Being Early for School
The most important time of the day for student learning is the start of school. Missing even small amounts of time from school can mount up to significant amounts over your child’s school year. Arriving at school and class on time ensures that:
- Students don’t miss out on the important learning activities scheduled early in the day when students are most alert;
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine;
- Gives your child time with friends before class and, therefore;
- Reduces the opportunity for classroom disruptions.

Cupcake Day
On Thursday 20th November a cupcake day will be held at school. Students will be able to decorate a large cupcake with icing and sprinkles for $2. All funds raised will go towards helping reduce the cost to students for our end of year excursion. Thank you Allyssa Staggs for donating the cupcakes and Mrs T for icing and decorations.

Kindergarten 2015
2015 kindergarten parents are invited to an *information evening on Tuesday 2nd December* from 6.30. The P & C will provide a light supper and parents are invited to stay for the P & C meeting that follows. If you haven’t returned your kindergarten enrolment form please do so as soon as possible.

Grandparents Day and P & C Raffle
Grandparents Day will be WEDNESDAY 26th November from 11.15am to 1pm. All grandparents/or special friends are invited for morning tea and concert. Grandparents and special friends can also order lunch from the P & C if required. The P & C will be holding a raffle which will be drawn on the day. Tickets will go home soon. Could you please fill in the note at the bottom of the page to help with catering on the day.

End of Year Excursion
The End of Year Excursion will be Wednesday 17th December to Armidale cost is $10 per student for the days activities. The cost of the bus is paid for by Gilgai P & C and the student SRC. A note will go home soon and we will require definite numbers and payment by 10th December.

Gilgai P & C Meeting
2nd December at 7pm
All welcome

Playgroup Dates
18th November, 2nd December
Year 6 Transition
A full transition day is organised for Thursday 20th November from 9am to 3pm.
If you have any questions regarding transition at Macintyre please do not hesitate to contact Annabel Brooker 67221555 the Year 7 Year Advisor for 2015.

Help Wanted
Can you help the P & C by providing a slice by Thursday morning for the Rotary Evening at Gilgai School. Please remember to have your child return their note as to whether or not they can help in providing the entertainment on the night.

PLACE IN YOUR DIARY
Transition for Year 6 - starts in Week 5 - Week 8
Kindergarten Information Evening Tuesday 2nd December
Grandparents Day 26th November
Presentation Night 10th December
Year 6 Farewell 15th December
End of year excursion 17th December

Book Club Orders
Please return by Friday 21st November

Who has the power?
Most parents of small children will know the uncomfortable feeling of being trapped in a power struggle with someone who doesn't even reach your waist height – there's something not quite right about it and yet it happens so quickly!
The most important thing to do is remember we have to set the tone; reacting to a child's behaviour usually works against us.
As parent coaches we need to carry dignity and a kind authority. These things tend to follow on naturally when we refuse to be provoked into a quick or harsh response. If you want to keep the balance of power in your favour, make sure you're calm and considered in how you reply to their behaviour, because nothing does a better job of demonstrating that you're fit to be in charge.

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GRANDPARENTS DAY

Grandparents Day will be Wednesday 26th November. Please indicate if your child will have Grandparent/Special Friends attending the Day.

My child ___________________________ will have _____________(number) attending Grandparents Day.