### Dates for your Diary

#### MARCH
- **Fri 11**: PBL Rewards Day - Primary<br>  Pride Day - Secondary<br>-
- **Mon 14**: Zone Hockey Trials - Secondary<br>-
- **Tues 15**: Science & Engineering Day - Stg 3<br>  P&C Meeting, 6pm at Rafters<br>-
- **Wed 16**: Zone Winter Trials - Secondary Inverell<br>-
- **Thurs 17**: Easter Church Service - Primary<br>  Central Schools Carnival<br>-
- **Fri 18**: Central Schools Carnival<br>-
- **Tues 22**: Year 7 Open Night<br>-
- **Wed 23**: 7-12 Assembly<br>-
- **Thurs 24**: Primary Cross Country<br>  Secondary Cross Country<br>-
- **Fri 25**: **Good Friday**<br>-
- **Mon 28**: **Easter Monday**<br>-
- **Thurs 31**: Grandparents Day<br>-

#### APRIL
- **Fri 1**: K-6 Assembly **2.30pm - 3.20pm**<br>-
- **Mon 4 - Fri 8**: Year 10 Work Experience<br>  Year 11-12 Exams<br>-
- **Fri 8**: Last day of Term 1<br>-
- **Mon 25**: ANZAC Day<br>-
- **Tues 26**: Staff Development Day<br>-
- **Wed 27**: First day of Term 2 - Students return

**Do you have a student ready for Year 7 in 2017?**
We invite you to join us to attend a session on Tuesday 22nd March at 5.30pm in the Year 7 room (Room 10), in which we will showcase the highlights of Guyra Central School. The session will outline the broad curriculum options available in the High School. You will hear from some of our current Year 7 students, School Captains and Year Advisor for 2017, Mrs Kylie Adams. Information will be provided about the many innovative programs at GCS, including our academic, vocational education, positive behaviour learning, sport and transition to High School. There will also be an opportunity to view the Science facility and our state of the art Trade Skills Centre. Please contact the main office on 6779 0844 if you would like more information or to RSVP.

### Many hands make light work - Block Challenge
The Secondary school was a buzz with pressure cleaners, air compressors for spray painting and belt sanders on Sunday 6th March as nearly 60 students, family members, staff and partners attended the working bee putting in an amazing effort to transform, or at least begin the transformation process, to tidy and beautify the specific zones in the secondary school that students decided was the least appealing. It was incredible what we achieved in four hours and we look forward to seeing what the school will look like after the PBL Pride Day on Friday 11th March. Thanks so much to all involved who gave up your time on a Sunday, also a special mention to the team at Dasha’s Hardware for mixing paint and providing supplies to the students at the last minute. It was a great exercise in teamwork and planning; building social capabilities.
Primary Student Awards
Early Stage 1 - Orange, Miss Emma Burey
Kiera Butler: For displaying great work habits
Georgie Mendes: For settling into routines
Bethany Small: Fantastic reading
Early Stage 1/Stage 1 - Teal, Mrs Jenny Atkin
Keegan Coleman: Great word power
Matthew Roberts: Trying hard with his letter formation
Acacia Jones: Great work in reading groups
Stage 1 - Purple, Mrs Justine Eddy
Sam Surawski: Fantastic improvement in adding and subtraction in Maths groups
Ella Vidler: Maintaining a consistent effort to improve and apply great spelling strategies
Emily Adams: Excellent, insightful and humorous sentence construction
Kate Ward: Excellent complex sentences and application of spelling words each week
Stage 1 - Yellow, Mrs Sarah Farmer
Lachlan Hunter: For always putting in a huge effort in Maths
Matilda Atkin: Always working hard to expand her writing
Hezekiah Holding: For a huge improvement in his attitude to his work
Stage 2 - Silver, Mrs Sjaan Mitchell
Annabelle Evans: Excellent effort in Maths
Chelsea Nitschke: Effort and improvement in Spelling
Tino Alefosio: Learning to recall the 3 times tables in 36 secs
Brendan Landsborough: Always trying his best
Stage 2 - Aqua, Mr Stephen Alletsee
Lincoln Brown: Being an enthusiastic learner
Archie Dowden: Improvement in addition strategies
Shearnna Wadley: A huge effort with all her work
Stage 3 - Lime, Mrs Meagan Vidler
Gus White: Excellent problem solving skills in Mathematics
Ashley Donnelly: Persistence in Mathematics
Riley Campbell: Persistence and improvement in Mathematics
Stage 3 - Red, Mrs Rebecca Bourke
Millie Roberts: Being a great role model
Lucinda Mayled: Excellent narrative writing
Braydon Wadley: Persistence in History

Assistant Principals’ Award
Matilda Atkin: Taking Pride in our school by cleaning up rubbish
Jake Wilson: Mature attitude towards learning

Secondary Student Awards
Melissa Hawthorne: Excellent application and consistent effort in Geography
Emma Gray: For demonstrating excellent aptitude and approach to LOTE
Alex Gosper: Excellent application and consistent effort in Geography
Grace Butler: Excellent attitude & commitment in Fitness and PASS
Cooper Stanley: Excellent application & enthusiasm in PDHPE
Tyren Butler: Excellent attitude & commitment in PASS
Alice Flynn: Excellent application & enthusiasm in PDHPE
Ebonie Ellis, Sophie Gaukroger, Vicente Abayan, Logan Stanley, Sebastian Gee and Brodie Harman: Excellent commitment & enthusiasm towards promoting and leading circuit classes
Brooke Wheeler: Excellent effort in woodwork - Mug Tree project.
Melissa Hawthorne: A positive attitude to PDHPE
Kasey Gaukroger: A positive attitude to PDHPE
Cooper Stanley: Outstanding commitment to work in Mathematics
Tiaan Baker: Commitment to her class work in Mathematics
Vicente Abayan: Outstanding commitment to work in Mathematics
Luke Brazier: Commitment to work in Mathematics
Olivia MacDiarmid: Excellent application to her studies in Senior Science
Connor Little: Excellent application to his studies in Maths
Gemma Williams: Excellent application to her studies in Science
Savannah Roberts: Excellent application to her studies in Science
Alice Stanley: Enthusiasm and commitment to Mathematics
Zac Cannon: Improved work ethic in Mathematics
Briana Merritt: Outstanding effort at Regional Junior Judging Finals
Adam Vickery: Excellent commitment towards Agriculture
Matthew Sisson and Macy MacDiarmid: Outstanding results in Junior Cattle Judging at Guyra Show

Guess Who
Students selected for showing Pride, Respect, Responsibility
Ben Stevens
Too sick for school?
It has been brought to our attention that there has been a few isolated cases of Impetigo, commonly called School Sores at Guyra Central School.
Symptoms may include small red spots that change into blisters and fill up with pus becoming crusted; usually on the face, hands or scalp. It is best that the affected child should be kept at home from school until antibiotic treatment starts. Sores should be covered with watertight dressings.
How can I help prevent spread? Parents of children who may have had contact with impetigo should look for signs of infection and seek treatment if symptoms develop. Careful hand washing especially after changing dressings. Avoid sharing toilet articles, towels, clothing or bed linen. Consider using antibacterial soap for bathing for two to three weeks. Avoid scratching or touching the lesions to prevent spread to other parts of the body. Completing the recommended antibiotic course is very important.

Senior Citizens Ball
Ten students from Guyra Central School attended the Senior Citizens Ball held at the Guyra Community Hall on Monday 7th March. Students here furthered their skills they have been developing in Food Technology by assisting the catering team with preparation of morning tea, lunches and dessert, they also waited on the tables, clearing and washing dishes. Miss Townsend would like to thank the students for their fantastic effort and commitment to the day! The students worked very hard and did an excellent job. Our K-2 Choir also attended this event entertaining the many attendees from Inverell, Walcha, Bingara, Uralla, Armidale and our very own Guyra residents with the performance of three songs. Our students all displayed our core values, Pride, Respect and Responsibility whilst attending this event which we are extremely proud of.

Clean Up Australia Day
Students from K-6 participated last Friday 4th March in Clean Up Australia Day. With the annual Schools Clean Up Day all Australian schools were encouraged to register and be part of this event. Taking part in Schools Clean Up Day is a lot of fun for school communities while providing some valuable lessons about how rubbish impacts our parks and waterways. ‘Schools Clean Up Day is about more than just picking a rubbish hotspot and removing litter. It is about nurturing the young people in our community to be responsible and passionate about their local environment and the places in their community that they love best. It is about encouraging the next generation to be rubbish scouts for the rest of their lives’ said Schools Clean Up Day’s Chairman and Founder, Mr Kiernan AO.

Pay it Forward Award
Peyton Heagney

Clean Up Australia Awards
Marty Ryan and Bethany Small

25 Nights Reading Certificates; Elizabeth Evers and Matilda Atkin

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North West Regional Swimming Carnival
On Monday 7th March, five Primary students attended the North West Regional Swimming Carnival at the Armidale Pool. The boys relay team, consisting of Brodi Campbell, Cooper Wilson, Gane Harbutt and Will Knox all showed outstanding sportsmanship and effort in their Junior Boy relay event and the boys placed sixteenth. All of these boys and Lucy Ward tried their best in their events and they all had a great day.

Guyra to host 2016 Central Schools Carnival
Guyra Central School is hosting the Central Schools Carnival on the Thursday 17th and Friday 18th March. The Student Representative Council, school captains and sport captains have all been passionate about staging the carnival here. Central schools that are attending are Uralla, Bundarra, Barraba, and Ashford.

There will be over 230 visiting participants from the other schools attending. Students will participate in sports ranging from touch football, soccer, netball, tennis, lawn bowls and chess. Students from the other schools will be staying overnight at the school with teacher supervision. We look forward to reporting on a very successful event.

Homework Centre
Monday 29th February saw the first session for Guyra Central School Homework Centre. This service is provided every Monday in the library from 3.30pm to 5.15pm, staffed by Secondary staff. The purpose of the centre is to further support students with their classwork and homework, this study time enables them to complete assessment tasks and further their studies. Students are expected to respect the learning needs of other students whilst using the Homework Centre. We look forward to seeing our numbers grow as students utilise this wonderful service.

Canteen Roster
Wed 9 Mar Kristy Davis & Louise Wadley
Thurs 10 Mar Alison Marshall & Nikki Looms
Fri 11 Mar Paula Small & Tash Walls
Mon 14 Mar Jo Presnell & Renata Ling
Tues 15 Mar Leonie Hawkins & Fiona Tresize
Wed 16 Mar Leonie Tierney & Richard Stanley
Thurs 17 Mar Tash Walls & Marie Jones
Fri 18 Mar Renata Ling & Louise Wadley
Mon 21 Mar Naree Heagney & Renata Ling
Tues 22 Mar April Worley
Wed 23 Mar Tash Walls & Louise Wadley
Thurs 24 Mar Nikki Looms & Leanne Campbell

Thank you for volunteering your time at the Canteen. We really appreciate it. If you need to change a day you are rostered on or wish to consider volunteering please contact the Canteen: 6779 1689

Guyra Central School would like to invite you to our Grandparents’ Day Celebrations Thursday, 31st March 2016
In the Bill Wicks Gymnasium
Commencing at 10.30am with Open Classrooms K-2
Followed by Morning Tea at 11.00am
The Concert will start at 11.45am
RSVP to our office for catering purposes on 6779 0844 by Friday, 25th March 2016

Scholastic Book Club
Order forms have now been distributed, money and orders need to be returned to Guyra Central School Library no later then Friday 18th March 2016