



Gumdale State School

Always Our Best

Term 1, Edition 4

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Message from the Principal

2017 National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence

Today our school took part in in the 2017 National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence. At our school we aim to create a safe and supportive school community for everyone.

Sometimes, it can be difficult for parents or carers to know what to do when their child talks to them about bullying. You are an important part of our work to prevent bullying and to respond effectively if it happens. Preventing bullying involves everyone.

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3. **Ask** your child what they want to do and what they want you to do. A critical part of your response is to avoid jumping in to solve the problem. While it is natural to want to protect your child, helping them to find their own solution is a better option. It helps them feel they have some power in the situation.
4. **Visit** www.bullyingnoway.gov.au to find some strategies. The website has tips and ideas for different bullying situations. One idea is to practise strategies at home to help your child feel more confident.
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principal. Contact the school immediately if you have a concern about your child's safety.

6. **Check in regularly** with your child. Keep the conversation going. It can take time to resolve issues, so check in regularly with your child about their experiences and their feelings. Your ongoing support is important.

For details of our school's Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students, please visit our school website.

School Review – An Opportunity to Have Your Say

Our school is scheduled for a full school review from Thursday 20 to Monday 24 of April. The Department of Education and Training conduct performance reviews for Queensland State Schools every 4 years.

The reviews are designed to help schools continue to improve outcomes for students. The reviews do not rate or compare schools but rather, give schools independent and quality feedback to help them improve teaching and learning. A final report will be made available to parents and the community via our school website.

The review team would like to hear from our school community and I encourage anyone who is interested to have their say. Your feedback is important and will help us continue to deliver a quality education for our students. The reviewers will be scheduled to conduct informal discussions with parents on 20 and 21 of April throughout the school grounds from 2:30pm. If however you would like an interview with a reviewer at another time please contact Sarah Cracknell through the school office to arrange a time.

Further information about school reviews is available from the department's website at <https://schoolreviews.eq.edu.au/Pages/default.aspx>.

Our Gumdale State School Community Support Program

In 2016, with the help of the P&C, we launched our Community Support Program. This has been developed to give support to families within our school who are suffering a family trauma or hardship.

The aim of the support program is to develop a sense of service, empathy and compassion towards others within our school community.

When families face a family trauma, their immediate family and friends will rally to help with these challenges. This program enhances this assistance and offers support to the family from the school in the following ways:

- Lunches for students.
- Assistance with the cost of uniforms, school supplies and excursions.
- Before & After School Care.
- Grocery Baskets/Fresh Fruit & Vegetable hampers
- Gateway Baptist Care

People who know of someone suffering from a trauma or hardship can contact either Genevieve Agerholm (gager1@eq.edu.au) or Marissa Bowen (mbowe79@eq.edu.au) on 3902 8333. All information will be treated with the strictest confidentiality. Contact with the family will be made by Genevieve or Marissa to offer school support.

Thank You Wynnum Manly Rugby League Club

Thanks to the Wynnum Manly Rugby League Club for their generous donation of \$5217 to our school. The League`s club is another great supporter of our students.

P&C AGM and General Meeting

This meeting will be held on Tuesday 21 March from 7.00pm. Please refer to the P&C section of this newsletter for more information.

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Phil Savill
Principal

Messages from the Deputies

Teacher Moderation

Last week our teaching teams participated in a process of moderation of student work. Teachers shared assessment samples of student work and discussed ratings against the marking guide. This process ensures consistency and develops common understandings within our teaching teams. We were impressed with the professionalism of our teachers and the high standard of work they were presenting. This is a great reflection of the dedicated staff and great learners we have here at Gumdale.

GRIP Leadership Conference

Today the school captains attended the GRIP Leadership Conference at the Sleeman Sports Complex. They were joined by many other student leaders from local schools. Our captains participated in activities that assisted them to focus their leadership influence on factors that will have a positive impact on our school. They learnt about ways to motivate others as well as themselves and how, as positive role models, they can carry out their leadership duties more effectively.

Scooters

Just a reminder that scooters are not to be ridden within the school grounds. Students are to walk with their scooters for the safety of all.

Technology use at school

It is timely, this being the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence, that we also discuss appropriate use of technology both at school and home. Further in this newsletter is a very informative article about cyber-bullying that is relevant for parents to discuss with their children. Additionally, it is important to discuss the appropriate use of the technology because the internet can connect children to so much information at the touch of a button. Each parent and student has signed an

agreement for internet usage at Gumdale State School. Students have agreed that, while they have access to the internet at school, they will:

- *Only use it for educational purposes*
- *Will not look for anything that is illegal, dangerous or offensive*
- *Clear any offensive pictures or information from their screens if they accidentally come across something and Immediately inform the teacher if this happens*
- *Not reveal home addresses or phone numbers*
- *Not use the internet to annoy or offend anyone else.*

These rules are important for the safety and well-being of children at school (and at home). If these rules are broken, action will be taken, which may include the loss of internet access for a time.

Parent Teacher Interview

Our parent teacher interview night was a very successful opportunity for teachers and parents to discuss student progress at this early point in the year. Thank you to all who took the opportunity to come along. If you missed the opportunity to speak to your child's teacher, and you would like to do so, please make an appointment via the office or email.

Carmel Herbert (Deputy Principal P-2)

Annette Foster (Deputy Principal 3-6)

Sarah Cracknell

School Dates to Note

March	Yr Level	Event
Mon 20	3-6	Assembly, 2pm Hollis Hall
Tue 21	P&C	P&C Meeting and AGM, 7pm Resource Centre
Tue 21	Prep	Excursion to Medical Centre (PI, PM, PS)
Thu 23	Prep	Excursion to Medical Centre (PD, PZ, PB)
Fri 24	Y1 Families	Year 1 Social Lunch, Gumdale Tavern 12pm
Mon 27	All	Whole School Assembly, 2pm Hollis Hall
Wed 29	P-2	Junior Cross Country
Thu 30	3-6	Senior Cross Country
Thu 30	Prep	Easter Hat Parade
Thu 30	P&C	Easter Raffle Drawn, 2pm
Fri 31	ICAS	ICAS Registration Form and Payment Due
Fri 31	All	Last day for Term 1
April	Yr Level	Event
Tue 4	All	Code Camp (School Holiday)
Wed 5	All	Code Camp (School Holiday)
Tue 18	All	First day for Term 2
Tue 18	5	Excursion to Planetarium
Mon 24	All	ANZAC Day Ceremony, 9:30am Hollis Hall
Tue 25	All	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
Fri 28	Y2 Families	Year 2 Social Lunch, Gumdale Tavern 12pm

Dates and times are subject to change at short notice, for up to date information please check our website. [Link to school website](#) or email admin@gumdaless.eq.ed.au

Voluntary Financial Contributions

2017 Voluntary Financial Contributions

To enable our students to have the best resources available to them, we invite you to participate in the 2017 Voluntary Financial Contribution Scheme.

The school is resourced by the State Government through appropriation funding to provide a core educational service.

Voluntary financial contributions are used by the school to provide an enhanced educational service and to enhance resources available for student learning, recreation and comfort such as:

- Reprographics
- Arts and craft supplies
- Cooking and experimental consumables (eg. course materials)
- First Aid materials

The suggested contribution for a family with 3 or more children is \$125, \$50 for years 1 to 6 and \$80 for students in Prep. This can be paid directly into the school's bank account (as shown below) or by making a payment at the front office using our Eftpos or Credit Card facility.

Account Name: Gumdale State Primary School
BSB: 064-133
Account No: 00090351
Ref: eg. Smith3RVFC

Please remember to include your family name and child's class if paying by direct debit (eg. Smith3RVFC), as this is required for accounting purposes. For any payment received, a receipt will be issued.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank those parents who have already chosen to contribute.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Cyber Safety

Learn about the internet: understanding how young people use the internet and what they enjoy doing will help you to recognise any suspicious or inappropriate behaviour. It will also help you to talk with your child about their online activities if they think you understand the online environment.

Click on the link below to view some factsheets in PDF format covering frequently asked questions for some popular apps and websites

<https://www.thinkuknow.org.au/site/factsheets>

Restrictions

Thank you to everyone who provided their iPad restriction codes. These codes will only be used when needed to trouble shoot an issue on the iPad. Parents will be notified by email if changes or any restrictions have been removed.

Updates

There is a 10.3 IOS update available, please make sure you **backup** your device prior to doing this. Please read the following link on how to back up your device.

<http://gumdaless.eq.edu.au/Calendarandnews/News/Pages/ICT-News0302-4419.aspx>

Cyberbullying

Right now there are many young people being cyberbullied. By reporting it, talking about it and supporting each other we can stop it.

What does cyberbullying look like?

Cyberbullying can occur in many ways, including:

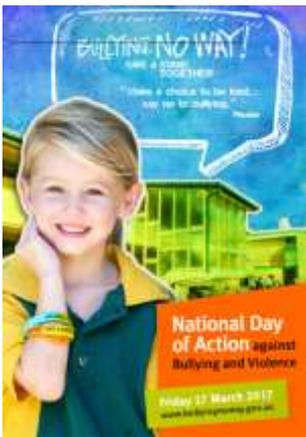
- abusive texts and emails
- hurtful messages, images or videos
- imitating others online
- excluding others online
- humiliating others online
- nasty online gossip and chat

I am being cyberbullied—how do I stop it?

- talk to someone you trust straight away—like a parent, sibling, uncle/aunt, teacher or friend or contact [Kids Helpline](#)
- don't retaliate or respond—they might use it against you
- block the bully and change your privacy settings
- report the abuse to the service and get others to as well
- collect the evidence—keep mobile phone messages, take screen shots and print emails or social networking conversations
- do something you enjoy—catch-up with friends, listen to good music, watch a good show or chat online to people you can trust
- remember you didn't ask for this—nobody deserves to be bullied and you will get through this.

National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence

Our school says 'Bullying. No Way!' on the National Day of Action



Gumdale State School is dedicated to creating safe and supportive school environments, free from bullying, harassment and violence. Today our school took a stand together on the *National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence*.

The National Day is an annual event for Australian schools where school communities across the nation stand as one against bullying and violence.

This week, students participated in discussions and activities around what bullying is and what they can do if they are being, or see someone else being bullied. Together, we can send clear messages to young people that bullying and violence, in or outside the classroom, are not okay at any time.

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If you are looking for support for yourself to deal with a bullying situation, you will find ideas on the [Bullying. No Way!](#) website for parents.

Thanks for your support to make our school a great school for everyone.

Genevieve Agerholm
Community Support Teacher

ANZAC Day March

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On Tuesday, 25 April (ANZAC Day), our school has been invited to participate in the Manly/Lota RSL Sub Branch Anzac Day ceremony. We invite all students to attend.



The march will commence at Manly State School at 8:00am sharp and finish with a memorial service in Richard Russell Park at approximately 9:00am. The school captains will be laying a wreath on behalf of our school to honour our servicemen and women, past and present.

Please note the following points:

1. The march starts from the front of Manly State School on Ernest Street in Manly at 8:00am sharp. **Please arrive no later than 7:45am** and remember parking spaces may be hard to find.
2. Upon arrival, please go to the march starting area and look for the following staff members - Mrs Herbert, Ms Gillies and Mrs Devlin.
3. The march route will begin at the front of Manly State School, turn right into Mount Joy Tce, turn right into Yamboyna Street, turn left into Ferguson Street and conclude at Richard Russell Park near the corner of Cambridge Parade and Melville Tce.
4. The service should last about an hour. Once everyone is settled in around the memorial, the service will begin with the inclusion of two national anthems (NZ and Australian), hymns, speeches and wreath laying.
5. As this is a school occasion, formal school uniforms, including hats must be worn.

We hope to see you there.



Code Camp

CODE CAMP

This holiday break, we are hosting a very special school holiday program called **Code Camp** where your child can build their very own iPhone or Android app! **Code Camp** has already taught more than 13,000 students in Australia in years P-7. Code Camp teaches your children important skills such as computational thinking, logic, creativity, user experience, app development and game building in a fun and engaging way.



The Camps Explained:

Little League

Our little coders make their first small but important leap from consumers of technology to creators of it! Using a range of iPad based coding tools mixed with a healthy dose of physical, offline activities to promote collaboration, creativity and teamwork, our Little League is the perfect place to start your son or daughter's coding journey.

Students: Prep & Year 1

Dates: Tuesday 4 and Wednesday 5 April (2 day program)

Times: 8:30am – 4:00pm

Venue: Gumdale State School Resource Centre

Cost: \$200

Spark

Fun, engaging and challenging... and our most well-known Code Camp which more than 10,000 students have completed. Code Camp Spark is where every student in years 2-6 should start their Code Camp journey.

Students: Years 2-6

Dates: Monday 3 – Wednesday 5 April (3 day program)

Times: 8:30am - 4:00pm

Venue: Gumdale State School Resource Centre

Cost: \$320

Further information, including FAQs and videos are available at the following link at <http://codecamp.com.au/>

Please note that student numbers are limited. You can register for the Code Camp at Gumdale State School at the following address:

<https://www.codecamp.com.au/gumdale>

Any further questions can be emailed to Sarah Cracknell (scrac6@eq.edu.au)
<https://gumdaless.eq.edu.au/Calendarandnews/News/Pages/Code-Club.aspx>

How to Encourage Older Children to Read

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Our children benefit from time spent reading every day. When a child reads widely, they build their general knowledge, learn new and interesting words and heighten their understanding of other cultures. Additionally, children who read, see in action what good authors do to cleverly craft texts and captivate their audience.

Despite the benefits, as life gets busy, parents often drop off reading **to** their child once the child reaches the age of six. Let us encourage you to continue sharing books and reading together even as your child gets older. Make reading a priority when other activities compete for your child's time.

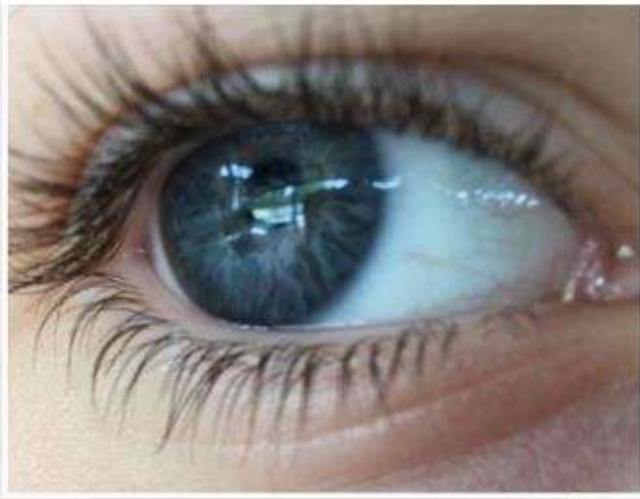
Following are some suggestions around how to encourage your older child to keep reading.

- Encourage your child and their friends to swap books with each other. This will encourage them to talk and think about the books they are reading.
- Make sure your home is a reading home - make sure there is a quiet place in your home with easy access to books or other print.
- Visit the local or school library or bookshop together on a regular basis, and enjoy spending time choosing new books.
- Give books or book tokens as presents. Encourage friends and family to follow your lead.
- Encourage your child to develop their own taste in reading. Encourage them to read series of books written by their favourite author. Encourage your child to read about their interests (fiction or non-fiction).
- Encourage your child to carry a book or tablet so they can read on journeys or in spare moments – you can do this, too!
- Keep reading together. There are lots of books that both adults and young people can enjoy. Read books you can all talk about but make the talk light-hearted, not testing or over-questioning.
- Ensure that your child sees you reading. It doesn't matter if it's a cookery book, novel, craft book, computer or car magazine, science book- anything!
- Encourage your child to join in - ask them to read the instructions for you as you assemble furniture or get them to read an interesting article found online to a family friend.

Happy reading!



STEAM



STEAM News Year 5 Photography



This Term we are studying Light and Photography. Students have been learning the science of light waves and the visible spectrum to understand how light works, and how the human eye sees. They are combining their new knowledge in these areas to take some beautifully composed photos for a digital portfolio.

GUMDALE STEAM

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GUMDALE STATE SCHOOL

ARTS CELEBRATION

WEEK

19-22
JUNE



Sports News

Cross Country Carnival 2017

With only just over a week to go the 2017 Gumdale Cross country carnival is fast approaching. Below is the outline for the junior and senior carnival's timetable. All times are approximate and students will be practising the courses during PE lessons.

Junior Carnival - Prep to Year 2 - Wednesday 29 March 2017

9am - Year 1 and 2 Classes assemble into house tents (Preps to stay with own class)

9:10 am - Introduction/Welcome

Event	Age Group	Gender	Distance	Time (approx.)
Event 1	Prep	Boys	300m	9:20am
Event 2	Prep	Girls	300m	9:30am
Event 3	Year 1	Boys	600m	9:40am
Event 4	Year 1	Girls	600m	9:50am
Event 5	Year 2	Boys	800m	10:00am
Event 6	Year 2	Girls	800m	10:10am

Senior Carnival - Year 3 to Year 6 - Thursday 30 March 2017

9am - Students to assemble into house tents

9:10 am - Introduction/Welcome

Event	Age Group	Gender	Distance	Time (approx.)
Event 7	12 years born 2005	Boys	3000m (3km)	9:20am (Staggered start Boys/Girls)
Event 8	12 years born 2005	Girls	3000m (3km)	
Event 9	11 years born 2006	Boys	3000m (3km)	9:35am (Staggered start Boys/Girls)
Event 10	11 years born 2006	Girls	3000m (3km)	
Event 11	10 years born 2007	Boys	2000m (2km)	9:45am (Staggered start Boys/Girls)
Event 12	10 years born 2007	Girls	2000m (2km)	
Event 13	Year 4 (born 2008)	Boys	1500m (1.5km)	10:00am
Event 14	Year 4 (born 2008)	Girls	1500m (1.5km)	10:10am
Event 15	Year 3	Boys	1500m (1.5km)	10:20am
Event 16	Year 3	Girls	1500m (1.5km)	10:30am

Special Mention

Congratulations to William in grade 5 who has made the U11's Bayside Rugby District team to compete at the Met East Rugby League Carnival at the end of April. Well done Will!

Running Club (KM) @ Gumdale

There are only two cross country training sessions left in preparation for the event in week 10. Week 9 will be the last week of training with sessions on Wednesday and Friday from 8am-8:30am. So make sure you come along to get that final training in before the big day.

2018 Prep Information Day



**Enrol Now for PREP
at Gumdale State School**



2018 PREP Enrolments NOW OPEN

Telephone: 3902 8333 Email: admin@gumdaless.eq.edu.au



Prep 2018 Parent Information Sessions

When: Thursday 25 May Where: Gumdale State School, Hollis Hall Time: 4:00-5:00pm
When: Saturday 27 May Where: Gumdale State School, Hollis Hall Time: 10:00-11:00am
Information session will be followed by a tour of our prep classrooms.

Prep Orientation Session for Enrolled Students

When: Wednesday 22 November
Where: Gumdale State School, Hollis Hall and Prep Classrooms
Time: 9:00-10:00am

Gumdale State School – Community Business Network

At Gumdale State School we pride ourselves on valuable partnerships with the local community. We have recently developed a Community Business Network. This community initiative serves to connect business supporters of our school throughout our community in a practical and mutually beneficial way.

More details regarding our program and the packages available can be found on our website or obtained by contacting:

Marissa Bowen
Executive Assistant
Phone: 3902 8333
Email: mbowe79@eq.edu.au

Current Members

IGA Gumdale – Gold Sponsor



At IGA Gumdale, we care about our local community and we are proud to partner with Gumdale State School.

IGA Gumdale offers a full grocery range, market fresh produce and quality meat selections. In store you will also find our famous gourmet deli with fresh meal options available daily. We can also cater for your next event or function. We also have a huge range of organic, gluten free and international foods to choose from. We pride ourselves on delivering great customer service. We will go above and beyond to ensure your shopping experience is exceptional.

IGA Gumdale is open every day of the year from 6am - 10pm

Address: 682 New Cleveland Road, Gumdale Q 4154
Phone: 07 3348 8338
Facebook: [facebook.com/igagumdale](https://www.facebook.com/igagumdale)
Website: igagumdale.com.au

Ian Walkley, Place - Gold Sponsor



Ian Walkley has been helping people buy and sell property in the area since 2012, and is backed by Brisbane's top property marketing team at Place Estate Agents. Ian lives in Wakerley and is a strong supporter of Gumdale State School.

Ian Walkley

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Clubs and Activities

Clubs Timetable

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BEFORE SCHOOL			Running/Athletics club (New oval) 8-8:30 STEAM Club Year 4 (STEAM room) 8-8:45	STEAM Club Year 4 (STEAM room) 8-8:45 Sport Aerobics Team Red and Green (Hall) 7:30-8:30	Running/Athletics club (New oval) 8-8:30
FIRST BREAK PLAYTIME	Japanese bunka club Year 3-6 (3M classroom) 11-11:45 Game Rangers Years 1-2 (Top oval) Vocalites Choir (STEAM Centre)	Chess Club Years 4-6 (3W classroom) 11-11:45 Game Rangers Years 1-2 (Top oval) Guitar Club Years 4-6 (6E Classroom)	Gumnuts Choir (STEAM CENTRE)	Gumtrees Choir (STEAM CENTRE) Game Rangers Years 1-2 (Top oval) Sport Aerobics Team Orange and Purple (Hall)	Chess Club Year 3 (3W classroom) 11-11:45 Game Rangers Years 1-2 (Top oval) Sound and Lighting Crew (STEAM Centre)
SECOND BREAK PLAYTIME	Maths Club Year 3 and 5 (F1 F Block) 1:15-1:45 Hula Hooping Years 3-6 (New Oval) Game Rangers (Old Tennis Court)	Hula Hooping Prep (Prep Play Area) Game Rangers (Tennis Courts near admin)	Gumleaves Choir (STEAM CENTRE) Sport Aerobics Development Squad (Hall) 1:15-1:45	Makerspace Year 3 (F1 F Block) 1:15-1:45 Game Rangers (Tennis Courts near admin) Sport Aerobics Team year 5/6 (Hall)	Game Rangers (Tennis Courts near admin)
AFTER SCHOOL		Code Club Year 5 and 6 (Resource Centre)			

Student Council

Gumdale State School Student Council Raffle

\$2.00 per ticket

Drawn 24/5/17

Tickets will be sold on the school paths before school.



1st Prize

2016 ANZAC Test Australian Rugby League Signed Jersey

2nd Prize

Australian Rugby League World All Stars Sports Bag, Polo Shirt, Training Shorts and Shirt

3 Double Tickets to Wynnum Manly Leagues 2017 Home Games

3rd Prize

Australian Rugby League World All Stars Sports Back Pack

Gift pack from the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club

2 Double Tickets to Wynnum Manly Leagues 2017 Home Games

General Information

Stop, Drop and Go Zone

To assist staff at Stop, Drop and Go, please remember to clearly display your child's surname on your passenger sun visor.

For a laminated sign to display on your sun visor, please email Mrs Cara Schulz

cschu102@eq.edu.au with your surname.

Multiple copies are available for extra cars.



In the morning

Keep left while queuing for stop/drop/go.

Stay in your car!

Children must exit cars from the curb side only.

Store your child's bag inside your car; **no-one should open boots at the drop zone.**

Give way when exiting the drop zone as cars maybe circling.

In the afternoon

Students wait in the covered area under staff supervision. Please remind your child that they need to sit and wait quietly in this area. As their car approaches, staff will direct your child to one of the four coloured zones for collection.

[Click here for Stop, Drop and Go Zone Information](#)

Year Level Social Lunches

Lunches have been organised to provide parents/carers within each year level the opportunity to meet on a social basis throughout 2017. Lunches will be held at 12pm at the Gumdale Tavern making it easy for parents/carers to order and pay for meals. Invitations to follow for individual year levels.

Year Level	Date
Year 1	Friday 24 March
Year 2	Friday 28 April
Year 3	Friday 26 May
Year 4	Friday 28 July
Year 5	Friday 11 August
Year 6	Friday 3 November

Please contact Marissa Bowen on 3902 8333 if you have any questions.

School Banking

Monday is school banking day. Please take student bank books to class and put them in the zippered banking pouch for safe delivery to banking volunteers.

Scholastic Book Club

Issue 2 is now closed. Unfortunately the Loop system has been playing up, if there are any problems please contact Scholastic via the email address below.

Any enquiries please email:
ScholasticBookClub@gumdaless.eq.edu.au



ONE CATALOGUE FOR
ALL AGES



YMCA Gumdale OSHC



Messages from the Team:

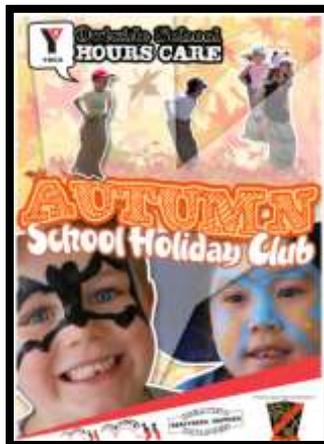
We are still taking enrolments for the 2017 school year. We take both casual and permanent bookings for before and after school care as well as vacation care. Please don't hesitate to speak to one of our friendly team members for further information about our programs.

What we've been doing:

We have recently added a tug-of-war rope to our equipment list here at YMCA Gumdale OSHC. This rope has created some great opportunities for competitive team games with our children working together to show their strength and stamina.

Over the last few weeks we have begun to experiment with our weekly menu trying a range of delicious new recipes including zucchini chocolate brownies and banana oat muesli bars. We are always looking for healthy snacks children enjoy so please share any recipes or suggestions you have with our team.

Join us for:



Our Autumn Holiday Club Program is now available! Bookings can be made by completing our booking form or through our My Family Lounge App. As part of our program we will be going on an excursion to Putt Putt on the Gold Coast! This exciting day will include 2 games of mini golf and a picnic lunch. We will also be having a ton of fun with two Jumping Castles and a Magic show right here at Gumdale State School.

Our Holiday Club fills up fast, so secure your spot soon!

YMCA Gumdale OSHC

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Gumdale State School

Parents and Citizens Association

Email: pandc@gumdaless.eq.edu.au
Weblink: www.gumdalesspc.org.au/

Dear Members,

How exciting it would be if YOU were the winner of this year's EASTER RAFFLE! First prize is a trip away to HAMILTON ISLAND! 7 nights for 2 adults and 2 children including a \$1000 Virgin Australia travel voucher.

2nd Prize - \$500 JB Hi-Fi Gift Voucher

Kindly donated by Todd Gerhardt Realty (**Valued at \$500**)

3rd Prize – Easter Hamper

Kindly donated by IGA Gumdale (**Valued at \$150**)



Thank you to our local businesses for their kind contribution donating these prizes.

Anyone can be a winner! For the families that sell or purchase a complete book of raffle tickets or sell the most complete booklets, they will go into a special draw to win a prize.

All money and tickets including any unsold tickets must be returned to the school office by Monday 27 March. Please use the envelope provided and make sure it has student's name and class labelled on the front. The Easter Raffle is drawn Thursday March 30!

Follow the Gumdale State School Fundraising Committee on Facebook /Instagram and twitter for updates and more information. Good luck and **sell sell sell!!**

Uniform Shop

There are still limited sizes of winter stock available to purchase. Uniform shop is located on the upper level of block A at the main entrance of the school.



Tuckshop

A Survey Monkey will be emailed out to the school community to gather information regarding the Tuckshop menu. We invite as many families as possible to take 5 minutes to answer the questions and provide feedback. Your feedback is important so the Tuckshop convenors can work towards creating a Tuckshop menu that the children will love!

P&C Meeting Times

REMINDER P&C meeting and the AGM are now on Tuesday 21 March 2017, at 7pm in the Resource Centre/Library. **We welcome new members!**

Gretchen Mander-Jones, President on behalf of the Executive Team
Gumdale State School P&C Association

P&C News

Keeping in contact

We encourage you to use any of the following means of communication to receive information and updates about the school and P&C.



Follow us on Gumdale State School Parents and Citizens Facebook page
Fundraising Committee Facebook page

- Electronic school signs
- School Twitter feed
- Uniform Shop notice board
- QSchool App on mobile devices

Email

P&C	pandc@gumdaless.eq.edu.au
P&C Secretary	secretary@gumdalesspc.org.au
Gumdale State School	admin@gumdaless.eq.edu.au
Fundraising Committee	fundraising@gumdalesspc.org.au

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is now located upstairs in A block at the main entrance of the school.

Opening hours: Monday 2-5pm
Friday 8-11am
Email: uniform@gumdalesspc.org.au
Phone: 3902 8335
Orders: flexischools
Payment: cash, EFTPOS and credit card facilities

We are still accepting donations of second hand, old style and new style uniforms in good condition. Please drop donations in during opening hours.

Winter stock is still available to purchase. Fleecy Hoodie – size 8 sold out, all other sizes available.

Flexischools

Please note that an order placed on Monday through Flexischools will not be available until the following Friday. Orders placed Tuesday - Friday will be available the following Tuesday.

Tuckshop

[Link to Tuckshop Policy](#)

Menu: [Tuckshop Menu](#)
Online orders: [flexischools](#)
Email: tuckshop@gumdalesspc.org.au
Phone: 3902 8304

Tuckshop news

NEW to the tuckshop is our **Twisted Frozen Yoghurts**. These will be replacing our Bulla Frozen Yoghurts but there will be no change in price so they will remain \$2.50. They are available in the following yummy flavours - Watermelon and Mango, Strawberry and Vanilla, and Chocolate and Vanilla. They come in a single serve tub and look like soft serve ice-cream!

They are:

- * 98% fat free
- * Made with real Greek yoghurt with live and active probiotics
- * Gluten free
- * No artificial colourings or flavour
- * Made with real fruit
- * No artificial sweeteners
- * 100% Australian Dairy Milk
- * 100% locally owned

You can let us know about the changes we have made to the menu and any items you would like to add to our menu in the future through the Tuckshop survey. Please take the time (it's only takes 5-10 minutes) to have your say.

Ordering can be done through [flexischools](#) or alternatively through our bag ordering system. Please don't forget that online ordering closes at 8:30am and over the counter bag ordering closes at 9am.

Lastly, we would like to thank our wonderful volunteers. Without them our tuckshop simply couldn't run. We are currently after volunteers, for only an hour, on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. If you can help, please come and see us.

Rachelle and Amanda

Tuckshop Survey

Tuckshop Survey

The P&C Executives, along with the Tuckshop staff, have put together a very brief, multiple choice survey that will take no more than 5 minutes of your time. We would like as many families as possible to complete our survey, as it will help us improve our tuckshop service to the school.

Please find the link to the survey here:

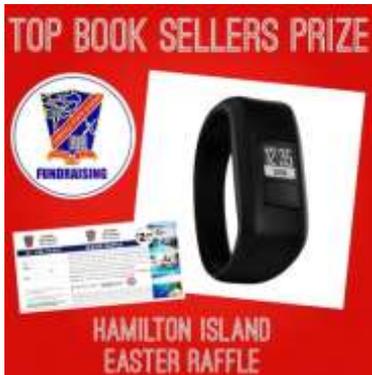
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XR3XDVY>

Survey closes at 3pm on Thursday, 30 March

P&C Fundraising News

P&C Annual General Meeting - Tuesday 21 March at 7pm

Our AGM is next Tuesday evening in the Gumdale State School Resource Centre. The AGM will be followed by a General Meeting. All are welcome!



Major Raffle –Win a Holiday to Hamilton Island!

Our major raffle fundraiser for the term is now underway! We hope as many families as possible support this fundraiser. All monies raised will assist in purchasing school equipment and resources.

You can find our friendly volunteers selling tickets outside IGA Gumdale on **Saturday from 8am to 1pm**. Please send your friends and family down to support GSS!

WE HAVE LOTS OF EXTRA TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE!

1st Prize - Hamilton Island Holiday

Includes 7 nights at the Reef View Hotel (2 Adults & 2 Children), \$1000 Virgin Australia Voucher, buffet breakfast daily, return airport/marina transfers, use of paddle skis, windsurfers, catamarans, snorkelling equipment and tennis & squash court hire. PLUS kids eat free at participating restaurants with special Kids Eat Free children's menus. **(Valued at \$3590).**

2nd Prize - \$500 JB Hi-Fi Gift Voucher

Kindly donated by Todd Gerhardt Realty **(Valued at \$500).**

3rd Prize – Easter Hamper

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How does the Easter Raffle Work?

- **Tickets are \$2 each, in books of 20.**
- *By now, your eldest child should have brought home your family's book of tickets to sell. If you do not wish to purchase or sell tickets, please return the tickets in a named envelope.*
- **Monday 27 March** - sold ticket books and money are due back at school (marked with your child's name and class)
- **Thursday 30 March, 2pm** - prizes will be drawn!
- **Book Seller Prize - iPod Shuffle** - Each family who sells or purchases a complete book of raffle tickets will go into the draw to win an iPod Shuffle 2GB.
- **TOP Seller Prize -Garmin Vovofit Junior** for the student who sells the most tickets
- *Want to be in the running? You can collect additional books of tickets from the school office.*

Mother's Day Stall – Thursday 11 and Friday 12 May

The Mother's Day Stall will be held in the foyer of Hollis Hall on **Thursday 11 & Friday 12 May**.

This year we are looking for donations of wrapped individual chocolates such as a box of Cadbury Favourites or Cadbury Roses. If you are able to provide a donation, please drop off to the donations box located at School Admin by **Friday 28 April**.

Gifts will be priced from \$2.00 to \$10.00. Cards will also be available and priced at \$1.00. We will advise the students' class shopping schedule closer to the time.



Fashion Parade – SAVE THE DATE!! Saturday 20 May



The working party for the P&C Fashion Parade has had its first meeting at the Wynnum Manly Workers Club. Our theme for this year is 'Boho Chic'. Think free, flowing and intricate details...with ethnic inspired prints, floral prints and lots of colour! It's sure to be an amazing evening to remember!

If you can help with the set up on Friday 19 May or tear down on Sunday 21 May, please email fundraising@gumdalesspc.org.au

Loose Change Challenge - June

Start saving your loose change now - the Loose Change Challenge is returning 12 June – 23 June Term 2! Which class will win the grand prize?



To stay up to date with all the Fundraising Events, follow us on social media:



Facebook at **Gumdale State School Fundraising**



Instagram at **gumdale_ss_fundraisers**



Twitter at **gss_fundraiser**

Or contact us on fundraising@gumdalesspc.org.au

Fundraising Calendar

Major Raffle	Tickets and Money Due back - Monday 27 March Drawn - Thursday 30 March	Gumdale State School
Mother's Day Stall	Thursday 11 May & Friday 12 May	Gumdale State School
Fashion Parade	Saturday 20 May	GSS Hollis Hall
Loose Change Challenge	Monday 12 June - Friday 23 June	Term 2
School Fun Run	Friday 8 September	Term 3

Mouthguards \$99 each or No Gap for Health Funds



A cut lip, an injured jaw and a few missing teeth could all result from a sport game gone wrong, which is why a custom-made mouthguard should be considered as an essential part of any sports kit for both adults and children.

We are currently offering mouthguards for

\$99 each or no gap for Health Funds.

Call us at **GUMDALE DENTISTS** on **07 3908 6999**

or visit our website:

www.gumdaledentists.com.au

for further information.

* Offer ends 31st March 2017

* Terms and conditions may apply

Visit our website :

<http://www.gumdaledentists.com.au>

"Discover Marine Sports" at the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron



The Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron has organised a "**Discover Marine Sports**" afternoon. It's free and available to students and families at Gumdale State School. If interested, please register by clicking on the link below.

Program is as following:

Sunday 19 Mar, 13:00 – 15:00 Elliotts/Corsairs – Ages 12 +, Bookings done here:
<http://www.yachtingaustralia.com.au/Entry/?EID=81197>

If numbers exceed 1 session's maximum amount of participants, we will have 2 sessions, so 13:00 – 14:00 and then 14:00 – 15:00. (2 sessions)

<http://gumdaless.eq.edu.au/Calendarandnews/News/Pages/Discover-Marine-Sports-Afternoons.aspx>

Wellington Point State High School

OPEN DAY

Thursday 20 APRIL

3 - 5 PM

wellpoinshs.eq.edu.au



Book Club

Scholastic Book Club

Issue 2 Now Closed!

YMCA Gumdale OSHC
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Monday is School Banking Day!

Lost Property - Please label all uniform items with student's name and class

Lost property can be found:

- out the front of the student entrance to admin in H block
- near or outside the student's classroom area

There is also a lost property container at YMCA OSHC if children attend.

Stay connected:

Qschools App
Twitter

Gumdale SS website
www.gumdaless.eq.edu.au

Gumdale State School Parents and Citizens Facebook Page

Gumdale SS P&C website
www.gumdalesspc.org.au

The Tuckshop needs your help!

If you have some spare time and would like to give back to your school, we would love to have you.

We are looking for volunteers to work for only 1 hour on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays!

Online ordering www.flexischools.com.au **cut off time is 8:30am.**

Cut off time for over the counter ordering is 9am.

Please put student's name and class on all manual tuckshop orders.

Year 3-6
Assembly
Monday 20 March

2:00pm
Hollis Hall

Whole School
Assembly
Monday 27 March

2:00pm
Hollis Hall

If you want to receive this
newsletter electronically

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