Principal Notes
The school athletics carnival will be Friday 25th July starting at 9.30am. Parents are most welcome to attend but will need to bring their own seating as the ground may be wet.

There is currently a Swine Flu alert so parents please don't send children to school if they are showing symptoms of the flu. The cold weather is always a bad time for colds and flu so your child will be responsible for bringing their own drink bottle as the school will not be providing a drink bottle to students. Please make sure that the bottles are regularly washed out as this can be a wonderful breeding ground for germs and bacteria.
If you have a Big W toy catalogue (sale ended last week) could you please send it into the school for a mathematics lesson by this Friday - thank you.

Newsletter Lunch orders and Permission notes
Parents please note the tear off section at the end of the newsletter. This section is to be filled in if you would like to have your newsletter emailed to you instead of your child bringing home a paper copy. The newsletter, lunch order and permission notes can also be accessed on the school website www.gilgai-p.schools.nsw.edu.au or if you are on Facebook you can like Gilgai Public School and view the newsletter there.

Teacher/Principal Meetings
The teachers at Gilgai School are only too pleased to speak to parents about their child/ren, but to do this without causing a disruption to the schools routine, it is essential to make an appointment. Mrs Halliday is on full day classes Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays and half days Wednesdays and Fridays. Please contact the front office if you wish to speak to your child’s teacher or the Principal.

School Uniform
Parents please send you child to school in winter uniform. Students have been turning up at school in shorts or not wearing jumpers. If your child doesn’t want to wear their jumper to school please make sure that it is in their bag. It may be warm at home in front of the fire but in the school playground it is very cold.

Lost Property
Please remember to label all your child’s clothing, lunchboxes and water bottles. Any student’s property that has been left behind but is labelled can be given back to students. Please regularly check that your child’s name has not faded on their clothing in the wash. Your child is responsible for their property. Please talk to your child about proper care of their belongings.

Gilgai P & C Meeting
Next meeting 5th August at 7pm
All welcome

Playgroup Dates
15th July, 29th July, 11th August, 25th August
Contact Details
Parents please remember to update the school with any changes to your child’s contact or medical details.

PLACE IN YOUR DIARY
Education Week - Week 3 Term 3
Book Week - Week 6 Term 3
Music Eisteddfod - Week 7 Term 3
Transition for Year 6 - starts in Week 9 Term 3
Lake Ainsworth Excursion - 3rd November to 7th November 2014
P & C Fete - Week 9 Term 3 13th September

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SRC Jelly Beans
The SRC are running a Jelly Bean guessing competition this week. 50 cents for 3 guesses.

CHAPLAIN’S CORNER
The kindness factor

There are lots of factors that can reduce the likelihood your child will be bullied. If you want a simple one that you can teach and practice at home, show kids the power of being a giver. Children who are actively giving of their friendship, generosity, and kindness also tend to be widely liked and respected. It won’t always come naturally, so make it a game if that helps. Challenge everyone to commit three random acts of kindness each day. These can be as simple as loaning someone your pencil, asking them to join your game, or picking up their dropped jersey for them. If they’re done with a cheerful smile, the results will be even better.

“The best inheritance a parent can give to his/her children is a few minutes of their time each day”. - M Grundler

NEWSLETTER

I _____________________________ (Parent name) will no longer require a paper copy of the newsletter I can access by webpage or facebook. Please return to the office by Friday 18th July - Thank you