

GUM FLAT PUBLIC SCHOOL

Term 2 Week 6 - 2 June, 2025



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A colorful graphic for the 'Save the Date' for the Annual Gum Flat Bingo Night. It features a bingo wheel with numbers 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100, a bingo card with numbers 7, 19, 35, a calculator, a stack of gold coins, a bag of money, and a roulette wheel. The text reads: 'Save the Date', 'The Annual Gum Flat Bingo Night', 'will be held on', 'Saturday 25 October 2025 at 6pm', 'Great prizes to be won.', and 'BBQ tea available.'

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Term 1	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
Week 1	April 28	29	30	May 1	2
Week 2	5	6	7	8	9
Week 3	12	13	14	15	16
Week 4	19	20	21	22	23
Week 5	26	27	28	29	30
Week 6	June 2	3 Library	4	5	6
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Principal's Message

Welcome to Week 6

Some of our students were busy last week with sporting events and I would like to thank the parents for transporting and supervising their children at these events. As I write my article, I am looking forward to being a part of the Zone Cross Country at Bingara and know that I will be very proud of all our runners.



It was great to be a part of such a beautiful school community event at our Biggest Morning Tea and a big thank you to all our staff, families and friends for their support of such a worthy cause.

Another big thank you to our P&C and our community for raising over \$1000 in the Road Trip Raffle – Well done everyone.

I hope you all have a great week from Mrs. Coddington.

Gum Flat BBB Night

**A reminder that the next BBB Night will be held on
Friday 6 June at 6:30pm
at the Gum Flat Hall**

BYO meat/salad/drinks etc

**This is a great family night for our community,
and everyone is welcome to attend.**

School News

HOMEWORK

As part of the Smart Spelling program, students in Years 1-6 are given a homework sheet and are expected to complete a Look, Cover, Write, Check activity each day at home and return the completed sheet to school on either the Friday or Monday. This enables us to assess their knowledge of their individual spelling list. **Please encourage your child to complete their activity each day and return completed homework sheets to school.**

INVERELL HIGH SCHOOL (IHS) MEET AND GREET SESSION

As part of our Transition to High School program, some Inverell High School (IHS) staff and students came out to Gum Flat last week to chat to our Year 6 students about life at high school. They met their 2026 Year Advisor Charmain Harrington and Head Teacher Wellbeing Jemma Stapleton.



Harley said it was great finding out he will be studying 9 subjects in Year 7 (a lot more than he thought) and Wilson was excited about the Learning Area – a classroom where you can extend your learning. Thanks IHS for your efforts in trying to make the transition to high school less overwhelming for our Year 6 students.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

A reminder that Monday 9 June 2025 is a Public Holiday for the King's Birthday. Enjoy your long weekend.

SPORTS REPORT

Zone Cross Country: Well done to those students who represented Gum Flat Public at the Zone Cross Country in Bingara last Friday. Students will be notified in due course if they qualified for the North West Cross Country.

Inverell Netball Trials: Congratulations to Imogen who attended the Zone Netball Trials last Wednesday and has qualified to progress to the North West Netball Trials. Well done Imogen!

NEXT P&C MEETING

Please save the date for the next P&C Meeting - Monday 25 August 2025 at 5pm in the Admin building.

We appreciate everyone who comes along and supports the work of the P&C, but would always love to see some more faces.

School News

IMPORTANT - ROAD SAFETY

Concerns have been raised regarding road safety at drop off and pick up times.
As a result, could you please adhere to the following requests.

***The school driveway is to be one way for safety reasons.
Please enter slowly from the Copeton Dam side and exit the hall side.***

***Upon collecting your child, please do not stand in the middle of the road
chatting, but move to a safe area.***

Your child's safety is very important to us
and we appreciate your help in keeping our students safe.

***The Gum Flat Public School P&C recently held a very successful raffle.
On behalf of the P&C, thank you to all those who supported this fundraiser.
A special thank you must go to the following local businesses
who donated some very generous prizes.***

Donations received from:

- ***Reflections Copeton Waters***
- ***Bunnings Inverell***
- ***Billabong Blue Sapphire***
- ***Rachel at Remedial massage***
- ***Cellarbrations Inverell***
- ***No Bull Butchery***
- ***Wade Street Takeaway***

Congratulations to the following Road Trip Raffle Winners:

- ***1st Prize - Purple D 05 - R Walker***
- ***2nd Prize - Yellow D 44 - Chris Lamb***
- ***3rd Prize - Red D 17 - Pam Holton***
- ***4th Prize - Purple D 83 - Evan Williamson***
- ***5th Prize - Blue B 05 - B Walker***
- ***6th Prize - Blue B 75 - Kenzie Clarke***
- ***7th Prize - Blue D 54 - Lyn Kitawal***

Classroom News

This week we would like to share Indi's story that she read at the School Assembly last week.

The Midnight Gang

by Indi

Baby Brenda hops out of her cot and crawls backwards down the stairs and whizzes across the Kitchen floor and squeezes through the cat flap.

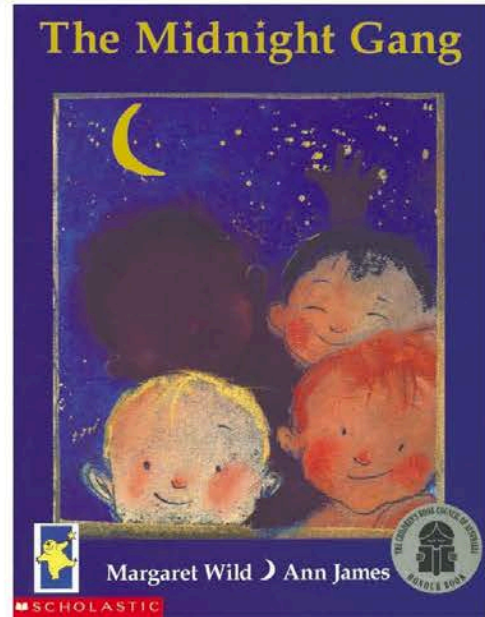
The gang was waiting for her. They passed the dog and passed the cat and went out the gate to the park.

ON the way one of them said,
"What are we doing tonight Brenda?"

"I've got an idea, let's go to the park" said Brenda. "But it's night and we can't see".

"Look up and see your light" said Brenda.

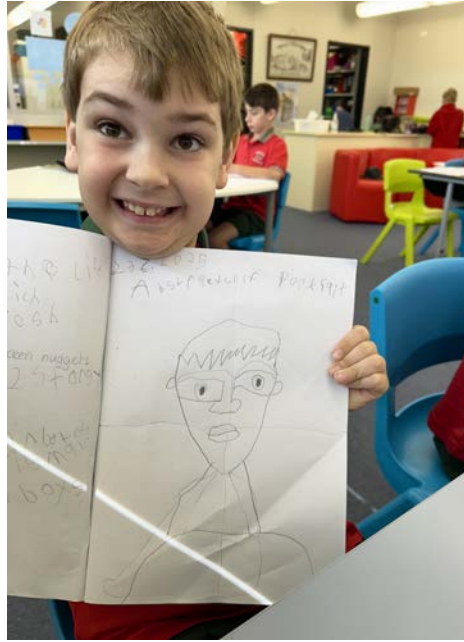
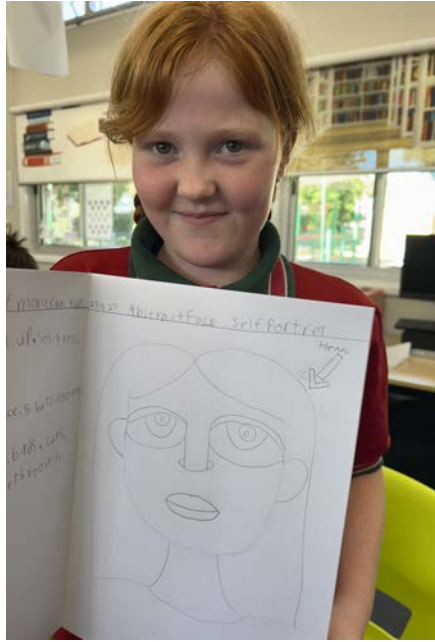
They went down and up the slippery dip and they swung on the swings and they went up and down and up and down and up, up and they were at the stars and on the moon. They came back down to the ground and back home. Baby Brenda whizzed across the kitchen floor, climbed up the creaky, cracky stairs and climbed on the toy bear and was back in bed.



Fun & Learning with Technology



Primary Class Art



Our Primary students enjoyed their recent art lesson where they drew some amazing self portraits.

