



Girilambone Newsletter

Term 1 Week 7



IMPORTANT DATES

13-22ND MARCH
NAPLAN

21ST MARCH
THURSDAY
Harmony Day
Hermidale Public School

25TH MARCH
MONDAY
Executive Director &
Director visit

26TH MARCH
TUESDAY
Healthy Harold

29TH MARCH - 1ST APRIL
FRI-MON
Easter Long Weekend

Principal's Report

Congratulations to Ella Morison, Patrick Fanning, Sophia Elder, Isla Jackson, Georgia Farrugia and Jed Elder who all qualified for the Nyngbar Carnival held in Cobar this year. This was a great achievement with all students participating.

Ella, Patrick, Sophia and Jed all qualified to represent Nyngbar at the Western PSSA swimming carnival yesterday. All students represent at a high standard and are to be commended.

Naplan commenced today, with all students Australia wide completing their writing test. Next week our Year 5 students will complete reading, conventions of language and numeracy.

Next Thursday, 21st March, we will be heading over to Hermidale to celebrate Harmony Day. The students will take part in activities throughout the day and the Aboriginal Community Liaison Officers will be there to run some sports activities. Students will be traveling across in staff vehicles with Mr. Pascoe, Tammy and myself. A permission note will be out on school bytes today.

Monday, 25th March, we will have the Executive Director, Dean White, and Director, Charles Dwyer, visiting our school. This will be an interactive visit with Dean and Charles where the students and myself will engage in a round table discussion. This will be an opportunity for students to share their highlights of schooling and any concerns they may have.



Following this, Healthy Harold will be visiting our school on Tuesday, March 26th. This will be a Hub Day with Hermidale Public School joining us for the day. A \$5 meal deal including a hotdog, popper and zooper dooper will be available for lunch. You will have the option to pay via the school bytes app, or students can bring cash on the day. To pay via School Bytes, go to the Parent Portal, press payment, press add, select student, select \$5 meal deal, press add items then pay now. If you have any problems, please contact the front office.

Please note on Harmony Day and our Healthy Harold HUB day students are to wear their HUB shirts.

Again I cannot stress the importance of attendance, this term to date we have only had 3 days of 100% attendance. Due to the decrease in attendance this is now a progress measure that will be monitored in our Strategic Improvement Plan. I will be inviting the Department of Education Attendance Officer to our school to speak of the importance. As the department poster clearly states below, missed days are lost years. I encourage you to reach out to me if there are barriers as we want to best support your child at our school.

Girilambone P&C AGM will be held this Friday, 15th March, at 2.30pm. All parents and community members are encouraged to attend.

There has been a decrease in the return of homework this year. Please ensure your child is completing their homework activities and returning it on Friday.

Kindest regards,

Rebekah Harris
Relieving Principal
Girilambone Public School.

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

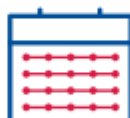
they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

1 day per fortnight
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4 weeks



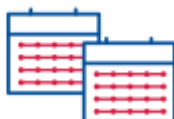
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Over **1** year missed

1 day per week
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8 weeks


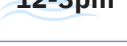









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Over **2.5** years missed

School Planner 2024

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Term 1	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
January / February	1	School holiday 29	30	31	1	2
February	2	5	Staff Development Day 6	Staff Development Day 7	School resumes  8	9
February	3	12	13	14	15	16
February	4	19	Nyngan Pool-swimming practice. 12-3pm  20	21	22	Small Schools Swimming Carnival  23
February / March	5	Free Dental Clinic  26	27	28	Nyngbar District Swimming Carnival  29	Mid Term Break 1
March	6	Mid Term Break 4	5	6	7	8
March	7	11	Dubbo Regional Swimming Carnival  12	13	14	15
March	8	NAPLAN  18	19	20	Harmony Day  21	22
March	9	25	Healthy Harold  26	27	28	Good Friday 29
April	10	Easter Monday 1	2	3	4	5
April	11	8	9	10	11	Last Day of Term One 12



TOWARDS A BETTER WORLD





FRONT VIEW



FRONT VIEW



BACK VIEW



BACK VIEW



FRONT VIEW



FRONT VIEW



BACK VIEW

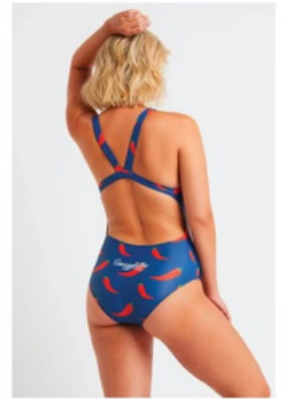


BACK VIEW

Hats \$40

Stubby Holders \$10

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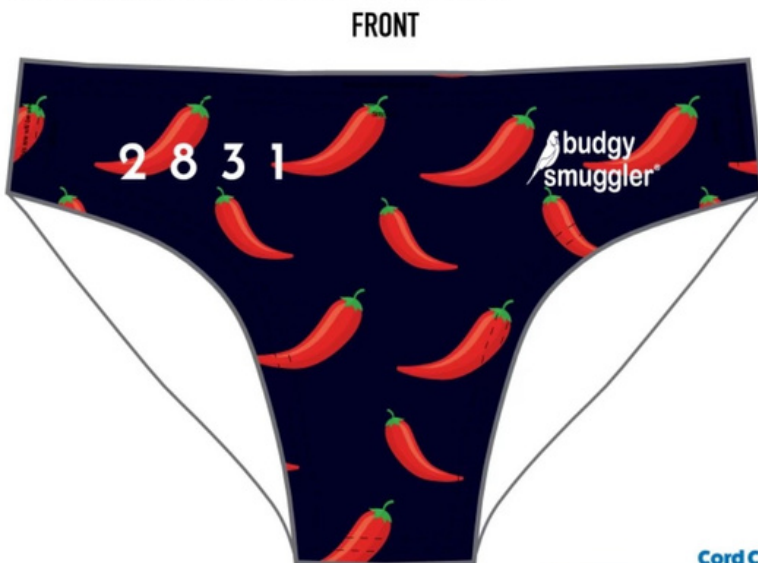
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Cord Colours Available

STANDARD										FLURO	
BLK	GRN 1	TEA 1	ORG 2	BUT 1	PUR 1	BBL 1	NAVY 1	PNK 2	LEM 1	ORG 1	
WHT	GRN 3	MBN 1	RED 1	GLD 1	FLR 2	ROY 1	BTB 1	PNK 1	GRN 2		

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NAPLAN

National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy Information for parents and carers

- All students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in Australia do NAPLAN tests in March each year.
- NAPLAN tests students' skills in reading, writing and maths.
- The test questions are presented in Standard Australian English dialect.
- Students read some of the questions and listen to others with headphones.
- The tests will get easier or harder, depending on how students are going in the test. Students do four different tests. The names of the four tests are:



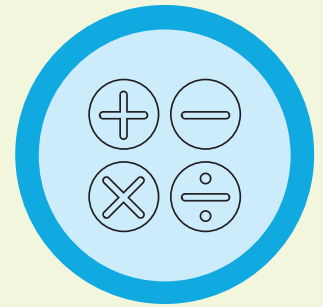
Writing



Reading



Conventions of language
(spelling, grammar and punctuation)



Numeracy

- Students in Year 3 will do the Writing test using pencil and paper. Year 3 students will answer the other test questions on the computer.
- Students in Years 5, 7 and 9 will answer all their test questions on computers.
- Teachers will help students get ready for NAPLAN tests.
- Schools will get their students' results. The school will then give parents/carers a report showing their own child's results.
- Parents/carers can talk to the teacher about these results.
- NAPLAN shows how students are going all over Australia. People who work in the Australian Government, state and territory education authorities and schools use NAPLAN results. The results let them see which schools are doing well and which schools might need help.

Talk to your teacher if you have any questions about your child doing the tests.
For more information on NAPLAN, visit nap.edu.au.