday
Book Week
Last week we celebrated Book Week throughout the school. All classes immersed themselves even further into reading, both in their own rooms and in the library. Students from Stage One participated in a Rainbow Fish colouring competition and the Stage 2&3 students created dioramas for a chosen book. Trent Hilton, Wayne Griffiths and Lizz Ferguson visited classes to do some reading, talk about books and chat with the students about learning. Yesterday we held a special assembly in the library to showcase the dioramas and we were treated to a reading of the story “The Wrong Book” by Lilli Ferguson and Rheyce Adams. Book awards were presented to students for their reading, their dioramas and their colouring. It was a fantastic celebration of literature. Congratulations go to all students for a great Book Week, 2015!

Winners of book prizes

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Canteen Roster
4th September – Lizz, Jenny & Michelle
11th September – Lizz, Dianne & Michelle
18th September – Lizz, Granny & Shanni

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**Transition**
Year 6 attended their first transition visit on Monday, 24th August at Gunnedah High School. Students attended different subject lessons including science, cooking and metalwork. Students welcomed the opportunity to meet students from other schools who will be in Year 7 next year and appreciated meeting some of the high school teachers.
Students from 3-6F visited again on Thursday to meet more teachers and get to know the layout of the school. Brady Herbert said that the most useful part of the day involved using a sample Year 7 timetable and completing activities, which makes him feel more confident about using timetables next year.
All the Year 6 students are very excited about their next visit!
Our next visits will be on Monday, 12th October (Term 4, Week 2) and Monday, 2nd November (Term 4, Week 5).

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**WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN**

Tuesday, 8th September 2015
is the closing day for Woolworths Earn & Learn
so please get your stickers in to the box at Woolworths or our office.