Spring into Spring Fun Run

Sunday 11th, October saw a great roll up for the Guyra Central School P&C fundraiser the Spring into Spring Fun Run. There were two main events for the day an 8km and 2km run, with close to 150 competitors ranging in age from three to eighty nine years old competing in the event. Other entertainment included a jumping castle providing endless entertainment for the freshly face painted children.

Winners of the events were;
8km Male - David Waugh with a time of 32:40.2 and 8km Female – Gail Wilkes finishing in a time if 46.23.2. Following this was the 2km run with Eva Knox finishing in a time of 9.29.06 and BJ Cameron with a time of 9.34.75.

Huge thanks to all who participated in our event, also Mel Atkin and Aimee Hutton, for your organisation in the lead up to and running of this wonderful event.

Congratulations to Gemma Williams who was the only Guyra Central School secondary student to complete the 8km run.

Thanks also to those who sponsored this event, Hammonds Plumbing, Professionals Guyra, Jobs Australia, CT Electrics, Cross Country Taxation, Spar Express, Burgess Garage, Guyra Welding Works, Bestech, Costa Group/Blush Tomatoes, Forever Fit with Jamie, UNE School of Health, The Travelling Cappuccino, Guyra Shire Council, Community Mutual Guyra, Helen & David Bearup and Bill & Sue Atkin. Without the support of these local businesses and individuals events like this simply do not happen.

We extend special thanks also to Kim Usher, Head of School, School of Health at UNE for her contributions with the wonderful vouchers and all the freebies that competitors received on completion of the event. Thanks also to the VRA who assisted with the marshalling and on site first aid and to the entire P&C committee and their families, teaching staff and everyone else who helped out on the day.

Dates for your Diary

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Reminders

- As of the beginning of Term 4 prices at the Canteen have increased. An updated pricelist was issued in Term 3, week 10, if you haven’t received a copy of this please contact the Canteen 6779 1689 or obtain one from the Main Office.

- Book Club orders due back to Library Monday 19 October, all cheque payments to be made out to Guyra Central School.
Breakfast with the students
Friday 18th September saw a farewell breakfast for Year 12 students and their families at Guyra Central School. This event is a time for the students, staff and families to catch up and talk about what the futures of our students may hold. It is always nice to see our families involved in school events. Year 12 students also issued some special awards to our staff members.
Following the breakfast students then attended a Valedictory assembly along with fellow secondary students, year five and six students. Farewell speeches prepared by students from year seven through to year ten provided some laughter as well as well wishes to the departing students.
The 2016 School Captains were also announced with Huw Knox and Hope McClure taking leadership with the support of vice captains Ali Archibald and Emma Vallance. The year 12 students presented the school with a gift; this was two wonderful mats that are now in both the secondary and main office foyers, displaying our school logo.
The recipient of the 2015 Positive Recognition Shield to a student in year 7 - 10, elected by the year 12 students was Vicente (Vinnie) Abayan.
Year Advisers Miss Clea Townsend and Miss Kylie Baxter gave an address and then presented the students with portfolios and merit certificates. Gold Bars and Certificates of Excellence were presented and then the Year Eleven students presented a school memento to each of the Year 12 students.
The Higher School Certificate starts on Monday, 12 October and we wish our Year 12 students, Rachel Coles, Samantha Cox, Samantha Hodder, Abby Walls, Jamie Ward, Hannah Williams, Miles Archibald, Jake Ellis, Max Hammond, Mason Harman, Jacob Jackson, Zac Kelleher-Alefosio, Brock Laybutt, Dallas Mulligan, Liam Surawski and Austin Youman all the very best with their exams and their future.
Special thanks must also go to the year eleven students who rose early to come to school and cook breakfast for all, also the help from Mrs Yvette Ballard, Mrs Gwyn Pearson, Mrs Deb Merritt and Mrs Donna Mayled.

Premier Beef Fest
Guyra Central School students prepared and exhibited two steers and a heifer at the Premier Beef Fest that was held in Armidale on 16th and 17th September. A great result was achieved at auction selling all three animals, one of the steers selling for more than $2000.
Pleasing results for Madison Morgan who placed 2nd in the Junior Paraders competition with Adam Vickery and Taylor Brennan making the finals. Nick Morse, Hannah Gordon, Ben Lennon and Adam Vickery also made the final twelve in the Junior Judging competition.
The students and Agriculture teacher Mr Scott Miller would like to extend a very big thanks to Gary and Sandy Morgan for all their assistance for this event as well as Ian Pearson for the transportation of the cattle to Armidale. Students are now busy working towards the Northern Schools Steer Competition to be held in Narrabri mid-November.
### Stage Two Thalgarrah Environment Education Centre Excursion

On Thursday 17th September, Year 4 students were very excited to be finally going to Thalgarrah for the night. On the bus we sang lots of songs. When we got there we met Matt and went to put our things in the cabin. The boys stayed in the Eagle cabin and the girls stayed in the Possum cabin. Then we had a look around and played some fun games. We then had lunch and went on a bush walk where we used our mapping and navigating skills. Later on we played a huge game of Tribes and Territories. That night we had a lasagne for dinner - it was really yummy! Then we had showers, watched a movie, had a hot chocolate and went to bed but we didn’t go to sleep until after 12am! The next day we were up really early and went dip netting, we all got very wet! After that, Year 3 arrived and we had morning tea. We did some outdoor activities, caught some bugs to look at under a microscope, did some drawings and then we had a yummy lunch. In the afternoon, we got to see and hold the pet Python snake, although Mrs Mitchell watched on from outside of the classroom and definitely didn’t hold it. Then we hopped on the bus to come home and we all fell asleep really early that night! Thank you to Mrs Mitchell, Miss Boland and Dean Mitchell for taking us, we had a fantastic time!

**Report by year 4 students**

On Friday 18th September, we went to Thalgarrah on the bus. We all sang The Wheels on The Bus really loud and we also made up some different songs. When we got there we met with Nina and we saw two donkeys. Then we went for a walk. After that Nina showed us around Thalgarrah and taught us lots of things and we also played some fun games. We did some dip netting and it was really fun, we almost caught a bull frog! For lunch we had a hamburger and they were really yummy. After lunch it started to rain and we had a little play in the rain. We had so much fun at Thalgarrah. Thank you to Mrs Mitchell, Mrs Vidler, Miss Boland and Cassie for taking us!

**Report by year 3 students Maddie, Myah, Akashia, Shahkita, Oscar, Cooper, Annabelle, Jaymie and Takoda.**
Sports Report
Secondary students will be participating in Golf and Lawn Bowls at the Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club for sport during Term 4. The 6 weeks of sport will be free of charge courtesy of the Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club.

If any students have access to a set of golf clubs please bring them to school during the weeks they are allocated golf.

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2015 NSW All Schools Athletics State Titles
Two GCS students travelled late last week to Sydney to compete in the 2015 NSW All Schools Athletics State Titles at Homebush.

Huw Knox competed in the 800m heat coming second with a time equal second fastest qualifying for the final. He then went on to compete in the final for the 800m finishing fifth with a time that was two seconds quicker than previously.

Huw also raced in the 400m winning his heat as second fastest qualifier however was unable to compete in the final due to travel commitments. With the pleasing results Huw achieved he will now travel to Perth in March 2016 to compete in the ‘Nationals’.

Kelsie Youman also competed in the Final of the 1500m but couldn’t quite pull off the time she accomplished at CHS State titles after an interrupted preparation. However she did herself extremely proud by placing 7th overall in this event. She is looking forward to competing again in January in several events at state level.

School Uniforms
School Caps are now available for purchase from the Main Office for $12.50. Donations of school uniform items to the clothing pool also would be very much appreciated, if you have anything that your child has grown out of we would appreciate if you could drop the items to the Main Office.

Canteen Roster
New times: 8.30am-11.30am or 11.30am-2.30am, half day volunteer times now available.

Kade Stanley, Sam Atkin and Fletcher Richardson who proved themselves to be Superstars at the GCS Fun Run, handing out freebies and photographing the runners and being wonderful helpers.