



Interschool Swimming

The Primary School swimming squad led by Lincoln Van Blitterswyk and Kayla De Villiers was successful in winning the Outright Shield at the MDSA Interschool Swimming Carnival hosted by Bindoon Primary School. The win was largely due to an outstanding team effort with all of our swimmers performing at their best to support our school. The team performance was also augmented by fine performances from our champion and runner-up champions on the day. Well done to all of our squad members on their fine performances.

Shield Results:

Handicap Shield: 1st Lancelin, 2nd Bindoon, 3rd Gingin, 4th Bullsbrook College

Outright Shield: 1st Gingin 310 pts, 2nd Bullsbrook College 249 pts, 3rd Bindoon 133pts, 4th Lancelin 115 pts.

Championship Results:

Year 3 Girls- Sienna Gregory- Runner Up Champion

Year 4 Boys- Declan Kabelka- Champion, Charlie Fitzpatrick- Runner Up champion

Year 4 Boys- Cole Fewster- Runner Up Champion

Year 5 Girls- Kaitlyn Baxter- Champion

Year 5 Boys- Jarrad Kennedy- equal Runner Up Champion

Year 6 Boys- Flynn Hendry and Lincoln Van Blitterswyk- equal Runner Up Champions

Congratulations to the mentioned champions for their contribution to our victory.



Breakfast Club Friday's

If you are looking for some yummy breakfast and a bunch of fun, the undercover area is the place to be on a Friday morning! Mr Beard has the music cranked, the skipping ropes are turning, breakfast club is cooking up a storm, the basketballs are flying and you may even spot a few interesting dance moves!

It is such a fun, positive atmosphere and a fantastic way to start your Friday. So come on down and join the fun.

Coming Events

Term 1 2018

WEEK 11

Friday 13th April

ANZAC Service

Last day of Term 1

Term 2 2018

WEEK 1

Monday 30th April

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY- **PUPIL FREE DAY**

Tuesday 1st May

Term 2 commences

CRTR Corner

Our last fortnight's Expected Behaviour lesson was to walk on all verandas. Responsible Rex reminded us of this with a really cool video. Ask your kids all about it!! It is a simple safety measure that we all need to be reminded of sometimes!



This week our IT Committee is giving us an iPromise. This is a whole school Expected Behaviour relating to the use of computers and electronic equipment. The iPromise has been developed to include cyber safety as well as responsible equipment use.

We have recently upskilled two staff members with more PBS training. Watch next term when their knowledge unfolds into the whole school rewards procedure.

Until next newsletter,

Your PBS Committee

Gingin District High School iPromise



Ensuring student safety on-line is important for our school. The iPromise is a student commitment that reflects our school's expectations of students' on-line behaviour. Students will be expected to make a commitment to the iPromise before using any technology in the school. The iPromise has been developed by our ICT team with input from all staff. The iPromise will be introduced in all classes next term, and the implications (including the consequences) explained to students.

iPromise:

- I will ask the teacher first before using the school's digital technologies;
 - I will use equipment as it is intended and only when instructed;
 - I will care for the devices and technology;
 - I will not change the device settings unless instructed;
 - To THINK before I type;
 - To only use the websites or apps that I have been instructed to use;
 - To only take pictures and videos with permission from my teacher;
 - I will report online bullying or misuse to an adult;
 - I won't share personal information about myself or others online, including pictures or videos;
 - I will tell an adult if I see anything that makes me feel uncomfortable;
 - I will keep my login details and passwords a secret;
 - To stay in my designated work space when using the school's technology;
 - That if I use material in my work from the Internet, I will say where it comes from.
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School Council

Please take the time to look at the School Council display outside the front office. The display shows the current members of the School Council and their category of membership. The School Council at our last meeting considered the Literacy whole school planning from the Literacy Committee, ratified the Annual Report for the 2017 school year and endorsed staff and Council Codes of Conduct. Minutes of each meeting are available on our website after they are endorsed.

The School Council is seeking a parent representative for a three year tenure. Nominations should be in writing to the Principal at the school. Where more than one nomination is received, an election of all parents will be held. Note that the successful applicant will be required to undergo a National Police Clearance check. Nominations close Friday, May 4th at 3.00 p.m.

The School Council is also considering the selection of community members. The Council is able to select community members from the nominations it has on the table and we will be doing this at our next meeting on May 30th.

Helping Minds Incursion

On Friday 6th April, Periods 1-4, the Year 7-10 students completed three modules from the Changing Minds program which was delivered by facilitators from Helping Minds, an agency that focuses on mental health and carer support. The first module looked at Starting conversations: Mental health & mental illness; symptoms & misconceptions; appropriate mental health services.

The second module focused on Facing challenges: Risk factors including drugs & alcohol; healthy vs unhealthy relationships; social media.

The third module looked at Positive choices: how to stay mentally healthy; coping & resilience strategies; mindful meditation.

In addition Andi from Carers WA enlightened the students on the role of Youth Carers and the available support networks for 8-25 year olds that might, in some capacity, support or care for family members.

The incursion required students to reflect on themselves and how they interact with their peers. It highlighted the vast wealth of free support resources available online and via the phone including Headspace, Kids Helpline, Lifeline and Youth Focus. A huge thank you to Jessica, Ellen and Alicia from Helping Minds (helpingminds.org.au) and Andi from Young Carers WA (www.youngcarerswa.asn.au) for taking the time to deliver this valuable extension of our Health Education curriculum.



Staff Achievements:

Twice a Term the Leadership Team would like to acknowledge some of our staff and their personal achievements outside of the classroom. The following staff represent Mathematics, Sport and Community.

Mrs Lesley Stoffels: Since 2014 Mrs Stoffels has been recognised as a Highly Accomplished Teacher, one of only 7 in the state. She is also a National Maths Champion for the 'reSolve program' which is supported by the Australian Government, Australian Association of Maths Teachers and the Australian Academy of Science. This resolve program promotes the use of maths using an inquiry approach across all year levels of schooling. Awesome work Mrs S.



Ms Louise Devine-Egan: The Inaugural Gridiron West Women's League is over with Perth Blitz winning the West Bowl championship game 28-0 and securing the perfect season, 10 wins and 0 losses. Our very own Ms Devine, Quarterback of the Perth Blitz took out MVP of the game. Ms Devine was also lucky enough to win Players' Player for her team as well as Overall MVP and was the recipient of the Overall MVP for the Women's League. Ms Devine now looks to the State Title where WA will be entering its first ever full kit side and hoping to knock off reigning champions Queensland. The 2018 Australian Women's Gridiron Championship will be held in May.



Student Achievements

The following students have made outstanding achievements recently in the Gingin Triathlon.



On Sunday 25th March 2018, Gingin District High School entered three teams into the Gingin Triathlon. Students participated in the Bendigo Bank long course which comprised of a 325m swim, 12km cycle and a 3km run. The teams had a fantastic result finishing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in their age category.

Two out of three of our teams finished in the top 5 overall. Special mention must go to Bailey Holloway for recording the fastest overall 3km time (15.25) and Levi Metcalf for 3rd fastest (15.48).

Congratulations to all students who got up early on a Sunday morning to compete in the rain.





Year 3 student

Olivia Samsworth, recently competed in the International "Festival of Tartans" and "Novocastrian Titles" in Sydney. Olivia achieved 2nd overall placing in the Festival, and joint 1st placing for the Novocastrian Titles! Congratulations Olivia on such a fantastic effort!

EASTER WITH THE STUDENT COUNCILLORS

The Student Council Easter activities were an EGGCELLENT success! We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported us. From all the Student Councillors, I would like to wish you all a safe and happy holiday. Below are the lucky winners of the Easter Raffle, the Colouring-in Competition and the Guess-How-Many-Eggs-In-The-Jar Competition.



Raffle

- 1st Prize – Jack Shields
- 2nd Prize – Cameron van Blitterwyck
- 3rd Prize – Liam O’Callaghan
- 4th Prize – Lachie Morton
- 5th Prize – Tai Gresele
- 6th Prize – Lacey Borwick
- 7th Prize – Dheon Tapiru
- 8th Prize – Darci Shepherd
- 9th Prize – Dheon Tapiru
- 10th Prize – James Hamilton



Guess-The-Eggs – Levi Metcalf

Colouring-In

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| | First | |
| Year 1 | Bella-Rae Shields | |
| Year 2 | Logan Todd | |
| Year 3 | Hannah Baxter | |
| Year 4 | Lilly Beckwith | |
| Year 5 | Jack Shields | |
| Year 6 | Claire George | |

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| Second |
| Gabriella Robeson |
| Amber-Lee Foster |
| Mylee Kalajzich |
| Nhu Diem Tong |
| Ella Morton |
| Bella Gomersall |



P&C News

Art in the Park: The P&C held a food stall at the Art in the Park event on Saturday 24th March. The total money raised was \$832.50 and will be donated to the STEM program for all students.

We would like to thank the following people for the kind gestures with donations and volunteering their time.

Gingin Gull Service Station and Borrello Beef for the donation of all meat and buns, Loose Leaf Lettuce, the Lions Club and to the parents that donated their time on the evening we are very grateful.

We look forward to attending this event next year.

Mother's Day Stall – 10th and 11th May: The P&C will be holding their annual Mother's Day Stall again this year on Thursday 10th and Friday 11th May.

Prices will range from \$1 to \$10 and there will be free gift wrapping.

Gifts include artwork, succulents, necklaces, beauty accessories, notepads, magnets and much much more

There will also be a raffle on the day to win your mum a pair of Michael Hill Pearl Earrings, tickets will be 50c. The P&C are asking for any donations towards the stall. If you have something you can donate please leave it in the library with Judy or pass onto a P&C member prior to Thursday 10th May.

British Car Day: The P&C will be holding a food stall like in previous years we need many volunteers for this day to be possible from people prepping on the

Saturday for a few hours to 2 hour shifts on the Sunday from 7.30am until 4pm. Please contact Rochell on 0488 990 248 to put your name down or alternatively the roster will be on our facebook page and you can comment on there once you see what jobs are available.

P&C Fundraisers for 2018: The P&C have motioned that ALL monies raised from fundraising throughout 2018 will be donated in one lump sum at the end of the year towards the STEM program at our School. (With the exception of British Car Day which will go towards the School Chaplain)

The P&C are very excited about this and are passionate to get some fun and interesting fundraisers happening this year so that we can help the School with introducing more of the STEM program for our children.

Canteen: The canteen require volunteers for this Friday 13th April to help prepare the Anzac Service Morning Tea, if you are available and would like to donate your time please contact Rochell on 0488990248 or rochell@westnet.com

Facebook Page: If you would like to keep up to date with the P&C please join the Facebook page [Gingin District High School P & C](#)

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 15th May at 6.30pm in the conference room.

We wish you all a safe and happy holiday and will see you back next term

Rochell Van Blitterswyk
Committee Member

Incentives To Pay Voluntary Fees And Charges

The P&C has provided the school with vouchers from local businesses to provide incentives for families to pay their voluntary fees and charges early. The school would like to thank CU@Park and Lizzie's Hair Design, as well as the P&C, for the incentive.

Last year, the school collected about 60% of voluntary fees and charges for primary students, and about 40% from high school students. If we were to collect all the school fees for students, this would provide a huge additional support for school resources and activities. Our School Council has expressed concern at the low rate of fee collection.

This year, all families who pay their voluntary fees and charges before the end of Term 2 will go into the draw for a voucher from CU@Park or Lizzie's Hair Design both valued @ \$50 each.

ANZAC DAY SERVICE
FRIDAY 13TH APRIL 2018

Community News

Coles Sports for Schools

Thank you to everyone who has brought in vouchers for the Coles Sports for Schools program! We will send off the last bag of vouchers on the last day of this term (Friday 13th April) so please continue to bring the vouchers to the school before then!

Thank you again to everyone who helped to collect the vouchers. We look forward to ordering new resources for the school!

Lindsey Gilchrist- Room 6



Exciting News Gingin Scout Group currently consists of cubs and Scouts but from Monday the 7th of May we will have our very own,

Each Group runs on a Monday out at the Scout Hall on Racecourse Road, Gingin



Joey's: 6 to 7½yr olds 3.15-4.15pm

Cubs: 7½-10½yr olds 3.15-4.45pm

Scouts: 10.½-14yr olds 5.00-7.00pm

Please like our Gingin Scout Group Facebook Page and keep up to date with what's happening and how you can be a part of this amazing group.

We are desperately looking for new Scout Leaders as our numbers are increasing we need people with a passion for the great outdoors and are interested in helping guide young people while having fun doing it. Then this is a job for you!

For more information please contact: Gloria Hyne on 0409 103 700

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WaterPonyz Swim School

The advertisement features a background image of an indoor swimming pool with lane markers. The text is overlaid in various colors and fonts, including a large blue starburst for 'Open Now'. The logo for WaterPonyz Swim School is a stylized blue pony head.

GINGIN NETBALL CLUB

FIRST GAME

Saturday 5th May 2018

TRAINING TIMES

THURSDAYS

Net – TIME 3:00pm

Set Go – TIME 3:15pm

(GINGIN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL NETBALL COURTS)

Juniors – Time 5:00pm

Seniors – TIME 6:00pm

(BENDIGO BANK COMPLEX)

FOR SATURDAY COMPETITION

LOOKING FOR ALL AGES

- Net (5-6 years - weekdays)
- Set Go (7-10 years)
- Juniors (11-15 years)
- Seniors (16 years-Open)

