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CONFIRMATION 2023

Congratulations to our five students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday. Bishop McKenna came to Gulgong to administer the sacrament with Fr Owen and Deacon Ha assisting. The sacrament of Confirmation makes fully evident what baptism means. Confirmation is the continuation of the work of God; we receive the Holy Spirit in the greatest abundance when we receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

These students chose names of saints who they admire for qualities such as kindness, reverence, generosity, selflessness and faith in God. We pray that they will always strive to KNOW God as they have at this Confirmation time. Congratulations to Chelsey (St Mary MacKillop), Henry (St George), Sophia (St Therese of Lisieux), Arabella (St Joan of Arc) and Lilah (St Bernadette).

Many thanks to all those who helped make this a special day. The parishioners of St John the Baptist for their support of the students in their preparation for Confirmation and on Sunday. Mrs Holland, Mrs O'Connell, Mrs Leotta, Mrs Buckle and Mr Toole for their support and all the jobs they did to help. A big THANK YOU to two ex-students, Eleanor and Eve who were the Altar Servers.

Thank you to the families who have guided their children towards Confirmation and support them each day. It was a wonderful day.



May the gifts of the Holy Spirit
fill your life this day,
strengthening you to live the Gospel
and leading you
to do God's will
with eagerness and joy.

*Congratulations on your
Confirmation!*

We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand. We walk on a land of the Wiradjuri people. May we continue to love and respect the land as they have.

And the news this week is...

School Theme for 2023 is:

"One Heart, Many Voices"



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENT MEETING

A meeting for parents/guardians of children making their First Holy Communion will be held on THURSDAY 15th June at 3.30pm in the School Library. The children will receive their First Holy Communion at the Parish Mass on Sunday 13th August 2023.

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

This year we will again be supporting Vinnies with a **"Winter Woolies Day" on Friday 23rd June.**

On this day we encourage everyone to come to school dressed in their 'Winter Woolies' with a gold coin donation.

This year Vinnies have asked for donations of warm winter blankets or cash that they could put towards the purchase, for families in need.

Tubs are in the hall to start collecting. Please drop any blankets you wish to donate into the donation tubs leading up to our dress up day on Friday 23rd June.

About Vinnies:

For over 160 years, the St Vincent de Paul Society (fondly known as "Vinnies") has been assisting people experiencing poverty and disadvantage in our community.

Who was St Vincent de Paul?

St Vincent de Paul lived long ago in France. He was known in his lifetime as a saint of the poor. The Holy Spirit within Vincent helped him to serve the homeless, children, prisoners and refugees. He gave food to those in need. He looked after those who were sick in hospital. Vincent's great love for the poor is something wonderful that we can remember and imitate. He was an example of positive moral behaviour. The Vinnies Logo explained:



The hand of Christ
blesses the cup



The hand of love
offers the cup



The hand of suffering
receives the cup

SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL



Tomorrow our Athletics Carnival will be held at Victoria Park Gulgong.

Students from Yrs 2 - 6 will attend the carnival all day and participate in track and field events. Students are to come to school dressed in their sports uniform. A bus will transport the students to and from the carnival.

Kinder and Year 1 students will come to the oval after recess and participate in ball games, running and field events.

We are in need of parents to help with field events, timekeeping and judging and would be very grateful for your help. Please phone or email Carolyn in the office if you can assist.

The weather forecast is predicting late showers. We will try and get through as much of the carnival as possible. Should this not be possible, our backup date is next Wednesday 14th June.

Our P & F will be running a BBQ at the carnival and we also need volunteers to help cook the BBQ and serve in the canteen. If you're able to help, please let us know.

We are looking forward to a great event!

HENRY LAWSON FESTIVAL



A reminder that we are running a BBQ/Street Stall this Saturday outside IGA and we are still in need of parents to help. A copy of the roster was emailed to families on Monday. Please let us know ASAP if you can assist.

As a school, we will be joining in the Parade at **12 noon**. We are asking all students and staff that are present in town to come and join us in the parade. We will be dressing as drovers and marching as a school group. Students will need to wear jeans, boots, hats, country style clothing and meet at 11.40 in the Bowling Club car park.

****A reminder that due to the Long Weekend, there will be NO SCHOOL next Monday 12th June**

And the news this week is...

TERM 2

8/6/23	School Athletics Carnival
9/6/23	Rugby Gala Day
12/6/23	Public Holiday
14/6/23	Yr 6 RE Test First Eucharist Parent Meet
15/6/23	Mass 12.30pm Yr1 & 4
16/6/23	Stage 2 Red Hill Excursion
28/6/23	NAIDOC Week celebration
30/6/23	Term 2 ends



YEAR 6 R.E TEST

Next week our Year 6 students will sit the Year 6 RE Test.

This is a diocesan wide RE test that most all our schools participate in. Our students have been preparing consistently and we wish them well next Wednesday.

CAROLYN AWAY

Carolyn will be away for the next two weeks 13 - 26th June.

As her email will not be monitored during this time, if you need to contact the school, please phone the office on 6374 1582 or email Bec or Brad.

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NAIDOC WEEK



National NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia in the first week of July each year (Sunday to Sunday), to celebrate and recognise the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations cultures and histories and participate in celebrations of the oldest continuous living cultures on earth. You can support and get to know your local Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities through activities and events held across the country. During week 10, All Hallows will be joining with the other Gulgong schools to celebrate the culture of our First Nations people.

Tuesday 27th June:

- We will go to the High School with the other schools.
- Our students will create an artwork to decorate the High School Gym
- Join in the community celebrations at Gulgong High

Wednesday 28th June:

All Hallows NAIDOC Day

- Mufti wearing something Red, Black or Yellow
- NAIDOC Liturgy (time tbc)
- Activities throughout the day in mixed groups
- BBQ lunch (sausage sizzle)
- Return to regular classes after lunch

Parents are invited to the Liturgy, activities and BBQ and join with us throughout the day.

KINDER 2024

We are now beginning to take enrolments for Kinder 2024 and looking forward to inviting new families and students into the All Hallows community next year.

If you know of anyone interested in enrolling their child for next year, please share this information with them and ask them to email b.toole2@bth.catholic.edu.au or call into the office to collect an enrolment pack. We also have limited availability in other classes at the moment.

Our KOALA Club Kinder Transition will begin in Term 3.

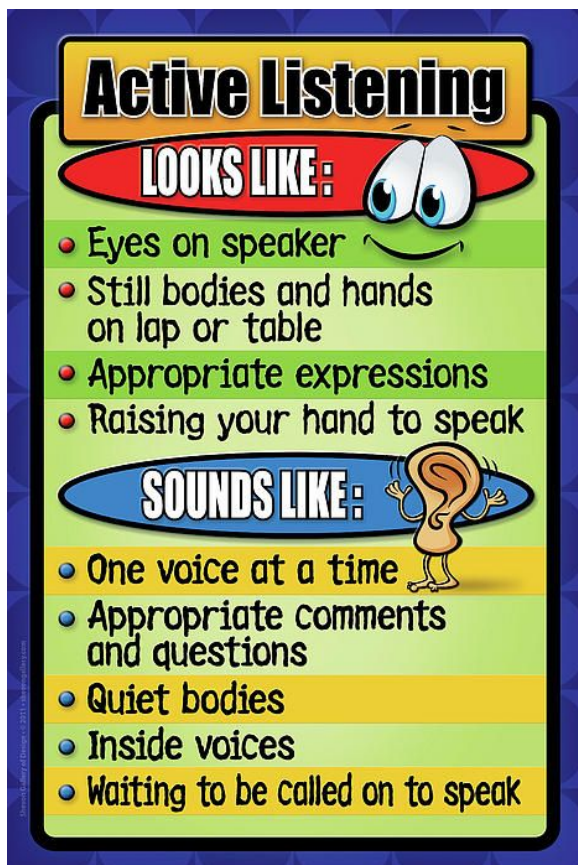
Kinder 2024 Transition Dates:

TERM 3

7/9/23	KOALA Club - 9.30am - 12.30pm
14/9/23	KOALA Club - 9.30am - 12.30pm
21/9/23	KOALA Club - 9.30am - 12.30pm

TERM 4

12/10/23	KOALA Club - 9.30am - 2.30pm
26/10/23	KOALA Club - 9.30am - 2.30pm
9/11/23	KOALA Club - 9.30am - 2.30pm
23/11/23	KOALA Club - 9.30am - 2.30pm



P & F NEWS

SAVE THE DATES

P & F Trivia Night:

Saturday 2nd September @ Gulgong RSL Club

Back to All Hallows Weekend:

Celebrating 140 Years of Catholic Education in Gulgong

20th - 22nd October

The weekend will include:

Friday: Celebration Day at School

P & F Grand Bazaar Market Night

Saturday: 140 Year Celebration Dinner @ RSL

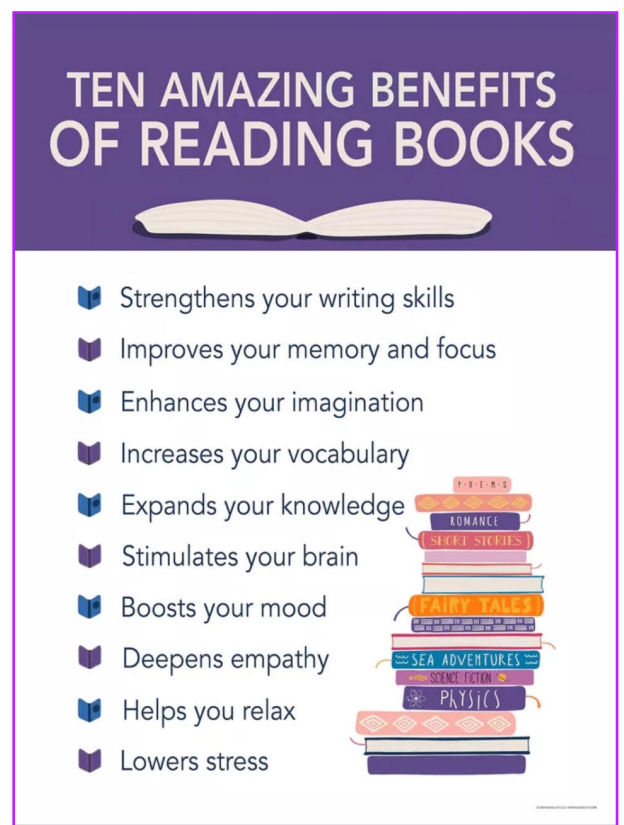
Sunday : Mass followed by BBQ Lunch

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

Our P & F Uniform Shop is open on **Tuesday** mornings **8.30am - 9.15am**. Should you need items outside this time, please message through the P & F Facebook page: **All Hallows Gulgong P&F & Uniform Shop** and someone from the P & F will arrange a collection from the office for uniform items.

School Beanies

The school is now selling beanies for \$18.00. They are available from the Uniform Shop and can be worn on cool days. I would advise students to have their hats in their bags so they can change later in the day if it warms up.



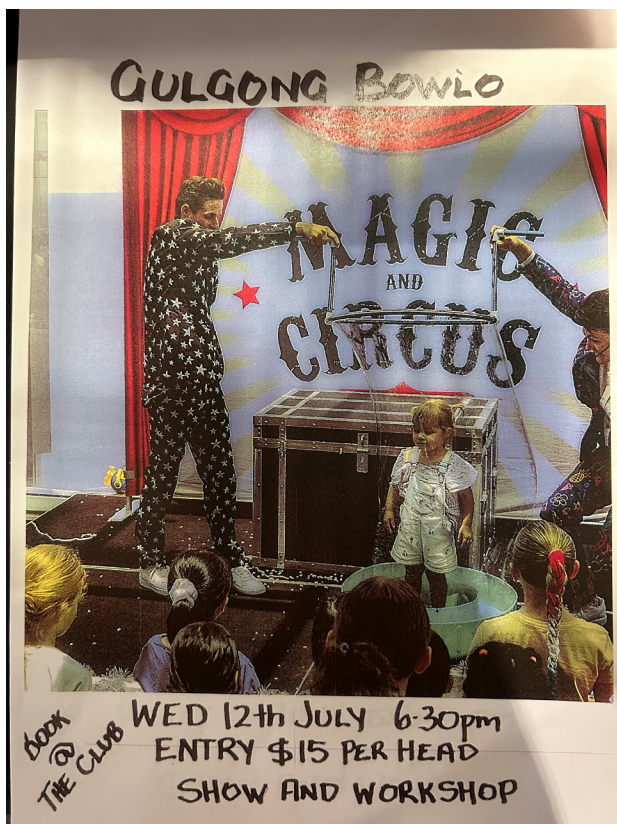
Merit Awards

Week 6

<u>Kinder</u> Hunter B, Milly M	<u>Year 3</u> Liam J, Eloise B, Anna T
<u>Year 1</u> Lennon O, Alexis S, Adeline O	<u>Year 4</u> Noah W, David H, Noah T, Lexi W
<u>Year 2</u> Amber-Lilly S, Ruby T	<u>Year 5/6</u>

Halos: Lara P, Issy C, Ivy G, Liam J, Oliver K, Hartley S, Caitlin B, Dylan M, Dakota W, Hunter B

<p align="center">CANTEEN</p> <p>Open for lunch each Tuesday & Thursday</p> <p>13th June: Emma A & Kate D</p> <p>15th June: Emma A, Cherie M, Elise W</p>	<p align="center">PARISH NEWS</p> <p>Sunday 11th June</p> <p>Service in the Absence of a Priest @ 10.30am</p>
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GULGONG BOWLO


MAGIC AND CIRCUS

WED 12th JULY 6-30pm
ENTRY \$15 PER HEAD
SHOW AND WORKSHOP

Book @ The Club

COMING EVENTS





Family Fun Day Fundraiser

GULGONG BOWLING & SPORTING CLUB
1 TALLAWANG ROAD
GULGONG

SUNDAY 4 JUNE 2023
11AM ONWARDS

ENTRY:
ADULTS \$20, KIDS \$10

INCLUDES SAUSAGE SIZZLE
BAREFOOT BOWLS, SILENT
AUCTIONS AND OTHER
FUNDRAISING FUN!!!

GULGONG J.R.L. CLUB PRESENTS

TRIVIA NIGHT

Fundraiser

Trivia Table of 8 people \$80
or \$10 per person

Lucky door prizes, raffles and silent auctions

SATURDAY 24 JUNE
FROM 6 PM | 24 JUNE, 2023

Gulgong Bowling & Sporting Club
Tallawang Road, Gulgong NSW 2822

Ring Mel on 0418204463 for enquiries or tickets.